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#### OUR NEXT REGULAR MEETING WILL BE

### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2022

### 6:00pm Social Time - Meeting starts at 6:30pm

### WHEN & WHERE WE MEET

The North Coast Division holds 10 meetings a year (none in July and August). Meetings are on the **2nd Fri**-

**<u>day of each month</u>**. A social half hour starts at 6:00 p.m. followed by a short business meeting at 6:30. After a short break, a railroad themed raffle and clinic complete the typical agenda. Starting September, 2020, the meetings are held at the **Westlake City Recreation Center**, 28955 Hilliard Blvd, Westlake, OH 44145. Visitors are welcome to attend any meeting.

The Division's newsletter, *The Flatwheel* is published monthly (except during July and August) by Division 4 of the Mid-Central Region (MCR) of the National Model Railroad Association (NMRA). All comments are welcome.

Views expressed in *The Flatwheel* do not necessarily reflect the opinion of the NMRA, MCR, or Division 4.

*The Flatwheel* is typically electronically published no later than the Monday preceding the monthly meeting. **Submissions are due no later than the 26th of the prior month**, for example, August 26th for the September *Flatwheel*.

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# FROM THE SUPER

Greeting from Cab.

My comments will be short and to the point this month.

It is official -Division 4 will host the 2024 MCR convention. Request for those interested in working on the convention committee will be forth coming. Location to be determined as several venues are being considered.

David James and his crew are busy preparing for the Great Berea Train Show. Looking forward to another great show. Any help on Thursday evening and Friday morning for set up would be appreciated.

Also, Gary Schaefer will be gearing up for Training Days and will be looking for help. Please give a hand if you are available.

John Witt has scheduled the Fall layout tours. Please take the time to enjoy some fine layouts.

The Rails to Pittsburgh web site is up and running for the 2023 MCR Regional Convention. This should be a good event and worthy of your consideration.

The MCR board of directors meet on September the 16<sup>th</sup>. Very proud of our division. Membership and meeting attendance is good. Quality programs and a great meeting location.

Just a reminder to the membership that request for gift cards claiming to represent an officer of the division is a scam. Please ignore.

The fabulous modular group will be very active for the next three months. As a group we should really appreciate all the that the group does for the division.

Well, the train is pulling into the yard and this run is over.

Until next time,



Ron Morgan

# **MEETING MINUTES**

#### Division 4, MCR, NMRA Meeting Minutes for September 9, 2022

Meeting opened at 6:31 pm with a warm Welcome back from our Superintendent, Ron Morgan.

Minutes of last meeting were approved.

Treasurer's report was give by Greg Noeth. Treasurer's report was approved.

Old Business – The Great Berea Train Show – David James – Thursday, September 29<sup>th</sup> will start set up (after 6:00 pm). Friday morning (early set up 9:00 to 9:30 am). There are still tables available. Norm Bobby, one of our usual vendors, passed away recently. Brats will be cooked Friday night. Grill will be available Saturday night after show classes. Bring your own stuff to grill.

Bagley Road will be the only entrance used for visitors. Watch where you park, because of recent fire they are cracking down on violators. Please sign up to volunteer sheets in back. Shirts are available tonight \$15.00 each. There are red ones and yellow worker shirts.

Certificate – Ron presented Lee Sheffield a Certificate of behalf of the Mid Central Region for his hard work and dedication during his 2 terms as Superintendent.

New Business – 2024 Regional Convention Bid – Jerry Kruger – Jerry will put our bid in later tis month for the 2024 Regional Convention. Currently looking at 2 local hotels. Will be held the third weekend in May. Committees will start forming in October after The Great Berea Train Show. Please sign up or let Jerry know via email.

2023 Regional Convention Website – Ron Morgan – the site is up and running. Now taking reservations for May 2023 in Pittsburgh.

Mid-Central Region BOD Meeting – Dave Williams – Jerry will be presenting our bid virtually for the 2024 Convention later this month.

Training Day – Gary Schaefer – went over Mission Statement, then let us know Training Day will go on Sunday, November 6<sup>th</sup>, at Black River Landing. Please sign up to share your talents.

Division 4 By Law Review – Ron Morgan – The By Laws are being reviewed by John Witt, John Hemsath, and Dave Williams. They are looking for and corrections or additions that may need to be brought up to the Division.

Other – Joe Kurilec – New York Central will hold a mini Convention on September 24<sup>th</sup>. It will be at the Crown Plaza in Middleburg Hts.

# **MEETING MINUTES**

Committee Reports – Flatwheel Deadline – Chuck Shick – Due September 26<sup>th</sup>.

Membership – Bill Dluback – we gained 3 new members over the summer. Bill had 2 new members who showed up for meeting stand up and introduce themselves. Welcome Ed Graves and Steve Gnall.

Contest – Joe Filipiak – Tonight's Contest is Articulated Steam Engine- be sure to get over and vote. Up coming Contests: October – Wood sided railcar with outside bracing. COMMON BOX CARS NOT IN-CLUDED.

November - Private residential home that is trackside.

Clinics – Jerry Kruger – Tonight Jerry will be showing his weathering techniques. October, John Hemsath will present upgrading, detailing box cars. November – Looking into doing a remote clinic with our new technology. There is no Clinic in December and still looking for January and February.

Raffle – Adam Woodie – got some good stuff, come on over and get your tickets. Raffle will be held 10 minutes after meeting ends.

Module Group – Adam Woodie – We are going strong, just finished up with the Fair. Still working Octoberfest until tomorrow. We have a few weeks off and then it's The Great Berea Train Show.

Company Store – Scott Benson – we are back! 757 shirts are available. We have a DVD lending library along with a fast tracks turn out lending library. Division 4 shirts and caps are available to order, see Scott.

Layout Tours – John Witt – There will be 8 layouts to see in the fall tours. 4 each week, the first week will be Sunday, October  $30^{th}$  and the next will be Saturday, November  $11^{th}$ .

AP Awards – John Hemsath - The Tom Afternoon Award, a Regional Award was presented to Jim Grell. The award is from May for a car he entered. Volunteer Certificate – Ben Lanza Master Builder Motor Power – 3 Merit Awards 3 Locomotives – went to Ben Lanza

Other – Ron Morgan – Remember our Youth Members must have a parent or guardian present at each event they attend.

Gary Sole made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Gary Schaefer seconded the motion. The Division carried the motion. Meeting adjourned at 7:08 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Chris Shick Secretary, Division 4, MCR, NMRA



Chris Shick

**ELECTED OFFICERS** 

# NORTH COAST OHIO

# DIV-4 Leadership

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<u>Director at Large</u> - Brian Haas, <u>haasland@msn.com</u>
<u>Director at Large</u> - Jeff Lauren (216)-798-1896, jflrn@sbcglobal.net

#### **APPOINTED POSITIONS**

Great Berea Train Show - David James, c(440)-785-9907

Achievement - John Hemsath MMR® hemsathj@gmail.com

<u>Layout Tours</u> - John Witt john.witt@rexelusa.com

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<u>Raffle</u> - Adam Woodie, <u>woo3482@hotmail.com</u>

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N.O.A.R.S. Representative - Bill Kovacs

Webmaster - Ben Lanza, blqt@nls.net

<u>Refreshments</u> - Don Glass

Training Day - Gary Schaefer, trains.ohio@yahoo.com

# **MODULE GROUP**

Greetings Fellow Model Railroaders!

It is officially Fall! The days may be getting shorter but the module group is in full swing with displaying the layout at various events! We just wrapped up our displays at the Cuyahoga County Fair and Cleveland Oktoberfest. Both events saw a considerable amount of people visiting the layout at both events. Several applications to the NMRA as well as flyers for the Great Berea Train Show (GBTS) were picked up by the general public. Hopefully, those flyers translate into a few new members as well as additional attendees of the GBTS.

Speaking of the GBTS, the module group will once again be set up in our typical location. Be sure to stop by and say hello during the event.

As always, anyone interested in joining the Module Group, please contact me at woo3482@hotmail.com. I will add you to the module group email list and you will receive all of the latest information regarding upcoming events, operating schedules, etc.

Until next time!

Adam "Hot Box" Woodie



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# **COMPANY STORE**

If you're looking to get a Division 4 shirt or ball cap, the Company Store can help you. The order form is available at the Division 4 website and at our meetings. Email me with your order when I'm not at the meeting.

The Company Store is now managing the FastTracks turnout tools library. We have an inventory of jigs, tools and supplies for use by members. We have HO Code 83 jigs for #4, #5, #6 and #8 turnouts (left or right), #6 Gantlet, and #6 crossovers (single or double). Plus all supplies including the Quicksticks. They will be available at Division 4 meetings, but contact Scott Benson, 440-567-9089, <u>sbenson440@zoominternet.net</u> to arrange to borrow what you need.

We also have our DVD loaning library, mostly covering modeling techniques. DVD loans are free to Division 4 members.



Scott Benson

# **CONTEST TABLE**

The phrase, "gentlemen, start your engines", is used in auto racing but the phrase "whistle off", denotes the beginning of a rail journey. The new model contest session "whistled off" with eight participants and over fifty members voting for their favorite pick of the entries. The subject for the contest was articulated steam engines. Sorry to all of you diesel fans but you will get your turn.

The contest winners for the model category are. Jim Grell taking first place. Frank Bongevani with a great vintage brass engine took second and Steve Riddlebaugh's fine entry took third place. The diorama winners are, Joe Filipiak with his little engine/ big engine display, placing first place. Dave Williams entry with snow in the mountains took second place and third place went to "Mr. Cheerios", Dave Lawler. Thank you to all those who entered and or voted in the model contest.

The October contest subject is a wood sided rail car with metal outside bracing. The challenge is to use a car other than a common box car. Gondolas, hoppers, and even some cabooses can be used, and yes, you can enter a cattle car if you want to. I think it will be interesting to see the variety of entries for this contest. You have a couple of weeks before the next meeting so dig around in your collection of railroad "goodies" and plan on entering something in the October contest.



Joe Filipiak

# **CLINIC CORNER**

#### OCTOBER

October's clinic will be by John Hemsath. The clinic is titled "Easy Super Detailing a Boxcar." John will go over his tricks on how to turn a ordinary boxcar into an eye-catcher. Something we can all use to make our most recent GBTS purchases into standouts on our layout.

#### NOVEMBER

November's clinic is still being scheduled. We hope to have a short presentation on the 2023 Mid Central Regional Convention in Pittsburgh in May. This will be followed by a short clinic still being planned.

If you have a short clinic you'd like to present in November please contact me.

#### **FUTURE CLINICS**

I'm always looking for Clinics. If you have a topic you'd like to present please contact me. If you need help putting a clinic together, let me know and I can help you put one together and help get points toward your AP certificate. If you have a topic you would like to see presented, let me know. I'm hoping to get some people I met at the Indy Regional and St. Louis National to do presentations remotely.



Jerry Krueger

# RAFFLE

**Greetings Fellow Model Railroaders!** 

Fall is upon us and with it comes the monthly raffle back in full swing! Several new model railroad items were acquired throughout the year and are ready to be raffled off! As always, there will be sometime for everyone each month! Please remember that the meetings are scheduled to begin at 6:30pm and the we must out of the building by 9:00pm. We would like to give the scheduled presenter plenty of time for the clinic so purchase your tickets early! Ticket sales begin around 6:00pm, sometimes sooner.

Also don't forget about the big end of the year raffle which takes place at the Annual Awards Banquet. Several high value items, multiple car sets, mystery items, and gift baskets will be up for grabs. Don't miss out!

Until next time!

Adam "Hot Box" Woodie



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### FALL LAYOUT TOURS

"Final schedule" – but could always change.. were still weeks away !!!

Fall Layout tours – from 1 to 4 PM .. Look for the crossbuck signs in the front yards.

Sunday October 30th..

John Hemsath - Bay Village Steve Holzheimer - Lakewood Dave Lawler - Avon Lake Joe Filipiak - Grafton

Saturday November 12<sup>th</sup> John Puch - Brunswick Scott Eastburn - Amherst Joe Toth - Rocky River

Inclement Weather Conditions – In case it snows or something We will send out a Div 4 BLAST e mail, if we think weather conditions are not favorable for members driving.

There will be another e-mail with members addresses so you can load them into GPS

John 440-539-8945



JOHN WITT





LEE SHEFFIELD MCR AWARD OF APPRICATION FOR HIS TERMS AS SUPERINTENDANT

JIM GRELL

AWARD

### SEPTEBER MEETING PICTURES



BEN LANZA VOLUNTEER AWARD

BEN LANZA

MOTIVE POWWER AWARD

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### SEPTEBER MEETING PICTURES



BEN LANZA - MOTIVE POWER AWARDS



#### CLINICIAN—JERRY KRUEGER















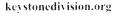




#### **RAILS TO PITTSBURGH**

Early Registration Form May 4-7, 2023

NMRA, Mid-Central Region, Division 2



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The	Keystone Division
	MCR Div. 2

Primary Registrant Badge Name	(must be NMRA member)		
NMRA No	Region	Division	
Street Address			
City	State	Zip	
Cell Phone	E-mail		
Number of persons attending			

Names of Others

Item	Quantity	Price	Amount
Early Basic Registration			
(Expires Jan. 1, 2023)		\$85.00	
One Year Full NMRA Membership			
(With print magazine subscription)		\$92.00	
One Year NMRA Membership			
(Without print magazine subscription)		\$68.00	
Family Members (per person, spouse or child)			
(Expires Jan. 1, 2023)		\$25.00	
NMRA RAILPASS 9-month* includes digital magazine-			-
*One-time only, new members or members			
dormant for 2 or more years		\$19.95	
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TOTAL AMOUNT			1 \$

Sign-up form for extra fare items will be sent out to all early registrants at a later date. Activity assignment will be based on the order that the applications are received. Make check payable to: NMRA, Keystone Div 2, Mid-Central Region Mail to: Convention Registrar, Tom Gaus 3357 New Texas Road Pittsburgh, PA 15239 Ph. 412-731-8846 e-mail: tom@tomgaus.com

Room reservations are made directly with the convention hotel at \$114.00 per night Mention National Model Railroad Assn. to get this price when making reservations!

> Doubletree by Hilton at Cranberry 910 Sheraton Drive Mars, Pa 16046 724-776-6900

### T-TRAK Call for Modules



This Call for Modules is intended for those T-TRAK modelers that might be interested in attending the "Rails to Pittsburgh", NMRA Mid Central Regional Convention hosted by the Keystone Division.

The convention will be presented at The Doubletree by Hilton at Cranberry in a suburb of Pittsburgh on May 4-7, 2023.

The large layout will be hosted by the convention as an invitational layout and will be open to all modelers attending the convention.

The layout will occupy half of one of the hotel's Banquet Halls, in a room 64' by 60' and tentatively will be a three branch E shaped layout. The layout plan will support 80 double equivalent modules.

This Call for Modules is particularly directed at T-TRAKers residing in western Pennsylvania, western New York and northern Ohio areas.

If you are interested in participating in this invitational Layout, please send an email to

bdemaeyer@att.net

Information about the Convention can be found at

www.keystonedivision.org

WHAT'S GOING ON The Great Berea Train Show Model Train Show NMRA Div 4 Cuyahoga County Fairgrounds 19201 E. Bagley Road, Middleburg Heights, Ohio 44130 **Sat 10 am - 4 pm, Sun 10 am - 4 pm** Adm. \$8.00 Phone: 440-785-9907 Info & Map VIDEO Flyer Web Site **Dealer** Application 2022 - Oct. 8 **Canfield Train and Toy Show** Canfield Fairgrounds, 7265 Columbiana, Canfield, Ohio 44406 Being held in new Event Center Adm. \$7.00 10:00 am to 3:00 pm Phone: 330-651-1042 **Flver** Map Iron and Steel Train Show and Expo 2022 - Oct. 15 In memory of Anna Mamone National McKinley Memorial Museum 40 North Main St. (RT 46) Niles, Ohio 10:00 am to 3:00 pm Adm. \$5.00 Contact Dennis Mamone 330-503-5510 consultdennis@hotmail.com Man Flver 2022 - Oct. 22 Fundraiser Dinner Painesville Railroad Museum (aka Painesville Depot) 475 Railroad Street, Painesville, Ohio 44077 3:00 pm to 8:00 pm Adm. pre-sale \$30.00 Phone: 216-470-5780 At the Door \$35.00 MAP Flver WEB Page 2022 - Oct. 29 **Train Collectors Association - Halloween Train Meet** UAW Hall 5615 Chevrolet Blvd., Parma, Ohio 44130 10 am to 3 pm Adm. \$6.00 Phone: Charlie Easton at: 216-233-6135 Info & MAP Flver 2022 - Oct. 30 Medina Train and Toy Show Medina Fairgrounds, Medina, Ohio 44256 9 am to 3 pm Adm. \$6.00 Phone: 330-948-4400

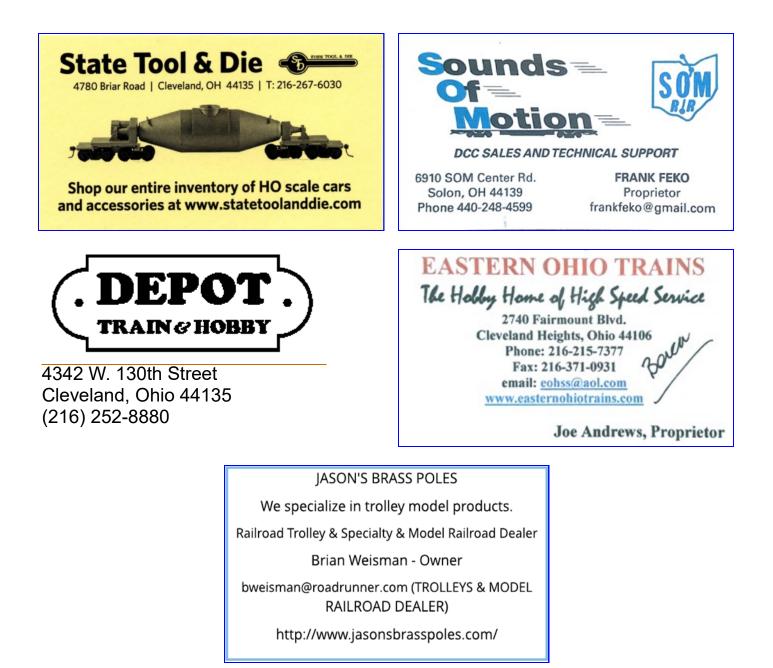
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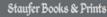
# **HOBBY SOURCES IN OUR AREA**



These vendors are members of our own NORTH COAST DIVISION! Give them a try when you need the supplies and services they offer!! - Editor

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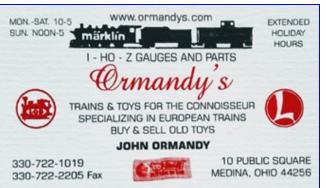






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# PLEASE SUPPORT THESE DEALERS!

# **ABOUT US**

We are Division 4 of the Mid-Central Region of the National Model Railroad Association. (DIV-4 MCR NMRA).

With more than 200 members from Cuyahoga, Erie, Huron, Lorain and Medina counties in the state of Ohio.

The North Coast Division meetings are normally held on the second Friday of the month, to hear guest speakers, share skills, have railroad related clinics, and to share common problems and successes. Many of us get together informally in round-robin sessions to operate and work on each other's layouts, or just talk railroads and modeling.

