Division Meeting Schedule

February 20, 2011 - Western PA Model RR Museum, 5507 Lakeside Dr, Gibsonia, PA 15044

Layout open at 1:30 PM Meeting: 2:30 PM

Program: "Operation Lifesaver: Look,

Listen, and Live"

March 20, 2011- NEW VENUE!!! HObo Railroad Club, 201 Fairview Ave., Connellsville, PA 15425 Layout open at 1:30 PM Meeting: 2:30 PM

April 9, 2011 (Saturday) - Jamboree. Robert Morris University, Sewall Center, 6001 University Blvd, Moon Township, PA 15108. Registration open at 8:00 AM

May 15, 2011 - Sceninc Express, 175 Sheffield Dr. #100, Delmont, PA 15626

Bring'n'Brag

Jan **Anything Goes**

Feb Boxcars

Mar Online Structures

May Steam Power

Jun Bridges

Passenger Equipment Aug

Sep Cabooses

Oct Layout Photographs

Nov Hopper Bottom Cars



Model by Neal Schorr



From the Super's Desk



The votes have been counted, and the Constitution of the Keystone Division has been amended to comply with the Mid-Central Region's Regulations. We will now elect 3 officers and appoint 1 officer every 2 years. The rest of the Constitution will remain unchanged. Thank you to all of you who took the time to vote on this matter. To those who did not vote, ask yourselves if you are really comfortable leaving the future of your organization up to 15% of the members. That confers a lot of power on such a small minority. In a democracy, our vote is our

most powerful tool. The next time there is an issue on which to vote, why not make your voice heard. Your next opportunity is here with the election of Regional officers. The ballot is in the Kingpin that was just sent to each member of the Region. Why not start the year by participating in the election of your officers who will lead your Region and decide the future direction of the Mid-Central Region.

I recently had the opportunity to visit another modeler's home layout. The experience was wonderful and reminded me that each of us comes to this wonderful hobby through a different door. We might have started as small children with a train set around the Christmas tree, or as adults drawn to the hobby by our interest in model building, history, story telling, a particular prototype, or any number of other interests. No matter which interest opened the door to model railroading for us, we each bring something different to this hobby. We should each be sharing our unique perspectives with each other and be willing to embrace the perspectives of others. Please take the time to talk with others and be willing to share your experiences. Try something new. Try a new technique, go to a new kind of convention (Prototype Modelers, Regional National, special scale, etc.), open your layout to other members, volunteer in some way, or consider joining a club. My point is that we can get so much more out of our beloved hobby by shaking up the status quo. So, get out there and "Shake it up, Baby now"!

... Susan Werner

THE MEMBERS OF THE KEYSTONE DIVISION EXTEND THEIR THANKS TO THE OHIO VALLEY LINES MODEL RAILROAD CLUB FOR GRACIOUSLY HOSTING THE JANUARY MEETING DURING A HECTIC OPEN HOUSE SEASON.

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Minutes

Superintendent Susan Werner called the January 16, 2011 meeting to order at 2:33p.m. at the Ohio Valley Lines in Ambridge, Pa.. The attendance was 46 members and one guest by the name of Art Corbin. Susan thanked the Ohio Valley Lines for hosting today's meeting. She mentioned the fact that there open house was going on at the same time and they were very gracious to have the division meeting at their facility.

Minutes that were published in the Keystone Flyer from the November, 2010 meeting were approved with two corrections. The first the guest name was misspelled it should have read Gary Kohler and the second was a spelling mistake of compiling. Motion to approve with corrections was approved by majority vote.

John Gallagher spoke for the Ohio Valley Lines and thanked everyone for coming and also asked if January could be a permanent date for the meeting. Everyone agreed to that statement.

Carl Volkwein the division treasurer gave his report and he stated that the division is solvent.

Dick Flock presented his report on the company store. Please stop at the store or get in contact with Dick about any material you would like to purchase.

Tom Gaus presented his report on the membership that we have 260 active members and the website is running great with, 7,809 page requests.

Bob Meier the Free Mo chairman group said they will be joining up with South Hills Model RR Club at the next Greenberg Show on January 22 and 23, because the space has been cut back.

Paul Gallick has 7 entries for bring n brag on the "anything goes", so please stop by with your vote

Bud Brock on the video library stated that everyone should check out the videos that he has displayed on the table. The new system is working fine and he requested that he needs a laptop for the library so all the titles can be seen at the meetings.

MCR Election Ballot Correction

The MCR Officer Election Teller's Zip Code was stated incorrectly on page 15 of the Winter issue of *The Kingpin*.

The correct Zip Code is: 43103

Please use this zip code when mailing in your ballot.

KEITH DeVAULT

Mike Hohn the assistant superintendent gave his report that the February meeting will be at the Western Pa Museum in Gibsonia, Pa. March will be at the HOBO Club in Connellsville, April is the Jamboree and May will be at Scenic Express.

Dennis Vaccaro gave his report on the Achievement Program and said that two members are taking advantage of the program, to earn their Golden Spike Award.

John Gallagher, the Education Chairman had no report at this time.

A reminder that the Jamboree information and registration is online at the division website. Please start to register for the Jamboree on April 9th at the Sewell Center of Robert Morris University.

In old business the ballots for the constitution amendment was voted on and counted with the final results passing for the change.

In new business a motion was brought up to the group spending \$ 100.00 to make a donation in the name of Beth Vaccaro at the Donora Library. Motion passed

For the good of the division, Dick Flock the chairman of the copy store said that he will be attending The New Eagle Train show with the store on Sunday January 30th. He also mentioned that over 60 people have registered for the RPM meeting in Greensburg the last of March and first of April. The Mid West Narrow Gauge Show also will be held at that same time. The Ohio Valley Lines Club gave away over 60 train sets to needy children in this area for Christmas. Job well done.

Susan announced the passing of two long time model railroaders, Dean Freytag and Jim Boyd.

Meeting was adjourned at 3:12 p.m.

Today's speaker will be Larry Kline "P & LE Stretched Box Cars"

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Bring'n'Brag

Welcome to the 2011 NMRA MCR Keystone Division 2 Bring 'n' Brag contest. January's contest was held at the Ohio Valley Lines in Ambridge, PA. This month's contest theme is "Anything Goes," and seven entries were received.

Steve Hertzer captured First Place for his entry of an O Scale Barbershop. Steve's model was built from a Downtown Deco Hydrocal kit to which he added a scratch built interior and exterior sidewalk. The model also includes interior lighting which he removed so that he could bring it to the contest.

Second place went to Marge Meehan for two versions of Lichtenstein Castle modeled in N scale. Marge built two versions of the Faller kit, the first with a moat per the kit, and the second on a mountain crag as in the prototype.

Third Place was won by Neal Schorr for his O Scale PRR Yard Shed. Neal repainted and weathered the building using authentic PRR colors.

PAUL GALLICK

Other entries for this month's contest included:

Bill DeFoe entered two HO scale boxcars lettered with custom printed private name decals he had traded for over the internet.

Bob Hickman entered a collection of European prototype HO scale tank cars along with a DB 22133 diesel locomotive.

Georgeann Reid entered an HO scale building titled Robinson's Electric built from a South River Modelworks kit. It is only the second wooden kit she has ever built.

Blaine Reynolds entered a collection of HO scale models including a Bowser E6 Atlantic and an Athearn F unit both painted for the PRR and equipt with Sergent Couplers

A For Display Only O Scale PRR trailer made by Weaver Models was shown by Dick Flock.

Thanks to everyone who brought in models and voted. Next month's modeling contest theme will be "Boxcars."

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Name	<u>Points</u>	Name	<u>Points</u>
Steve Hertzer	6	Blaine Reynolds	s 2
Marge Meehan	5	Robert Hickman	n 2
Neal Schorr	4	Georgeann Reid	. 2
Bill DeFoe	2		

JAMBOREE Hands-On Clinic Information

(See Flyer, p. 7)

Each clinic will run three hours.

You must pay and register in advance, and only the first ten registrants for each clinic will be accepted.

Each clinic may be attended separately, however Bill Sartore's clinic on lighting will focus on adding lighting to the structure that attendees will build during Clinic #2 in the morning. Attendees may find it helpful to attend both clinic #2 and clinic #3.

Registrants MUST bring some of their own supplies for each clinic, but the list for each clinic has not been finalized as of yet. Complete information will be posted on our website soon and in future issues of The Keystone Flyer.

PUBLIC TIMETABLE

Pittsburgh - PHIPPS Conservatory Garden Railroad Oct. 16 - Mar. 6, 2010, Trains chug over bridges and through tunnels, with miniature plants and shrubs providing living landscape. The world's first N-Scale garden railroad will be an added feature.

RPM-East Railroad Prototype Modelers Seminar Mar. 25 - 26, 2011, Greensburg, PA Sheraton Four Points Hotel. Advanced registration operating sessions during evening of Mar. 24. See details and download

http://www.hansmanns.org/rpm_east/2011.htm

registration form at:

Events of Interest

Midwest Narrow Gauge Show

Mar. 24 - 26, 2011, South Range Middle School Building, Greenford, OH. See details and download registration form at:

http://www.maine2footquarterly.com/midwest.htm

Submissions welcome! Contact the Editor with announcements, including dates, times, location name and address, and sponsor's name and contact information.







Steve Hertzer's Barber Shop wiith interior won 1st place in the January B'n'B voting.





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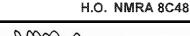
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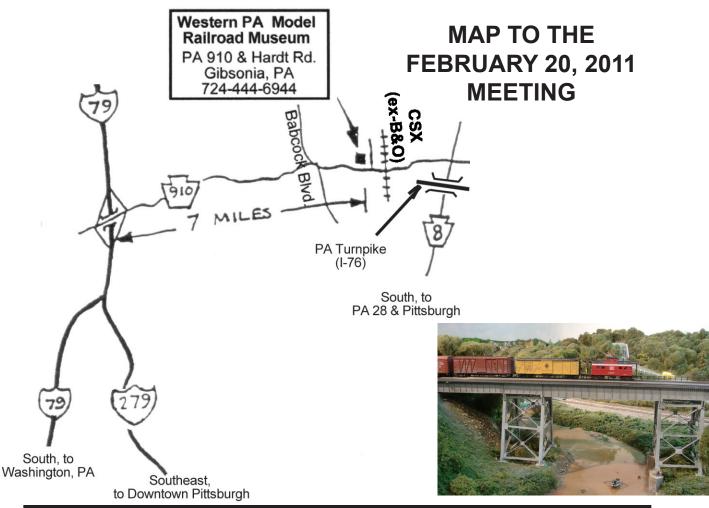


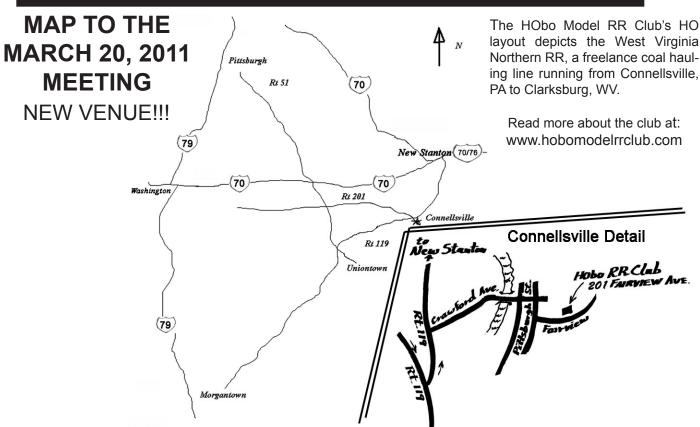
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Clinic topics will include:

Layout planning, how to build scenery, building background buildings, prototype railroading in the Pittsburgh area, DCC basics, building freight car kits and more!

Guest speaker will be Lance Mindheim -Professional layout builder and model railroad author!

PLUS - FOUR HANDS-ON CLINICS!

Half-day workshops where you participate! These workshops will be limited to the first ten participants to sign up. Details on back.

- 1. Digital Photography Basics Using Your Own Camera with Howard Andrews
- 2. Scratchbuild a Backdrop Masonry Building with Dave Emery
- 3. Light Your Backdrop Building Using LEDs with Bill Sartore
- 4. Building Super Trees and Using New Scenery Materials with Terry Stuart

NOTE! Hands-on clinic registrants must bring specific items with them.

Mark your calendars!

Saturday, April 9th, 2011 Sewall Center **Robert Morris University Moon Campus**

OPEN TO EVERYONE

Registration opens at 8:00 a.m. Activities run all day

REGISTER EARLY AND SAVE!

General information and questions: 412-276-6006 or e-mail: ctyclsscs@aol.com. Registration questions should be directed to registrar shown below.

Register early to guarantee meal availability Very limited space is available at the door NO banquet reservations will be taken after April 5th!

Registration information will be distributed upon arrival April 9th. No confirmations will be mailed.

Payment MUST be by cash or check. We cannot accept CREDIT or DEBIT cards.

Program subject to change without notice.

Full refunds given two weeks prior to event. No refunds for no-

Other activities include model contests, door prizes & raffles, modular layouts, white elephant tables and Sunday layout tours!

Additional info available at: www.keystonedivision.org

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Jamboree Registration Fee Per Person - Includes lunch & continental breakfast. NMRA Members BEFORE March 26th \$22.00 x

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