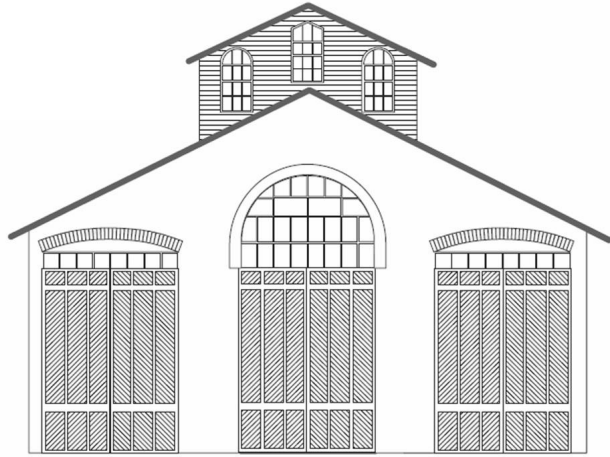


CAR HOUSE



December, 2023

Div. 8 Website: <https://www.div8.NcrNMRA.org>

Website:

[http://
www.nmra.org/](http://www.nmra.org/)



Call to Order

Meeting called to Order at 7:02

Recognition of visitors and MMRs

MMRs present Jim Zinser, Ron King, Dan Lewis, Ken Chick, and Larry Wolohon.

Presidents Page

In keeping with the December meeting theme of photos, I'm passing along a link to an excellent railroad photo website. You can never have enough photo references when you are modeling, particularly when you are trying to capture all the details of a specific locomotive. That is where this site can help you. This is a searchable website, whether it be by railroad or by locomotive type (including steam and electric), or you can just browse the nearly three quarters of a million photos they have available. That should keep you busy for a few hours!

<https://www.railpictures.net/us/>

Happy New Year!
Mark

Clinic for December

The December clinic was made up of presentations by a number of our member's railroad photos.

In addition to the digital photos below, Dave Thornton presented via Zoom a picture of Nickel Plate Road Steam engine 765.

Curt Danielewicz (using John Jackson's vintage slide projector) presented a series of old 35mm slides of old engines from the Detroit and Macinaw, Grand Trunk, and other Michigan railroads from the 60's and early 70's.

Clinic

Bill Moore – His Layout



LAYOUT LOOKING NW



WORKSHOP STAGING



WRJ DEPOT



OVERVIEW TOWARD EAST

Dan Lewis – His Layout



Blowing By Denton



Breakfast at Lewistown



Eli



Light Snow at Denton



Rocky Mountain Elevator

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Irvin Chmielewski – Pictures from Vacation Riding Australia’s Ghan Train



Waiting room after checkin.

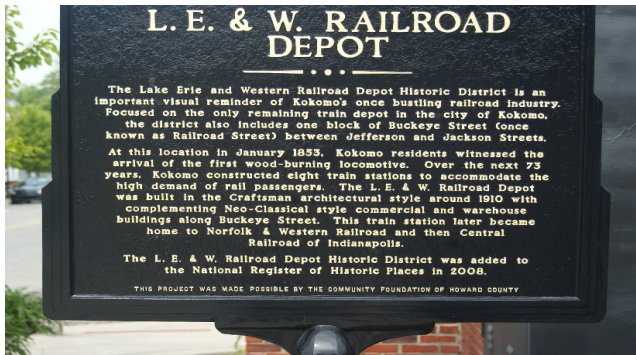


Our room onboard the Ghan



Morning stop for Sunrise (and coffee) Also provides an idea of the length of the Train.

Kent Aughe – Assorted Pictures



Actual Depot – Still in existence



Scenes from His Layout



Monon Engines on his layout

Greater Monon Module

A steel mill made from assorted stuff.



Larry Woholon – Assorted Historical Railroad Pictures



Redford Jones



Blake Yard Loading Activity



Engine 1611 Being fueled at Pontiac



Rufnacht Elavator Willard



Trackside View Toward Station Tracks



Train leaving Pontiac

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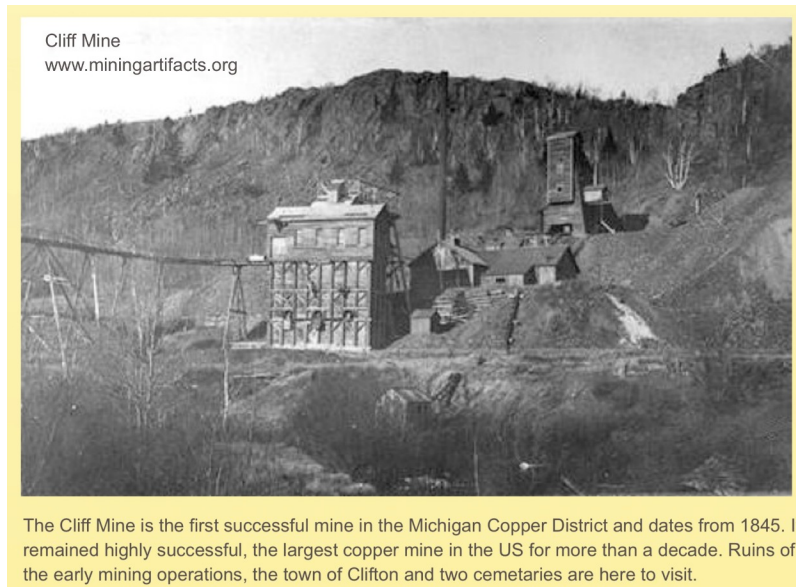
Steve Webber Verde Canyon Railroad Engine #1512



Warren Yohe



Cliff Mine on Warren's Railroad



The Cliff Mine is the first successful mine in the Michigan Copper District and dates from 1845. It remained highly successful, the largest copper mine in the US for more than a decade. Ruins of the early mining operations, the town of Clifton and two cemeteries are here to visit.

Picture with description of the real Cliff Mine in the U. P.

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Tim Fisher – Pictures taken at an Operating Session on Dan Lewis' railroad



- **BUSINESS MEETING ITEMS**

All Members – Please check your NMRA membership cards and renew today. Insurance regulations require meeting participants be NMRA members {after three meetings}. Please stay current. You can renew at **NMRA.org**. There are so many benefits of membership, including discounts at major online retailers, information available on the website. Membership with digital delivery of the NMRA magazine is \$68 per year, \$92 with US mail delivery of the NMRA magazine.

Also, please check if your Division 8 Meeting user fee has been paid. The fee is \$10 per year payable in January for 2024..

November Car House approved.

December Treasurer’s report Dan Shilt: \$3,835.32 on hand. Approved.

Region AP update: Ken Chick Presented Dan Lewis with and AP Award- Master Builder – Prototype Models



Operating Session Plans – Curt Danielewicz can be contacted if you would like to be included in future Operating Session plans.

Door monitor at the church; For January, Chris Dobies has volunteered. Steve Weber has volunteered for February.

Thanks for volunteering.

Please consider volunteering for future months. For security reasons, the church door must remain locked at all times. Thanks for helping out the Division and keeping everyone safe.

Old Business

- Passing of Ed Black – Motion to make a donation to the NMRA Diamond Club in his name. Approved

New Business

- Need some help setting up/taking down tables for the next couple of months, please assist
-

Announcements

Please notify Irv Chmielewski (NCRDIV8SECRETARY@gmail.com) if you would like to have an announcement posted in Car House. Provide written details

The 2025 NMRA National Convention will be held in Novi, second week in August! More information is coming, but get your layouts in shape for open houses, prepare possible clinics and be ready to volunteer! Clinics for the 2025 Convention are being coordinated by Andy Keeney.

The planning committee is committed to focus the convention on giving value to attendees and the NMRA as a whole.

Clinics will focus on new content. There is enough time for all of us to develop a new clinic on a topic that will be of interest. Any clinic presentation could be first presented at our meeting so that it can be revised and polished for the National convention

Clinic/Layout and other Coordinators are included in Carhouse so please reach out if interested.

Division 8 Volunteer Coordinator is Mark Mincek.

The Detroit Model Railroad Club has scheduled open house events through the holidays and into the winter. Go to WWW.DMRRC.Org for dates and time.

National Convention 2025 Regional Contacts

A lot of work needs to be completed before the Nation Convention. The region has established a number of work groups that can use additional volunteers.

The following are the persons that you can contact to assist with the convention.

Chairman- Scott Kremer

Co-Chair and Hotel Coordinator – to be filled (Note the primary hotel responsibility is through the NMRA Meeting and Trade Show personnel)

Treasurer - Steve Harsh	Webmaster - Marshall Stull
Non-Rail - Kitty Kremer	LDSIG - Ron Burkhardt
OPSIG - Eric Smith	RPM Conference - Mike Skibbe
PR/Marketing - Jim Zinser, Barry Hensel	Layout Visit - Brook and Jay Qualmann
Op Sessions - Ken Chick	Prototype Tours - Bruce Wolfe
Clinics - Andy Keeney	Volunteers - Div 6 - Bill McMillan
Yard Sale - Greg Rich	IT coordinator - Jeff Higgins

Positions still neededing to be filled.

Bus Coordinator	Contest Coordinator
Volunteers - Div 8	Merchandise - basically shirts

From George Van Duynes

Because I'm on the distribution for the Midnight Pocatello operators group I received an email from Brooke Qualmann that their layout was going to be on local news. I was able to find the news article on the web. <https://www.cbsnews.com/detroit/news/milford-township-couple-create-model-railroad-masterpiece>

Hints and Tips

To burnish scratched tracks, use a stainless steel washer. Also suggestion was made to use a stainless steel spoon.

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The Mentor/Mentee file (give help/receive help) is at

https://drive.google.com/file/d/195MkOSzCIIO4pfcGtM4LcnI-sIExBw2_/view?usp=sharing

The private **Clinton River Division Facebook group** is at

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/288929175921717/>

SCHEDULES

For more information, contact the organization listed. We do not have further details. Obviously, schedules are subject to change. Check with the venue before the event.

January 18th - Clinton River Division Monthly Meeting Troy Christian Chapel

January 20-21 – Great American Train Show at Suburan Collection Showplace in Novi.

January 28, 2024 10am-3pm. Model Railroad Sale Hosted by Division 6

March 23, 2024 North Central Region Spring Modelers Meet.

See Train Show Fliers Below.

January 18, 2023 Meeting

Live at Troy Christian Chapel and on Zoom

Thursday, November 16, 2023, 7:00 pm

Clinic

Taking Fast Tracks to the Next Level

By Mark Mincek

Show and Tell

Holiday Presents or Current Projects

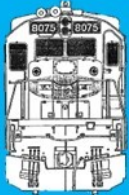
**Join us after the meeting for snacks and conversation at Leo's Coney Island,
Walton & Livernois**

We will send you notice of the meeting and the ZOOM code a few days before the meeting. Please look in your spam folder if you do not receive it timely. Don't ask, I have no idea why some providers think we are spam.

3rd Annual **MODEL RAILROAD SALE!**

Hosted by **Division 6**
North Central Region - National Model Railroad Association

SUNDAY – JANUARY 28, 2024
10am - 3pm



Costick Community Center

28600 W Eleven Mile Rd, Farmington Hills, MI 48336

145 Tables of model railroad items - ALL scales!

Door Prizes Awarded every 45 minutes! *(must be present to win)*

Snacks and refreshments available

Admission –

\$5 per person over 18 years old (spouses/children under 18 = FREE!)

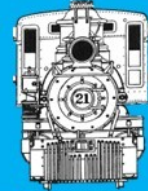
\$10 per person Early Bird entry at 9am

VETERANS AND ACTIVE DUTY SERVICE MEMBERS FREE (WITH ID)

Information –

Barry or Terry 734-649-3056 (6pm-9pm) div6trainshow@gmail.com

VENDOR INFO on back side of this flyer!





North Central Region Spring Modelers Meet

Hosted by the Black Swamp Division (Div 1) of the North Central Region (NCR), NMRA



March 23, 2024 – Sylvania OH

Sylvania Community Services Center, 7140 W Sylvania Ave, Sylvania, OH 43560

Learn New Skills, Share Your Models, Share Techniques, Visit Layouts



This is a modelers' event!
Lunch options will be available on-site!



This event is open to ALL MODELERS - NMRA Membership is not required

SCHEDULED ACTIVITIES

Model Showroom – Bring your models (finished or in-progress) of locomotives, rolling stock, structures, dioramas, or scenery. All are welcome! The showroom is about sharing the hobby in all its many forms.

Modeling Clinics – learn new skills with clinics on a mixture of subjects presented by modelers, historians, and industry experts.

Layouts and Displays - Small and modular displays will be available within the main venue.

Layout Tours - Layout tours of local layouts will be available during the afternoon.

Admission is \$20 at the door

All event activities (minus lunch) are included in one low price!

Advance registration is encouraged on the website at smm.ncrnmra.org

This is NOT a swap meet!



Visit our website for more information
smm.ncrnmra.org



Suburban Collection Showplace

46100 Grand River Avenue, Novi, MI 48374

Saturday & Sunday • January 20-21, 2024

10:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Operating Model Railroads & Attractions

- Lakeshore Garden Railroad Club - 35' x 35' G Scale
- Miami Valley Modular Railway - 60' x 80' HO Scale
- Bridgeman Railroad - 40' x 60' - HO Scale
- European Train Enthusiasts, Great Lakes Chapter - 18' x 26' - HO Scale
- Redford Model Railroad Club - 30' x 40' HO Scale
- Lansing Area N-Trak and T-Trak Model Railroad Club - 30' x 30' N Scale
- Glancy Trains (Detroit Historical Society) - 50' x 50' O Gauge
- National Model Railroad Association, NMRA - NCR - Division 6 & 8 - 12' x 12' - HO Scale
- Michigan LEGO Train Club - 20' x 27' LEGO

Onsite Admission:

\$12 for Adults on Saturday

\$11 for Adults on Sunday

Cash only at the door.

Saturday tickets good for **both days!**

Kids 11 and under are **Free!**

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Online tickets \$1.00 less at TrainShow.com!

\$11 for adults on Saturday. \$10 for adults on Sunday.



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