

Call Board

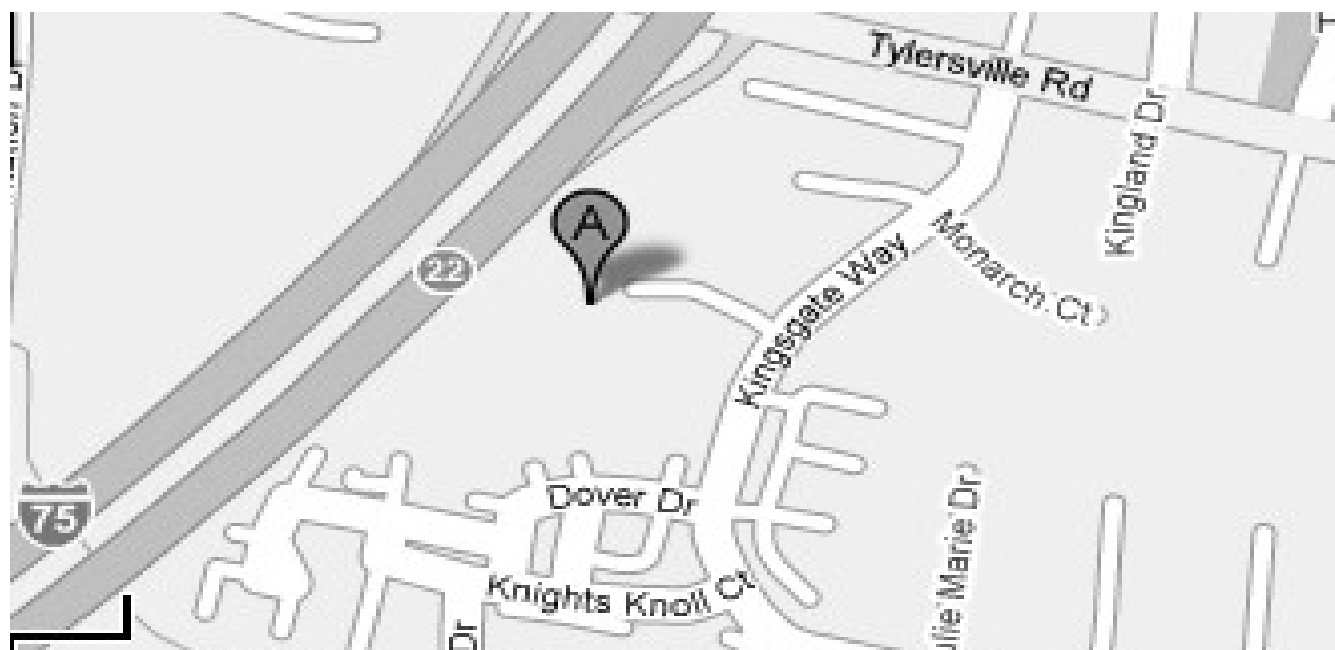
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This Month's Program ...

OK, So Show me ...

a REALLY **BIG** model railroad



We'll meet at the EnterTRAINment Junction. Down I75 off Tylersville Road (Exit 22). This is billed as the "World's biggest Train Display" so you should not be disappointed. Not too long a drive for a unique model railroad right in our back yard.

Sunday October 19th 2 PM

The big news is NEXT MONTH. November 1st & 2nd is the annual Division 3 TRAIN SHOW at HARA Arena. Don't miss the BIGGEST TRAIN SHOW IN OHIO!!! Start getting the word out to anyone you know who likes trains. It's a real Train Show with plenty of exhibitors in addition to sellers.

SUPER'S NOTES

Let's get rolling...

Upgrading tools

I don't know about you but I use my air brush probably as much as any tool in the shop. While I don't hold myself out as any kind of an artist I usually can get the paint to come out the right end. It took a while to master it to the point where I can get results I'm proud of but like many other tools I had to do a lot of learning along the way. Years ago after reading about the wonders of air brush painting I took the plunge and bought one that was in the range of equipment to do a modeler's job. One thing I needed then was a quiet source of propellant because running a noisy air compressor was OUT with my family sleeping upstairs when I did a lot of my hobby work in the night time. I opted for a CO2 bottle and regulator. It was silent and it served me fine for over forty years. I would get it filled with a charge of CO2 about once a year from one of the fire extinguisher companies around town. As the years passed it got harder to find a supplier. One extra aggravation was the 5 year Hyrdostatic test you had to have done on the bottle by a certified tester. So I decided it was time to look at some other options. I opted for a standard air compressor since the little baby I needed to keep asleep is now pushing 40 and lives a long way away and my wife has learned to expect almost any kind of noise from the basement and sleeps right through it. So the noise factor was out of the equation and I was tired of driving all over the county to find a source to refill the tank.

At Harbor Freight I found a good looking air brush compressor for \$45 and with a few fittings it was rigged up to my air brush and ready to go in no time.

The upshot is that sometimes tools you've learned to live with can be improved. If you're new to the hobby, get advice and ideas, then begin to build your stock of tools. We can help you make choices if you ask but don't forget to stay open to ALTERNATIVES!



Here's my final setup. Old Gas bottle below, compressor on a shelf above and the filtered booth power exhausts through a window. Anybody need a neat 5 lb CO2 cylinder and regulator?

Upcoming programs...

Spray painting and weathering reminds me that Bruce Albright is putting together a neat program. He will tell us more at this meeting, but it's a chance to get some hands on use of a spray brush for weathering. You'll be doing it on your own L.E.Payne East Penn collector's car from the NMRA.

Don't miss any of the upcoming programs!

OK, The name of the Game is TRAINSHOW!!

Ray Persing, Nick Folger and the gang tell me that this one will be even bigger than the door buster last year. A lot of folks put many hours into making this the fun event it is and also provide a source of revenue so that we don't have to push you for dues. So if you can put out the word in any way or just bring some friends that will help. Even better yet, tell us how you can give us some help before or during the show. They especially need help in setup and take down so contact us if you can help.

Have you seen the Special Raffle prize?

A neat off line mobile crane in HO is the special 3 month prize. A dandy piece of equipment for any modern pike. You could build a whole scene around it. And there are some other neat regular prizes. Special thanks to Ed Swain of Div. 7 for the donation of three neat PRR streamlined cars.

See YOU at the next Meeting. Bob Fink MMR

Sharpening Your SKILLS

AP Program News...

The whole concept of the Achievement Program is based on improving your skills and getting recognition for it. To make the program work we have to offer you a chance to show your work and you have to come forward and participate. We'll do our part each month by offering a popularity contest and even a "show and tell" table to get you started. As your skills advance you can join us in the Achievement Program (AP).

Here's another AP certificate you could pick up by sharing your ideas with us...

Model Railroad Author

If you have some information or ideas you've developed it's simple to get them published in the Callboard or the Regional King-Pin. Your text and photos add up and when you have 42 points you have the certificate! I'm sure J. Hedge can work in your material. And that's just the start. The Regional Kingpin can pick up your article as they scan our publication. Who knows even the

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The monthly contest setup ...

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

Contest Schedule...

October No Contest **November** Weathering **December** Mines **January** Open Loads

September 2008 - Make it cheap \$1, \$3, 5\$ categories				
	\$1	\$3	\$5	PHOTO
First	Terry McTaggart	Bob Fink	Jim Foster	No Contest
Second	George Ardwin Jim Foster	Jim Foster		
Third				

Overall Standings					
	KIT	KIT BASHED	SCRATCH BUILT	PHOTO	OVERALL
First	Jim Foster (11)	Phil Gliebe (18)	Terry McTaggart (4)	J Hedge (26)	Phil Gliebe (26)
Second	Phil Gliebe (4) George Ardwin	Jim Foster (9)		George Ardwin (6)	Jim Foster (20)
Third	Dick Kehl (2)	George Ardwin (4)		Phil Gliebe (4)	J Hedge (26)

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National's Scale Rails could use it. It doesn't have to be fancy just well presented material.

You get points per page or photo with 1 point for Division publications, 2 for a regional and 3 for nationals. Scale drawings earn even more! While you're at it why not turn it into a clinic for presentation at a local meeting or regional convention. That gets you big points too. You can coordinate your work with other folks and split the credit. Your work can even go onto the Internet on our Webpage or the MCR page. There are so many ways to build up enough score for this award that you can't miss. It takes some interest and participation but that's the name of the game with the Achievement Program.

Proposed Amendments to the By-Laws

In accordance with article VII of the By-Laws of Division 3, Mid Central Region, National Model Railroad Association Inc. the following amendments are proposed by the Board of Governors. These amendments are required in order to bring the Division into compliance with the national and region by-laws of the NMRA. They will be published in the September and October *Call Boards* and ratified at the October general meeting.

Current:

II. MEMBERSHIP

A. Any member in good standing (current dues paid) of the NMRA residing in the Third Division (as specified in Article I of the By-Laws of the Mid Central Region) is a member of Division 3. In the event that a member of Division 3 changes his place of residence to a Division contiguous to the territory of Division 3, he may retain his membership in Division 3 by communicating that fact to the Board of Governors of Division 3, and shall remain a member, entitled to all the rights and privileges of Division 3 membership including the right to vote in Division 3 elections and to hold office. Members of the NMRA residing other than above, shall be permitted to participate in Division 3 activities, but may not hold office or vote at Division 3 meetings.

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IV. BOARD OF GOVERNORS

6. Upon the adoption of these By-Laws, the then elected officers of Division 3, Mid Central Region, National Model Railroad Association, an unincorporated association, and predecessor to Division 3, Mid Central Region, National Model Railroad Association, Inc., shall serve as the Board of Governors of said Corporation until the next scheduled elections to take place in April of 1996.

Proposed:

Deleted in its entirety.

Current:

V. FINANCES

A. No dues or other assessments may be imposed by the Board of Governors without the affirmative vote of 75% of the members eligible to vote attending a regular meeting. Any such proposed dues or assessments shall be duly published in two consecutive issues of the Call Board, the Division 3 paper,

prior to the meeting at which such vote is scheduled. The Division may also accept voluntary donations to finance the business of the Division.

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D. Funds not required for current expenses shall be invested to obtain maximum interest. Such investments shall be low risk and shall include, but not be limited to, Certificates of Deposit. Withdrawals from the principal sum of the investments shall require the following procedure:

1. Notice of such proposed withdrawal shall be posted in two consecutive issues of the Call Board, prior to a vote.
2. Such withdrawal must be approved by at least two-thirds of the members present at the Division 3 business meeting at which the withdrawal is voted. Failure of any member to receive notice shall not invalidate such a vote, provided that 75% if those attending the meeting received such notice.
3. The actual withdrawal shall require the signature of both the Chief Clerk and one other elected officer.

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D. Funds not required for current expenses shall be invested in insured, interest bearing instruments. Withdrawals from the principal sum of the investments shall require the following procedure:

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Current:

VII. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

B. A nominating committee consisting of a chairman and at least two others shall be appointed by the Superintendent at least two months prior to the election. One month prior to the election the nominating committee shall announce the nominees, at which time nominations from the floor shall be accepted. There shall be a minimum of two members nominated for each office. The nominating committee shall take charge of the elections, printing and counting of ballots, and the announcement of new officers.

C. The term of office for elected officers shall commence in the first month following the election and shall continue for two years or until successors are duly elected and appointed. No elected officer shall serve more than two consecutive terms in any one position.

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C. The term of office for elected officers shall commence in May following the election and shall continue for two years or until successors are duly elected and appointed. No elected officer shall serve more than two consecutive terms in any one position.

YOU ARE INVITED TO JOIN US FOR THE
"ELEVENTH" ANNUAL DIVISION 3
"VINTAGE MODEL RAILROADERS" REUNION DINNER
Sunday, October 26, 2008 @ 1:00 p.m.

It is time for our "Eleventh" Annual Vintage Model RR Dinner & we invite you to join us. Anyone who has been a past or present member of Division Three for at least 15 yrs. is considered a "Vintage Model Railroader". We all enjoy seeing old friends and of course, spouse/partners are also invited.

WHERE? Chop House Restaurant, 727 Washington Village Dr. (from I-675 go 2 blocks East on Rt. 725. Turn left on Washington Village Drive; Chop House is about 2 blocks on the left behind Washington Park Plaza Shopping Center.) Order individually from a limited menu. Prices vary from approx. \$14.00-18.00 including beverage, tax and tip.

ENTERTAINMENT: Gerry & Jenny Albers have graciously volunteered to host the After-Dinner Dessert and Model Railroading Party at their home located @ 7102 Knoll Rd., Cincinnati, OH. (About 35 minutes from the restaurant.) We know Jenny would appreciate dessert donations so please let her know if you can help. (513)531-3512 galbers@cinci.rr.com . Also if you have railroad memorabilia which you can donate for door prizes please bring them to the party.

Gerry's "Deepwater District" models the coal mining era of the Virginian Railway's New River Division.. The Deepwater District occupies about 1600 sq. ft. in Albers basement. In order to model the myriad of mines and branches in this central West Virginia area, the railroad has 10 staging yards with 41 staging tracks total! Interchanges occur with the N&W, C&O, NYC and the V&O (NYC and V&O share trackage rights on the north side of the Kanawha River). The railroad employs Digitrax DCC and a computer controlled signal system, of course.

FOR RESERVATIONS: Bill Marshall (937)439-1121 or wmarsh7@yahoo.com
NOTE: CHOP HOUSE SEATING IS LIMITED SO CALL BILL ASAP.
DEADLINE FOR RESERVATIONS IS OCT. 20, 2008.

PLEASE NOTE: We no longer mail invitations to those who have not responded to previous years invitations. *If you have any address or email changes or know of anyone who has not been receiving invitations by either email or snail mail, have them contact Bob Fink, who handles the address list.*

You can reach Bob at (513)897-0970 or bfink@go-concepts.com.