



OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF DIVISION SIX OF THE NORTH CENTRAL REGION OF THE NATIONAL MODEL RAILROAD ASSOCIATION



AUGUST 2018

Hot... that IS summer and we love it. While it does take us away from our modeling, a bit, it is nice to not have to wear a jacket everywhere! Enjoy the weather and summer!!

Our Fall Show dates are set... see the article for more info. We really need YOUR help to make this year the best possible! HELP!!! Sorry I missed the last meeting, was just not feeling well. All over with it, something I ate I believe, acted like a 24 hour bug.

Don't forget the LANSING LASH-UP is coming soon!! Get yourself registered soon!! Here's the rest of your Division 6 news-

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

We had one new member at the last Div 6 meeting. Please welcome Dave Rauhut! Meeting attendance was good with about 44 members present. MMR's present were Ken Chick, Ron King and Jim Zinser. To all Div 6 members, WELCOME ABOARD!

DIV 6 WEBSITE

The Div 6 website is up and running! The newsletter is posted and available online. Check out the site - **www.div6-ncr-nmra.com**

DIV 6 MEETINGS

Our Division 6 meetings are on the **THIRD** Friday of each month. Our next Division 6 meeting will be on **FRIDAY, AUGUST 17,2018**. The meeting will be held at the Civic Center Senior Center in Livonia, at 5 Mile and Farmington Roads. The meeting is from 7:30pm - 10pm.

SHOW AND TELL

The subject for the last meeting was railroad art/pictures.

Items shown included-

Surreal painting of Belgium; MDC 1970 brochure; photo B&O station; photo Santa Fe train in CA; painting by Paul Adams (local RR artist); reprint of 1938 C&NW RR painting; water color of UP 4-8-4 northern; 14 yr old RR calendar; lithograph $\overline{\text{FEC}}$ loco; hand colored photo of NY L train; reproduction of articulated loco; photos of Wayne Diamond in 1963; 1944 water color of NY station; painting 1950's B&O passenger train; painting of Erie loco from PFM catalog; photo B&M 2-8-2; photo UP Big Boy on display; copper backed relief of steam loco; painting 20th Century Limited; 2018 Orchard Supply calendar; 1988 photo Wabash yard in Windsor; postage stamp brass plate GM F3 demo;

Current Projects shown included-None I am aware of....

We had some members that donated to the caboose, THANKS!

NEXT MEETING - oldest piece of RR equipment you had as a child

NEW ITEMS IN THE HOBBY

Russ Hjelmberg, from Nankin Hobby, gives us a report on new items that are coming out. Russ mentioned new books, wiring projects and traffic products. Also new vehicles by Oxford (55 Buicks). Russ also mentioned that the Southgate Grand Opening was very successful and huge crowds all day long! We look forward to another report next month on new hobby items soon!

FALL WORKSHOP/SHOW

We're all set.... the 2018 Fall Show & Workshop will be on Sunday, Dec 2, 2018. This is the week AFTER Thanksgiving, taking us away from a few other local train shows. We'll do free admission again, as that gives us the biggest crowds. WE NEED YOU!!! Each Div 6 member needs to stepit-up and volunteer for a display of some sort, or at least help at the door, raffle or in the "dining car"! We NEED more participation please!!! You have 3 months to start thinking and working on a display to show off !! Show flyers will be made and available at the September meeting. We will need help getting these to local train shows and posting them anywhere possible!

ONE DAY CONVENTION!!

Div 6 will be hosting a one day event... not really a convention, but styled after a convention, in the Spring of 2019. We do need a chairperson and help with registrations, etc... looking for volunteers. No date has been set yet. The event is all about being simple... 3-5 clinics in the morning, 3-6 layout tours in the afternoon and some OPS sessions in the evening. That's it! There will be an admission charge, which should be very affordable and we expect to make a profit at this event for Div 6. Most likely, we'll use the Senior Center for the event. It's ONE day of model railroading fun and information!!

DIVISION OF CHOICE

Do you live in Oakland County, but attend Div 6 meetings? Then you can become an official Div 6 member!! All you need to do is fill out the DIVISION OF CHOICE form. See a Div 6 Board member for a form. Once filed, you can now vote and hold office in Div 6!

BILL'S TOOL TIME

Div 6 member Bill Deeter was at the last meeting and had a few new tool tips for us... shopping at Hobby Lobby and found these... sand painting medium comes in lots of colors; kick-stand paint brushes that stand up on their own; Styrofoam balls that when cut in half can be mounds of dirt, coal, etc.; paint spreader with "teeth" that could be used to make a plowed field! We are looking forward to another tool tip soon.

DIV 6 MODEL PROJECT

Our next contest for bragging rights will be -

NCR CABOOSE CHALLANGE

This is a 12x12 diorama of a caboose having a "second life" as a store, storage shed, vacation cabin, etc.... We will present your models at the **NEXT - AUGUST** meeting. These should also be taken to the Lansing Lash-up convention in October!!

DIVISION 6 SHIRTS

Our shirt color will remain GRAY. The shirts are a Port Authority brand polo shirt. Prices aresmall-XL w/logo \$19 logo/pocket \$22 logo/name \$25 logo/pocket/name \$25 XXL +\$5, XXXL +\$7 XXXXL +\$9 Mark is taking orders... either see him, email or phone. ALSO - If you want a name badge... see Mark!!

NMRA AWARDS!

Ken Chick, MMR, our Division AP coordinator, presented more awards to Div 6 members!! Congratulations to Doug Malaznik for NMRA Volunteer and Rich Murphy for Master Builder Structures and Master Builder Scenery. Have YOU started your AP Certificates toward becoming an MMR - Master Model Railroader? CONGRATULATIONS to ALL!

PRODUCT REVIEW

If you have an item to review, see Mark before the meeting.

DIV 6 MISC NEWS

Remember... if you bring in an item for Show -n- Tell, you get a raffle ticket! This month we had another donated \$10 gift card from Nankin RR Hobby Shop (THANKS!!!). Our winner this month was- ! Congratulations!

Glenn Joppich was in the hospital with a heart infection and valve replacement. He is home now but still off work for several weeks and he was even at the meeting! Continued prayers and good thoughts to Glenn and his family!!

WE HAVE CARDS!! Mark had business cards made up so that all members can have some of these to pass them out at shows, while at hobby shops or where-ever! COOL!! Let's all promote Division 6!!

SAD!!!... Dave's Hobbies in Westland is closed! There will be no close-out sale as all remaining items in stock will be placed for sale on the internet. THANKS for the great years of hobby service to the local modelers! Dave did go out BIG, as he donated a train set and several building kits for the Div 6 Fall Show raffle! THANKS!!!!

WISH - is a new app for your phone that has all kinds of stuff for sale, including some hobby items. Some items are even free for the asking, but you have to pay for shipping. The app works nicely, so give it a try.

Notices showing up online from many model railroad manufacturers are stating that a major factory in China has simply closed. New products and runs of existing products are now halted and could be a long time before they get out. Manufacturers affected include Atlas, Bluford, Fox Valley, Bowser, Trainworks, Exactrail, Tangent & Intermountain

RAILROAD HISTORY

John Bopp was present at the meeting! The history lesson was from RailRoad magazine - 1939 Sept (part 2) "Timing the fast one's" trip in May 1939 of the NYC Train - the Mercury, between Detroit and Cleveland. We pick-up the story as the train is 6 seconds ahead of schedule. At Lindale, the train switches to electric locomotives and at BE tower, we're still 1-2 minutes ahead of schedule. The train arrives at Cleveland 3 minutes under the scheduled time! For the trip, the Mercury had an average speed of 62.2 mph and reached 69 mph between Lindale and Cleveland! The train was named correctly! THANKS John! We're looking forward to another lesson soon.

LAYOUT TOURS

Contact Hocky if you are available for a Layout Tour! How about you?? It's up to YOU guys... if you want tours, you need to volunteer and get your friends to volunteer! We NEED NEW people & layouts please! NEXT TOURS- no tours planned

CLINIC

WE ALWAYS NEED CLINICS for our meetings! Please contact Clinic Chairman Byrne Blumenstein to get your clinic scheduled! PLEASE share your talents and knowledge! Last month's clinic was more round-table discussions. Presenting were 3 moderators, Erik H - painting-weathering JC Paschal - airbrushing Steve Gladstien - electric meters THANKS guys for stepping up and presenting interesting subjects. We are sure that many people learned something new!

NEXT MEETING- Div 6 member Joe Bliss on benchwork

September marks our first M&MT (Materials & Modeling Techniques) Roundtable hands-on workshop. We'll have two M&MT sessions to play with the material, and one table for those not interested making things for a layout.

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LOCAL RR EVENTS

Mich RR club - Dearborn library. September 05, 2018 - Mr. William Raul Meetings are held at the Henry Ford Centennial Library, 16301 Michigan Ave, Dearborn, Mich. Meeting starts at 7pm with program starting at 7:30pm.

Saturday, August 11, 2018 -SUMMERAIL at Marion Palace Theater 276 W Center St. Marion, Ohio 43302 937-898-8220 rustyrails@woh.rr.com

Saturday, August 18, 2018 -Everett's Train Show Marion, OH - Marion Union Station Contact info - 740-351-1798

Sunday, August 26, 2018 -

Railroad Memorablia Show Painesville, OH - Painesville Railroad Museum Contact info -Tom Pescha 216-470-5780

DIV 6 - RR HUMOR

here is some railroad humor....



LANSING LEGACIES CONV

Check out all of the convention info in your NCR HotBox, or go to the website -

https://nmrancrdiv5.com/

To make a hotel reservation, call the hotel direct at 517-627-3211 Let's GO Div 6....!! Convention dates are October 11-14, 2018



37980 Ann Arbor Rd Livonia, MI 48150 734-454-7337 Mon-Fri 11-6 Sat 11-4



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1480 Washtenaw Ave Ypsilanti, MI 48197 734-961-7575

12020 Fort St Southgate, MI 48195 734-250-7382 CONGRATULATIONS!! Here are Doug Malaznik for NMRA Volunteer and Rich Murphy for Master Builder Structures and Master Builder Scenery.

Photos below show a few of the Show & Tell items presented and our wonderful roundtable moderators showing and educating our membership! Thanks guys!!

Photos taken by Bill McMillan!!















