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FROM THE SUPER

Greeting from Cab

The Rails to Pittsburgh Convention was an enjoyable event. I enjoyed 3 tours, multiple clinics, and 4 home layouts on the way home. Over all, it was a great time.

Now it is our turn. to host the 2024 North Coast Limited, Jerry Krueger and his committee will be working hard to put together this great event. As members of the Division we need to support Jerry and the convention committee as the needs arise. Please volunteer to help with the convention.

The Mid Central Region has a new Contest Chairperson, Susan Werner, MMR, from Division 2. Thanks to those who showed interest.

The Regional T Track display at the Pittsburgh Convention was interesting. The group put on a very nice display.

Just a reminder to sign up for the Division 4 picnic at NEOLS on June 24 from 11 am to 3 pm. Please sign up at the June business meeting. Bring a dish to share.

The Westgate Rec. Center Summer Schedule starts the week of our meeting. They will be closing at 8 PM. However, we are working with them to be open until 8:30 PM.

We will be adjusting our meeting agenda to accommodate their new summer schedule if we cannot get a time adjustment.

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

Ron



Ron Morgan

MEETING MINUTES

Division 4, MCR, NMRA Monthly Minutes Friday May 12, 2023

Superintendent Ron Morgan opened the meeting with a warm welcome at 6:31 pm.

A motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes of the last meeting. Motion was carried by the membership.

Treasurer's Report was given by Greg Noeth of all account balances.

OLD BUSINESS:

Pittsburg Convention – Ron Morgan – Division 4 had a good representation. At Membership meeting it was discussed to possibly do away with Contests at Regional Conventions. This will be discussed more at a later time. Lots of Divisions are doing T-Tracks.

John Hemsath, MMR – There were 18 judges for the contest, 9 of which are MMR's. 30 models were judged with 15 merit awards given out. Jim Grell entered 2 cars and earned merit awards for both. Jerry Kruger received 1st place in the structures division. John is looking for judges for next years contest (if there is one).

Bert Wisbar – talked about the Kerry Blast Furnace Tour, Three Rivers Boat Ride, and a few of the other extra activities that were available.

2024 Convention – Jerry Kruger – There was a table set up in Pittsburg. Some interest was shown, a few have already registered with the up and running on line process. On Wednesday, May 24th there will be a Zoom meeting. An email will go out for those already on the committee. If you are interested in being a part of the meeting, let Jerry know in person or via email. Registration site is open, and it will send out updates to those registered as they happen. Modeling with Masters have asked to be part of our convention. Layout Tours will be coordinated by John Witt, MMR and Scott Benson, let them know if you'd like our layout on the tour for the convention.

Job Descriptions – Ron Morgan/Chuck Shick – The list is being updated as the descriptions come in. Chuck will send a copy of those done to Ron.

T-Track – Ron Morgan – A lot of Divisions are moving forward with T-Track in many scales. We will set up a display at The Great Berea Train Show

Division 4 By Laws – Ron Morgan – plan to get together sometime after June to work on them.

We have a new Regional Contest Chairperson. Congratulations to Susan Werner, MMR from Division 2.

NEW BUSINESS:

Show and Tell – George Gelehrter – took a course with Modeling with the Maters and highly recommends it. You learn a lot from guys with experience.

Bram Bailey – showed pictures of his layouts progress. He thanked his crew for all of their help.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Flat Wheel Deadline – Chuck Shick – May 26th. Scott Eastburn will be the new editor starting in September.

Membership – Ron Morgan – Bill's wife is not doing well and he is pretty much housebound with her at this time. We could use some help with membership at this time.

Clinics – Jerry Kruger – Brent Repenning is tonight's clinic. Bram Bailey will be June's. Looking for volunteers for the fall meetings.

Company Store – Scott Benson – has lots of stuff.

Raffle – Adam Woodie – Get your tickets. Raffle will start 10 minutes after meeting ends.

Module Group – Adam Woodie – things are quiet right now. Cuyahoga County Fair in August will ramp things up. Thinking of possibly doing a night of working on car tuning.

Layout Tours – John Witt, MMR – nothing

Contests – Joe Filipiak – Last month's contest winners for the Open Hopper Load Other Than Coal: with 85% of membership present voting:

Model: 1st – Joe Kurilec
 2nd – Don Glass
 3rd – Scott Eastburn

Diorama – 1st – Dave Lawler
 2nd – Joe Filipiak

Next month awards will be given out to the top point holders.

Eddie Quinone's mom is selling off some of his stuff that she didn't donate to the 4H Group. Sale will be Saturday, May 20th, 9House is on Denise off of Jaycox in North Ridgeville. Joe Filipiak has information.

AP Awards – John Hemsath, MMR – Scott Eastburn completed his work for his Model Railroad Engineer – Electrical.

COMMENTS or CONCERNS:

Ron Morgan – Welcome to Eric Gatchell a visitor this evening.

Sign up for the picnic is on the back table.

Mike Klein (Chuck's brother) had open heart surgery two weeks ago.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting. Motion was seconded and carried by the membership. Meeting ended at 7:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Chris Shick

Secretary, Division 4, MCR, NMRA



Chris Shick

NORTH COAST OHIO

DIV-4 Leadership

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MODULE GROUP

Greetings Fellow Model Railroaders!

Spring will soon turn to summer. As usual this time of year, things quiet down for the module group regarding displaying at events. However, that doesn't mean the module group goes dormant. Currently we are working out the details for the Annual Module Work Party and Cook-out. More details regarding this event will be sent out to the members of the module group in the near future.

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

Stop by the Company Store at the June Division 4 meeting!

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 has 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, sbenson440@zoominternet.net 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

A huge thank you goes out to all the members, and there were 23 of them, that actively participated though this last season of model contests by displaying their models or dioramas. Another thank you goes out to all the members attending the meetings who enjoyed looking at and voting for their choices in the contests. Membership participation in voting is about 85%.

The May contest was the last one for this season and the theme was something found on a war train. First place went to Jim Grell with his fine model. Second place went to Dave Davis with his complete war train in N. Third place went to George Gelehrter who always provides an outstanding model. The diorama first place went to Dave Lawler.

The first contest of the new season, which starts in September, will be something that would be found on a wreck train. Of course, a big hook is always welcome, but what are the support cars that are needed to clean up the mess and carry and feed the workers. The rest of the contest subject matters will be revealed at the June meeting and in the next Flat Wheel.

Awards will be given at the June meeting for the members with the highest number of points from participating in the model contests throughout the 2022 - 2023 season.



Joe Filipiak

RAFFLE

Greetings Fellow Model Railroaders!

May had another great raffle and June will be just as good. As always, ticket sales begin at 6:00pm. The raffle will take place shortly after the official business meeting concludes. There is always something for everyone!

Until next time!

Adam "Hot Box" Woodie



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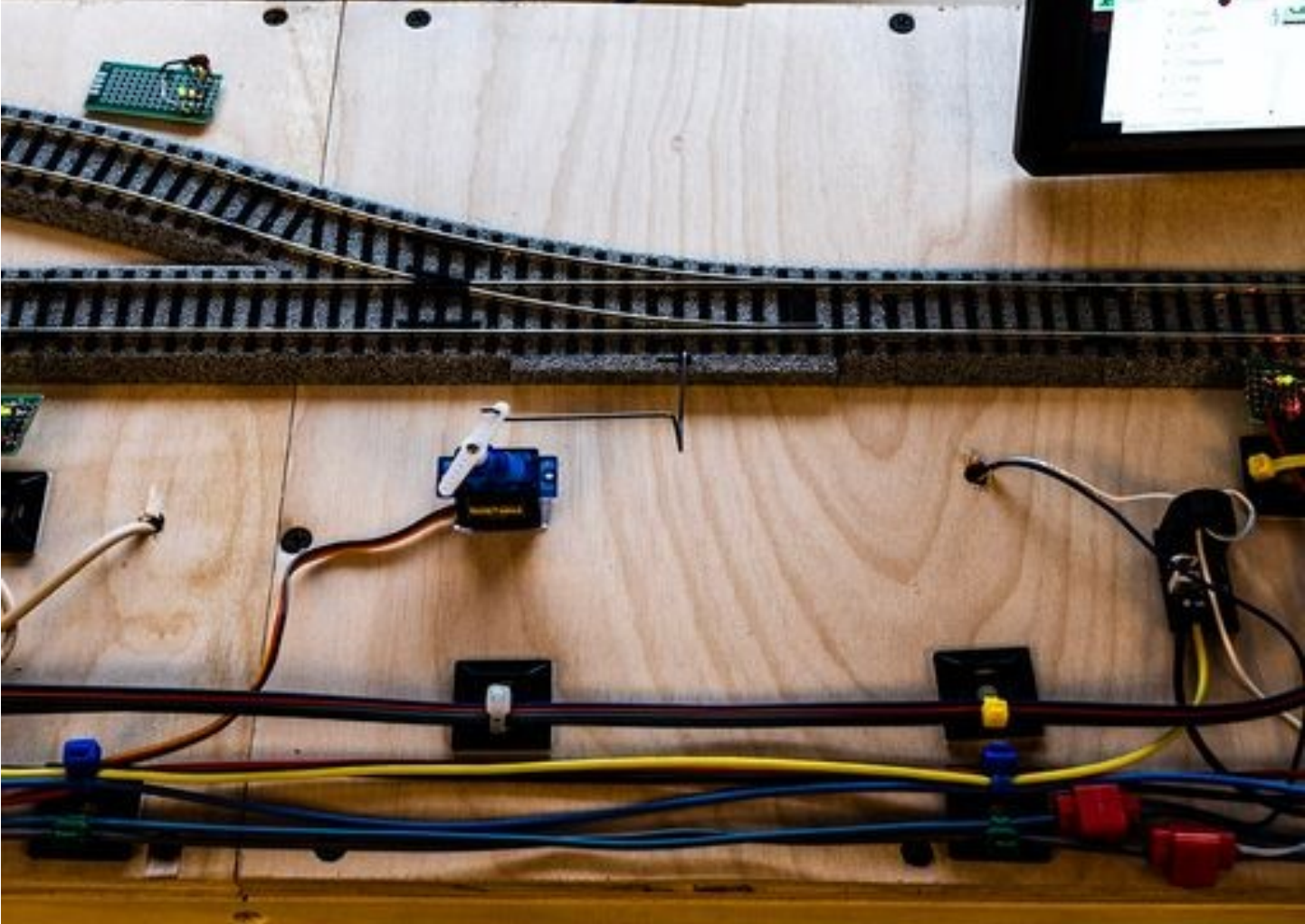
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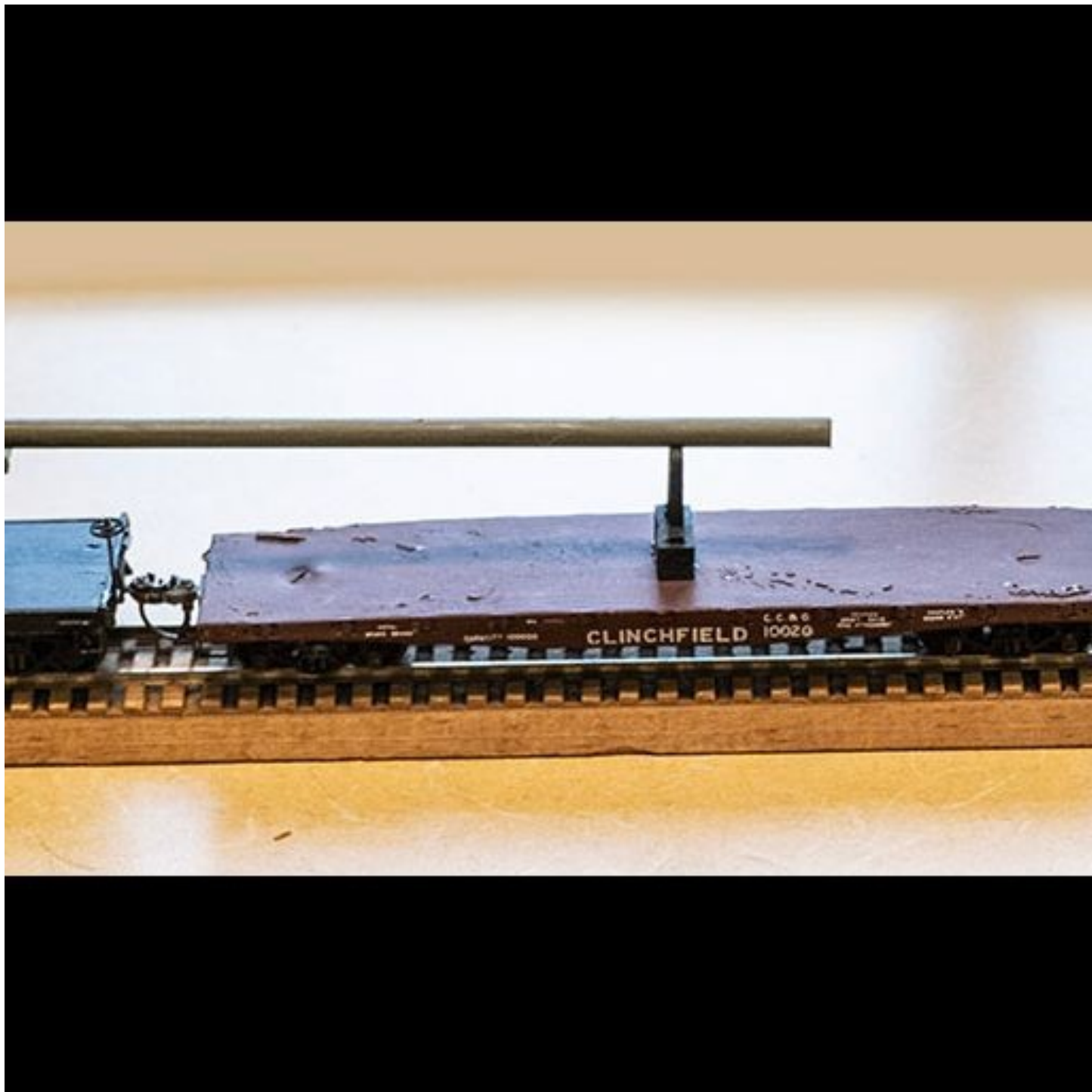
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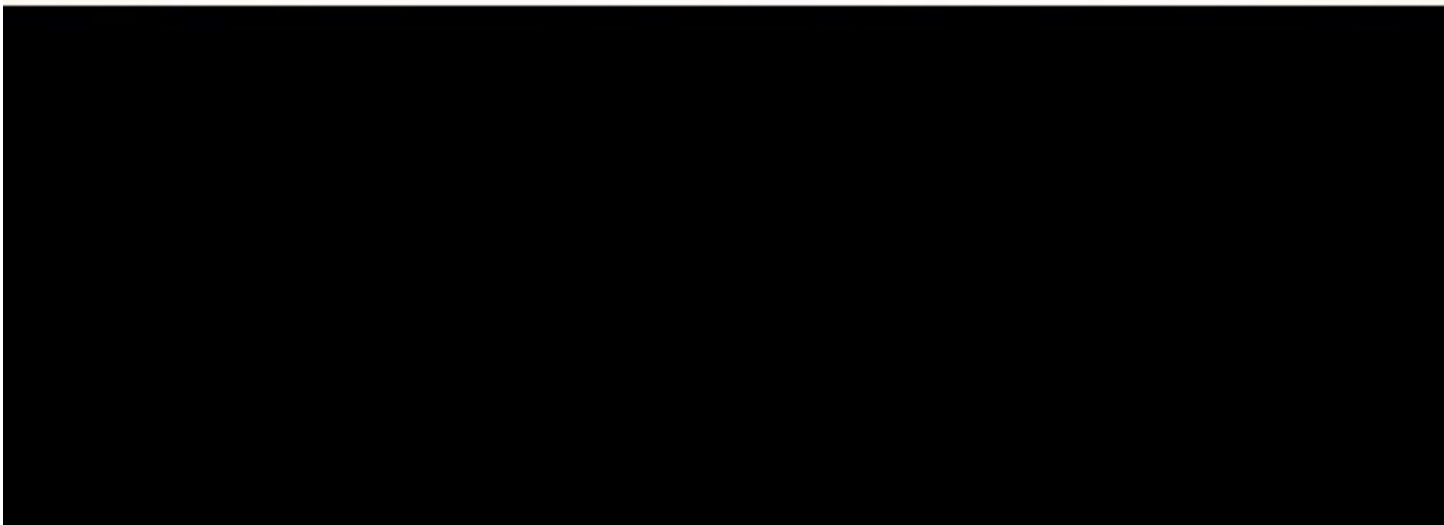
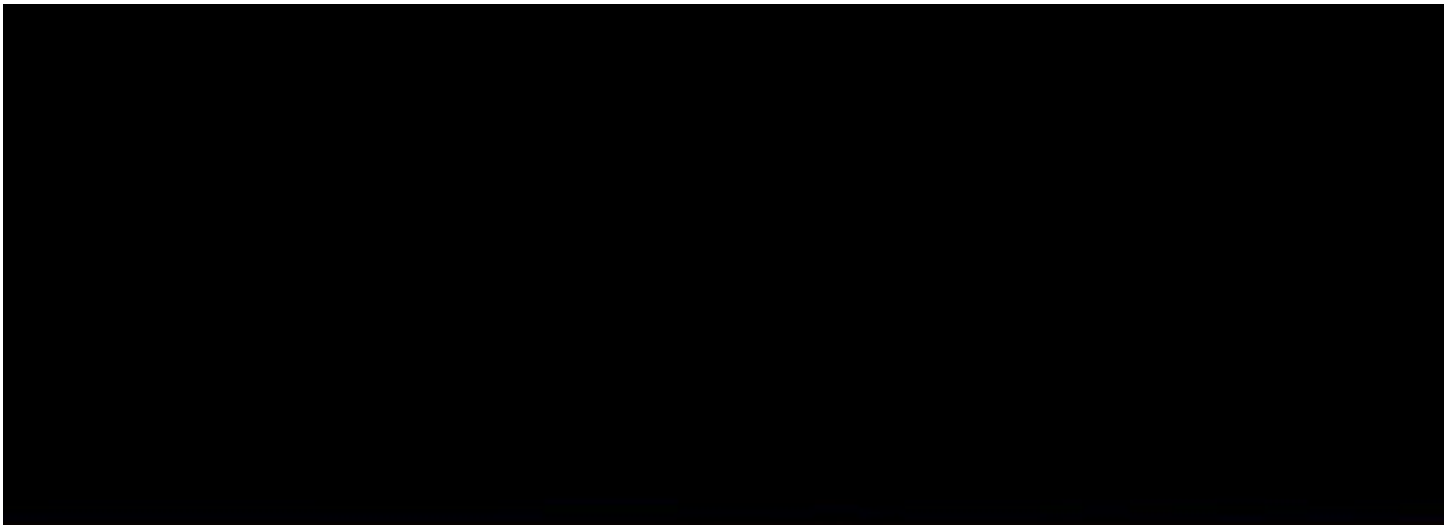
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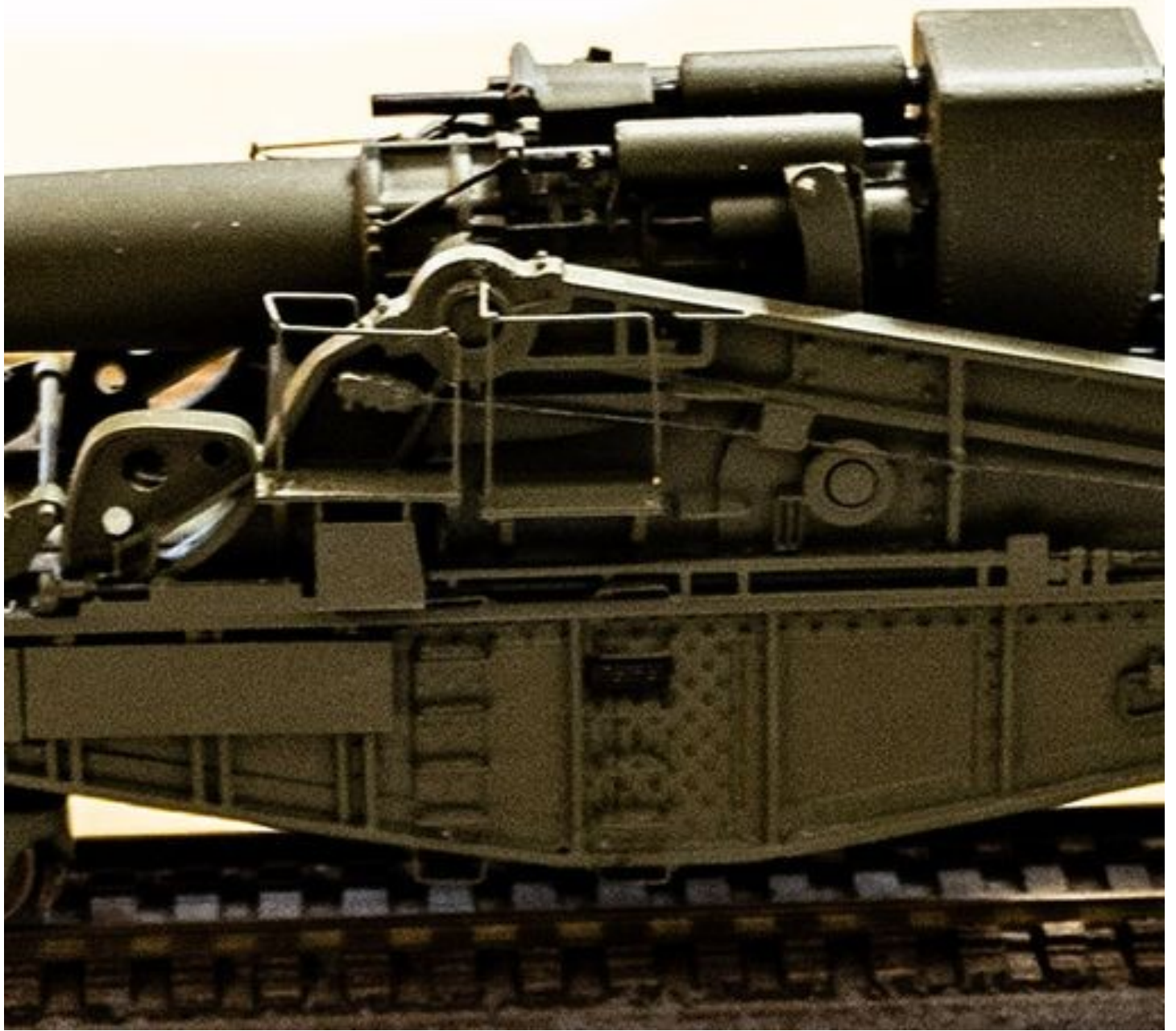
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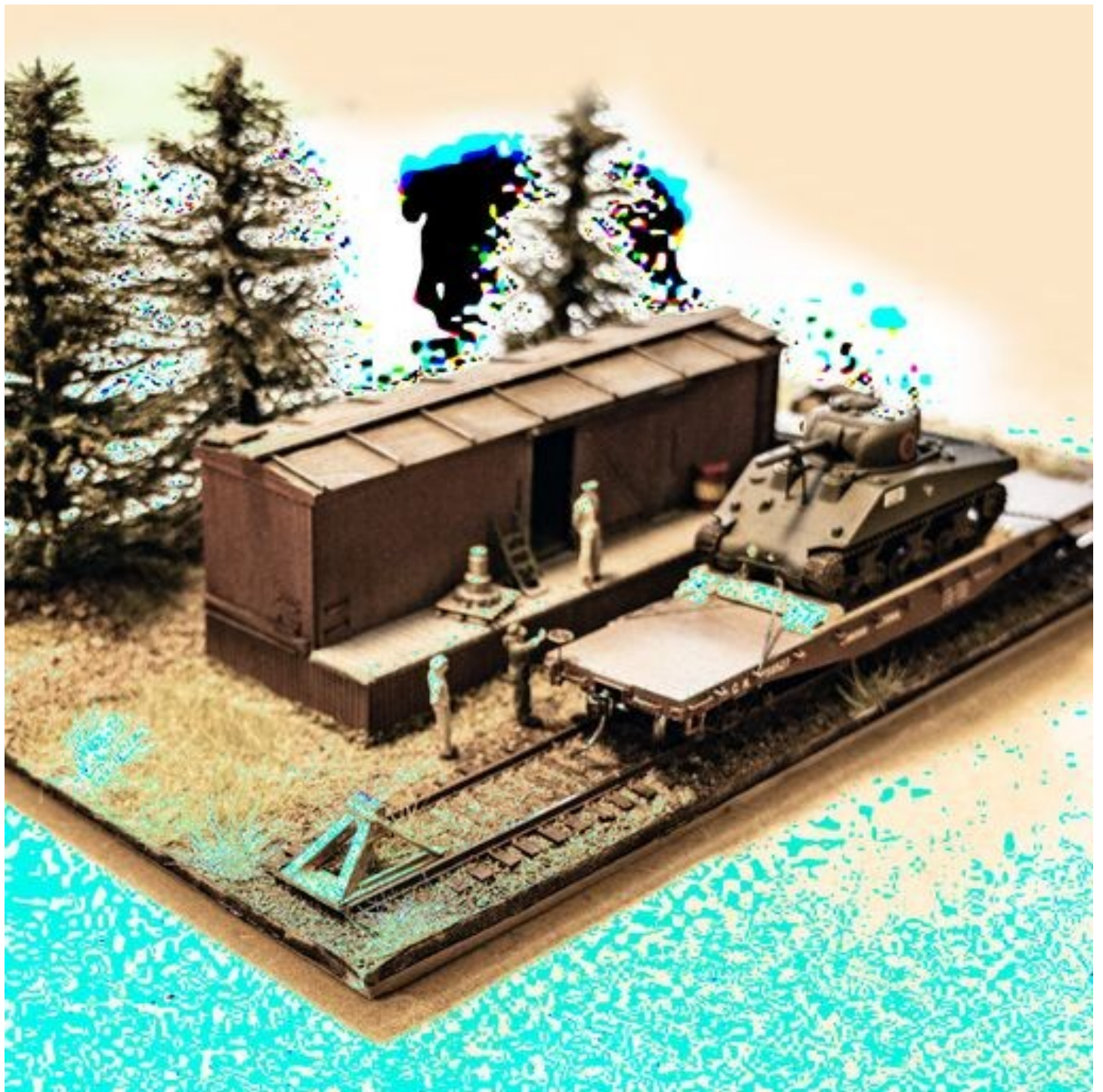

















WHAT'S GOING ON

2023 - June 3	<p>North East Ohio National Large Scale Train Show Warren SCOPE (YMCA) 375 North Park Ave., Warren, Ohio 44481 10:00 am to 4:00 pm Adm. \$5.00</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> Map Flyer </p>
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2023 - June 3 	<p>Boy Scout Day - RR Merit Badge Painesville Railroad Museum (aka Painesville Depot) 475 Railroad Street, Painesville, Ohio 44077 10:00 am to 4:00 pm Adm. \$25.00 Phone: 216-470-5780</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> MAP Flyer WEB Page </p>
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2023 - June 4 	<p>History of Cleveland, Painesville and Eastern Interurban Painesville Railroad Museum, 475 Railroad Street, Painesville, Ohio 44077 2 pm Adm. Free, Donation Accepted and Appreciated</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> MAP Flyer </p>
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2023 - June 24	<p>Model Train Flea Market Painesville Railroad Museum (aka NYC Painesville Depot) 475 Railroad Street, Painesville, Ohio 44077 10:00 am to 3:00 pm Adm. Free Phone: 216-470-5780 Donations Accepted and Appreciated</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> MAP Flyer WEB Page </p>
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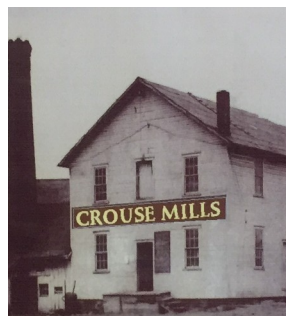
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With more than 200 members from Cuyahoga, Erie, Huron, Lorain and Medina counties in the state of Ohio.

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.



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