

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 and our next Division 6 meeting will be on **FRIDAY, MARCH 15, 2013**. 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 something you have used to help research information for your model railroad. Shown were these items- timetables & atlas; internet pages of an industry; BN book of locomotives; track plan of power plant in Detroit (to be modeled); model rr's you can build book; NYC loco book; S gauge ref manual; CNW employee timetable; model rr magazines; Delray Connecting RR material; Michigan depot research; RDG power pictorial; book on city that is on model rr; CN book of operations; several internet sources; history of Ma&Pa RR book; valuation map; actual pictures; book on structures; CD of information on the Rio Grande; track profile drawing; youtube video; historical society publications; UP passenger train book; photo of plans from museum;

**Current Projects shown included-**  
Center cab switcher rebuild;  
scratch built structure!;  
We had a few members that donated to the caboose - THANKS!!

### **NEXT MEETING--**

A prototype item you "own"

## PRODUCT REVIEW

If you have an item to review, see Howard before the meeting. Mark Ellis showed us the new Fast Tracks circuit board ties - good stuff as they are smoother! These come highly recommended.

## RAILROAD HISTORY

Norm was not at the last meeting and thus had no History Lesson for us! Looking forward to another lesson soon.

# ON THE RAILS...

### **MARCH 2013**

WOW... winter is just not letting up this year. That's OK, we can spend more time on our layouts! Spring does arrive this month, along with more sunshine as we have daylight savings time again. Fight it... spend more time model railroading! Actually, that is why we at Div 6 have meetings all year long, so that we can keep our interest up and continue model railroading. While we are primarily a "winter" hobby, how about making it a full time hobby. I hope you can! Now, here's the rest of your Div 6 news-

## MEMBERSHIP NEWS

We had no new members at the last Div 6 meeting. We had a great meeting attendance - 49 members! To all Div 6 members, **WELCOME ABOARD!**

## DIV 6 REWARDS

REMEMBER- When you shop at either Nankin Store and tell them you're a "Division 6" member, or customer #1066 and they will apply your purchase to the Div 6 Bonus Plan. Thanks for your purchases.

## BILL'S TOOL TIME

Div 6 member Bill Deeter was at the last meeting and had some nice items to show us. Bill showed us a PANVICE - he suggests mounting on a wood base approx. 9" square or larger to give it more rigidity. Also talked about chisels for repairing concrete - to help fix those leaky basement walls. Looking forward to another tool tip next month.

## DIV 6 WEBSITE

The Div 6 website is being worked on and will probably be up and running by the next Div 6 meeting (or before!). Keep checking the site - [www.div6-ncr-nmra.com](http://www.div6-ncr-nmra.com)

## DIV 6 MODEL PROJECT

You have 2 months, the April 2013 meeting, to have your modeling project completed. This will be a popular vote contest with no awards - bragging rights only! This first contest is an open subject - any model you wish to bring. Let's get modeling!!

## DIV 6 BY-LAWS

A committee has been formed and is working on this - thanks for volunteering.

## MODELING INFO W/LARRY

**LARRY'S TIPS** for this month were- Larry told of some of his modeling history and showed about a dozen cars he updated.

Box cars doors that slide easy - took a used, broken needle file, had one side ground smooth and now it fits into the door frame guide to remove flash, so the doors can move freely!

We look forward to more questions and/or tips next month!

## 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.

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## N CENTRAL CROSSING

The 2013 NCR convention will be on November 1-3, 2013. It's hosted by Div 8 and will be at the Troy Community Center. Details will be appearing in the NCR HotBox and on the Convention website

[www.ncr2013.ncr-nmra.org](http://www.ncr2013.ncr-nmra.org).



## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**Sunday, March 3** - Gratiot Valley Train Show & Sale

Macomb Comm College Sports & Expo  
14500 E 12 Mile Rd Warren, MI  
10am-4pm \$6 Under 12 Free w/adult  
Contact Info- 586-468-4877  
Website- <http://www.gvrr.org>

**Sunday, March 10** - Ray Nikolai's RR Memorabilia & Model Train Show  
Taylor Town Trade Center, 22525 Ecorse Rd., Taylor, MI 48180.  
10:30am - 3:30pm, Adults \$4, under 12 free, Early Bird \$10.  
Contact Info- website

[www.societynscalers.com/trainshow/showpage.html](http://www.societynscalers.com/trainshow/showpage.html) or contact co-chairs John Moore 248-541-1000  
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[wayne@societynscalers.com](mailto:wayne@societynscalers.com)

**Sunday, March 10** - Greater Toledo Train and Toy Show  
Premier Complex 4480  
Heatherdowns Blvd. Toledo, OH 43614  
11am-4pm/Early Birds 9am-4pm  
\$6 early birds = \$8 12 and under FREE w/paid adult

Contact Info- Randy Ramsey 419-215-4181 [trainmasters@bex.net](mailto:trainmasters@bex.net)  
Website- <http://toymasters.org>

**Sunday, March 17** - Trainorama Extra 2011 Redford Model RR Club  
Costick Community Center 28600 11 Mile Rd. Farmington Hills, MI  
10am-4pm \$5 under 12 free w/paid adult

Contact Info- Pierre Willermet c/o Redford Model RR Club PO Box 40225 Redford, MI 48240  
email- [Pierre@hbc-benefitsandeducation.com](mailto:Pierre@hbc-benefitsandeducation.com) or call 734-953-2546

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**Sunday, March 24** - 33rd Annual Mid-Michigan Model Train Show  
Finch Fieldhouse on the campus of Central Michigan University, Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858  
11am-4pm \$4/person, under 10 free  
Contact info - John Thompson 989-465-6459

[redwings48618@yahoo.com](mailto:redwings48618@yahoo.com)

## LAYOUT TOURS

We had tours in February - THANKS to Norm Logan for having a tour for Div 6 members and friends! Hope you made it out to his layout! If you are interested in hosting a tour, please contact JC. **WE NEED TOURS!!**

**NEXT TOURS-** tours for March are- Sunday, Feb 24 1pm-4pm  
Glenn Joppich and Paul Omilian

## CLINIC

**WE ALWAYS NEED CLINICS for our meetings!** If you are willing to do a clinic, please, e-mail/call Joe. The clinic for this past meeting was a presentation by Div 6 member Guy Quick III. Guy showed us the many reference books and some other sources that can be used to research the prototype railroads, to improve and more accurately do our modeling.


**NEXT MEETING-** member JC Pascal on using the Official RR Equipment Registry and its uses for model railroading



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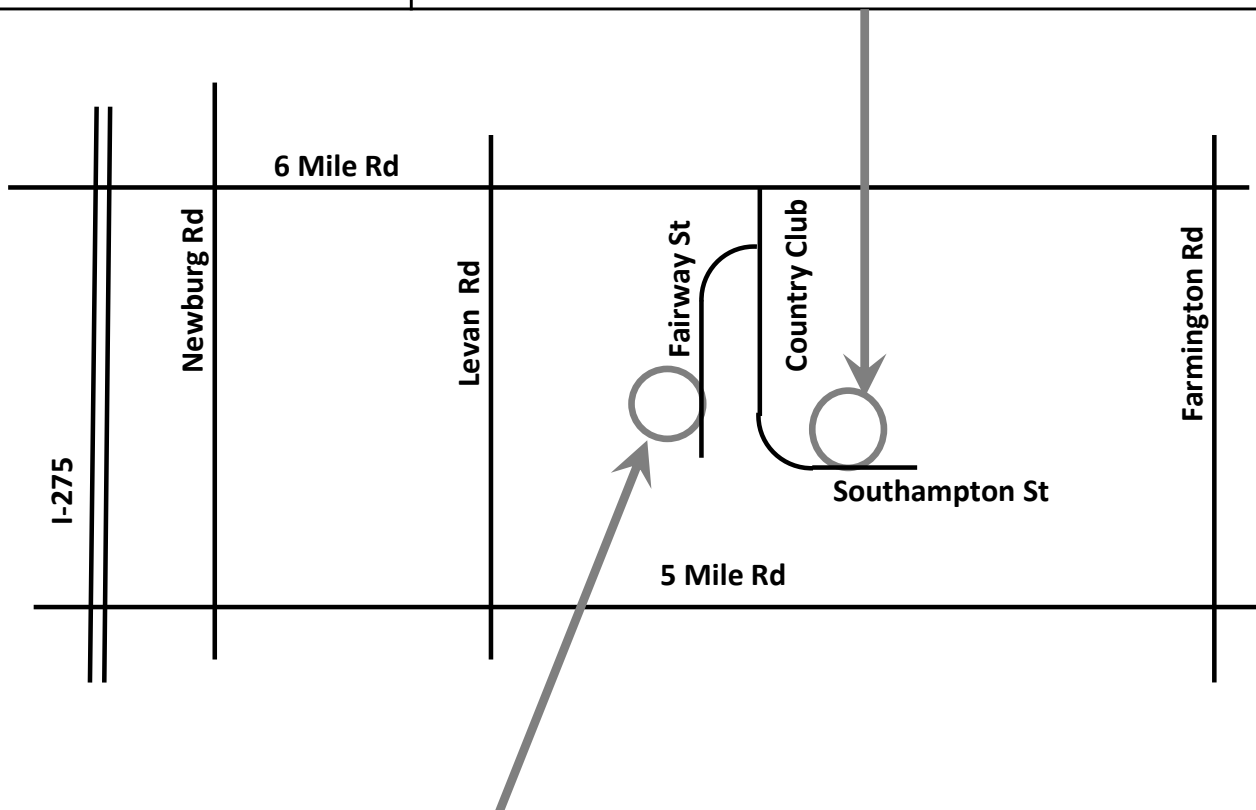
## LAYOUT TOURS

SUNDAY, MARCH 24, 2013

1pm-4pm

Paul Omilian  
35490 Southhampton St  
Livonia, Mich. 48154-2216  
Open: Sunday 1 – 4pm

HO Standard Gauge  
A 20' x 10' two level walk-in layout, scenery is 95% completed. A small-town Bridge Railroad servicing a large industrial district and a coal mine. It has 3 staging yards and interchanges with 2 class A railroads.



Glenn Joppich  
16353 Fairway St.  
Livonia, Mich. 48154  
Open: Sunday 1 – 4pm

HO Standard Gauge  
The Manistee & North Eastern is located in the rural area of Michigan's northern Lower Peninsula during the 1920's. It serves the northern hardwood forests at the end of the logging era with small towns and businesses associated with the logging industry. The layout is a point to point, all steam operation and features a variety of scratch built and kit bashed and kit built buildings. Motive power is from the NYC, MC, PM, C&O and GTW. 75% of the track and 25% of the scenery is complete.