Monthly Newsletter of the Clinton River Division of the North Central Region of the NMRA



July 18, 2024

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Call to Order

Meeting called to Order at 7:06

Recognition of visitors and MMRs

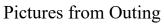
MMRs present Jim Zinser, Greg Rich, Dan Lewis, Larry Wolohon

Presidents Page

I'll start off this month's Carhouse message with a big thanks to everybody who took part in our first Division 8 NMRA retention event that was held at the late Bill Hayes' Michigan Central. The railroad was impressive to say the least, there was a lot of socializing and lots of smiling faces to match. I'm hoping that everybody had a great time.

With the theme of live steam in mind, my link this month is to a nationwide list of live steam places to visit. The trip to the Michigan Central was my first live steam visit, but it certainly won't be my last.

https://livesteam.net/community/clubs/









Enjoy!

Mark

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Clinic for July

Traction (Electric) Railroads Fred Cosgrove

Fred presented a video that documented the history of the Cincinnati and Lake Erie Railroad. The 1997 video of "Cincinnati & Lake Erie The Red Devils" is one of Fred's favorite videos.

Covering part of the history of the C&LE and the light weight interurbans that were called the Red Devils, during the late 1920's to the end of operations in 941.

The film has airplane and race car races against the Red Devils and some comparison shots of locations of the C&LE then and now.

A finial part of the video has a G scale model operating Red Devil.

Check out www.rrhistorical.com/hrv Also check out Fred"s Show and Tell Items.

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.

June Car House approved.

June Treasurer's report Dan Shilt: \$3,508.28 Approved. Also, please check if your Division 8 Meeting support user fee has been paid. The fee is \$10 per year payable in January.

Layout Tour Plans: Work is underway for layouts to visit in the Fall.

AP Awards – None this month.

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: Ken Scherer has volunteered for August. George VanDuyne has volunteered for September. Thanks for volunteering.

Please consider volunteering for future months. It only requires a half hour of your time. For security reasons the church door must remain locked at all times. Thanks for helping out the Division and keeping everyone safe.

Old Business

- A couple of our members have volunteered to to work on the Model train layout at the Veterans Administration Hospital in Detroit. Some repairs and cleaning have been made. A short second visit is expected to complete the work.
- Discussed the July 20th Division membership going to the live steam 7 ½ gauge at Bill Hayes' Michigan Central Steam R. R. in Metamora. It was reported that Bill passed away in early July. Bill worked with family and friends to have the Michigan Central continue on a permanent basis.

New Business

- Please submit announcements to Irv Chmielewski so that they can accurately be reported in Carhouse, and also to keep the meeting running on time.
- AP activities for Division 8 will now start to be handled by Bruce DeYoung. Ken Chick and Bruce will be working on a transition in the near future.
- A new member gift certificate was present to Scott Swinger.

Hints and Tips

- The Mentor/Mentee file (give help/receive help) is at https://drive.google.com/file/d/195MkOSzClIO4pfcGtM4LcnI-sIExBw2 /view? usp=sharing
- The private Clinton River Division Facebook group is at https://www.facebook.com/groups/288929175921717/
- For those on Medicare Part D (Medicare Advantage) ask your insurer if they give you a "Grouper" discount. This can pay you fro your NMRA dues.
- A presentation on the steps necessary to complete the onboarding process for NMRA Discord is on our website https://div8.ncrnmra.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/04/Discord-Instructions.pdf
- Other Discord instructions are available on the NMRA website under presentations.
- Irv and Mark gave the hint that besides buying train materials on eBay, it can be
 a good place to sell stuff, usually at a better price than other sources like a train
 show.

Announcements

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

- The <u>2025</u> NMRA National Convention will be held in Novi, the second week in July! 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 North Central Region convention is happening in Northville, Oct 10-12. A flier is attached.

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				
Registration Desk - Doug Tagsold					
dtagsoldyahoo.com					

Positions still neededing to be filled.

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

Show and Tell

Jim Zinser Street car static model

Corgi static model of Detroit Street Railroad PCC car.



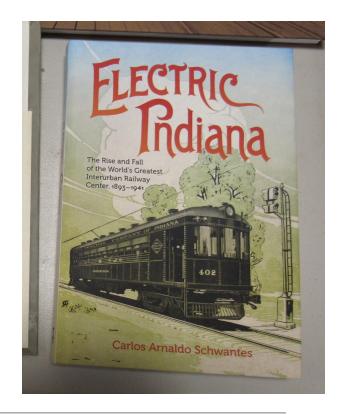
Ken Glaza K and R Electronics

K&R Electronics for model railroads. Gate control that properly sequences railroad gates with traffic lights.



Kent Aughe Interurban book

Book "Electric Indiana" – history of trolleys and Interurbans in Indiana 1890-1941. A well researched and documented history.

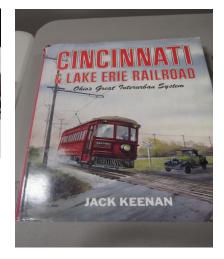


Fred Cosgrove Traction cars and book

O scale C&LE "Red Devil" #123 by the car works and an O scale C&LE freight motor #641. Midwest Traction, C&LE book, photos and a Map of Ohio Interurban routes.





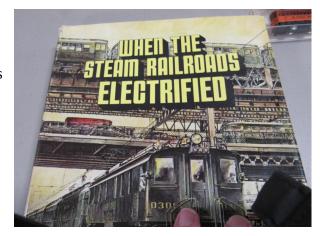






Larry Wolohon Traction book

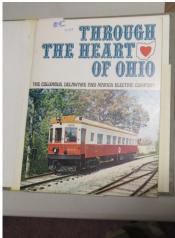
Kalmbach book "When the Steam Railroads Electrified".



Dave Thornton Traction Books

C&LE LSE CD&M





Paul Kenyon Traction trolleys

Three trolleys – 2 Brill, one with a towed trailer Chicago PCC



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Mark Mincek Electric Locomotive

Cleveland Union Terminal electric locomotive



One additional No Show and Tell Form submitted

If this was your submission, let Irv know and we can update Carhouse NCRDIV8Secretary@gmail.com



Any corrections or additions, please contact Irv at NCRDIV8Secretary@gmail.com

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.

Aug 15th - Clinton River Division Monthly Meeting Troy Christian Chapel

August 4-11 – Surfliner 2024 NMRA National Convention See NMRA website under Conventions for a link to more information

September 11-14th -National Narrow Gauge Convention https://www.44nngc.com/

Oct. 10-13 – North Central Express- our regional convention see attached flier.

Division Meeting
Live at Troy Christian Chapel and on Discord
Thursday, Aug 15, 7:00 pm
Instead of a clinic
Division 8 Yard Sale
Bring your unwanted or extra model railroad stuff.
Buy, sell (or swap?)

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 Discord connection 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.

Division Six of the NCR- North Central Region of the NMRA- National Model Railroad Association presents-







NORTH CENTRAL EXPRESS 2024

A MODEL RAILROAD WEEKEND CONVENTION!



THURSDAY - FRIDAY - SATURDAY - SUNDAY OCTOBER 10-11-12-13, 2024 NORTHVILLE, MICHIGAN, USA

WELCOME to the NCR Model Railroad Convention, NORTH CENTRAL EXPRESS 2024! The convention is being hosted by DIVISION SIX, located in Wayne and Washtenaw counties. We are planning a great weekend of model and prototype railroading, just for YOU! Please access our website for all of the important information you need to help you to decide to attend this event. As you'll soon read, we're concentrating on having fun and learning all about model railroading! All you need to do is fill out the registration page, send it in with your registration fees and you'll be part of one of the greatest model railroad events in Michigan! Visit us online and register there using your credit card and PayPal security services! Come and join us for the MAXIMUM model railroad FUN, all in one weekend!

Open to ALL model railroaders! You DO NOT have to be an NMRA member to attend!

- EVENT HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE-* Event site Ward Church, Northville, MI
- * Event shirts available pre-order only
- * Special DAY PASS entry available!
- * Online Registration available on website!
- * Banquet Dinner on Saturday evening
- * Clinics on Friday and Saturday
- * Operation sessions available Thursday, Friday, Saturday
- * NO model contest MODEL SHOWCASE show off your work!!
- * Get a discount for participating in the Model Showcase!!
- * Model layouts to visit on Friday and Saturday
- * Prototype tours on Friday (if available)
- * Yard Sale of new/used model railroad equipment
- * Ask the Experts (MMR's) table
- * EVERYONE welcome to attend!

For more information or questions answered, contact -Norm Logan, Chairman -

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ON-LINE registration available until October 7, 2024 at nex24.nemmra.org