

Call Board

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This Month's Meeting



WOW! Put down those magazines with just fancy pictures because we have 6 of the finest model railroad layouts around for you to see FIRST HAND.

Come out to the June Meeting on Sunday the 18th and get a map. It's our Father's Day Tour meeting and we've lined up some dandys. Whether you attended the National Convention last summer or not, here's your chance to see some of the layouts that were on the tours and some that haven't been open for a while. And it won't cost you the 54 bucks they charged for the tours! See you at Chapel 3 at 2PM...



Ray Persing's Cincinnati & Western

Dave Holl's Penn Valley RR



Bob Fink's Dayton Union Railway

Dick Sine's Bighorn & Western



Terry McTaggart's Pennsylvania Railroad

Jim Foster's Gophir TRAM



SUPER'S NOTES

Let's get rolling...

If GP series diesels are called "Geeps", why aren't the SD series called "Seeds"??

Ok, I promise it won't get any worse than that!

We've begun to put together a group of meetings geared to what you tell us you need and want. You'll find a member survey in this issue. Fill it in and bring it to the next meeting or mail it. Armed with the results our program folks can search for topics and presenters that fit in with what you say you need. Some of the areas we'll present in coming months will be:

- Improving model building skills
- A "Building A Layout" series from design to wiring
- Prototype History past to present
- Achieving Realistic Operation

That's just for starters so please let us know what ideas or presentations you can use.

We also want to continue to have a layout open near the meeting place each month. It gives you a chance to view the work of members without a lot of travel. Can we visit your pike? It doesn't have to be finished or fancy. Let us know when and we'll put you on the schedule.

One more idea to explore! How about an old fashioned raffle at each meeting? I'm ready to try it again so stay tuned.

How about SHOW and TELL...

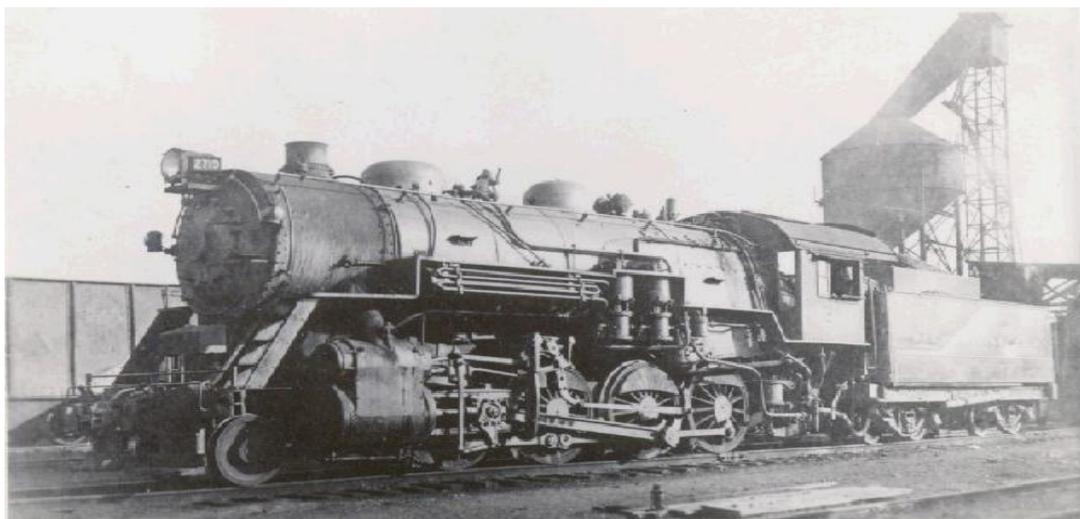
The old Show and Tell table could use some help. If you have something you're proud of or that you've found and would like to share please bring it along.

At the last BOG meeting we kicked around some goals for the coming months. First on the list is increased participation. There are a lot of folks out there who have been in the Division for a long time but we only see them once in a while. If transportation is a problem let me know. There are a number of new faces in the crowd each month and we need to know what they expect of the organization.

If you missed the last meeting on Signals you can still see some of the technology at the layouts on the June Open House Tour. It may seem complicated but if you ask the layout owners for their source of information they will be glad to get you started. Just ask em'.

See YOU at the June meeting.

Bob Fink MMR



The little B&O class E27s 2-8-0 in the picture above was like the one that ran a way freight from Dayton to Hamilton right up to the end of steam.. But what you have to love is the Snow Co. (Snowco) steel coaling tower in the background. This one has an exceptionally high bucket hoist. They came in all sizes and configurations and a railroad engineering department could actually or-

Forum . . . or Against 'Em?

Got a great idea, or a hot opinion? Run across a modeling idea that's just too good to wait until the next meeting to share? Well, now there's a way to reach fellow Division members and modelers right away.

We've added a forum style message board to the Division website (<http://www.modelraildayton.com>). Just click on "Message Board" in the left hand column index. The messages are available to read to all visitors. If you want to post a message, or reply to one already there, you'll have to register. I am aware that most of us don't like to put personal information on the web, but it isn't a problem here.

All you need is a name (anything will do, as long as it isn't 'R' rated) and a working e-mail address. This address need not be shared with other visitors. These options will be offered at registration. If you don't want to use your normal email address, or wish to remain anonymous, sign up for a free address at Hotmail or Yahoo!

The reason we ask you to register is that this is the only simple tool we have to keep the forum from filling up with spam, porno ads and the other assorted garbage that is so prevalent on open sites. The occasional Viagra salesman who takes the time to register will be quickly spotted and given the boot.

We don't intend to heavily police the content of the site. All we ask is that you keep it clean and relevant. Posts not related to railroading or modeling, or those containing inappropriate or abusive language may be deleted.

This is a great way to share information with your fellow modelers, and we invite all users of the website to register and share! If you have any questions, contact the Webmaster (Norm Courtney) at horail-head@gmail.com. If you have a comment, why not register and post it?

Norm Courtney
Division 3 Webmaster

COME ONE, COME ALL!

Join us at the work sessions for the 2006 giveaway layout!

In the little white house next to the Greene County Historical Society in Xenia (this is the place we have worked in the past). Choose a name for it! Lay track! Plan the scenery!

WOW!

Tentatively, the work sessions will be at 2 PM on the second and fourth Saturdays of each month until we are done. Contact Jim Foster at 937-425-8330 (days) or 937-299-1599 (evenings) for confirmation.



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Hand-crafted quality layout ready for scenery.

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Donated to Trotwood-Madison Historical Society
5/4/1994

Value disclosed was \$5,500.00 that previous owner
used as a tax write-off.

This layout is kinda rough right now after sitting in storage at Trotwood Corp behind Devers. The track is hand laid and some is coming loose. The components would give somebody a lot to play with, especially in the model railroading hobby business. The Trotwood-Madison Historical Society is looking for a new home for **ALL** of it at a best offer deal. Contact David Decker 890-0611 for more information.



An Informal Program Survey

In order to present material of the broadest interest we need to update our "Member's Wish List". If you are in need of specific material on any model railroad subject that we aren't covering or would like to share your ideas and results on a topic please let us know now.

We also see the same faces and don't see others who are on the mailing list. This is typical of any hobby group but what our program people need to know is not so much why people attend but what we could do to get everyone out at least once in a while. Here's a quick survey of your interest areas. Fill it out, fold it, stamp it and mail or bring it to a meeting or even adapt it into an email for jmsmith87@earthlink.com. It would help us all. Let's hear what you want to see and hear and we'll take it from there.

MEMBER INTEREST STUDY

My Main Hobby Interests are: (Check as many as needed)

- Watching and studying real trains
- Watching and Operating Model Trains
- Building models and/or a Layout
- Collecting Model Trains and Memorabilia
- _____

I've attended ___ Division 3 meetings in the past year

I've built ___ railroad models (kits, etc) this year

My other hobbies are _____

I rate the following subjects as:

A = I'd attend for sure

C = Mildly interested

F = Wouldn't leave my basement for it:

- Hands-on Skill Building Clinics on structures, Rolling stock, locos, etc.
- Auctions and Swap meets
- RR history or Prototype slide shows
- Layout tours
- Prototype Tours
- Techniques by authors and layout builders
- _____

The reasons I don't attend the meetings are:

We need to have more _____

_____ (Use the other side if needed)

MEMBER INTEREST STUDY (Continued)

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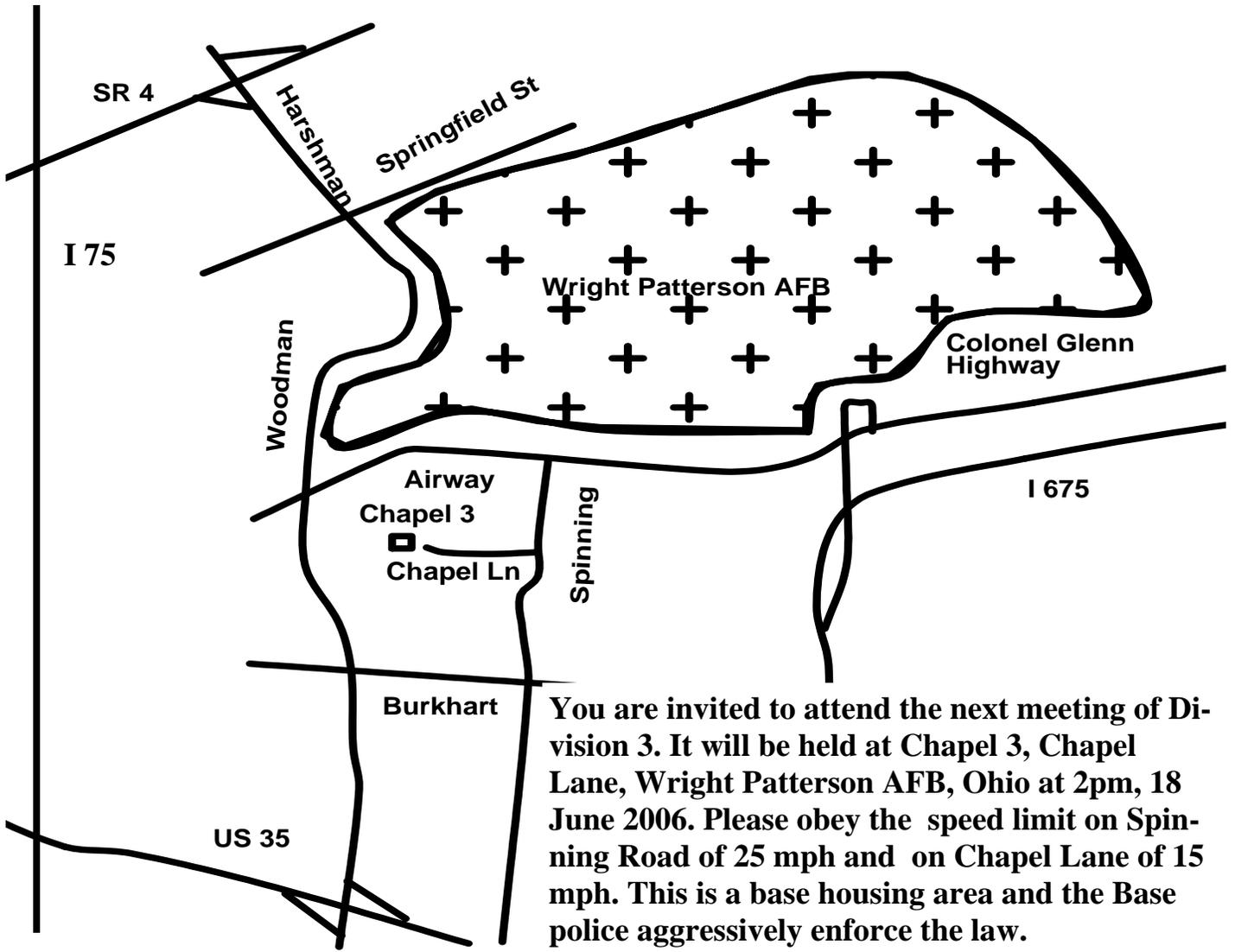
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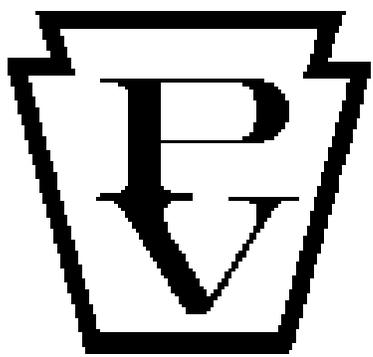


You are invited to attend the next meeting of Division 3. It will be held at Chapel 3, Chapel Lane, Wright Patterson AFB, Ohio at 2pm, 18 June 2006. Please obey the speed limit on Spinning Road of 25 mph and on Chapel Lane of 15 mph. This is a base housing area and the Base police aggressively enforce the law.

Visitors and guests are always welcome.

CONTESTS

Future Categories		May Non-Revenue	
June	No Contest		
July	Cabooses		
		Model	Photo
		1 Bill Spinks	1 No Entries
		2 Bill Spinks	2
		3 Bill Spinks	3



Date	Location	Contest	Program
18 June	Chapel 3 Chapel Lane Wright Patterson	No Contest	Layout Tours
24 June	Carillon Park	Miami Valley Rail Festival	
16 July		Cabooses	Ohio Depots By George Bagamani
August	No Meeting		
17 September	Carillon Historical Park		Live Steam
15 October	Connellsville, IN		Whitewater Valley Excursion
4-5 November	Hara Arena		Division 3 Show and Sale
19 November			Layout Operations
17 December			

