

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, JUNE 20, 2014**. 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.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

At the recent NCR Board Meeting, it was approved that members can now choose their "division of record". For us, Div 6, that means that many Div 6 members that live in Oakland Co (Div 8 area) can now make Div 6 their official division. The crux of this decision is that without this new rule, those "outside" the Div 6 boundaries could not vote on policy matters or hold office. Now they can do those things.

Also- Div 6 501c3 status is still being worked on, pending, but expected to be approved.

And - a reminder that we are a 100% NMRA member group. To belong to Div 6 as an official member, you must be a NMRA member. If you are not a NMRA member, you are still always welcome to attend meetings and participate in all we do. You simply cannot vote on policy matters, hold office or host layout tours (insurance reasons). You are considered a guest. YES... we still love you and WANT you to participate!! There are just a few restrictions.

Div 6 constitution will now be updated with NCR changes and then sent to IRS for 501c3 status. We expect this to be completed ASAP.

BILL'S TOOL TIME

Div 6 member Bill Deeter was present and showed pana-vice on a wood stand to stabilize. Instead of opti-visors Bill uses strong reading glasses. Looking forward to another tool tip.

PRODUCT REVIEW

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

ON THE RAILS...

JUNE 2014

WOW! 2014 is near half over! How is your model railroading doing so far? Well, I hope. With the weather finally turning nice, it can be expected that your modeling will decrease. Many of us though, do model year round in groups and even Div 6 meetings are year round. It's nice to get together and talk model railroading! Of course, if you are a garden model railroader, this is your time to shine! We do have a nice group of garden railroads in the area, despite the bad weather months. There is a nice event this month, at SRI with steam engine #1225! Check that out in the events listing. Now, here's the rest of your Div 6 news-

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

We had no new members at the last Div 6 meeting. Meeting attendance was good with 47 members! To all Div 6 members, **WELCOME ABOARD!**

CLASSIFIED ADS

We are happy to place classified ads for Div 6 members. The cost is \$2 per ad! And don't forget our "Surplus Table" at every meeting.

SHOW AND TELL

The subject for the last meeting was anything with people!

Items shown included-

H0 to O scale building into car shop; 4-4-0 with crew; cast metal figures from England; N scale house; Model A; Walthers Merchants row; N scale trolley; '40 Ford convertible; Corner Café with interior; GP7 NYC with crew; ATSF ops car; H10-44 PRR with crew; RDG caboose with conductor on back; Mack truck with driver; bldg. under const with carpenters; troopers and girl; SD7 with crew; Revell kit with figures; diecast truck with driver; O scale PRR passenger car; SP ops car from Salano; hay wagon with driver; G scale figures at game table; Plasticville box of figures; survey crew; construction crew; engine with crew; tavern; country store; O scale crossing shack.

Current Projects shown included-

None!!

We had several members that donated to THE caboose, THANKS!!

NEXT MEETING - the model contest project subject - vehicles!

RAILROAD HISTORY

Norm was present but did not have a history lesson this past month. Looking forward to another lesson soon.

DIV 6 MISC NEWS

Marty LaForte is now home. He's doing well. Well enough that he made the last meeting! Continued great recovery!

Frank Spadafore also returned. Continued good health to him too.

Great Lakes Live Steamers operations and rides are on the 1st and 3rd weekends! First weekend of the month in Royal Oak, third weekend is in Southgate.

DIV 6 WEBSITE

The Div 6 website is up and running, check out the site -

www.div6-ncr-nmra.com

MODELING INFO W/LARRY

LARRY's TIPS for this month were- Larry showed how he glues coupler boxes to freight cars by using a rubber band to hold it in place on the car - but, rubber band must cross over itself for extra tension. Larry also showed that NOT gluing roofs on buildings is an advantage. We look forward to more questions and/or tips next month!

LAYOUT TOURS

THANKS Norm for a great layout tour in May! There will be no tours in July, due to the NMRA Convention being so close to us. **It's up to you guys...** if you want tours, you need to volunteer and get your friends to volunteer! If you are interested in hosting a tour, please contact JC. WE NEED TOURS!!

NEXT TOURS- JUNE 29, Scott Kremer
Great Northern RR 1pm-5pm

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DIV 6 MODEL PROJECT

It's JUNE and that means your modeling project is due! We hope you had a chance to build or detail a new vehicle for your layout. We'll display these on a table and ask for your votes during the meeting break. Bragging rights will be awarded!

CLINIC

WE ALWAYS NEED CLINICS for our meetings! If you are willing to do a clinic, please, e-mail/call Joe. At the last meeting, Norm did a great clinic on painting figures. This is based on website information by Dr. Brian Fayle. It is a unique way to paint figures and get the shadows needed to make them more realistic looking! See www.brifayle.com Norm brought figures and supplies for many to try the technique on, and they had fun too!

NEXT MEETING- Ted Pilchak on making a resistance soldering machine

DIV 6 REWARDS

When you shop at any Nankin Store and tell them you're a "Div 6" member, or customer #1066, they will apply your purchase to the Div 6 Bonus Plan. Div 6 will get FREE stuff for the Fall Show! Thanks for your purchases.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MICHIGAN RAILROAD CLUB PROGRAMS

July 02, 2014 - Mr. Victor Baird from Ft. Wayne, Ind on his new book, "Railroading on the Wabash Fourth District" He will have books for sale and signing. Meetings are at the Henry Ford Centennial Library, 16301 Michigan Ave, Dearborn, Mich. Meeting starts at 7 pm with program starting around 7:30 pm. Contact: Kenneth Borg 3512 Merrick, Dearborn, MI 48124

Friday-Sunday, June 20-22, 2014- "TrainExpo 2014 Locomotives, Wings and Wheels" presented by Chemical Bank comes to the Steam Railroading Institute in Owosso. Visiting steam engines join Pere Marquette 1225 for hourly train rides, half-day excursions, small-scale railroads, vendors, and more. Also visiting Owosso will be World War II B-17 and B-25 bombers, and the Tuskegee Airmen P-51 "Redtail" Mustang fighter planes. Ticket prices begin at \$25, for more information visit www.michigansteamtrain.com

Sunday-Sunday, July 13-20, 2014- NMRA National Convention & National Train Show Cleveland, Ohio <http://www.2014cleveland.org/>



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DIVISION 6 LAYOUT TOUR

SUNDAY, JUNE 29, 2014
1pm-5pm

Scott Kremer
42490 Ravina Ct
Northville, Mich. 48167
Open: Sunday 1pm – 5pm

HO Standard Gauge
Great Northern Railway, 1955, between Skykomish and Wenatchee, Washington, over Stevens Pass. The layout is about 800 sq. ft. , with point to point operation with a provision for continuous running for open houses. All track work is completed, scenery is 85% complete, including scenes that vary from desert to high mountain winter, including 108 ft. of hand painted backdrop Most structures are scratch built. The layout operates steam, diesel and heavy electrics under catenary. Control is with Digitrax DCC.

- follow 6 Mile Rd to Bradner Rd
- Turn south onto Bradner Rd
- Follow Bradner Rd to Ravina
- Turn west onto Ravina
- Follow Ravina to Ravina Ct, turn right (north)

