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## Super Saying

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We had another fun Scenic Ridge work session last Saturday (May 17<sup>th</sup>). George Ardwin, Richard Davoust, Jim Foster, Peter Guise and I were there. Benny Campbell, Dave Huber and Dick Strous from the Greene County Historical Society worked with us, too. We glued all the roadbed and ballast former in place, and laid track in the tunnels. We installed the tunnel walls, painted them black near the portals, and ballasted track in the tunnels where it will be visible through the portals.

All but two of the layout buildings have been built or have been taken home by division members. Those that are completed look exquisite. N-Scale buildings are like jewels.

At the Division meeting Sunday, one person reported that he went to the Historical Society for one of the work sessions, but couldn't find us. I'm sorry about that. At the Society's site there are four buildings surrounding the parking lot: the Society's main building (brick), a log cabin, a large white house, and a small white house they call "the cottage." We're building the Sce-

nic Ridge in the living room of the cottage. Work sessions in June will be the 7<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>, 1-5 p.m. We'll be laying the rest of the track, wiring it, and running test trains. See you there.

One of the rail tours at the Springdale Express convention was a fascinating tour of the Great Miami railroad, a (very) short line in Hamilton, Ohio. We were ferried over almost the entire railroad in their caboose, pulled by a handsomely painted geep. Our host was Jack Sibert, who described the railroad's work and answered questions during each of several stops where we all piled out of the caboose, gawked and took pictures. Mr. Sibert gave each of us a hand-drawn map of the entire railroad. It has an active seven-track yard, eight or ten customer spurs, and an interchange with CSX. You could model all of it in HO, in a typical bedroom, to scale! If you like switching layouts, this could be your prototype.

Our June division meeting will be on the 8<sup>th</sup>, a week earlier than usual. Richard Davoust has arranged a terrific tour for us that day, a visit to the Dupps plant in Germantown. After the rail line

through Germantown was abandoned, Dupps bought the segment from Germantown to Carlisle, where it connects to CSX. The company ships via rail some very heavy food processing machinery. They have their own flat cars, and own a tiny GE diesel-electric locomotive.

After the tour, drop in to John and Phyllis Smith's home, just a couple of blocks from Dupps. They have built benchwork and laid track for Phyllis' indoor G-Scale layout, and John has built 30 square feet of what he hopes will become a medium-size layout representing the C&O, Columbus to Marion, Ohio. There is no scenery yet, but the existing section is operating, using computer-generated switch lists. John and Phyllis will be open until 7 p.m.

Bruce Albright arranges our layout tours, and is still looking for a helper. You'd just need to talk with other model railroaders on the telephone. Nice work, if you can get it. Call or write to Bruce. His contact information is in every issue of the Call Board.

See you Sunday, June 8<sup>th</sup>.

## Layout Available

Last November Division 3 lost a long time friend with the death of Jim Mayrer. Jim was a member of the NMRA for several years and his layout was featured on many layout tours.

The Bankrupt & Busted railroad was started in 1988. It is not modeled after any prototype. It serves farm country and lumber industry. It is 19' x 16' in size, "E" shaped. The scenery is about 90% complete with a large river with waterfalls, etc.

His widow would like to donate the layout to a worthy group (church, school, scouts, hospital). Most of the rolling stock is already spoken for but it may be possible to provide a train or two.

Contact Ron Dietrich at (937) 548-4780 for more information.

# Contests

**June**

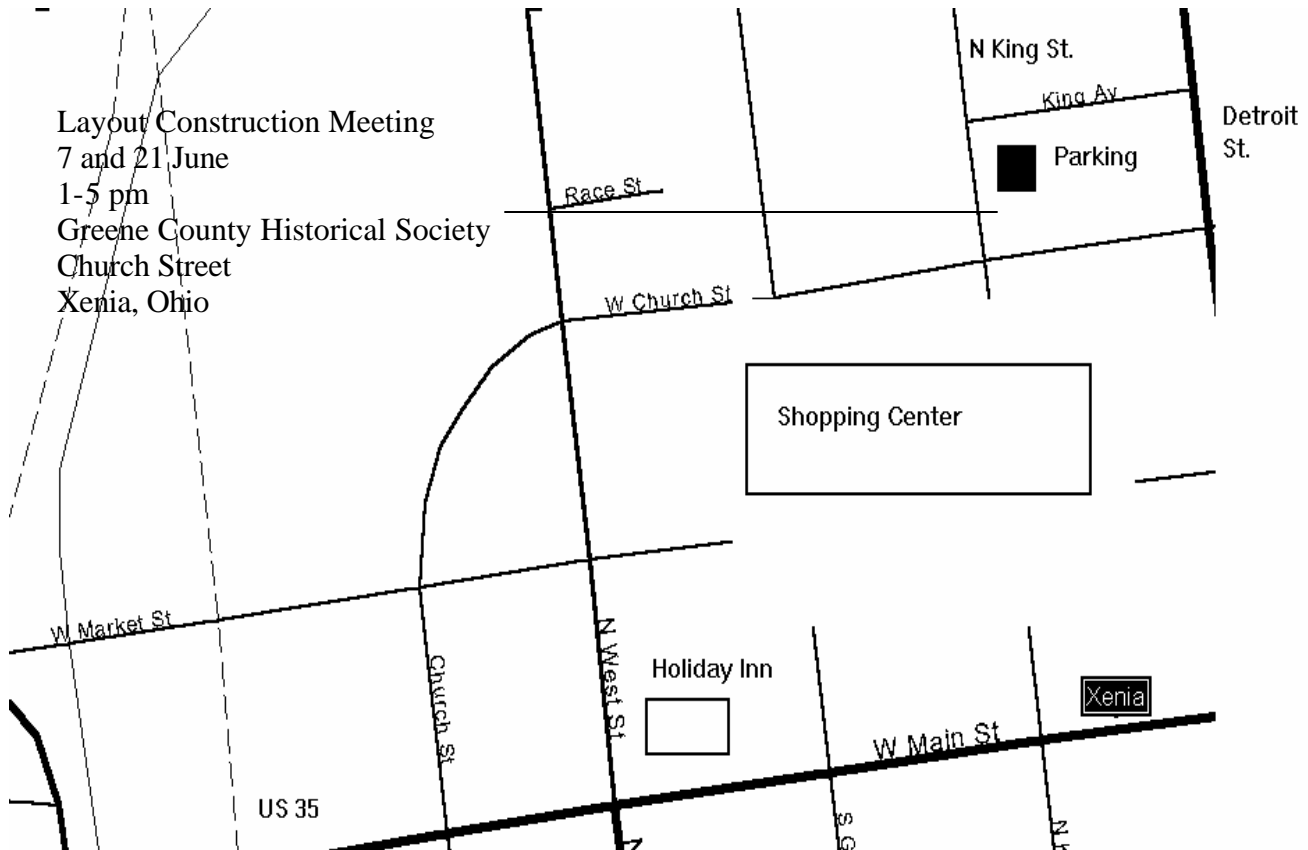
**No Contest**

You are allowed up to 3 entries per contest. You do not have to be a

July Scene

May Results Cabooses			
Models		Photos	
1	Jim Foster	1	Richard Davoust Brian Petroziello
2	Richard Davoust	2	Nick Folger
3	Nick Folger Richard Davoust Brian Petroziello	3	Richard Davoust

Layout Construction Meeting  
7 and 21 June  
1-5 pm  
Greene County Historical Society  
Church Street  
Xenia, Ohio





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<b>Next Meeting</b>	
<b>When:</b>	<b>2 PM 8 June 2003</b>
<b>Where:</b>	<b>The Dupps Company 548 North Cherry Street Germantown, Ohio</b>
<b>Program:</b>	<b>Plant Tour</b>
<b>Contest:</b>	<b>None</b>
<b>Visitors and Guests Always Welcome</b>	

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