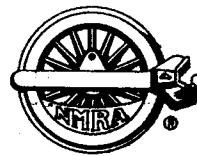




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From the Superintendent's Desk...

Congrats to Charlie Keeling on the celebration of his 90th birthday, which we celebrated at our last meeting with cake. Also Charlie was the winner of the contest, with his representation of the Paducah Rebuild IC Engines. He also reports that Ruth is doing very well in the rehab unit. Cards and letters are really appreciated, she really enjoys them.

We have several members of the division whom are celebrating their 80+ birthday's this year. Skip Gliessner, Jack Jackson and Jim Harrington are among them. There may be more, but they are keeping their age a secret... We look forward to buying them a cake on their 90th birthday also...

It is sad to report that Jack Diehl lost his mother this past week, she was 97 years old. Our heartfelt prayers go out to Jack and Shirley...

The Swap Meet is just around the corner on March 17th...save your nickels and dimes....so that you can do what I do.....spend...spend and more spend. We are looking forward to another dealer sellout of tables, and so far it looks really great...

Take this as a warning, don't be one of those that after the South Wind Convention is over, saying "I wish I had gone" get your reservations in ASAP.....don't miss out on anything. If this one goes as expected you are going to have the time of your life.15 hours a day of model railroading, trips, clinics, etc. along with free doughnuts, coffee and refreshments. Stop by in the Hospitality Room to say HI and let me know how you are enjoying the Convention...Who knows, this may go 24 hours a day if you get to talking to a model railroader who enjoys it...after we have excavated him out of his basement to attend the happenings.

If you can volunteer a few hours of your time to help out please contact Bob Dawson or Eric

Waggoner and let them know....these are your convention chairmen....

Gary Metcalf presented his Prototype modeling adventure for judging this past month and if it passes muster with the MCR, he will have qualified for his seventh AP Award and become our first MMR (Master Model Railroader) for 2007. He will join Greg Mathews, Bama Harmon and Charles Hansen as Division 8 Master Model Railroaders. I know that after doing all this work that most of the MMR's have a case of burnout, we hope that this does not happen with Gary....I can see how this happens.

Now is the time of the year that plants are starting to come out of the ground and grass starts to grow. We have two members who have moved to new homes and do not have to cut their grass or do any outside work. Ron Montgomery and Ray Rohmann will now be working on new layouts along with Rick Tipton who is constructing a basement full...if we can get the track to stay put on the homosote...there is a little devil out there who insist on raising it up and down weekly.....Rick welcomes folks to help on Monday nights after 7pm. We are making a little progress after redoing the track for the last month....it has a mind of its own...

Get your models ready for the contest at the Convention. Several of you are planning on entering models, make sure that your paperwork is in order, descriptions precise, and materials list provided for the judges. You may download these forms from the NMRA web site at www.nmra.org. If you do not have access to the internet or a printer let us know as Ivan Baugh or I will be glad to print the judging forms for you to fill out. Remember to enter the contest you will have to have the necessary paperwork.

It is time to get busy. After the winter months of letting the surrounding areas go I now have to get my workbench cleaned off, the layout cleaned up and in general make sure that all tracks are operating....new batteries for the handheld controllers, build a few

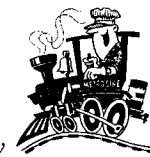
more trees, etc. One thing I do not have to do is clean track...the ATF is still doing its thing...don't know why or how but it works.....\$.85 for a whole quart of track lubricant....applied with a Q-Tip makes the trains run out of this world.....a drop every 10 ft or more makes this happen. I wonder if this would keep the yard around the house straight and the grass would not grow.....hummmm....

There will be an operating session at several layouts the Thursday night of the Convention. Any and all help will be appreciated. Remember that this Convention is not for a single person but for all NMRA members...some are even coming from Florida...and other foreign countries.

Make us proud, enter the contest and see if we can have 100% of the winners from Division 8 here in Louisville....

Have a great month of Model Railroading, I know I will.....

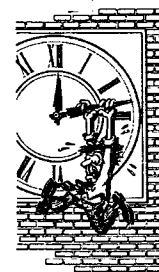
Jerry



TIMETABLE

Call an officer if you have any questions

(Phone Number on the last page)



Feb 17, Div 8 Meeting, Saturday, 2:00 PM, Meadowview Church

Mar 15, Div 8 Meeting, Thursday, 7:30 PM, Airport Industrial Center, Program by Bob Frankrone, host needed.

Mar 17, Division 8 Train Show and Sale, Saturday 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM, Highland Post

Apr 12-15, MCR Conv., Clarion Hotel & Conference Cent. Louisville, KY

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

May 19, Div 8 Meeting, Saturday, To be announced

MAINTENANCE TIE FUND

Do you enjoy the color pages in each issue of the Pie Card? The maintenance tie fund helps defray the cost of the color printing. To support this fund please give your contribution of \$ 5.00 or more to the Pie Card editor, Bob Dawson.

January: Larry Hujo, Cecil Smith, Charlie Keeling, Don Fowler, Charlie Buschman, Charlie Fackler

February: Bob Sobotka, John Ottman, Don Fowler, Charlie Buschman, Stephen Taylor, Charlie Fackler

March: Don Fowler, Ron Rauchmiller, Kevil Rice, Steven Taylor, Charlie Fackler, Ron Montgomery

April: Ron Rauchmiller, Kevil Rice, Jack Diehl, Charlie Fackler

May: Jim Hinderer, Mike Berry, Herman Weir, Charlie Fackler

Jun: Mike Berry,

Model Contest

March

April

May

June

July

August

September

October

November

December

January

February

Commercial Structures

Passenger Cars

Cabooses

Open Loads

No Contest

MOW Equipment

Photos

Steam Locomotives

Displays/Dioramas

No Contest

Freight Cars

Diesels

Contest Chairman Bill Lynch is looking forward to your entries.

DIVISION 8 ACHIEVES

7 in 2007!

Your Superintendent and I judged Gary Metcalf's Prototype Model recently. When this is accepted, this will earn Gary recognition as a Master Model Railroader. Congratulations to Gary!

We have N Scale modelers and HO Scale modelers who are working on additional certificates. Look for more news about how Division 8 achieves! Let us know how we can help you as you work towards recognition as a Master Model Railroader.

Ivan Baugh, Division 8 Achievement Program Chairman

IN MEMORIAM

A model railroad icon, Lone Eagle Payne, passed away January 27th of this year. An O scale modeler, he was a life member having joined NMRA in 1947. He was a founding member of Div. 3, past Mid Central Region President, and held many Division and Regional Positions. Lone Eagle was 99.

JANE SIMPSON

Steve Shetter recently contacted us. He said he has received a phone call from Division 8 and KSONS member Steve Simpson. Steve said his wife, Jane Simpson, has been in the hospital. She has been battling cancer for the last 3 ½ years, but the cancer has stopped responding to her chemotherapy and they have ceased all cancer treatments. Keep Steve and Jane in your prayers. Steve Simpson asked that any offers of care or support go through Steve Shetter at steveshetter@insightbb.com.



The March meeting will be Thursday March 15, 7:30 PM, Airport Industrial Center (Former Naval Ordnance Plant) Conference Center, Building 91. From the East: 1. Take the WATTERSON EXPY/I-264 east to The CRITTENDEN DR exit, EXIT 11, toward FAIR/EXPO CTR. 2. Take the CRITTENDEN DR exit toward FAIR/EXPO CTR./GATES 2-3-4; turn LEFT onto CRITTENDEN DR. 3. Go 0.57 mi. Turn RIGHT onto NEVADA ST. NEVADA ST becomes WOODLAWN Overpass. 4. Turn LEFT onto ALLMOND AVE at the traffic light at the west end of the Overpass. Follow ALLMOND AVE, 5. Turn RIGHT onto STRAWBERRY LN. Turn RIGHT onto ROCHESTER AVE (into the Industrial Park). Look for the "TRAIN SHOW" signs and follow them to the meeting. 6. Turn LEFT onto Technology Park Dr. (between the two 5 in. Gun Mounts atop buildings on either side). Turn RIGHT past the dumpster into the Parking Lot. The CONVERENCE CENTER is the second building on the Right and Clearly marked. From INDIANA, take the CRITTENDEN DR SOUTH exit from I-65 and continue to NEVADA AVE. Bob Frankrone will present the program, "Cincinnati RR Museum and West Virginia and More". Refreshments will be courtesy of Bob Dawson

LETTER FROM CHARLIE KEELING

Charlie sent us the following letter thanking us for his Birthday Surprise. Photos are in this month's color pages.

To the Members of Division 8

Just a few lines to thank you for the pleasant surprise at the meeting last Saturday. To recognize me and my upcoming 90th birthday in front of the group was nice.

The cake was the crowning surprise. Thank you and the group of NICE people that are members of Division 8. Ruth is at the Glen Ridge Health Campus on Billtown

Road. She is in the rehab section and is improving each day. We hope she can come home soon. I took some of the cake to Ruth so she could enjoy it too.
Again Thanks, Charles Keeling

have pre-registered, but have not signed up for the extra fare events, now is the time.

DIVISION 8 TRAIN SHOW AND SALE

The date for our annual spring train show and sale is March 17. As Jerry said in his Super's Notes, tables will be going fast. If you want one or more, RESERVE IT NOW. Member price is \$ 15 per table. Non-member price is \$ 20/table. To reserve a table contact Stephen Taylor by email at staylor@seidata.com, or by phone, 812-265-6155. You can pay at any of the meetings or send your check to Steve. We can't guarantee your table if it isn't paid for.

SOUTH WIND CONVENTION UPDATE

When you read this the convention will be just a month away. Registrations are coming in, tables for Dinner with the Masters are filling up, Clinic schedules are being finalized, programs ready for printing. We have learned that Jim Hediger, Senior Editor, Model Railroader Magazine will be attending. If you

MEETING MINUTES

Division 8 MCR 17-February-2007 Meeting Minutes

Superintendent Jerry Ashley, called the meeting to order at 2:01 PM, at Meadowview Presbyterian Church.

Host: Bill and Ruth Lynch

New Members and Guests: Welcome aboard Donny Flowers

Treasurers Report: The treasurer is out of town. While a detailed report is not available, over ten thousand dollars is in the bank.

Minutes: The January minutes, as published in the Pie Card, were approved.

Old Business: None.

New Business: None.

Committee Reports:

- Convention
 - There are approximately eight weeks until the convention.
 - 88 prime registrations have been received.
 - Some of the attendees include Jim Hediger, Tony Koester, Mike Brestal.
- Swap meet will be 17-March
- Division 8 meeting has been changed to 15-March, 7:30 P.M. Details will be in the Pie Card.
- Achievement: Several members are making progress toward earning MMR.
- Achievement: 2 Golden Spike Awards and 2 Scenery Awards are in the works.
- Local Layouts
 - N-Club. Will be at the swap meet, Convention, and New Albany.
 - Southern Indiana: Will be at the Convention
 - 0-6-0. Photos are circulating from the Bill Collins show. Division 8 participation at the show was low.

News for the Good of the Hobby:

- Joe Fields pointed out that public attendance at the Bill Collins show was low. We should consider advertising. The Throttle Committee recognizes this and will look into doing this.

Bob Dawson presented a show featuring West Virginia and southern Indiana.

Contest: Charlie Keeling won the diesel category. Congratulations and thanks to all entrants.

Happy 90th birthday Charlie Keeling!

Respectfully submitted

Mark Norman, Clerk

NMRA Mid Central Region Convention "The South Wind", Apr. 12-15, 2007, Clarion Hotel & Conference Center, 9700 Bluegrass Parkway, Louisville, KY 40299. Registration: \$64 postmarked on/or before Nov. 30, 2006, \$ 69 postmarked December 1, 2006 or after, includes admission to all clinics, contest room, silent auction, home layout tours. Info: Ivan W. Baugh, P.O. Box 99041, Louisville, KY 40269-0041, or web sites: www.midcentral-region-nmra.org or www.trainweb.org/mcrdiv8, then click on Convention.



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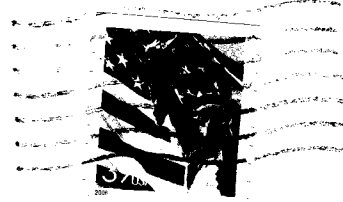
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