

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, MARCH 20, 2015**. 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 snow removal equipment - plows, flangers, rotary, etc.

### **Items shown included-**

Roundhouse Jordan Spreader kit; K-27 snow plow; Athearn rotary (2); kit-bash plow; snow blower car; RiverRoss snow plow (2); N scale plow; first engine bought - Hustler with snow plow; PRR ice breaker hopper; PittRR traction snow sweeper; RDG snow plow on tender frame; road grader; CNW Russell plow; PRR Russell plow; O scale MTH Jordan spreader to be GN

### **Current Projects shown included-**

Diesel switcher display; Mich Central Depot in Ann Arbor in styrene-acrylic; T1 steam engine finished from last month; built signals for RI RR; photo of layout scenery completed;

We had a few members that donated to THE caboose. THANKS!!

**NEXT MEETING** - oldest model kit you never built!

## DIV 6 MISC NEWS

NCR 2015 convention is in Fort Wayne, Ind by Div 3. Dates are Thursday-Sunday, October 29-31 & Nov 1. Prototype tours will be a main focus. Clinics, layout tours, model showcase and photo contest will also be included.

Winner of Nankin Hobby \$10 gift cards at the last meeting was Ed Joppich. THANKS Nankin Hobby!!

Best wishes to Marty LaForte and Connie Xenakis as the both recover from recent surgeries and illness's.

# ON THE RAILS...

## MARCH 2015

BBRRrrrrrrrr!! For Spring not being too far away, we are in a huge cold spell! Hopefully you are warm and cozy in your layout room, advancing your model railroad! Train Show "season" is almost done, but there are a few more in the area to attend. Don't forget your local hobby shops, especially those that support Div 6. Layout Tours, Clinics... Div 6 is always in need of these. Please consider volunteering! Here's the rest of your Div 6 news-

## MEMBERSHIP NEWS

We had 1 new members at the last Div 6 meeting. Please welcome Marshall Stull. Meeting attendance was good with about 41 members! To all Div 6 members, **WELCOME ABOARD!**

## DIV 6 WEBSITE

The Div 6 website is up and running, check out the site - [www.div6-ncr-nmra.com](http://www.div6-ncr-nmra.com)

## RAILROAD HISTORY

John Bopp was not present, so we did not have a history lesson. Looking forward to the lesson soon.

## LAYOUT TOURS

Contact Hocky if you are available for a Layout Tour! We had 2 great tours this past month. Thanks to Roy Jones and Ron King. The Redford Model RR Club was also open.

How about you?? *It's up to you guys...* if you want tours, you need to volunteer and get your friends to volunteer! We **NEED NEW** people and layouts please!!

**NEXT TOURS-** SORRY - no Div 6 member tours for March. However, the Redford Model RR club has a open house on Saturday, March 28 from noon - 4pm. The Redfoprdr Club is located on Michigan Ave, just east of Inkster Rd.

## DIVISION OF CHOICE

Do you live in Oakland County, but attend Div 6 meetings? Then you can become an official Div 6 member!! All you need to do is fill out the DIVISION OF CHOICE form. See a Div 6 Board member for a form. Once filed, you can now vote and hold office in Div 6!

## CLINIC

**WE ALWAYS NEED CLINICS for our meetings!** If you are willing to do a clinic, please, e-mail/call Joe Bliss!! The clinic for this month was from Div 6 member Barry Hensel on a recent project on his layout - Black Rock Tunnel - "From OOPS to Real" This was a presentation of a modeled scene that turned out to be 75% a real scene on the Reading RR. The track, tunnel and bridge configuration were all the same as Black Rock Tunnel in PA. The modeled bridge and tunnel portal were not correct, so this presentation showed how Barry fixed these to make the scene "real"! While not a proto-type modeler, Barry now does have one real scene on his layout. Thanks for your presentation!

**NEXT MEETING-** DVD from the Hale's (MMR's) on weathering. April - depressed center flat cars with loads.

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## NCX-2016 NCR-DIV 6 CONV

Division 6 will be hosting the 2016 NCR convention. Here is your Convention Planning Team....

Chairman - Norm Logan  
Asst. Chairman - Mark Ellis  
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Treasurer - Larry Wolohon  
Clinics - Ron King/John Bopp  
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Prototype Tours - Doug Malaznik  
Publicity - Barry Hensel  
Volunteers -

Advisor - Howard Andrews

The Team is looking at possible sights for the convention. We hope to have a site selected by April. Our tentative dates are October 7-8-9, 2016. The NCX-2016, **NORTH CENTRAL EXPRESS 2016** is under-way!

## DIV 6 MODEL PROJECT

Our next modeling contest subject will be in April and will be on flat cars with loads.

## BILL'S TOOL TIME

Div 6 member Bill Deeter showed off an AMES drafting lettering guide (drafting tool) is still good for making parallel lines for forms and other uses. Erasing shield... good for only working on a small section of a model. Looking forward to another tool tip soon.

## PRODUCT REVIEW

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

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**Sunday, April 12, 2015**

Wolverine Train Club Show  
United Food & Commercial Workers  
Hall 876 Horce Brown Drive Madison  
Heights, MI 48071  
10 A.M.-3:30 P.M. \$3.00 per person  
Info- Bob Burgee 586-662-0225

**Sunday, March 15, 2015**

Trainorama Extra 2011 Presented by  
the Redford Model Railroad Club  
Costick Community Center 28600 11  
Mile Rd. Farmington Hills, MI  
10am-4pm \$5 per person, children  
under 12 free with paid adult  
Contact Info- Pierre Willermet  
734-953-2546

**Sunday, March 22, 2015**

35th Mid-Michigan Model Train Show  
Finch Fieldhouse - Campus of CMU  
Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858  
11am - 4pm \$4.00/person Children  
under 10 are free. Free parking.  
Contact Information John Thompson  
989-465-6459

**Saturday & Sunday, April 11-12,**

2015 Hobby-rama - trains, planes,  
automobiles and more!!  
Gibraltar Trade Center North 237  
N. River Road Mount Clemens, MI  
Sat 11am-5pm & Sunday 10am-4pm  
Admission \$6 Children 12 & under  
FREE when accompanied by an adult  
admission Contact Info-  
hobbyrama@comcast.net 586-306-5306

## MODELING INFO W/LARRY

Larry was present but did not have anything to share for this meeting. We look forward to more questions and/or tips next month!

## CLASSIFIED ADS

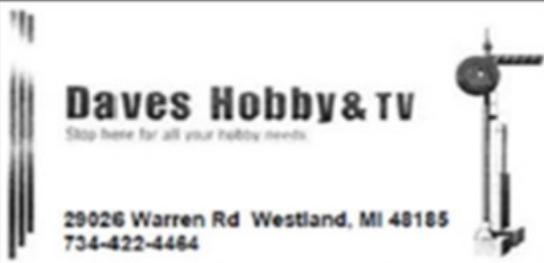
We are happy to place classified ads for Div 6 members. The cost is \$2 per ad! And don't forget our "Surplus Table" at every meeting.



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