

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, SEPTEMBER 20, 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 MISC NEWS

NMRA conv news- Larry Wolohon, Jim Zinzer and John Bopp all gave us a run-down of the recent NMRA National Convention, which was in Atlanta in July.

Best Wishes continue for Marty Laforte who is home recovering from heart surgery. He's doing well and should be back model railroading soon.

Speaking of the NMRA National convention - next year's event 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. Track vehicles- Fairmont Co in Minn, one of the first to build tracksters and rail vehicles. Fairmont merged into Harsco in 1971 and continues to make vehicles. Speeders, putt-putts and many other names was the most popular. It was called a speeder because it was faster than hand cars. Speeders have become a big hobby with people restoring them and taking trips on the rails with them in groups. Norm also mentioned many other types of vehicles that have been used on the rails for maintenance services. Thanks for the interesting information! Looking forward to another lesson.

ON THE RAILS...

SEPTEMBER 2013

Just where has 2013 gone to? It's already September and that means one thing - model railroad time! Yes, we are considered a mostly winter hobby. And while there is a ways to go until winter, the coming Fall also is our "time". Here's hoping YOU can get the proper time allowed for your/our hobby! A reminder that the annual NCR convention is also only 2 months away. If you have not signed on yet, you have probably missed the discount. But go anyway! Lots to do and see and learn at a convention! Another reminder - our Div 6 Fall Show & Workshop is only 3 months away. How will you help make that event a success? Now, here's the rest of your Div 6 news-

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

We had a new member at the last Div 6 meeting. Please welcome Ron Miller who is modeling in HO scale. Meeting attendance was at 41 members! To all Div 6 members, **WELCOME ABOARD!**

PRODUCT REVIEW

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

DIV 6 FALL SHOW & WKSHP

The annual DIV 6 Fall Show & Workshop will be on **Sunday, Dec 1!** Here's a list of items to be considered for this year's event-

Need raffle person!!

Need donations for the raffle

Must be NEW items

Flyers will be done for next meeting

Boy scouts will be returning - will need help!!

Portable layouts needed!!

Ask an MMR - need MMR's to attend and volunteer

Please bring your sq foot entries from Sept to the fall show! Plus consider entering the regular model and photo contests.

Our first event publicity is out! With the Scouts returning, if you have extra kadee type couplers, please consider donating them for the Scouts to use. THANKS to Frank who donated many kits for the Scouts to use!!

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. Please contact MARK if you can help!!

DIV 6 MODEL PROJECT

Our next modeling for bragging rights contest will be in September! The modeling subject- an online structure (any structure that uses the railroad for goods, services and/or a rail side railroad structure like a switch tower, maintenance shed, etc.) The structure and track should be on a square foot display. (yes, it must be 12"x12" not rectangular!). We will use 12x12 for N and HO scale. For S and O scale, you are allowed 18"x18" square. G scale is allowed a 24"x24" square. Remember, each display must include track! Have fun and we look forward to seeing your modeling!

DIV 6 WEBSITE

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

www.div6-ncr-nmra.com

SHOW AND TELL

The subject for the last meeting was a kit-bashed or modified vehicles. Items shown included- Divco Milk truck; trk & trailer; trk & trailer; travel trailer scratch built; stake bed truck built from pick-up truck!; crashed vehicle; semi trailer cut down and covered with foil for canvas; coal trucks from hot wheels & athearn trailers; European cars converted to model A's; steam tractor & trailer w/boiler load; Jordan model T made into a tractor; John deare trailer w/ Peterbuilt trk; tank truck from castings; pick-up truck with load; mini-metals trucks detailed!; '31 model a pick-up.

Current Projects shown included- DPH store kit; upgrade kit for Atlas switch tower; Revell engine house kitbash;

We had a few members that donated to the caboose - THANKS!!

NEXT MEETING-- your sq foot contest entry or a current project

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.

MODELING INFO W/LARRY

LARRY's TIPS for this month were- Larry showed us 18 cars completed this month; weighted cars with BB's; puts 3 BB's in every jar of paint to assist in mixing the paint when shaking. Larry puts a screw in the backside of his benchwork. On the screws Larry hangs clips that hold pictures or sketches of the scene he wants to model in that area. Larry had 2" dia solid steel rod cut into 1/2" sections, drills a small hole in the center, attaches an alligator clip to a steel rod that fits into the hole. The whole thing acts as a mount for working on small parts!

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 gave us another great tool tip- pick-up "doctors brush pics" for your teeth. These are available everywhere and cost only a couple of dollars for a whole bunch of them. They are very small brushes and work well for cleaning behind wheels and other small places (like removing cat hair)! Looking forward to another tool tip next month.

NMRA AP AWARD

Larry Wolohon, our NCR Achievement Program director, gave out an award to another Div 6 member! Dick Harden was the recipient for an Association Volunteer Award! Congratulations Dick!

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 Barry Hensel on Reading RR MoW vans he modeled. Having seen photos of Ford vans on the Reading Modeler website/forum, Barry decided to model these vans, since he had models available to use. Based on the photos from the website, Barry modified and painted the vans to match the photos. Using a photo of a sign on the side of the vans, these were reproduced on a computer and then placed on the models, making them match pretty well! We hope you enjoyed this mini-clinic that was related to the show & tell item subject.

NEXT MEETING- Div 6 contest voting

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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 in the NCR HotBox and on the Convention website www.ncr2013.ncr-nmra.org.

LAYOUT TOURS

We had no tours again for August. Thanks to those that have hosted tours and to their wives!!! (and please pass that along to them!) We do have a tour for September - Rot Jones. See map enclosed! If you are interested in hosting a tour, please contact JC. **WE NEED TOURS!!**
NEXT TOURS- Sunday, Sept 22 from 1pm-4pm Roy Jones, 8364 Whitefield, Dearborn Heights, MI

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, September 22

Monroe Train Show and Sale
 MBT Expo Center 3775 Custer Rd.
 (M-50) Monroe, MI 48161
 Admission 9:30am-4pm \$10 or 11am-4pm \$6 12 & under free w/adult.
 Wheelchair Accessible
 Contact Info- Alan Mitchell 517-264-5707 e-mail:

Trainshow@modelrailstuff.com

Wednesday, Sept 4 & October 2

MICHIGAN RAILROAD CLUB
 Meetings are held at the Henry Ford Centennial Library, 16301 Michigan Ave, Dearborn, Mich. 48126. Meeting starts at 7pm with program starting around 7:30pm September- Mark Cowles, slide program. October- MRC Member Tom Dworman with movies on GTW steam taken by the late Ken Utter. Contact- Kenneth Borg 3512 Merrick, Dearborn, MI 48124-3849

Sunday, September 22

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 MBT Expo Center 3775 Custer Rd.
 (M-50) Monroe, MI 48161
 Early Admission 9:30am-4pm \$10
 Regular Admission 11am - 4pm \$6
 Children 12 and under free when accompanied by an adult.
 Contact Information- Alan Mitchell Friend of Model Railroader (FOMRR) PO Box 1259 Adrian, MI 49221
 Ph. 517-264-5707 e-mail

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Sunday, Sept 29, 2013 - St.

Sebastian Church presents Ford Model Railroad Club Train Show and Sale St. Sebastian School Gym 3850 Merrick Dearborn Heights, MI 11am - 4pm \$3 per person or \$6 per family Contact Information- John Sanchez [313-268-8598](tel:313-268-8598) or email at sanchezart@aol.com

Sunday, October 6, 2013 -

Ole Toy & Train Show
 St. Robert Bellarmine School Gym 27201 West Chicago Rd Redford, MI 11 AM-3:30 PM \$3 per person, \$6 per family Food & Drink available Contact Information- Brain Klotzer 313-255-0466 7 PM-9 PM

Sunday, October 6, 2013 -

Holland Train Show
 Holland Civic Center 150 West 8th Street, Holland Michigan 49423 10am-3pm Entry Fare: \$ 5 each, under 12, free w/ Adult Contact Information- Paul Steketee at 616-204-0618 email: HollandTrainShow@Gmail.com
www.grmrhs.org

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 Redford Twp, MI 48240

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.....

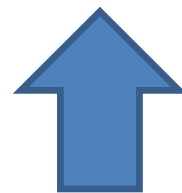
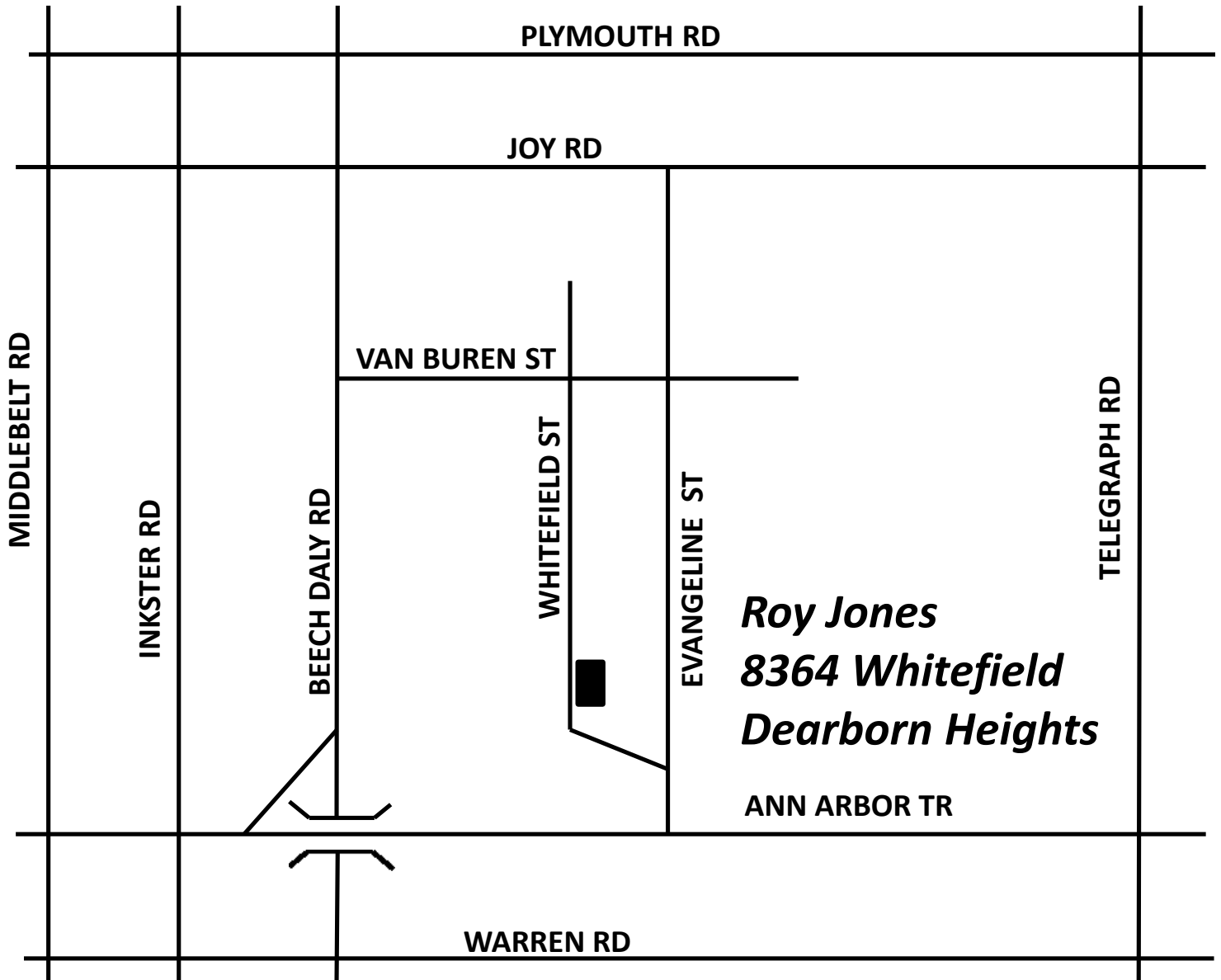
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| *structure building | *kit-bashing | *detailing | *decaling/dry transfer |
| *railroad history | *people painting | *tree making | *scenery basics |
| *track laying basics | *benchwork basics | *DCC systems | *wiring basics |
| *rolling stock building | *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!!!

DIVISION 6 LAYOUT TOUR

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

1PM – 4PM



NORTH