



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

DIV 6 MEETINGS

Our Division 6 meetings are on the **THIRD** Friday of each month. Our next Division 6 meeting will be on **FRIDAY, APRIL 19, 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. A \$1 donation is requested.

SHOW AND TELL

The subject for the last meeting was railroad photos.

Items shown included- trifold brochure on a 4-10-2; news photo of a collapsed bridge; STL&SW train photo; PRR H10 loco ad; photos of trains in/near Taylor, MI; DT&I artwork; GBW photo album; layout interlocking that uses the real interlocking mechanism to work!; Adrian & Blissfield RR calendar; many layout pictures; PRR B2 switcher; MILW RD diesel streamliner; Salono Ferry postcard; FEC passenger special; outhouse train art; Rail Gang calendar; BN in Nebraska; RDG GP7 winter art; layout photo in NMRA calendar; layout photo in MR magazine; MI Central Station; DRG F unit Zephyr; MILW RD Little Joe's; cab ride documentation in exGN GP9; Trains We Rode book; box photo of 3 steam locos; Rio Grande RR book; Cass Scenic RR; loco 1218 photos; Manistee & NE loco; view from roof of MI Central Depot; Swiss train photo!; G scale layout photo.

Current Projects shown included- Updates on the OPS Timetable for the MI Southern RR; loco kit work. Several members did not bring a photo and donated to the caboose, THANKS!

NEXT MEETING - anything railroad depot related

DIV 6 MODEL PROJECT

Our next contest for bragging rights will be THIS MONTH! The subject is Railroad Depots! We hope to see many depot models on display! Good Luck!

ON THE RAILS...

APRIL 2019

Well... **THANK-YOU** to the many Div 6 members who have expressed their concern for my health! I am indeed happy to be here! For those who may not know, I suffered a mild heart attack on Wed. March 6th and had a stent installed in the major artery. I am doing well and have started rehab, new diet and meds. I sincerely hope to be around... for a long time!! Thanks again to all of you!

While our meeting place will not change for the foreseeable future, the NCR EXTRA has moved and now the annual FALL SHOW & WORKSHOP! Details in this newsletter!

NCR EXTRA 2019 is "rolling along"! See the report later on, for more details. Another event that you should attend is the NCR convention being hosted by Div 8 in November. See the details on the **NORTH CENTRAL CROSSING 2019**. Here's the rest of your Division 6 news-

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

We had two new members at the last Div 6 meeting. Please welcome Paul Jordan and Richard Neumann! Meeting attendance was good with about 49 members present. MMR's present were Ken Chick and Joe Kocis. To all Div 6 members,
WELCOME ABOARD!

DIVISION 6 SHIRTS

Our shirt color will remain GRAY.
The shirts are a Port Authority brand polo shirt. Prices are-
small-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 not have any new tool tips to share. We're looking forward to more tips soon. However, Rich Kubeck had some additional information - there is reflective tape markings for HO, N and O scale rolling stock. We'll get you the website soon. Walthers now has a PC board to control stall motors for turnouts. Rich also showed a set of LED lighted construction barrels in HO scale.

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
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!

We are ONE month away!! We have about 20 registrations in.

The clinic schedule is all set - Thanks for the great work Byrne!

Layout tours and OPS is also complete (by the time you read this) and notices to those already registered have started to go out. Thanks to Mark and Bill for doing the notices and tour scheduling!

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! A big THANKS to Jay & Brook Qualman and Ed Joppich for hosting tours in March! Great layouts! Very sorry for the wrong address to Walt's, but everyone made it!

NEXT TOURS- we have no tours planned for April because we have the NCR EXTRA 2019!! If you want to see layouts, attend the EXTRA!!

DIV 6 FALL SHOW!!

Hard to believe we are already talking about the Div 6 FALL SHOW & WORKSHOP! Well, we do have to plan in advance and that had prompted an email to Ward Church to see about the use of their gym room - Knox Hall. The room IS available and at about half the cost of the Senior Center and the new charges by Livonia. One problem does exist - the show must be moved to a Saturday! The Ward Church calendar had Saturday, Nov 23, 2019 open. After some member discussion, it was voted on and decided that our 2019 event will be at Ward Church on that date!! Mark your calendars now!!

PRODUCT REVIEW

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

RAILROAD HISTORY

John Bopp was at the meeting, but did not have a History Lesson. Instead, John was asked to talk about his experience in obtaining the NMRA Association Volunteer AP Certificate and what was involved. John talked about the time units that need to be kept track of in order to get the Volunteer Certificate and that anyone in Div 6 could also obtain these qualifications. All you have to do is become involved!! Thanks John! We're looking forward to another lesson soon.

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 by Div 6 member Matt Letts. His clinic was on the railroad photos he took while living in Kansas. Matt showed many great photos of the Santa Fe, Union Pacific and Rio Grande. Cool stuff!! THANKS Matt!!

NEXT MEETING-

April - M&MT session and alternate table for collectors or general discussions. June M&MT will be about structure material creation.

May - Mike Hodges Historic Train Depots of Michigan presentation

June - Roundtables:

Irwin Knox - Dry transfers

Richard Kubeck - Electronics and track cleaning

Mark Ellis - Track problems and improvements

Note that the ongoing M&MT sessions will have "Sequential themes", so we will establish that sequence, i.e. month 1, structure material creation session, month 2 structure finishing, such as mortar or roofing work, month 3, painting both air and brushing, month 4, environment, i.e. landscape/display/installation. We basically build toward a completed project or technique, and perhaps a special "Grand Finale" show and tell, followed by judging.

NEW ITEMS IN THE HOBBY

Russ Hjelmberg, from Nankin Hobby, was not at the meeting, and thus had no report. We look forward to another report on new hobby items soon!

DIV 6 WEBSITE

The Div 6 website has been improved! Check out the new pages! If you want your layout featured on the website, email ED your pictures and a small write-up!! Check it out at- www.div6-ncr-nmra.com

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- Dennis Kropinak! 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!

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!!

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

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!

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DIV 6 DIRECTORY UPDATE

We will be publishing a new, updated Div 6 member directory. To be included IN the directory, you will have to sign a form giving us permission to publish your contact info. Forms will be available at the next Div 6 meeting.

NMRA AP AWARDS

Congratulations go out to several Div 6 members on completed some AP Certificates! Receiving awards were Jay and Brook Qualman and John Bopp for Association Volunteer. Brook Qualman also received the Master Builder Scenery certificate. Once again, Congratulations to all!!



DIV 6 - RR HUMOR

here is some railroad humor.....



**PLYMOUTH
TRAIN SHOP**

Lionel, O-Scale – MTH, HO, Williams
Dave, manager

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

LOCAL RR EVENTS

Mich RR club - Dearborn library.

Wed April 03 - "Bridges on the Rouge, Pt. 2" by Nathan Holth. This will continue our trip up the Rouge River looking at railroad bridges that span this waterway. 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

Saturday, April 6, 2019 - Spring Swap Meet Kalamazoo Model RR Hist. Society Kalamazoo County Fairgrounds EXPO SOUTH 2900 Lake St Kalamazoo, MI 10am - 3pm \$3 admission, under 10 free with paid adult Contact Information- 269-344-0906 kaltrainshow@kalnet.net

Saturday, April 13, 2019 - 32nd Train Show & Swap Meet Bucyrus Model Railroad Association Bucyrus, OH - Crawford County Fairground Contact Information: David Moore 419-462-5035

Saturday, April 13, 2019 - Grand River Valley RR Club Train Show grandrivervalleyrrc.org Home School Building, 5625 Burlingame Ave, Wyoming, MI 49509 10 am to 3 pm Vendor set up 7am Adults - \$5 Kids under 12 free Contact Information: Jeff Anderson 616-304-2875 Ken Skopp - Show Coordinator H: 616-667-9680 C: 616-254-7305 kwskopp@gmail.com

Sunday, April 14, 2019 Wolverine Train Club TTOS Show United Food & Commercial Workers Hall 876 Horce Brown Drive Madison Heights, MI 48071 10AM-3:30PM \$3 per person Contact Information- Bob Burgee 586-662-0225

Saturday-Sunday April 27-28, May 4-5, 11-12, 2019 Day Out with Thomas!! Greenfield Village Dearborn, MI Tickets on sale March 7th www.thehenryford.org/thomas

Sunday, April 27, 2018 - Spring Model Train & Hobby Show Muskegon Railroad Historical Society Muskegon, MI - On board LST 393 560 Mart St, Muskegon MI

10am to 3pm. Admission is \$5, children under 5 are free! Contact Information - Mike Wood 231-670-0751 website- www.mrhs-online.org

Sunday, April 28, 2019 - Montpelier Trackside Modelers RR Club Train Show/Swap Holiday City Quality Inn Convention Center 13508 State Route 15 and Exit 13 Ohio Turnpike Montpelier, OH 10 AM to 3 PM. Admission is \$5 ages 13 and older. Contact Information - Jim McPike, 419-298-2441 jimcpike@gmail.com

Saturday, May 4, 2019 - 12th Annual National Train Day Toledo, OH - Toledo Amtrak Station Contact Information - Bill Gill, 419-241-9155 x134

Saturday-Sunday, May 4-5, 2019- Tunnel City Railway Train Show Blue Water Convention Center 500 Thomas Edison Pkwy Port Huron, MI 10am - 4pm \$5 admission, kids 10 and under are free Contact Information - Chad Thompson 810-984-4134 www.bluewaterconventioncenter.com



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734-722-5700

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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

SATURDAY, APRIL 27, 2019

EVENT HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE-

- * Operation sessions available
- * Many model layouts to visit
- * Event site- WARD Church Northville, 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
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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.

NAME _____ NMRA Number _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ COUNTRY _____ ZIP _____

TELEPHONE (____) _____ EMAIL _____

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

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