



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



FEBRUARY 2019

HELLO!! Well, winter finally made a showing just after our monthly Div 6 meeting. I hope you kept warm and cozy! Certainly gives you more time for model railroading! Stay in, be safe, do model railroading!! What could be better?

NCR EXTRA 2019 is "rolling along"! We expect to have the event 95% planned and ready to go by mid-February. See the report for more details.

This past months meeting was the first for our new Board of Directors. Once again, Congratulations on your election and I'm sure you will keep Division 6 headed down the tracks in the right direction!! Here's the rest of your Division 6 news-

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

We had no new members at the last Div 6 meeting. Meeting attendance was very good with about xx members present. MMR's present were Ken Chick and Larry Wolohon. To all Div 6 members, WELCOME ABOARD!

DIV 6 MEETINGS

Our Division 6 meetings are on the **THIRD** Friday of each month. Our next Division 6 meeting will be on **FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2019.** 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 what you received for Christmas, railroad related! Items shown included- coal loader & building; station print; detail parts; book & calendar; t-shirt; NMRA boxcar; Santa Fe F7; Blissfield RR tape measure; more layout room!!; SP RDC #10; Jersey Central RR book; Bob's Hot Dog stand; New Orleans Belt RR Box car; NYC N scale loco; Western Union tool car; B&M framed photo; MI station book; cordless screwdriver; W&LE flat car; Hallmark F3 ornament; RR t-shirt & pin; large track cleaner block; N scale passenger car; parts; A&W stand in O scale; BN boxcar & covered hopper; Rail King crossing gate; P&LE/NYC hopper; train station book; HO scale 3D printed pot-belly stove; new Dremel tool; scratch building book; BTS kit; fiber optic cable for lighting; O scale Bar Mills kit; RR photography book; WOW decoder

Current Projects shown includedyard office building; working on scenery award; N scale 46 Ford sedan

Seems we had some "not so good" members, as we had a several members that donated to the caboose, THANKS!

NEXT MEETING - most unusual piece of RR equipment on your layout, or that your prototype used/had

NEW ITEMS IN THE HOBBY

Russ Hjelmberg, from Nankin Hobby, was not at the meeting. We look forward to another report next month on new hobby items soon!

DIV 6 WEBSITE

The Div 6 website has been improved! Check out the new pages! **NEWLY ADDED** - contact page and Layout page!! YOU, as a Div 6 member can have 4-5 pictures of your layout on the Div 6 website!! Email ED your pictures and a small write-up!! Send to-

phoenixblade70@gmail.com
The newsletter is posted and
available online (in COLOR! and
with pictures!). Check it out atwww.div6-ncr-nmra.com

ALSO... Div 6 now has a Facebook page! Anyone can join our page, just ask and you'll get approved. We may try to make it more open, but until then, just send in a request. Events, meetings, and your modeling projects are all welcome to be posted there!

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!!

BILL'S TOOL TIME

Div 6 member Bill Deeter was at the last meeting but did have some new tool tips to share. Black & Decker Cordless screwdriver and Bill added a MicroMark chuck. Bought at Ace Hardware, it has a built-in charger, just plugs into the wall! Was on sale for \$11. Bill also showed a General Tool steel scale and automatic center punch. And he showed another drill... older manual Yankee Drill! Cool! We are looking forward to more tips soon.

PRODUCT REVIEW

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

NCR EXTRA 2019

Here are the important facts on this event....

NCR EXTRA 2019

Saturday, April 27, 2019 WARD CHURCH, Northville, MI Clinics AM, tours and OPS in the afternoon and evening LOW cost for this ONE day event YES - BIG NEWS... we have changed the location to Ward Church, located at 6 Mile Rd west of Haggerty Rd. This is where we did the 2016 convention. Cost was the factor in moving! We will have a couple of opportunities to promote this event at some local train shows. That means, we'll need volunteers to man the table, pass out flyers and talk-up the event and Div 6. The Planning Team has come-up with a nice plan for those that are contributing to the event... Clinicians = free entry Layout Tours = 1/2 off entry OPS layouts = free entry We hope this will be a way of saying THANKS to those that are going above and beyond for this event! Ed has the NCR EXTRA up and running on our Div 6 website. You can now register online, using paypal or any major credit card!! Byrne has done a fantastic job of lining up the clinics YOU said

were of interest to you (and hopefully others!)!! The clinic list is complete!

Layout tour and OPS layout owners will be contacted VERY soon on getting your layouts scheduled. We still need a few members to do general help. Please use the form in this newsletter and return it to Barry, Mark or Bill. We actually have six registrations already!! COOL!! Thanks to those that have filled out a form and have signed-up to help!

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- Larry Woholon! Congratulations!

WE HAVE CARDS!! Bill has a supply of Div 6 business cards 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 promote Division 6!

Lynn Wells, Div 6 member since the beginning (40+ years!) was at the December Div 6 meeting. A day later, he suffered a brain anuerizium. This is not something most people survive, but Lynn did! He was in the hospital for several weeks and was getting better enough to go to a rehab facility. He is doing well and is now home, but will still need 24/7 care. Prayers and good wishes to Lynn and his family, while he recovers.

REMEMBER!!... when shopping at Nankin Hobby, tell them before your purchase is rung-up, that you are a Div 6 member! We get a share of your purchase price that we can spend for great raffle items for the Fall Show! Help Div 6 when shopping!! THANKS Nankin Hobby!! We're told this will work for ANY purchase at a Nankin store!!

Bowser contracted with China manufacturer and will be back to full production soon with 3-4 new locos.

Dave Kuntz would like some help in getting his layout cleaned and running! How would you like to work in O scale? Contact Dave at 734-453-4330

DIV 6 MOVING??

The City of Livonia has decided that we need to pay for use of the Senior Center, whenever we use it, for meetings or shows. This will put quite a burden on our finances! The Div 6 Board of Directors is looking into other possible sites for our meetings. A report should be available at the next Div 6 meeting in February.

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!

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- we have 2-3 tours planned for February! Sunday, Feb 24th will have Walt Plentis and Ted Philchak open from 1pm-4pm. These layouts are in White Lake, but close to each other! See map!! Let's give them a big turnout!!

DIV 6 MODEL PROJECT

Our next contest for bragging rights was held in January. The subject was RR owned online structures! We had quite a showing! There were 7 models on display. Several of those were quite well detailed!! After the vote, your winner was...

vote, your winner was... **Rich Murphy and his 3 track roundhouse!** WOW the details!! Congratulations!! The bragging rights are yours for the next 3 months! Our next project will be in April and the subject is Depots! Start modeling!!

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 another Rich Mahaney classic! Rich has close to 25 clinics that he can present and this one is one of the more interesting ones - The Smells of Model Railroading! Rich explained that we have had motion and now sound in model railroading. Why not smells? As we pass by an apple orchard, why not smell apples? If we're near the RR shops, why not the smell of oil? Rich's clinic explored and suggested other possible smells we could have and how to achieve them safely using scented candles and other sprays. An interesting idea! THANKS Rich for traveling to our meeting and presenting an interesting clinic!

NEXT MEETING- M&MT roundtable on weathering powders (pan pastels, Tamiya weathering master sets, eye shadow etc). Please bring a car or two to the meeting to weather!

March - Matt Letts on RR photos.

RAILROAD HISTORY

John's History Lesson was a story from the January 1951 Railroad magazine. TRAIN ON THE HWY! This was the story of the Great Northern RR using highway trucks to get boxcars back to where they needed to go, after some tracks were torn up, stranding these cars! A local company said they could do it by making a special trailer where the boxcars could be rolled on, then rolled off at the yard. These were moved 32 miles, taking 3 hours for each car. Farmers in the area weren't sure of what they were seeing... the wheat fields hid the truck and trailer, so farmers thought they say a boxcar moving down the road!! THANKS John! We're looking forward to another lesson soon.

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DIV 6 - RR HUMOR

here is some railroad humor....



LOCAL RR EVENTS

Mich RR club - Dearborn library. Wed Feb 06, 2019 - Train Ferry Steamer Solano by Bill Rubarth. Bill has made a nice model of this train ferry and gives an excellent talk. Meetings are held on the first Wednesday of the month at the Henry Ford Centennial Library, 16301 Michigan Ave, Dearborn, MI. Meeting at 7pm with program at 7:30pm. Contact Info: Kenneth Borg 3512 Merrick, Dearborn, MI 48124

Sunday, February 10, 2019 Lansing Model RR Club Open House Lansing Model Railroad Club 5309 Old Lansing Road Lansing, MI 48917 http://www.lmrc.org Noon to 5 p.m. Free (donation The layout is housed suggested) in the former Grand Trunk Western Millett Depot. Parking is limited on a grass or snow-covered surface. Wheelchair Accessible Contact Info Michael Frezell at 517-281-2544 lmrc1953@lmrc.org

Sat-Sunday, February 16-17, 2019 48th Annual Train Show and Sale Saline Middle School 7190 N. Maple Road Saline, MI 48176 Sat 10am-4pm, Sunday 10am- 3pm Adults- \$6 Under 10, Free w/Adult Ann Arbor Model Railroad Club and the Huron Valley Railroad Historical Society are hosts. Wheelchair Accessible Contact Info: Ann Arbor Model Railroad Club 3487 Broad Street Dexter, MI 48103 Phone: 734-426-5100-Wed Evenings 734-426-0829-Answering Machine http://a2trainshow.com

Fri-Saturday, Feb 22-23, 2019 Holland Modular Railroad Club Benefit Train Show Holland, MI -Overisel Reformed Church 4706 142nd Street, Holland, MI Friday, 5-8pm Saturday, 9am-2pm \$4 Per Person \$12 Per Family Contact Info: ourbug@chartermi.net Holland Mod RR Club 616-772-2681

Sat-Sunday, Feb 23-24, 2019-Model RR Exhibit, RR Memorabilia, Toy Train Show/Sale Suburban Collection Showplace 46100 Grand River Avenue Novi, MI 48374 10am-4pm Adults \$7 (\$2 more if purchased on-site) Kids 11 and under are Free Parking \$5 Wheelchair Accessible Contact Info - Great Train Show, 120 Easy Street #4, Carol Stream IL 60188 p 630-608-4988 Website -

http://GreatTrainShow.com www.GiantShow.com/novi.html Saturday, March 2, 2019

3rd ALL Scale Model Train Show -SONS United Food & Commercial Workers Hall 876 Horce Brown Drive Madison Heights, MI 48071 10am-4pm \$5 per person under 12 is free Contact Information: Shawn Barrick 810-444-5238

2019 NCR REGIONAL CONV



The 2019 NCR convention - NORTH CENTRAL CROSSING is hosted by Div 8 in Troy, Michigan. The event is November 7-10, 2019 and held at the Troy Community Center. Clinics, prototype tour, layout tours, OPS sessions, door prizes and a lunch on Saturday are all part of the convention plans. See the Div 8 website for online registration www.div8.ncr-nmra.org



NCR EXTRA 2019 - Volunteer Form Please fill in the following and return to BARRY HENSEL, MARK ELLIS or BILL McMILLAN at the next meeting. You can also contact them at these locations – Barry – 734-649-3056 barry76Lt@wowway.com Mark - 734-765-2729 emark@sbcglobal.net Bill - 248-349-7456 wmcmillan7456@gmail.com						
Name:	Phone Number:					
EMAIL:						
Volunteering to (circle as many a	is apply)					
CLINIC – (free entry) – topic						
LAYOUT TOUR - Layout Name:						
Requested time for your tour?	Scale:					
OPS session - Layout Name:						
Requested time for your tour?	Scale:					
Assist with morning registration (on	ly need 4 people)					
Clinic Room Host (only need 6-9 people)	**** Nankin ****					
	35101 Ford Rd Westland, MI 48185 734-722-5700 33350 W Nine Mile Rd Farmington, MI 48336					
	248-919-0040					
	1480 Washtenaw Ave Ypsilanti, MI 48197 734-961-7575					
	12020 Fort St Southgate, MI 48195 734-250-7382					

Division Six, the Motor City Division of the NCR- North Central Region of the NMRA- National Model Railroad Association presents-





North Central Region ONE day model railroading event **JRDAY, APRIL 27, 2019**

EVENT HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE-

* Operation sessions available

- * Many model layouts to visit
- * Event site- Livonia Senior Center, Livonia, MI
- * Clinics/Workshops
- * Online Registration available, see website!
- * EVERYONE welcome to attend!

For more information or questions answered, visit our web pages at- www.div6-ncr-nmra.com or contact -Barry Hensel, Chairman – 734-649-3056 barry76Lt@wowway.com

Mark Ellis, Asst. Chairman - 734-421-2673 emark@sbcglobal.net

Open to ALL model railroaders! You do not have to be a NMRA member to attend!

Here is our schedule for the NCR EXTRA 2019! - SATURDAY, APRIL 27

Registration 7:30am-12 noon

Clinics/Workshops from 8am-1pm

Layout Tours starting at 1pm Operating Sessions starting at 1pm by pre-register only To participate in all of this, just fill out the registration form, send it in with your fees and you will have a great time! A pre-event info package with the final schedules, clinic schedule and topics and any other late information will be mailed/emailed to you starting early April. You can also get updates on our website!!

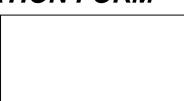
NCR EXTRA 2019 OFFICIAL REGISTRATION FORM

Please PRINT the information below and mail with proper fees to:

NCR EXTRA 2019

30040 Lyndon Livonia, MI 48154

A confirmation letter with your official entry number and event outline, will be mailed or emailed to you in early April 2019. All entries MUST be postmarked by April 15, 2019.



_____ NMRA Number_____

ADDRESS_____

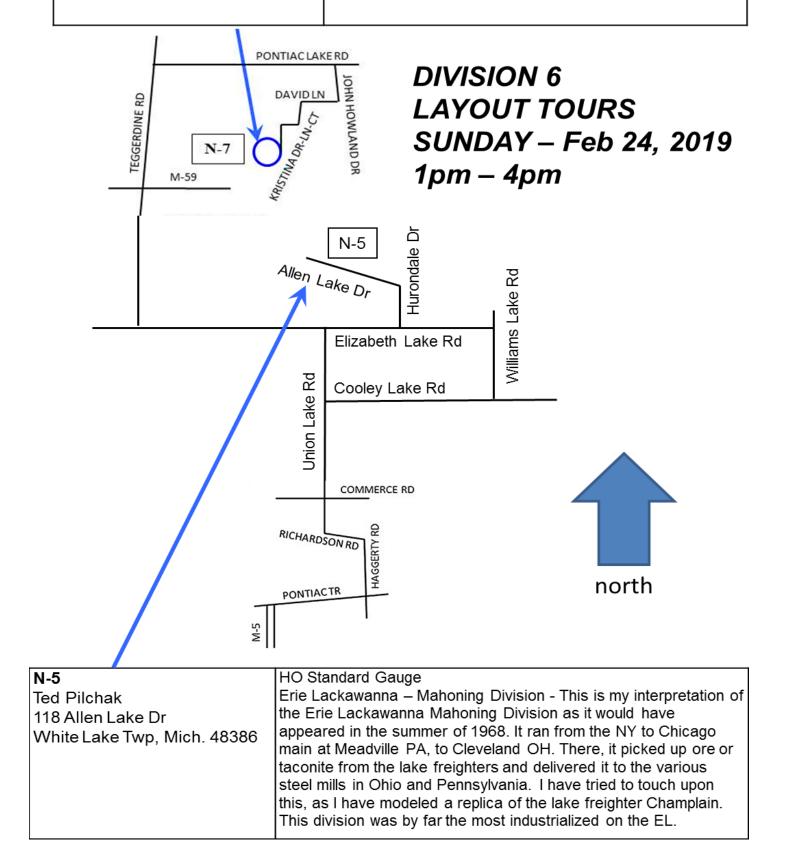
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Please make checks and/or money orders payable in US FUNDS to: NMRA - NCR - DIVISION 6

NMRA MEMBER ENTRY FEE- \$20 NON-NMRA MEMBER ENTRY FEE- \$30 ATTEND PLUS A 9 MONTH NMRA MEMBERSHIP - \$40

N-7 Walt Plentis 11721 Kristina Drive White Lake Twp, Mich. 48386 HO Standard Gauge An operational, under construction whole room multi-level HO layout with all hand made turnouts. It represents the Pennsylvania Railroad in and around Altoona including the famous "Horseshoe Curve"!



Photos of our new Div 6 banner and the Modeling Challenge entries! Nice work by all!! Your winner for bragging rights - Rich Murphy and his 3 stall roundhouse! WOW!!













