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From the Superintendent's Desk...

Well, here it is. The MCR South Wind Convention arrives at the Clarion Hotel and Conference Center April 12, 2007. Be there or be left standing on the platform waiting for the next train.

Our Swap Meet was a rousing success, and thanks to all the members of Division 8 who worked so hard to make it succeed. Thanks also go out to the Members of the local clubs who take part in setting up and running their trains and Thanks to the local Hobby Stores who donated door prizes. Scale Reproductions, and L&N Trains...I forgot to ask the Roundhouse about it and was there last week delivering the Pie Card. Tom you can blame me. Don't fear, I will be asking for donations and handouts for the Convention and the fall Swap Meet along with the Christmas Party. I do find it hard to ask for things as I know sometimes things are hard on the local shops and they cannot always do what they would like to do. But when forced I will do so...Tom B. is forcing my hand and telling me to ask from now on...I will. Again THANKS to the Swap Meet Committee for an outstanding job, by the way, Gene Hinderer is now a member of that committee, but he does not know it, until now...

We thought long and hard about setting up a table to promote the convention at the swap meet, and decided to do so. Ivan Baugh did an outstanding job with the table, shaking hands and not only promoting the Convention but the Division as well...he signed up five new convention attendees, the next thing you know the Swap Meet Committee will want us to pay for the table. Great work Ivan, I could see you were really enjoying it.

Again this year we received no publicity from the local news sources, or TV stations. It seems that they will promote the out of town folks coming in to do shows, but will not say one word about the local groups doing something...We are not the only ones getting this treatment. Others have reported to me the same thing. St Joe's Quilters Circle of which my wife is a member got the same treatment.

The only thing that we attracted was the local Permits and Zoning Commission telling us that we need a permit for the sign or we had to remove it....too late. Oh well, maybe in the future they will see us as a National, Local, Regional event and newsworthy.

Our Summer Picnic is set for Buechel Station again this year. Spend Saturday afternoon July 14 visiting with each other and watching trains on the Norfolk Southern Mainline.. Mike Berry is going to make sure that we see at least one train. We will again be doing the hamburger, hotdog, bratwurst on the grills. Someone suggested we have it catered but at around \$14 each that is too expensive, we can do it at a lot less per person...besides seeing Don Fowler in an apron is worth whatever it costs. Owen Miller has agreed to help cook again this year, but only if I stay away from the grills. Is there a conspiracy looming?

It is with much sadness that we report that Steve Simpson lost his wife this past month. She had been ill for about three years battling cancer. Our thoughts and prayers go out to Steve and his family.

April 7th will find me in Bowling Green, KY speaking to the Southern Part of Division 8. They have a group of fine folks there...If any of you want to visit Bowling Green's L&N Station this will be a great time to do it....and meet the folks there. My wife and I are going down to visit friends there and I will attend their meeting at the station.

On a personal note. Thanks to all of those who took time to vote in the Mid Central Region Election.

Thanks to each and every one of you who thought it was important enough to do so. Remember it is you who kicks the transmission into gear to get the Division, Region and the NMRA moving.. Not one person but a bunch of people.

We could not operate even on a local level without all the volunteers. Thanks again...

Jerry



TIMETABLE

Call an officer if you have any questions

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Apr 21, Div 8 Meeting, Saturday, 2:00 PM, Meadowview Church

May 19, Div 8 Meeting, Saturday, Danville KY. Check May Pie Card for Details.

Jun 15, Div 8 Meeting, Saturday, 2:00 PM, Meadowview Church

Jul 14, Annual Picnic, Buechel Station, see Pie Card for details.

Aug 18, Div 8 Meeting, Saturday, 2:00 PM, Depot Museum, Salem, IN

Sep 15, Div 8 Meeting, Saturday, 2:00 PM, Taylor's, Madison, IN

Oct. 20, Div 8 Meeting, Saturday, 2:00 PM, Jerry & Beth Ashley's

Nov 15, Div 8 Meeting, Thursday, 7:30 PM, Airport Industrial Park

Dec, Holiday Party, date, time and location to be announced.

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