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From the Superintendent's Desk

Well folks, how goes it on the model railroading front? For many in the division, our favorite hobby had to take a back seat to survival and clean up. The reports I've received indicate that the impact on the division reflected that of the overall community. I pray that everyone is slowly coming back on line.

As you will know, we had to cancel our September meeting. That's a shame. In addition to missing our camaraderie, we missed Karen and Stephen Taylor's hospitality. Stephen made contact to report that there was just too much damage to host a meeting. That's understood as taking care of family has to come first. Our back-up location, Meadowview Presbyterian was booked and out of power. Our back-up to that was to go to the conference center. That too was out of power. With our meeting locations out and our members struggling, the decision was made.

While out and about, the level of destruction was eye opening. Mature trees of untold age were simply blown over. Along the tracks, generators rumbled keeping the crossing guards ready to do their job. The trains returned to their schedules. A tip of the hat to the intrepid M-O-W crews who got things back on track again. A special thanks to Don Fowler and his comrades who,

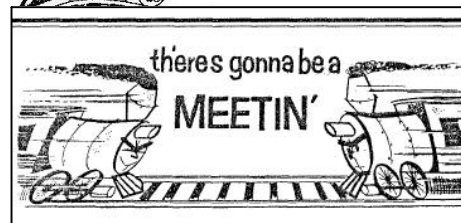
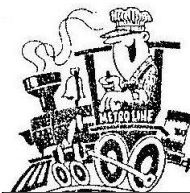
at the time this is written, are still working long shifts day and night to bring us back into the light.

Not all of the month was devoted to the winds of Ike. Despite numerous branches down, we were one of three houses with power in our area. Everyone else was dark. After cleaning up and helping neighbors, work continued on the Moon Mountain Railway. Ground foam and lichen are being carefully placed on and around the mountain. It is beginning to look like an actual "place". It amazes family and friends who are watching it come to life. The first structure for the layout has been ordered. That will be the subject of a future column.

Your help is needed. We need clinicians for our meetings. In addition to helping others, you will receive AP credit and have a ball. Please send an email to Bob Dawson or myself with your ideas. We will help you be successful.

See you around the tracks.

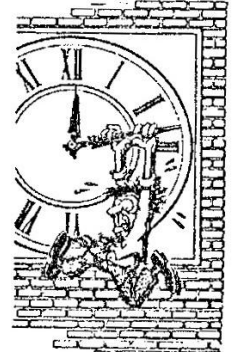
Mark



OCTOBER MEETING

The October meeting will be Saturday October 18, 2:00 PM, Meadowview Presbyterian Church, 2944 Breckinridge Lane. Program: Jerry Ashley will present a program on programming DCC decoders (locomotives, switches, etc.) using JMRI software and a PC.

TIMETABLE



Oct 18, Div 8 Meeting, Saturday, 2:00 PM, Meadowview Church

Oct 25-26, Div 7 Train Show, West Chester, OH, Sat noon to 7 PM, Sun 11AM-5PM

Nov 9, Indiana Rail Excursion, Switz City, Indiana

Nov 15, Div 8 Train Show & Sale, 10-3, Highland Post American Legion

Nov 16-22, KSONS layout, New Albany-Floyd County Library

Nov 20, Div 8 Meeting, Thursday, 7:30 PM, Southern Indiana RR Club, Jeffersonville, IN

Nov 22-23, K & I Club open house, Buckner, KY.

Dec 6-7, K & I Club open house, Bucker, KY

Dec 18, Thursday, Holiday Party, Our Best, Indiana location.



MODEL KIT BEING OFFERED

The Ohio Valley Railroad Historical Foundation has announced a model kit of the “Little Blue House” in LaGrange, KY. This house is the oldest existing structure in LaGrange, dating back to long before the Civil War, and is an excellent example of clapboard construction. It has been moved from its original location and is currently used by the city for business meetings and as an open house during Oldham County Days to display railroad memorabilia.

The kits are available in O, HO, and N Scales. HO kits are \$ 27 each plus shipping and handling \$ 5.95. O Scale kits are \$ 37 plus \$ 7.95 shipping and handling. N Scale kits are \$ 22.00 each plus \$ 5.95 shipping and handling.

Mail your order to:

Ohio Valley Railroad Historical Foundation
C/O Mr. Bill Schook
7907 Waterfern Way
Louisville, KY 40291

Make checks payable to: Ohio Valley Railroad Historical Foundation. For questions or additional information call Bill Schook at 502-239-1755

NEW SUBSCRIPTION RATE FOR “SCALE RAILS”

The NMRA Board of Directors approved a new rate of \$19 (US members) per annual subscription of “Scale Rails.” They said this was done to keep up with rapidly escalating cost for printing and distribution. Remember, this is still quite a value, considering “Scale Rails” is typically 72 pages and full-color. In fact, a subscription comes to less than \$2 per month.

So, bottom line: after October 1, the new annual NMRA dues rate with a “Scale Rails” subscription will be \$55. The Rail Pass Rate remains the same: \$ 9.95 for a six months trial membership.

MAINTENANCE TIES FUND

Do you enjoy the color pages in each issue of the Pie Card? It costs \$ 44 a month to bring them to you. 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: Charlie Keeling

February: Mike Berry, Jack Diehl, Don Fowler, Bruce Goreham, Jim Harrington, John Kelly, Bob Kuchler, Mark Norman, Cecil Stewart, Eric Waggoner, Herman Weir, Bob Frankrone, Ron Rauchmiller

March: Mike Berry, Jack Diehl, Don Fowler, Bruce Goreham, Jim Harrington, Bob Kuchler, Mark Norman, Eric Waggoner, Ron Rauchmiller, Ron Montgomery, Bob Johnson, Mark Hedge

April: Mark Norman, Eric Waggoner, Bob Johnson, Jim Finley

May: Eric Waggoner, Bob Johnson, Dale Bradley, Herman Weir, Cecil Smith

June: Bob Johnson, Dale Bradley, Herman Weir, James Kuzirian

July: Bob Johnson, James Kuzirian, Charlie Fackler

Aug: Charlie Fackler, Bob Kuchler, Bob Sobotka, John Ottman

Sep: Charlie Fackler, Bob Sobotka, Ed Brennan, Kathy Bracewell, James Kuzirian, Jim Harrington, Ivan Baugh

Oct: Charlie Fackler, Bob Sobotka, Ed Brennan, James Kuzirian, Jim Harrington, Ivan Baugh, Charlie Keeling

Nov: Charlie Fackler, Bob Sobotka, Ed Brennan, Ivan Baugh

Dec: Ivan Baugh

DIVISION 8 EMAIL LIST

If you would like to have your name on the Division 8 E-mail list, send an email to **Jack Diehl:** diehljohn@bellsouth.net with the request “Please add my name to the Div 8 e-mail list.” This will enable you to keep up to date on happenings within the Division and the local model railroad scene, as well as news about our members.

SEPTEMBER MEETING DERAILED BY “IKE”

The severe wind storm that swept our area September 14th brought widespread damage, and caused the continued on page 5, column 2

PIKE SHOWCASE

This month we visit Tom Guenther's HO Louisville & Nashville Railroad.



Above left is our host, Tom Guenther. Tom likes to model a lot of small detailed scenes. While no specific area is modeled, his interest leans towards the L & N in Eastern Kentucky. The prototype for the depot (center right) served St. Matthews, KY. It was scratch built years ago by veteran modeler Alan Bates, and fixed up and repainted by Tom



Ray Grosser furnished these pictures of progress on the O-Scale reincarnation of the Nostalgiatrip Railroad. To keep up with what is going on visit Ray and Renee’s website, <http://www.grossersnostalgiatrip.com/>.



Russ Weis took these pictures at the National Narrow Gauge Convention in Portland, OR. Russ said this was all owned by one person. He said this was largest indoor layout (On3) that he had ever seen. The same for the outdoor layout.



Trackside in Kentuckiana

In keeping with the theme of this month’s Model Contest, here is a shot of Kentucky Railway Museum’s CF-7
Photo by Eric Waggoner

INDIANA RAIL EXCURSION PLANNED FOR NOVEMBER

Brian Banta of Edinburg, IN is planning another rail excursion on the Indiana Railroad this year. He is planning a round trip from Switz City, Indiana, across the Wabash River into Illinois. The date will be Sunday, November 9th, 2008. Rain date will be November 16th. He promises a full refund if you can't make the rain date.

The train will depart from Switz City at 9:00 AM, return at approximately 5:00 PM (freight trains will have priority.)

Cost will be \$ 65 per person. No credit cards will be accepted, make check out to "Banta Train". Mail to Banta Train, P. O. Box 56, Edinburg, IN 46124. Must be paid no later than two weeks prior. No refunds within two weeks unless the railroad cancels. Any profit will be donated to "The Indiana Railroad Company's Santa Train" Fund.

- NO pets, NO smoking, NO alcohol, NO Children under 16.
- Drinks, food and dessert included in price.
- For information: Brian Banta, Phone 812-526-6677 email: BantaRail@aol.com.
- DO NOT CONTACT THE INDIANA RAILROAD, the train is chartered by Brian Banta.

Model Contest

With cancellation of September meeting, both contests will be held at October meeting.

SEPTEMBER OCTOBER

PHOTOS STEAM LOCOMOTIVES

November	Displays/Dioramas
December	No Contest
January	Freight Cars
February	Diesels
March	Commercial Structures
April	Passenger Cars
May	Cabooses
June	Open Loads
July	No Contest
August	MOW Equipment

Contest Chairman Bill Lynch is looking forward to your entries.

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 cancellation of our monthly Division 8 meeting. On Sunday evening, Steve Taylor called to say he would not be able to host the meeting as he was without electricity. The Airport Industrial Center did not have power either!. It was decided to cancel the meeting.

SHOWS AND EXIBITIONS IN THE AREA

Division 7 Model Train Show and Sale: Saturday October 25 – Noon to 7 PM, Sunday October 26 – 11 AM to 5 PM. Lakota West High School, 8940 Union Centre Blvd., West Chester Ohio (I-75 Exit 19). Over 250 dealer tables with items for sale. Admission is \$6.00, children under 12 and Scouts in uniform free.

Kentuckiana Society of N Scalers (KSONS) will have their N-Scale Layout at the New Albany Floyd County Public Library November 16th through November 22nd. Library hours are: Monday thru Thursday – 9 AM to 8:30 PM, Friday and Saturday – 9 AM to 5:30 PM, and Sunday – 1 PM to 5 PM. The library is located at 108 W. Spring Street at the Schribner Street, New Albany, Indiana.

Division 8 Train Show and Sale: Saturday November 15 – 10 AM to 3 PM. Highland Post American Legion, 2929 Bardstown Road, Louisville, Kentucky. Admission is \$ 5, children 12 and under free. Dealers will have items for sale, operating train layouts, and the Fall City Live Steamers will offer free train rides. Dealer tables available at \$ 20/each-\$ 15/each for NMRA members. Call Stephen Taylor (812) 265-6155 or email him at, skTaylor44@yahoo.com to reserve a table.

Kentucky & Indiana Model Railroad Club will be open to the public one weekend each in November and December at the Kentucky & Indiana Club House in the Old Fire House on Ky. Hwy. 146 in Buckner, Kentucky. In November they will be open the weekend of November 22 and 23. In December they will be open the weekend of December 6 and 7. The event is free to public. This will be a good opportunity to introduce the hobby of model railroading to your friends and family. Hours on Saturday will be 10 AM to 4 PM; Sunday hours are 11 AM to 4 PM. There will no sales at this event. This will be a good opportunity to introduce the hobby of model railroading to your friends and family.

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