



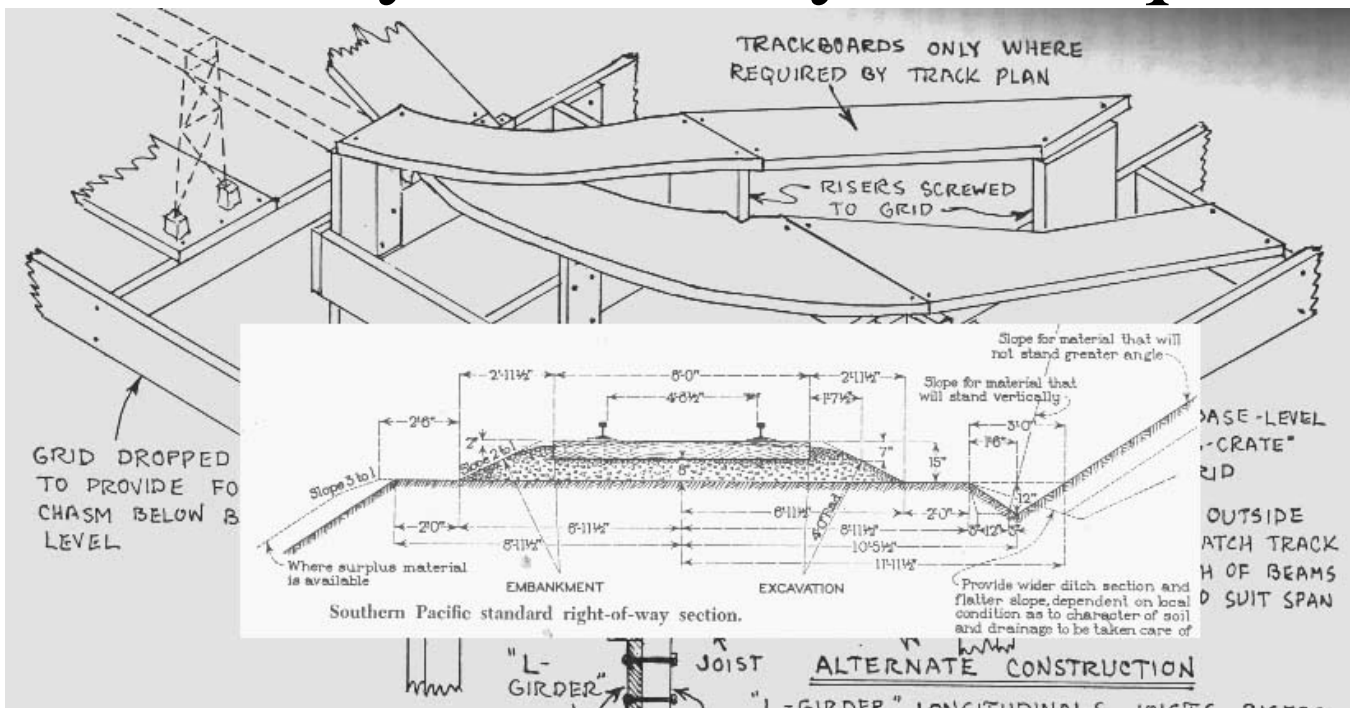
Call Board

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This Month's Program ...

Some Layout Scenery Techniques



We'll get back to our "You can do it" series with a hands on participation clinic of 3 Mini-Clinics. Dave Decker will continue his great tree building show. Bring at least one commercial tree and see how you can improve it. We'll look at "stomping" some cliffs and railroad cuts with a rapid and realistic method that doesn't involve hand carving. We'll also look at Roadbed and ballasting for your layout.

Sunday June 21st 2PM
Greene County Historical Society, Xenia

Division 3 Website: www.modelraildayton.com

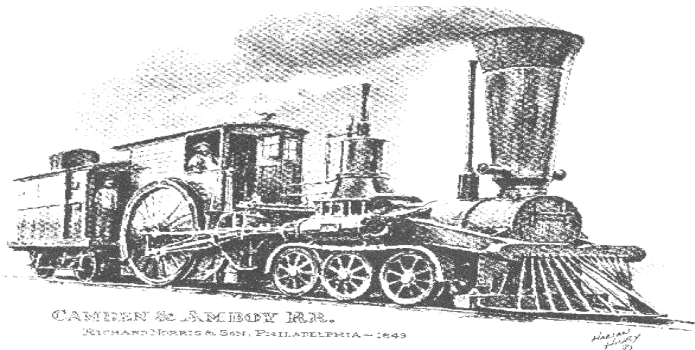
SUPER'S NOTES

Let's get rolling...

A great Convention in Columbus

Spring regional conventions are always fun to look forward to and Division 6, the Buckeye Division's was no exception. Plenty to see and do with some great clinics from all over the region and the nation. I was busy two days giving my presentation on "Engine Facilities – then and now" while hopping from room to room to catch as many of the other clinics as I could work in. The contest room held some great models and I thought the participation was a little stronger this year. I was amazed at the company store. There were special runs of cars from a number of divisions and our newest V&O gondolas proved to be the hottest seller. If you haven't seen these yet don't wait too long as our ad in Scale Rails comes out this month and then the mail orders should roll in.

The final highlight of any convention is visiting the local home layouts on Sunday. I hit seven that I had not seen before. I had a "commercial" message, as I told the layout owners. I was there to also sign them up for our August bus tour to Columbus. And my efforts payed off. I found some fine layouts that rival any in the nation and are lined up for our tour. Three in particular are what I would call, "must see". So now the ball is in our court. Mike Mereness has started lining up the bus. We hope to leave this year from Xenia to save driving distance and be at the layouts in Columbus and Grove City in an hour or so. We'll hold the cost at \$25 a seat and include a great box lunch as usual. Plenty of bottled water on board and I'll provide one of my famous "Bus Quizzes" with those fantastic prizes you all remember! If you missed the last three years of these trips you will not be disappointed. It's Saturday August 15th, 2009 and I'll have tickets at the next meeting. Get me a check or cash and you're as good as "on board".



No, I haven't tried a kit-bash of this one. I like the fenders over the pilot wheels. Wonder if future automobile designers got their ideas here??

A new collection to disperse

I mentioned the book collection we have for sale donated by Ed Meyer's estate. There are many out of print railroad, narrow gauge and modeling volumes. Wil Davis found the "street" prices from book sellers and put together the final list last month. We are offering them at 50% off those prices. Some are autographed first editions and are a real collector's item at a great price. If you missed seeing them last month contact Wil this time to check them out. It's a way to get the collection to people who would appreciate them and help the division finance new projects.

The Special Raffle

The Walther's turntable KIT has found a new home and Phil Gliebe started a new special prize last month. They just get better and better.

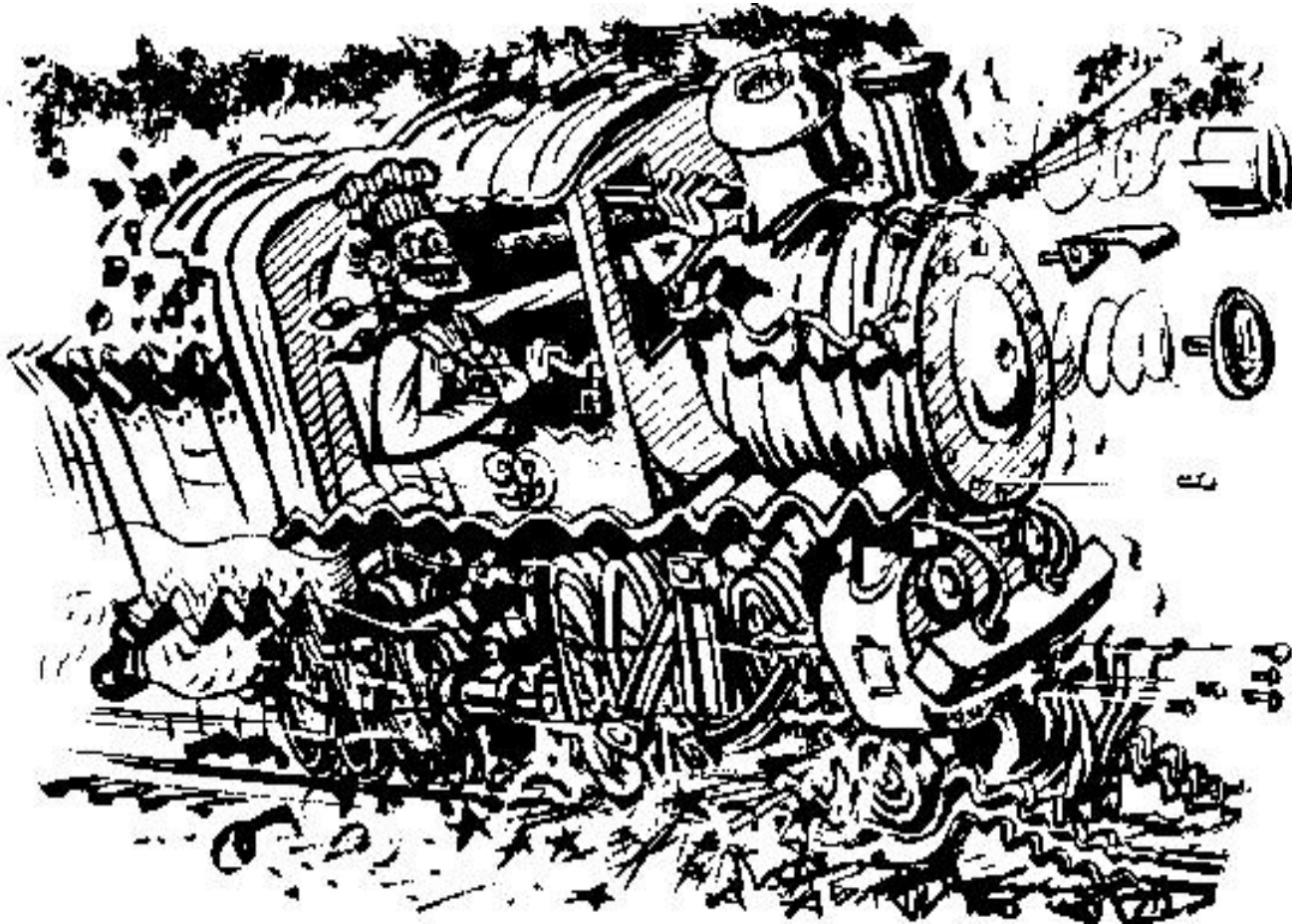
The Work Group Idea

Merv Hardman is back from Florida and has started lining up work groups on teaching topics like DCC and whatever you need. He could use your help in being the "displayer" at your location or signing up for a topic. Contact him at the meeting or any of the officers can get you in contact.

Don't miss any of the upcoming programs!

See YOU at the next Meeting.
Bob Fink MMR

HOLD EVERYTHING!!!



The August Bus trip tickets are here.

We're going to see some fine layouts in Columbus Same great deal, \$25 per ticket and it includes the tour and a fine **Box Lunch**.

Don't miss out as we have a forty seat limit. Get your tickets at the June meeting or call Bob Fink at (513) 897-0970 to secure yours.

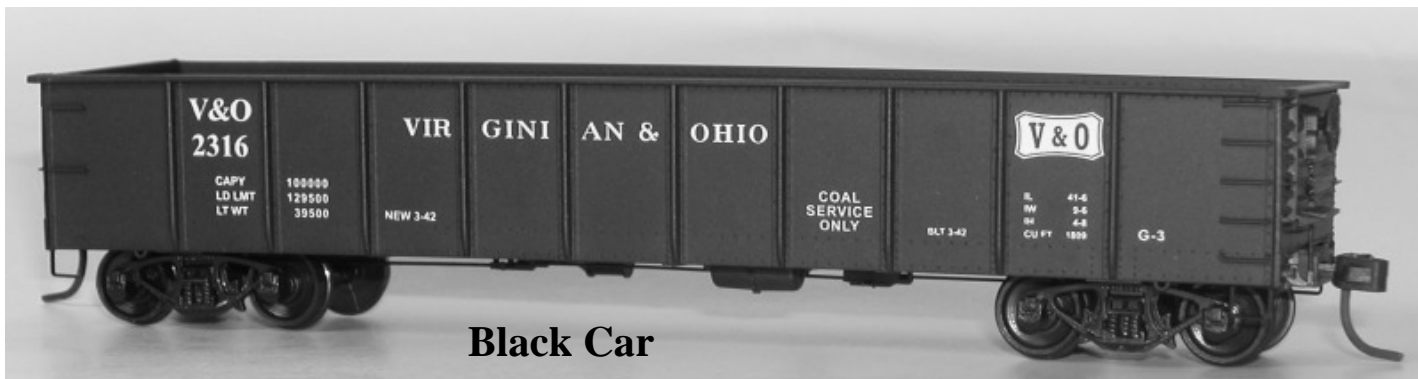
August 15th, 2009

7:30AM (Bus leaves at 8:00AM sharp)

Departing from Xenia, Ohio

(keep watching the Callboard or Webpage for the exact spot)

If you haven't seen them yet the new V&O Gondolas are great. In 3 numbers for both oxide red and black. One of the nicest of the V&O cars offered. Pick some up now. Save on the "Pack" price for 2 or more.



Black Car



Oxide Red Car

PRICES

\$12 KIT price

\$17 KIT Postpaid

\$18 Ready to Run price

\$23 RTR Postpaid

PACKS:

One Red One Black \$23

\$28 Postpaid

Six Kits \$68
(one of each number)

\$80 Postpaid ((3 Lbs Shipping Priority))

Six Ready to Run \$96
(one of each number)

\$108 Postpaid “

Checks or money orders only to:

Division 3 MCR
6493 Anvil Drive
Waynesville, OH 45068

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).

This is the big new contest start:

We start our "Build a \$1 model from scratch" deal this month with the **Telephone Box**. If you missed the set of plans that keeps us all building the same special contest model for these special events then shame on you! You can get a set from Bruce Albright this month for next month's first Dollar car in the series... **The Flat Car**. It's easy, so get into the fun with us.

Our regular 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".

The coming contest schedule ...

June \$1 Phone Box Model July Steam locos & \$1 Flat Car

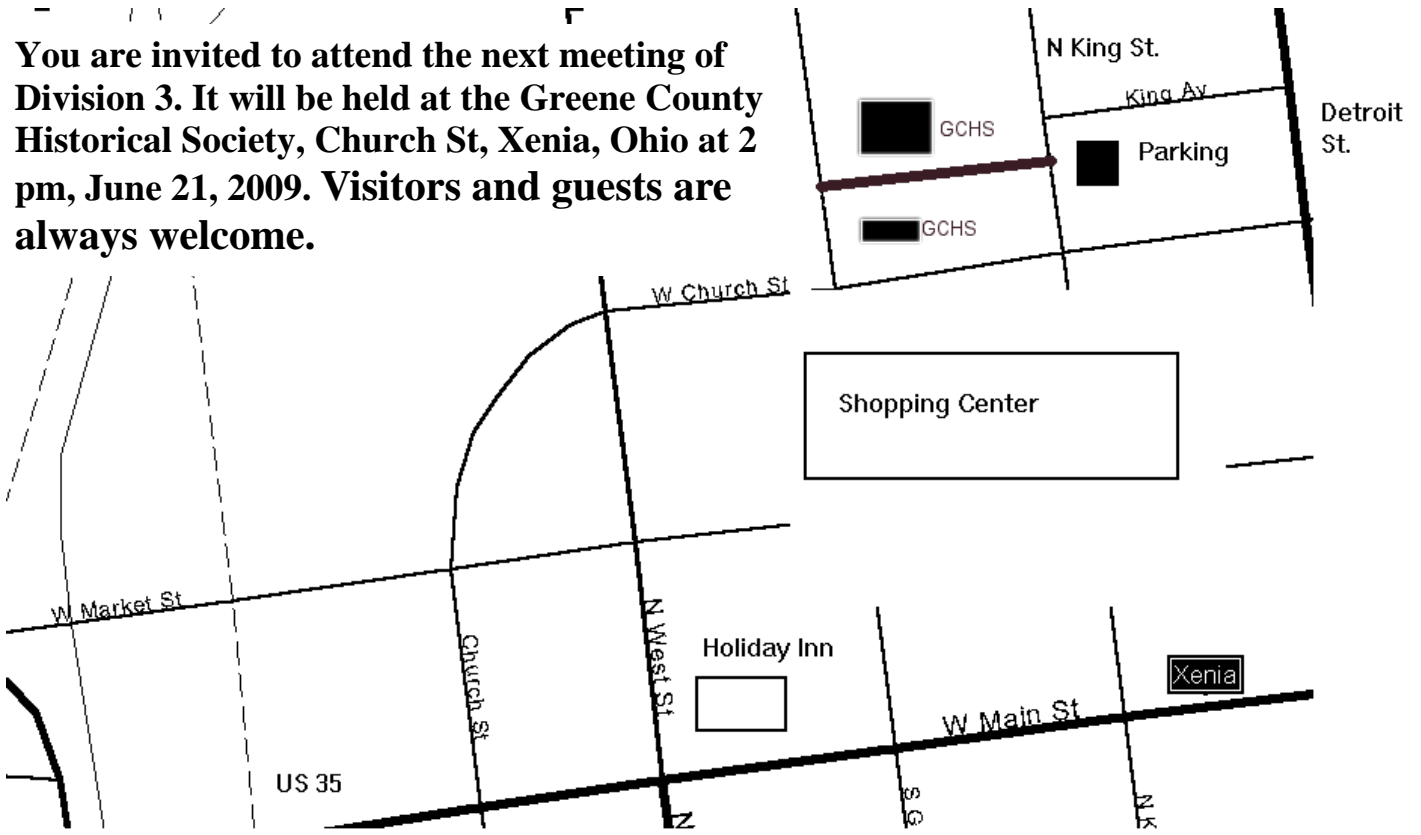
Rules Clarification:

At the May 2009 BOG meeting, the Board issued the following additions/clarifications to the monthly contest rules:

- Participants are allowed a maximum of three items in any category (Kit, Kit-bashed, Scratch-Built, or Photo) each month.
- In order to place First, Second or Third, an entry must receive at least one vote. Entries without votes will be given one point for participation only.

April 2009 - Passenger Cars				
	Kit	Kit Bashed	Scratch Built	PHOTO
First	Jim Foster	Jim Foster		Nate Adams
Second				J. Hedge
Third				Dave Decker

You are invited to attend the next meeting of Division 3. It will be held at the Greene County Historical Society, Church St, Xenia, Ohio at 2 pm, June 21, 2009. Visitors and guests are always welcome.



Articles Wanted

Are you taking a vacation this summer? If it involves a visit to any type of railroad related destination you have the basic material for an article. It can be as simple as a postcard or as complete as a multi-page spread with photos. Contact the Editor if you have any questions. Send postcards to:

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