



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 21, 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.

NOTE- the April Div 6 meeting would be on Good Friday and all Livonia buildings will be shut down. We will be moving the April meeting UP a week to the second Friday in April, April 11th!!

SHOW AND TELL

The subject for the last meeting was snow removal equipment - plows, rotary, ice removal cars, etc...

Items shown included-

Truck with plow; video of steam rotary; CP issue broom for snow removal; wedge plow; G scale wedge plow; SP rotary w/B unit for power; Hustler diesel with plow added; front end loader; rotary plow; RDG plow on tender frame; gon with ice removal frame; picture of plow; LS&I plow picture; GN rotary w/tender; brass plow; D8 tractor; Lionel NYC jet snow-blower; Walthers Jordan spreader; rotary plow; video of plowing; geep with snow plow; O scale brass wedge plow; trolley with snow/street sweeper!

Current Projects shown included-

Couple of buildings; O scale box car; kitbash NY railway trolley's; gas station kit;

We had many members that donated to the caboose, THANKS!!

NEXT MEETING - motive power - any type!

DIV 6 REWARDS

When you shop at either 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.

ON THE RAILS...

MARCH 2014

Yes, marching along through a very cold winter we go. But this month, Spring is arriving and hopefully, so will good weather. That alone, will help make everyone happier and get us all back on track with our hobby and other activities. It has been hard to concentrate on model railroading, even when it is inside and warmer. Come'on Spring! Now, here's the rest of your Div 6 news-

RAILROAD HISTORY

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

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

We had one new member at the last Div 6 meeting. Please welcome Ralph Shoberg! Meeting attendance was good with 46 members! To all Div 6 members, **WELCOME ABOARD!**

MODELING INFO W/LARRY

LARRY's TIPS for this month were-None. Larry wasn't present, so we look forward to hearing from him next month. We look forward to more questions and/or tips next month!

DIV 6 MISC NEWS

The 2014 NMRA National convention will be in Cleveland. Beginning in January, check the website for updates on registration, tours, company store, etc.

There are some Div 8 layout tours on March 23. See map...

Marty LaForte has been in the hospital for awhile. He's home now and doing well.

Jim Zinser brought in a box of magazines - FREE! Thanks!

BILL'S TOOL TIME

Div 6 member Bill Deeter was present and showed several Krung coffee boxes glued together that make great holders for loose strip stock and other long parts! Bill also noted that a Dremel Saw Max... doesn't seem to be worth the time/cost.

** Bill Rubarth had a problem of keeping track of uncoupler tools. He found that toothbrush tubes (for traveling) make nice holders when attached to the fascia board! Only \$1 for two, which makes 4 holders, at the local dollar stores!

** Jim Gira had Tim Horton coffee cup sleeves... when unrolled, the inside is corrugated and could be used for siding or sea walls. Looking forward to another tool tip next month.

LAYOUT TOURS

THANKS to Mark Ellis & Doug Maiaznik for hosting tours for us last month! Great layouts! For March we have a tour from Pierre Willermet. 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- Pierre Willermet on March 23, See map!

MAUMEE EXPRESS 2014

The 2014 NCR convention, the Maumee Express will be held in the Toledo area on April 25-27, 2014. YES.. this is a SPRING convention. That is due to the NMRA National being in Cleveland this coming summer. All of the registration information is on their website and in the new HotBox.

http://www.divisiononencr.com/Convention/Toledo_2014.html



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DIV 6 WEBSITE

The Div 6 website is up and running, checking the site - www.div6-ncr-nmra.com

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, Joe gave a Part 1 of his new clinic on signals and control circuits for them. Joe showed how with some simple circuits he can have multicolor signals anywhere needed on a layout. These circuits can be home-made for under \$7 each. This makes a fairly simple signal system easy to make, install and affordable! Joe will continue his clinic next meeting.

NEXT MEETING- Joe Bliss on signals, part 2!

DIV 6 MODEL PROJECT

We've started another project and it will be showed at the March 2014 meeting. Our theme will be motive power - any type. Bragging rights will be awarded!

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.

WITH SYMPATHIES

While he was not a Div 6 member, many may have known him...
COSGROVE ROBERT W. Passed away February 23, 2014 at the age of 78. Bob was a proud Detroiter, avid historian, train enthusiast. He belonged to the Bluewater Michigan Chapter; the New York Central System Historical Society; Detroit Historical Society. At the Detroit Historical Museum, Bob served as Adjunct Curator of the Glancy Trains Collection for 27 years. A memorial service will be held at the Detroit Historic Museum on May 3, 2014 at 11a.m.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

April 02, 2014 MRC Member Andrew Waggoner, PPT "Vintage Lost & Found"

MICHIGAN RAILROAD CLUB PROGRAM Meetings are held at the Henry Ford Centennial Library, 16301 Michigan Ave, Dearborn, Mich. Meeting starts at 7 pm with program starting around 7:30 pm.

Sunday, March 9, 2014 "Ray Nikolai's" Model Train and RR Memorabilia Show
Sponsored by- Bluewater Chapter NRHS and Society of N-scalers
Gibraltar Trade Center 15525 Racho Rd Taylor, MI 48180
10am - 3:30 pm \$4 Children 12 and under free with an adult.

Sunday, March 9 & April 6, 2014
Wolverine Train Club Show
United Food & Commercial Workers Hall 876 Horce Brown Drive
Madison Heights, MI 48071
10 A.M.-3:30 P.M. \$3 per person

Sunday, March 9, 2014
Toy Train / Collectible Show
Owens Community College (SHAC)
30335 Oregon Road Perrysburg, OH
Early Birds: 9am - 3pm General:
11am - 3pm Early Birds: \$8
Adult: \$6 Children 12/under Free

Saturday, March 15, 2014 Pere Marquette 1225 Return to Rails Excursion
Steam Railroading Institute
405 South Washington St.
Owosso, MI 48867
9:00 AM Tickets Starting at \$124
www.railyardproductions.com

Sunday, March 16, 2014 -
Trainorama Extra 2014
Presented by Redford Model RR Club
Costick Community Center 28600
11 Mile Rd. Farmington Hills, MI
10am-4pm \$5 per person,
children under 12 free with adult

Sunday, March 23, 2014 34th
Mid-Michigan Model Train Show
Finch Fieldhouse - Campus of
Central Michigan University
Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858
11am - 4pm \$4/person Children
under 10 are free. Free parking.

PRODUCT REVIEW

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

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DIVISION 6 LAYOUT TOUR Sunday, March 23, 2014

Pierre Willermet 36123 Roycroft Livonia, Mich. 48154 734-953-2546 Open: 1pm – 5pm	HO Standard Gauge Freelanced, Designed for operation, HO 20' x 25', scenery is 80% completed and controlled by CVP-DCC Radio throttles. Running on the system are many sound equipped steam and diesel locomotives
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