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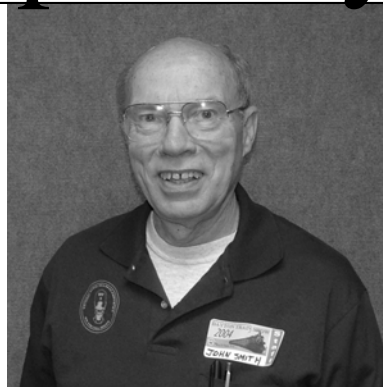
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Super Saying

At the October meeting, Don Spang and Paul Arnold of the Miami Valley Regional Planning Commission described the Aviation Heritage Streetcar Project, proposed for downtown Dayton. They described some of the state and local streetcar and interurban history, and described the proposed routes and equipment. You can see the slides they presented at <http://www.mvrpc.org/pres/DaytonStreetcar.htm>

The Division's Whitewater Valley Railroad excursion October 7th was fun. We treated our spouses to a dinner out, in appreciation for their support (tolerance?). Lone Eagle Payne, a long-time division member, was the conductor that afternoon and evening, much to our surprise and delight. He said that he has worked for the WVRR for twenty-two years. We embarked at Connersville, disembarked for dinner at the Laurel Inn, and then reboarded for the return trip. The food wasn't much to rave about, but the fellowship was excellent. Next time we'll do better, too. During the trip, we heard that the caboose can be rented for \$250 and can seat twenty people. If that's true, and if that's for a round trip to Metamora, we might



want to consider renting it for a trip next summer or fall. We could plan to eat lunch or dinner at a place of our choosing in Metamora, where there is shopping, too.

As I write this, Division 3's Fall Train Show is only two weeks away (November 5th and 6th). Ray Persing has sold over 300 vendor tables, filling the East Hall of Hara Arena. Leroy Clouser has again obtained a crowd-pleasing array of layouts and other attraction for the Ball Arena, and Ray and Peter Guise have worked hard on publicity. Kirk Perkins has the Boy Scout Merit Badge Program well in hand. Our Merit Badge program is known far and wide. Several N-Track clubs are combining resources to set up a giant N-Track Modular Layout, too!

If you receive this before the train show, please help out for

a couple of hours while you're there. Your show admission is free if you do. We'll need help staffing the NMRA membership recruiting table and in the front entry area, selling tickets, counting people, handing out Tour Guides and answering questions. The work is easy, and having many volunteers will mean that no one will need to work long hours.

At our November meeting, Jesse Smith, a CSX engineer, will present one of his beautiful slide shows featuring scenes along the right-of-way, many taken from the cab. Jesse, who lives in C&O and N&W territory, just east of Huntington, WV, is a railfan and railroad history buff. He has been an engineer for several years, and he says that he takes his camera along on every trip! His photos capture much of the character and history of the railroads, and his narratives reflect his love of railroading. I've seen several of his programs, and all were excellent. This is another program you don't want to miss.

See you at the show and at the Division 3 meeting Sunday, November 20th.

John

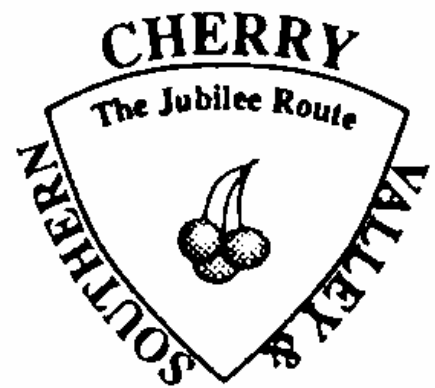
Date	Location	Contest	Program
5-6 Nov	Annual Train Show Hara Arena		
20 Nov	Chapel 3 Chapel Lane Wright Patterson	On-Line Structures	Railroader's View by CSX engineer Jesse Smith
18 Dec	Chapel 3 Chapel Lane Wright Patterson	Steam Engines	Weathering Vehicles By Jim Foster

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15 Jan	Chapel 3 Chapel Lane Wright Patterson	Off-Line Structures	East Broad Top Update by Lee Rainey
19 Feb	Chapel 3 Chapel Lane Wright Patterson	No Contest	Member Auction
19 Mar	Chapel 3 Chapel Lane Wright Patterson	Non-Steam Locomotives	
16 Apr	Chapel 3 Chapel Lane	Logging Equipment	

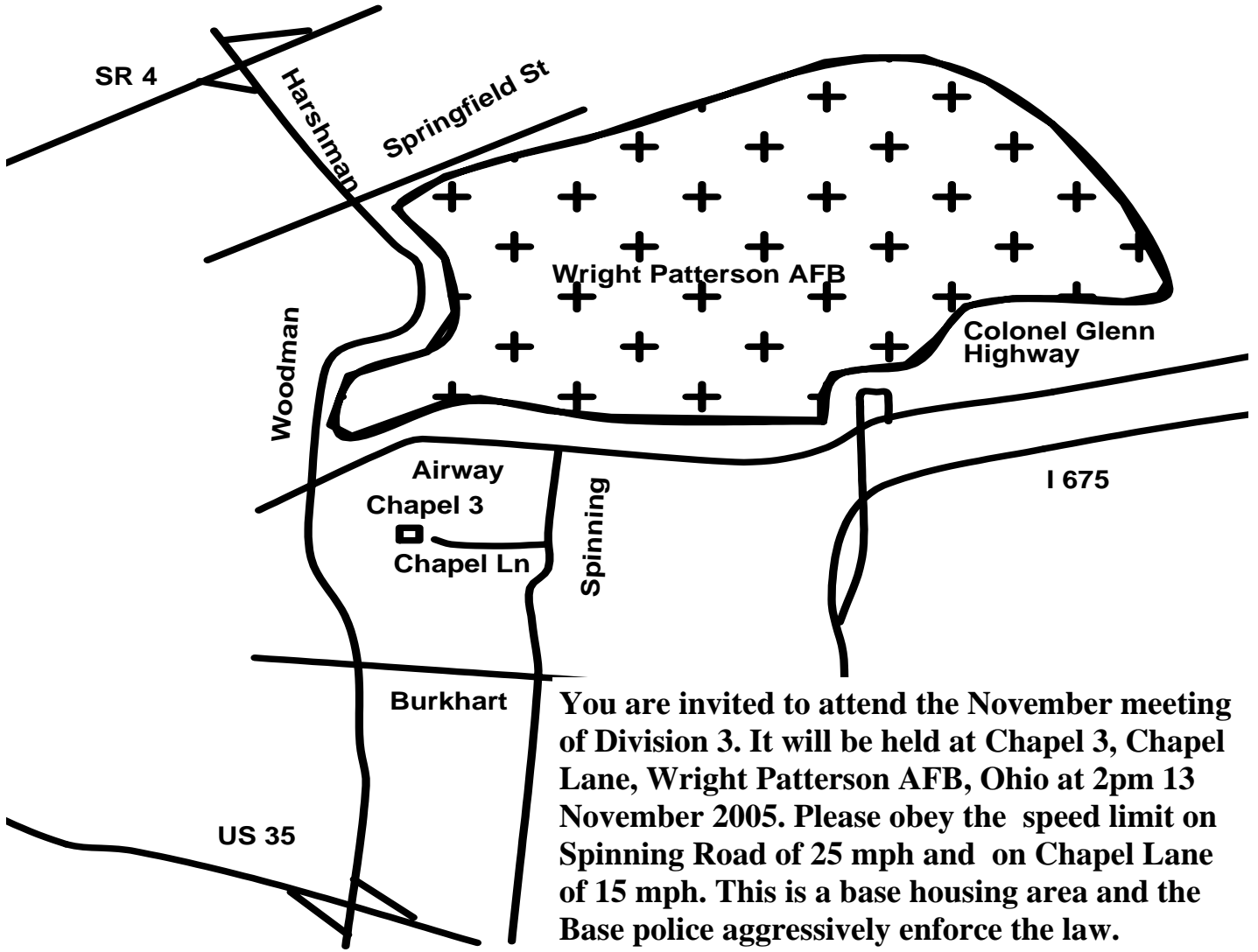
Contests

Future Categories		October 2005 Open Loads			
November	On-Line Structures	Model		Photo	
December	Steam Engines	1	Bill Spinks	1	Richard Davoust
January	Off-Line Structures	2	Bill Spinks	2	J. Hedge
February	No Contest	3	Richard Davoust	3	Richard Davoust
March	Non-Steam Locomotives*	*The March Category includes Electric, Gas, or Gas Electric Locomotives.			
April	Logging Equipment				
May	Non-Revenue Non-Caboose				
June	No Contest				
July	Cabooses				



Cherry Valley & Southern

Fred Schneider is looking for operators for the CV&S. He is trying to restart regular operating sessions on the first Sunday of the month starting at 7pm. If you are interested in joining a relaxed fun-filled crew, give Fred a call at 937-390-2535. The CV&S is located North



You are invited to attend the November meeting of Division 3. It will be held at Chapel 3, Chapel Lane, Wright Patterson AFB, Ohio at 2pm 13 November 2005. 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.

Membership Campaign

The NMRA National Membership Chairman is asking all members to help promote the NMRA. The NMRA Rail-Pass Program is a good way to introduce new members to the benefits of the NMRA. A Rail-Pass membership would make a good Christmas gift for someone who is new to the hobby or feels that the NMRA is a dinosaur and has nothing to offer to modern modelers.



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