

OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF
DIVISION SIX OF THE
NORTH CENTRAL REGION
OF THE NATIONAL MODEL
RAILROAD ASSOCIATION

ON THE RAILS...

NOVEMBER 2013

OK... this is it - OUR month!! November IS National Model Railroad Month! Go out and promote your hobby! How? Give a layout tour to your neighbors and kids, attend shows, attend the Div 6 Fall Show WITH a display!, and participate in Take A Train to Work Day! You could also attend the NCR Convention, and I hope you do/did! Back to our FALL SHOW - as usual, WE NEED YOU to set-up a display!! This is what this event is about, US showing everyone else HOW to do model railroading. Without YOUR display, we have no event! Sign-up ASAP for a display, anything model railroading will work!! 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 at 46 members! To all Div 6 members, **WELCOME ABOARD!**

PRODUCT REVIEW

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

DIV 6 MODEL PROJECT

We'll probably start another project in December or January.

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, NOVEMBER 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.

DIV 6 FALL SHOW & WKSHP

The annual DIV 6 Fall Show & Workshop will be on **Sunday, Dec 1!** Here's an update on how the event planning is going...

*25 signed on so far! 2 are not members! **WE NEED MORE!!!!**

*7 layouts attending

*We have food service people

*We NEED admission people!! Need at least 2 people - help please!

*set for raffle people - need donations - **MUST be NEW stuff!**

*have 2 clinics, one make/take

*scouts will be here - need help

*could use a few extra people to help for set-up! starting at 8am for set-up, show starts at 11!!

*model & photo contests - bring your square foot too!

*need help with some portable layouts - set-up, teardown and running!!

Make sure you set date aside and plan on a display!!

We had forms at the last meeting, to fill out for your display and it's also here in the newsletter. Remember, you can display ANYTHING!! And with your display, you can get something done for your layout and modeling. How about showing-

Building trees or painting people
Building a structure or car

Decaling or dry transfer install

Weighing & installing couplers

History of your prototype

Weathering cars/locos - signals

Basic wiring & track laying

History of certain locomotives

Please contact MARK with your display subject. YES, we can have two people doing the same thing!

SIGN-UP NOW!!

It's YOUR event!

It's YOUR Division!

Let's make it happen!!!

DIV 6 MISC NEWS

On Dec 6-7 there will be the Christmas run of the GLLS in Southgate from 6pm-9pm. See Santa!

The 2014 NMRA National convention will be in Cleveland. They are looking for clinic presenters. If you are interested in presenting a clinic, please email or call Dave Neff 440-488-3941

theneffers@sbcglobal.net
www.2014cleveland.org

RAILROAD HISTORY

Norm gave us another history lesson this past month. Gandy Dancer days - from an issue of Classic Trains. It's the story of a young lad being hired onto a NYC rail gang. This was during the summer in the 50's and his escapades were quite amusing! Part 2 next month. Thanks for the interesting information! Looking forward to another lesson.

MODELING INFO W/LARRY

LARRY's TIPS for this month were- Larry showed us his collection of logging cars - many different; Larry showed us a couple of different projects - big side log car, gon with log load; compressed air car; hand-made rebar screen mesh load made of plastic screen, wrapped around a dowel and cradles to hold on flat cars. We look forward to more questions and/or tips next month!

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.

BILL'S TOOL TIME

Div 6 member Bill Deeter did not have a tool tip this month. Looking forward to another tool tip next month.

SHOW AND TELL

The subject for the last meeting was your favorite locomotive, or your current project. Items shown included- roof of a 1.5" scale locomotive; Erie 0-6-0; 2-8-0 painted for home RR; Athearn RS diesel; 2-8-0 Aristocraft; RG C-19; NYC diesel; loco-rpo-baggage-coach Southern; Alco PA Erie; Thomas Tank engine; N scale Berkshire 2-8-4 DH&N; Pacific Electric V1000; O scale UP A-B-B alco set; RDG T1 in Chessie Steam Special colors; B&O Mikado 2-8-2; Cary body switcher; Kato SD40-2; NPac F-unit; RDG F7 A-B set; FEC SD40-2; F7 A-B set PRR freight; Athearn GP7 rubber-band drive!; SD7-9; Gotsaw Sugar #3 steam 0-4-0 narrow gauge - was sold to Disney for Disneyland!; Sou Pacific mountain MT4 4-8-2; 4-4-0 steam Bachman; Hiawatha steam engine; NKP 2-8-0; Bowser 4-8-4; SD45; SH&W FP7; Lionel NYC A-A Alco's; GP38-2 P&LE; S8 Baldwin PRR-RDG Seashore; AT&SF steamer; UP 4-8-2; book on all mountain type locomotives in USA; UP Challenger 4-6-6-4; Pittsburg RR Jones cars electric.

Current Projects shown included- There were NO current projects shown! We had some members that donated to the caboose - THANKS!!
NEXT MEETING - anything marine related

LAYOUT TOURS

Thanks to Ken Chick and his N scale layout that was open in October. For November, go to the NCR convention for many tours, including a few Div 6 guys. And a "heads-up" for December. We will have 3 layouts open on December 8th, Barry Hensel, Marty LaForte and Tom Kosta. If you are interested in hosting a tour, please contact JC. **WE NEED TOURS!!**
NEXT TOURS- Marty LaForte, Tom Kosta & Barry Hensel - Sunday, Dec 8th. See map!

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.

WANTED!! - looking for another person with Easy DCC that wants to purchase 1 or more new wireless throttles! Let's combine orders for a discount!

Call BARRY 734-649-3056

FOR SALE! -

3- atlas turntables
2- turntable motors
5-6 plastic warren truss bridges {single track}
3- stall round house kit (atlas)
1 bulk box of 33" wheelsets
call Frank Spadafore Jr. at 313-271-7308

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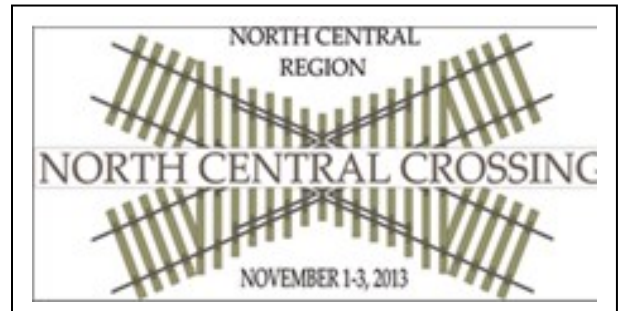
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CLINIC

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 on the 2013 NMRA National Convention, given by Larry Wolohon. Larry showed pictures from himself, Dean Pyers, Jim Zinser and John Bopp. Looks like it was a good time and lots to do!
NEXT MEETING- Barry Hensel on building a RDG Tug



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.

www.ncr2013.ncr-nmra.org.

Layout Tours: 30 layouts already confirmed for Layout Tours. Layout tours will be held on Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

Ops Sessions: Layouts are now confirmed for the entire week prior to and during the convention with over 250 ops sessions slots to be available.

Clinics: 18 clinic spots per day with make & takes, presentation and demonstration type clinics.

Silent Auction: Our Silent Auction committee is busy getting their process together.

Prototype tours: There will be 3 tours available on Friday and Saturday.

Display Layouts: 8 display layouts ranging from Z to O scales and everything in between. And yes we have traction for all you Trolley geeks.

Contests: Joel Goldberg and Howard Andrews are getting their judges ready for a room full of great contest models and photos.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Friday-Sunday Nov 1-3, 2013

NORTH CENTRAL CROSSING - NCR
convention Presented by Division
8, NMRA-NCR

Troy Community Center 3179
Livernois Road Troy, MI 48083

<http://www.ncr2013.ncr-nmra.org/>

Saturday-Sunday Nov 2-3, 2013

Gratiot Valley 2-Day Train Show &
Sale Presented by Macomb Gratiot
Valley Model Engineers, Inc.

Gibraltar Trade Center North 237
N. River Road Mount Clemens, MI
48083

Saturday- Noon - 5 PM and Sunday-
10 AM - 4 PM

Admission \$6 Children 12 & under
FREE when accompanied by an adult
Discount Coupon at www.gvrr.org
Admission Good for both Saturday
and Sunday

Contact Info - Discount Coupon,
Show Flyer, Dealer Information
Package And Table Application
Available On Our Website, or call
586-468-4877. Website -

<http://www.gvrr.org>

**Saturday-Sunday, November 9-10,
Thanksgiving weekend Nov 29-30;
December 1, 7-8, 14-15 2013**

Detroit Model RR Club Open House
104 North Saginaw St. Holly, MI
Noon - 5PM Adults - \$4, Seniors
(65+) - \$3, Children (5-18) - \$2,
Children under 5 - Free

See several O scale trains in
operation, over a 350 foot double
track mainline and several branch
lines.

Contact Info: 248-634-5811
webmaster@dmrrc.org

Sunday- December 1, 2013 35th
annual Division 6 Fall

Sunday, December 1, 2013 -

Railroadiana Toys & Trains
SS. Simon & Jude Church Hall
32500 Palmer Road Westland, MI
48186

Noon-4 PM \$2 per person, \$4
per family, Early Bird \$15 per
person after 11 AM Food & Drink
available

Contact Information- Norm Swope
734/595-8327 Noon till 10 PM

Sunday- December 1, 2013

35th annual Division 6 Fall Model Train Show & Workshop

Livonia Senior Center Five Mile
Rd and Farmington Rd, Livonia, MI
11AM - 4 PM \$4 per person over
17 years old, under 17 FREE

THIS IS NOT A SWAP MEET - SEE
demonstrations on all aspects of
model railroading!! Power systems,
scenery, kit building, railroad
history, operating layouts, Boy
Scouts Merit Badge program, food-
refreshments available; raffles
every 45 minutes, model contest!
Come and get your model
railroading questions answered,
wheelchair accessible Website-
www.div6-ncr-nmra.com

NEW HOBBY SHOP

A new hobby shop just opened in
Shelden Center at Plymouth and
Farmington in Livonia. Called My
Hobby Place & Toys. It's more of a
toy store but has a good selection
of Woodland Scenics scenery
products, ballast, trees and
Built-Ups buildings. They also
sell Testors paints, some DPM and
Plasticville kits, and a limited
selection of MTH and Lionel.

DIV 6 WEBSITE

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

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|  <p>Phone: (734) 722-5700 Fax: (734) 722-3020</p> <p>Nankin Hardware & Hobby</p> <p>35101 Ford Road Westland, MI 48185</p> |  <p>Daves Hobby & TV Stop here for all your hobby needs.</p> <p>29026 Warren Rd Westland, MI 48185 734-422-4464</p> |
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Div 6 Annual Fall Show & Workshop Volunteer form

Please fill in the following and return to MARK ELLIS at the next meeting or mail it to-
30040 Lyndon Livonia, Mi 48154

You can also contact Mark at 734-421-2673 or email to- emark@sbcglobal.net

Name: _____ Phone Number: _____

EMAIL: _____

Volunteering to.... (circle as many as apply)

Set-up Take-down Food Admissions Raffle Display

Display: _____

Demonstrate: _____

Take Flyers to: _____

Other: _____

Number of tables needed (Based on a 6 foot table size) _____

Need Electric Yes No

Display working layout

Description: _____ Scale: _____

Minimum Size: ____ft X ____ft Prefer Size: ____ft X ____ft

Help with Scouts program- I will do - (circle one!)

- * types of freight cars * different railroads and where they are/were
- * design a model railroad * railroad departments and support industries
- * diesel loco types and operation * Amtrak history and transit lines
- * railroad signals * Operation Lifesaver * all aspects of railroad safety
- * what/how/why of grade crossings * building a model RR kit
- * name the different scales * do switching on a layout

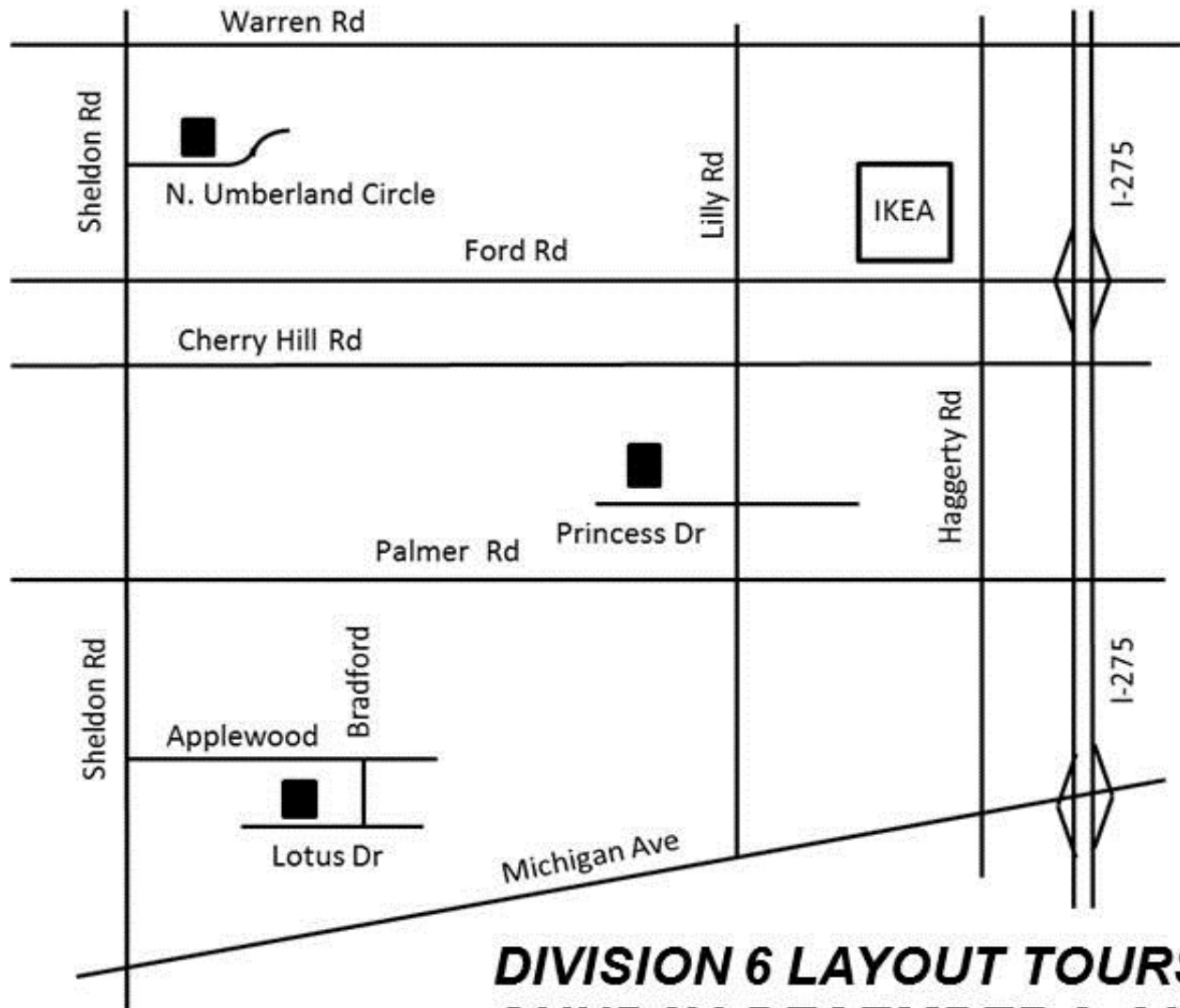
SUGGESTIONS FOR DISPLAYS.....

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| *structure building | *kit-bashing | *detailing | *decaling/dry transfer |
| *railroad history | *people painting | *tree making | *scenery basics |
| *track laying basics | *benchwork basics | *DCC systems | *wiring basics |
| *rolling stock building | *layout planning | *photography | *computers in model rr'ing |
| *type of rolling stock | *types of locomotives | *different scales | *classic toy trains |

..... and YES, we can have more than one person doing the same demo!!!

Tom Kosta
 959 Princess Dr
 Canton, Mich. 48188
 1pm – 4pm

Great Northern Empire is circa 1967 running the GN and CB&Q from Chicago to Seattle. It terminates around Fargo N.D. with a hidden loop continuing on to Seattle. It will have two main tracks of about 150 feet. The bench work is about 95% complete with Chicago station yard, a 9 track stub end yard with 5 passenger and 4 classification tracks.



***DIVISION 6 LAYOUT TOURS
 SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2013***

Marty LaForte
 44370 N. Umberland Circle
 Canton, Mich. 48187
 12pm – 4pm

HO Standard Gauge
 The Burlington Northern - Spartan Division - is set in the current time, it is located mostly in Eastern Nebraska with lines to Long Beach and Portland. The BNSD has two hundred feet of dual mainline, wrapping around the basement. DCC Digitrax. Scenery is approximately 75% complete.

Barry Hensel
 43642 Lotus Dr
 Canton, Mich. 48188
 12pm – 5pm

HO Standard Gauge
 The Reading Lines - Central Division - set in 1970 and completely operational. The RDG Lines is a 2 track mainline with continuous running and is operated with Easy DCC. Scenery is 75% complete with basic scenery forms in place in other areas.

FOR THE LADIES – hand-made jewelry display & sale