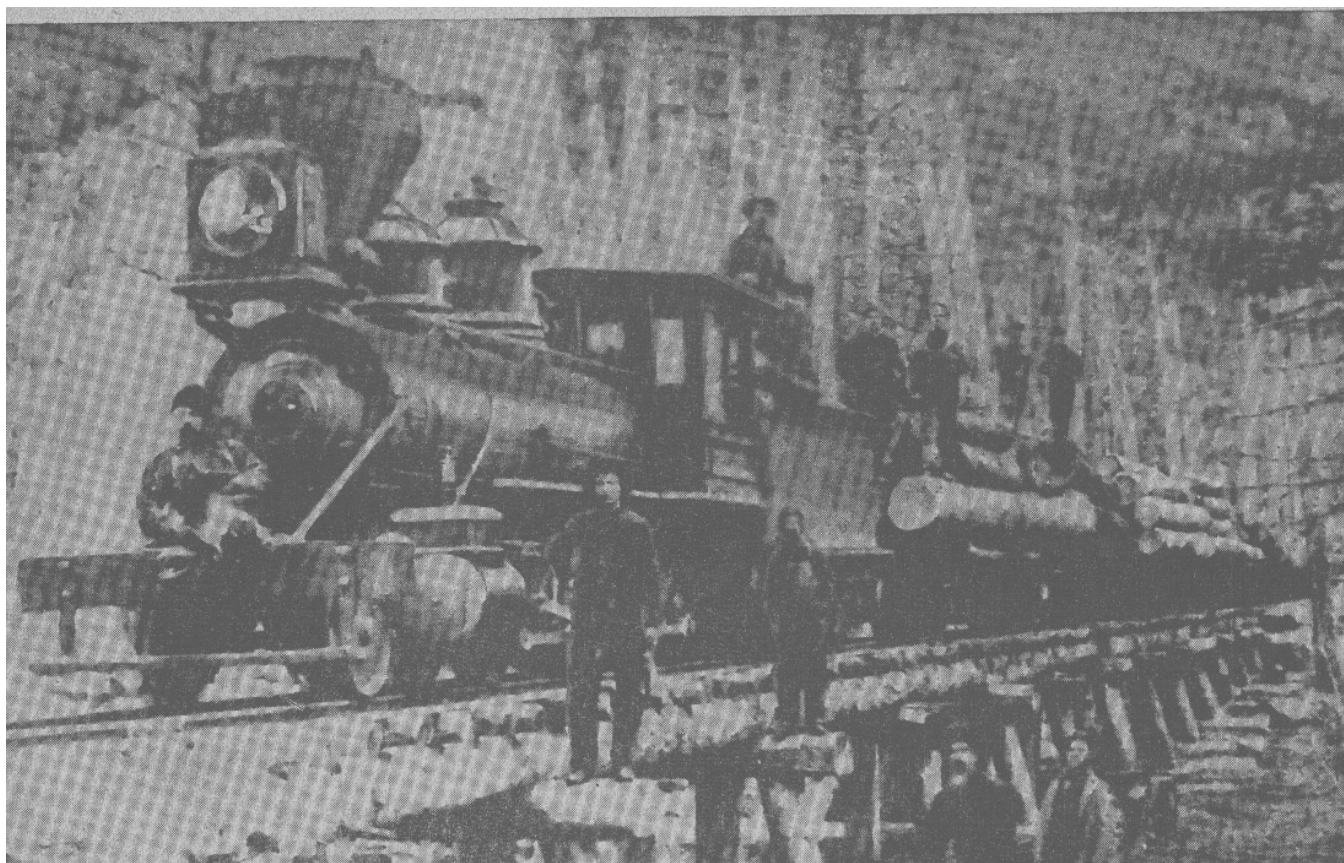


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This Month's Program ...



LOGGING...

Let's go back into the history of one of the most colorful phases of railroading.

Frank Telewski from the Univ. of Michigan will show us what makes up western logging operations from a railroad standpoint. Whether you model this phase or not the presentation will be well worth your time.

Chapel 3 Sunday 2PM July 15th



Saturday August 18th, 2007

Here are the details on our bus tour to Cincinnati:

Pickup Point: The west end of the Parking lot of SYCAMORE HOSPITAL.

West on 725 from IR 75 at the Miamisburg exit (Dayton Mall exit) then go past SYCAMORE and turn to left at the next light. Come south and then left at the Sycamore entrance sign. Follow road into the parking lot.

TIME: We start to load at 7:30 AM We leave at: 8:00 AM

That's 8:00 AM so don't be late!!

You can get your tickets at the next meeting for \$20 per seat in cash or a check payable to "DIV 3, MCR". Sorry no credit cards. A box lunch and bottled water is included.

There is a forty seat limit so if you can't make this meeting better send your check to Bob Fink at 6493 Anvil Drive, Waynesville, OH 45068 so you don't get left out!

Approximate return time: 6:00 PM

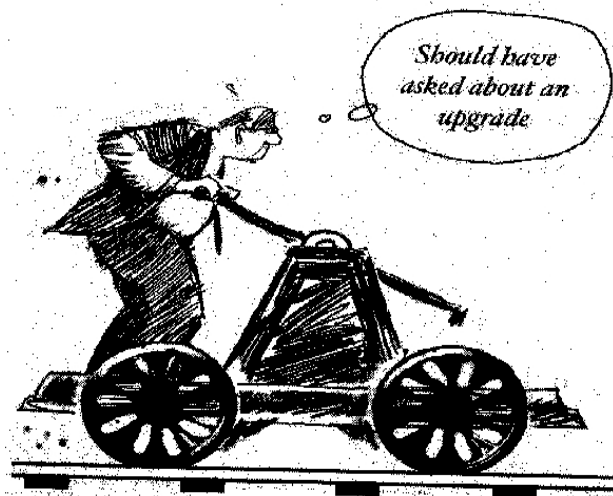
SUPER'S NOTES

Let's get rolling...

I've done some traveling ...

We spent a four day weekend in Chicago a few weeks ago and getting around has changed. Not only are there a number of ways to travel there but there are infinitely more fun things for a rail fan to do when you get there.

We took the MegaBus. It's an outfit out of England. They run modern buses from many Midwestern cities to Chicago and charge very low rates, especially if you reserve early. They do all ticket sales via the Internet and have no stations hence "low overhead" and fares that can be as low as one dollar! The ride from Cincinnati was about 6 hours. As with any large bus be sure to set up front and not over the back wheels cause at 70 mph it can be bumpy.



In addition to the shopping and eating there are still plenty of trains around...

One of the highlights of the trip was a return after a number of years to the Museum of Science and Industry. It's an Elevated ride and a quick CTA bus transfer from downtown. The new buildings now have the WWII German submarine in it's own spacious enclosure so you can walk around the outside before going on the fine, inside tour. But the railway display was what we had come for and we weren't disappointed.

The new HO layout is BIG compared to the old operating layout. It simulates modern railroading from Chicago to Seattle. I have a DVD covering it which I will put in the Division library if anyone is interested. The display of mockups and cutaways of steam engines is every bit as good as the Smithsonian's.

But my favorite tour was through the Pioneer Zephyr. An excellent walk through with animation and a well versed tour guide to bring out the details of the first 13 hour trip in 1934 from Denver to Chicago. If you have kids and want them to find out some things about trains and history this is a great trip to consider.



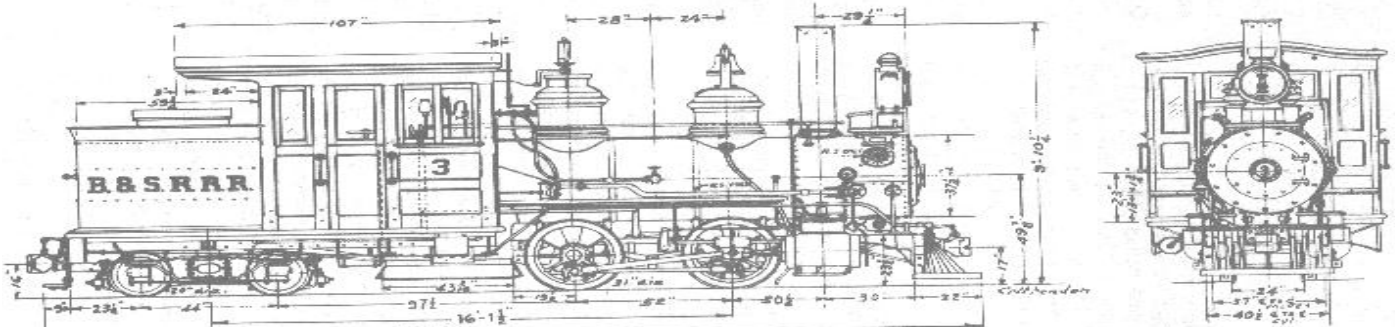
The August bus trip is shaping up.

We're going to see 6 great layouts that we missed last year in Cincinnati. Tickets are \$20 and include a box lunch. They went on sale last month and will be on sale till August or when we sell out the 40 seat limit. We can reserve some for you, but they need to be paid for at the next meeting.

See YOU at the next Meeting.

Bob Fink MMR

Sharpening Your SKILLS



AP Program News...

If you have a model that you want judged for AP awards after the popular vote contests we can do it “on the spot”. What are you waiting for? It's more fun when you participate.

The contest setup, if you missed it...

We have three categories each month. You can enter Scratchbuilt, KitBashed, or just plain Kit built. This should allow anyone to enter anything they are proud of and at any skill level.

We will keep track of points scored as the months go by and at year's end the total point winner will receive a plaque . Judging is by popular vote but if you wish to have your model judged by NMRA rules for the Achievement Program we will make arrangements for you.

Here's our schedule:

July Non-Revenue cars Next contest ... Sept. \$1, \$3 & \$5 Categories

It's easy, fun and worth your effort to share your skills so why not show off a little?

COME ONE, COME ALL!

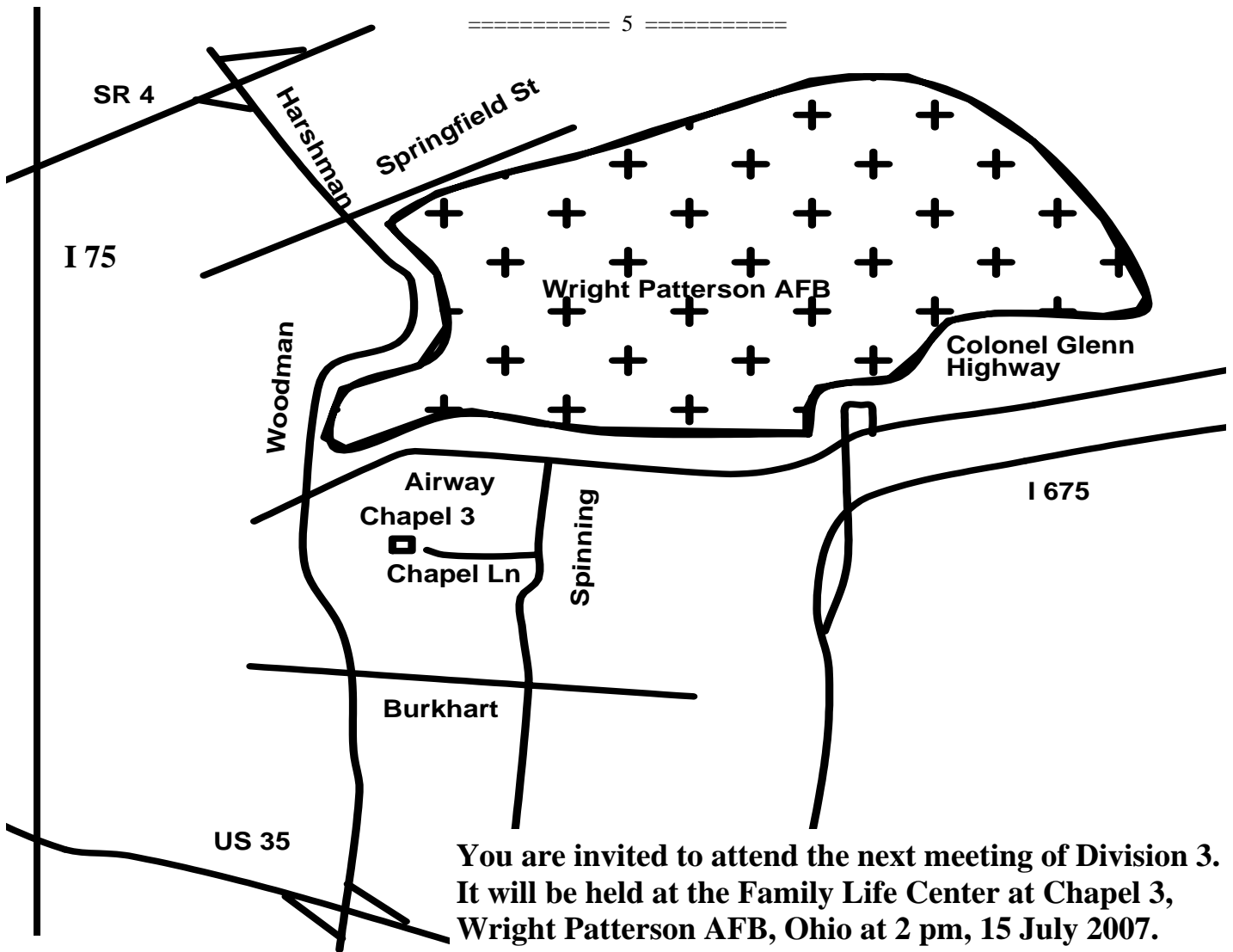
JOIN US FOR A WORK SESSION ON THE 2007 GIVEAWAY LAYOUT!

ACCEPT NO SUBSTITUTES! NO SALESMAN WILL CALL!

NOT AVAILABLE IN STORES!

We will meet in the little white house in the Greene County Historical Society Complex in Xenia at 2 PM on Saturday, July 14th and Saturday July 28th. You need bring only your enthusiasm!
To confirm a work session, call Jim Foster at 937-425-8330 days.

WOW!!



You are invited to attend the next meeting of Division 3. It will be held at the Family Life Center at Chapel 3, Wright Patterson AFB, Ohio at 2 pm, 15 July 2007. Visitors and guests are always welcome.

Date	Location	Program	Contest
15 July	Chapel 3, Family Life Center	Western Logging Railroads	Non Revenue
22-28 July	Detroit, Michigan	NMRA National Convention	
18 August		Bus Tour to Indianapolis	No Contest
16 September	Chapel 3, Family Life Center	Yards & Model RR Yard Design	\$1, \$3, or \$5 Models
21 October			
3-4 November	Division 3 Train Show and Sale, Hara Arena, Dayton, Ohio		
18 November			

Division 3 Website: www.modelraildayton.com

Carillon Park Railfest

By Peter Guise

The Second Annual Carillon Park Railfest was held on Saturday June 23 and Sunday June 24, 2007. This was the first year for it as a 2 day show and attendance was strong both days with a significant increase reported by show officials on the first day over the same period the previous year. Final attendance figures are to be provided by park officials to Ron Mock before their next committee meeting in July.

In addition to Leroy Clouser being involved with publicity as part of the Railfest Committee , Norm Courtney's worked on the Railfest website and photographed the show on Sunday and John Edmonson assisted back at the train ride as conductor, Division 3 was represented in a booth at the show by Jim Foster and Peter Guise.

For the adults and many kids, two of Jim's HOn30 micro layouts, including his lichen mine and accompanying Railroad Model Craftsman article, generated a lot of interest on Saturday. These were replaced by the previously exhibited Z scale briefcase layout supplied by Peter on Sunday when Jim had other commitments and was unable to return. For the children, the ever popular (and nearly indestructible) Thomas and Percy were present to advertise the train show along with a Z scale winter scene that had not been displayed at a show before. The Division gave away 4 passes to the November train show as an inducement for people to sign up for the show mailing list. Approximately 150 entries were received and out of these a winner has been selected. The winner is:

Ryan Mayfield of Springfield, OH

The tickets, a congratulatory letter from the train show committee and a current copy of the flyer will be sent to Mr. Mayfield via certified mail as soon as is practical.

No proactive membership activities were attempted at the show as this was mainly a family oriented event. There were no inquiries other than one by Mel Menk as to whether any activity was occurring in that area. Before the show, Peter attempted to contact the national office by E-mail about the \$9.95 introductory "Railpass" program to find out if it was still in effect and if so find out where to download the forms from in case there was any interest as it is no longer shown on the NMRA website membership page but was mentioned in the memo on the new insurance policy on the same site. After waiting a week with no response received from National Headquarters and checking with Bruce Albright, the status of this program was still uncertain so efforts were abandoned to do anything further with membership as it was felt that the people would not be likely to join at the full rates.

Board of Governors

The Board of Governors usually meet the first Monday of the month to conduct the business of the Division. Any member may attend and participate in the meeting. Please contact a board member to verify place and time.

Date	Host
10 September	Bruce Albright
1 October	Richard Davoust