



The Pie Card



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From the Superintendent's Desk



Last month I attended my fifth National Narrow Gauge Convention, and this year's convention was held in Denver. Again you might ask, what is a New York Central "water level route" guy doing at a narrow gauge convention?

I try to practice what I preach, and you know over the past year I've preached about attending conventions, open houses, and operating sessions to expand your horizons regarding your layout.

TIME TABLE

Oct 21, Sat 2 PM, Div.8 Mtg., 600 Room

Nov 16, Thur, 7:30PM, Div.8 Mtg., Sou. Ind. Club, Jeffersonville.

Nov 18, Sat. 10-3, Div8 Trains Show and Sale, Moose Lodge.

Dec 2, Sat. 5 PM, Christmas Party

So the Narrow Gauge Convention is another avenue for me to pick up different ideas and hear different clinicians that may not attend a NMRA convention.

Of course the convention focuses on western narrow gauge, however, I saw a couple of great standard gauge layouts, and some fantastic narrow gauge layouts in all scales.

The convention draws as many, if not more, than the NMRA national convention with over 1,800 attendees - yes, that many! The convention also draws different clinicians than the usual ones we would see at our regional or national conventions. Granted, some clinics are about narrow gauge railroads of the past; however, many are about building and weathering structures which can be used on any scale.

One clinic I attended told how to get that peeled paint look on wood structures. How many of us have an old barn, farmhouse, or grain silo that would look great with a peeled paint look?

Getting back to seeing all the great layouts, have any of you struggled with getting a scene just right where you needed to use lots of dirt and rock? Modelers who are recreating a western scene have to show a lot of rock formations and blend the right amount of dirt to make the scene look just right. On a number of layouts I've seen over the five conventions, the modelers have done a fantastic job in recreating that rocky mountain scene.

The convention does have a show, but unlike the NMRA national show there are few big manufacturers there. There are many smaller companies selling tons of detail parts, stains, and wooded building kits. Fred Soward saw the same company in Orlando last month, so have you seen laser cut wood brick siding?

Next year's Narrow Gauge Convention will be held in Minneapolis, so if I have whetted your appetite for a different convention, put it on your calendar right now!

SEPTEMBER MEETING REPORT (September Minutes are posted on the Division Website.)

The meeting was held at the 600 Building on September 16, at 2 PM. Attendance was 29. Mark Norman announced that Ivan Baugh had passed away on September 1. Mark said Ivan's family had given him some of Ivan's model railroad materials to sell for the benefit of the Division. Mark circulated an inventory list. Russ Weis announced that elections will be held next, and nominations may be made to the nominating committee. The nominating committee consists of Jack Diehl and Bob Frankrone. (See page 5 for Officers duties).

The Division Christmas party will be December 2 (information on page 2).

Train Show report: Mark Hedge reported that 50 tables have been sold to date. Chairman Ron Ellison circulated a volunteer sign-up sheet for the show. See page 5 of this issue for more information.

Following the business meeting Bob Frankrone presented and updated version of his clinic, "How to Operate on a Model Railroad That Was Not Designed For Operations."

CHARLIE KEELING MODEL CONTEST

By Fred Soward, Contest Chairman

October	Steam Locomotives
November	Displays/Dioramas
December	NO CONTEST
January	Freight Cars
February	Diesel Locomotives
March	Commercial Structures
April	Passenger Cars
May	Cabooses
June	Open Loads
July	NO CONTEST
August	MOW Equipment
September	Photos

Many thanks to Barbara for conducting the September 2017 meeting contest as I was away, enjoying a long weekend at the North Central Region Convention, "Runnin' the Rails 2017," in Grand Rapids, MI. I'll share a few photos and words about that trip during my clinic at the October 2017 Division 8 meeting.

There were nine photographs submitted by eight people this month. Ed Brennan came in first with his photograph of an HO scale model of Louisville & Nashville 2-8-4 #1970, "Big Emma." The photo of the detailed and weathered Westside model shows her crossing the turntable as she leaves the roundhouse after repairs. Ed took the photo with an iPhone and enhanced the photo using iPhoto.

Joe Fields came in second with a photo of a Chesapeake & Ohio switcher passing under the 2nd Street Bridge in Louisville. The photo was taken c.1930. We had a three-way tie for third: Barry Christensen's photo of a westbound CSX autorack train passing the station and display caboose on the former L&N Texas Line in Irvington, KY; Patrick Hardesty's photo of a UP doublestack crossing the double diamond at Rochelle, IL; and Ron Ellison's photo of an On30 Rio Grande Southern Galloping Goose on Rick Norris's layout in Pendleton, IN.

Current standings: Bill Lynch and Bob Frankrone are tied for first place with 5 points; Ed Brennan is in second place with 4 points; Barry Christensen and Joe Fields are third with 3 points; Patrick Hardesty and Ron Ellison are next with 2 points; and Robin White is at 1 point.

November is Displays/Dioramas. Bring your favorite display/diorama to share with the group. We'll be at the Southern Indiana club, which is downstairs in their building, so keep that in mind when you're deciding what to bring.



OCTOBER MEETING INFORMATION

This month's meeting will be 2 PM Saturday October 18 at the 600 Room, first floor of the 600 Building, 600 N. Hurstbourne Pkwy. 40222. Park in the lot on the west side of the building on N. Whittington Pkwy. Use the Whittington Pkwy. entrance. Fred Soward will present the program.

Contest (continued)

There will be blank contest entry forms for anyone who needs one at the August meeting. You can save yourself some time at the meeting by downloading the entry form from the Division 8 website or Facebook page and completing it prior to arriving at the meeting.

Keep in mind that the judging is strictly people's choice. If you would also like your model to be judged for the Achievement program, contact Joe Fields and he will arrange to have AP judges present.

Robin White won the gift card drawing.

MAINTENANCE TIES FUND 2017

The Maintenance Ties Fund helps underwrite the Member Welfare Fund and the printing of the Pie Card for those members who don't have access to a computer. The Member Welfare Fund provides a gift certificate to a member or spouse who has been hospitalized. It is also used for an expression of sympathy upon the death of a member or a member's spouse. Donations to date: \$100 Fred and Barbara Soward; \$40 John Ottman, Steve Taylor and John Czwirwinski; \$33 James Kuzirian; \$25 Ed Brennan; \$ 20 Mark Hedge.

DIVISION 8 CHRISTMAS PARTY

Saturday December 2, 2017
J. Harrod's Restaurant & Bar
7507 River Road,
Prospect, KY 40059

We gather at 5 PM, Dine at 6:30 PM

We will enjoy a buffet dinner. Cost is \$25/Person

PLEASE SEND YOUR RESERVATION WITH PAYMENT TO:

Mike Berry by November 25.

14404 Forest Glenn Ct.

Louisville, KY 40245





SEPTEMBER CONTEST WINNER

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Photo by Barbara Soward

ACHIEVEMENT PROGRAM

AP Chairman Joe Fields presented Chris Broughton and Tom Guenther with Merit Awards.

Left above: Chris Broughton received four merit awards for award winning models entered in the MCR Model Contest.

Left lower: Tom Guenther received a merit award for Scenery.

Joe said Tom's AP awards for Scenery, Electrical and Chief Dispatcher have been approved and is on the way. Chief Dispatcher awards for Bob Dawson and Fred Soward have been approved.

Photos by Bob Dawson



LOVE THOSE LOADS

By Bob Frankrone



Manufacturers of large industrial equipment will often look to the railroads when it comes time to ship their products to their customers. Whether it is construction equipment such as bull dozers or back hoes, or farm equipment such as combines or tractors, railroads have always been perfectly suited to ship large items.

Railroads even have specialty cars to carry the extra-large and extremely heavy loads that a typical flat car is ill-equipped to handle. One of my favorites is the 200 ton depressed center flat car, which was produced in HO scale by Walthers several years ago. The Walthers' model originally came out in kit form, but like so many model railroad cars today, was later released as ready-to-run.

Photo #1 shows a prototype heavy duty depressed center flat car hauling a large electrical transformer. I was able to easily model this load by using the Walthers' 200 ton depressed center flat car and a transformer kit, which was also produced by Walthers. I built the transformer, but left off the cooling fins since those would make the load too wide. The plastic is molded in a gray color, so I didn't even bother to paint the transformer after I built it. I simply mounted it onto the flat car and used a heavy duty thread to tie it down. Photo #2 shows the completed model.



NJ International is another company that makes HO scale transformers. They produce a transformer that is smaller than the Walthers' model, and it comes in a package of two in kit form. I purchased the kit and built the two transformers per the kit instructions. As with the Walthers' transformer, the plastic was molded in the appropriate gray color, so painting

wasn't necessary. The kit also included insulators and mounting fixtures for the transformers. I again used a 200 ton depressed center flat car to carry the load. The two transformers fit perfectly (back to back) in the depressed section of the car. I used .022" brass wire (painted flat black) to secure the load to the car. Because the car only had tie-down plates at the ends of the depressed center, I had to add four mounting plates to the center of the car for a place to attach the brass securing rods. I made the plates from styrene angle strip, painted them primer red, and glued them to the surface of the flatcar. To attach the brass rods, I simply glued one end of the rod to a mounting plate and the other end directly to the transformer.



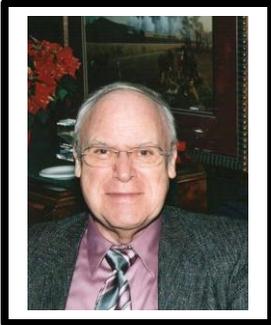
In my scrap box I found two small tarp covered loads that were resin casts. I scratch built a couple of crates for them using scale lumber, and then mounted them to the non-depressed ends of the

flatcar. I used 1/32" striping tape to secure the crates to the car, and I painted red crimping bands onto the striping tape. The striping tape does an excellent job of representing steel banding. Photo #3 shows the finished model.

LAYOUT OPEN HOUSE

Stephen Taylor's "Buffalo T Lines" is hosting an open house, Saturday October 28, 1-5 PM for Division 8 members their friends and families. Steve's address is 4283 County Rd. 400 N., Madison, IN 47250. Directions: From Jeffersonville, take State Rd. 62 Thru Hanover, IN to Madison Hill Top, State Road 7. Turn left (North) on S.R. 7, 2 miles to County Road West 400N (passing 400N East on the right). Turn left (west) go 1 ½ miles 4283 a brick house on the left. 8-Ball sign will be out front. Steve **STRONGLY RECOMMENDS** you NOT follow GPS. Phone: 812-265-6155

IN MEMORIAM



Long time Division 8 Member Ivan Baugh passed away on September 1. He was 83 years old. Ivan was preceded in death by his wife Jean Greer Baugh. He is survived by his children, Grace Baugh-Bennett (Lawrence) and David Baugh (Michelle) as well as two sisters, a brother, and grandchildren. Over his life Ivan served as a minister of music at several Baptist Churches in Kentucky, Texas, North Carolina and Mississippi. He accepted a post as Assistant Professor of Music at Delta State University, Cleveland, Mississippi, in 1969, before returning to Louisville to settle permanently in 1971.

Ivan was active with the Louisville Genealogical Society and volunteered with the Big Brother program. Ivan served Division 8 as Pie Card Editor and Webmaster, Mid-Central Region Webmaster, Division 8 Achievement Program Chairman, Registrar for the 2007 South Wind MCR Convention, and an advisor on the Throttle Committee. He was a member of the K & I Model Railroad Club.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Superintendent Russ Weis announce the members of the nominating committee for the 2018 Division Elections: Bob Frankrone and Jack Diehl have agreed to serve. Nominations are open for all officers and one trustee position. Nominations close in December, with election taking place in March 2018. The nominating committee will make its report to the clerk prior to the January Meeting, and nominations from the floor may be made at the January meeting. Nominations may also be made by petition signed by five or more regular members.

Bob Frankrone can be contacted at 502-491-9920, email: bfrankrone@yahoo.com; Jack Diehl, 502-969-4473, email: sjdieh18500@gmail.com

Eligibility: Any current Division 8 voting member is eligible. See NMRA regulations for membership requirements.

Duties:

- Superintendent: Performs the duties generally associated with the office of president. The Superintendent also serves as a member of the Mid-Central Region Board of Directors, as such should be prepared to attend two Mid-Central board meetings per year. One in the Fall and the other at the MCR Convention in the Spring.
- Assistant Superintendent: Performs the duties generally associated with the office of vice-president.
- Clerk: Performs the duties generally associated with office of secretary. Records and publishes minutes of general meetings of the membership as well as Division Board of Directors (Throttle Committee) meetings. Maintains a current membership roster, publishes notices of all meetings, prepares and distributes election ballots.
- Treasurer: Manages all disbursements and receipts of Division 8 Funds. The treasurer shall keep accurate books showing the all receipts and disbursements of Division 8, and balances the books each calendar month.

All officers serve for a term of two years.

- Trustee: Serves on the Division 8 Board of Directors. The Trustees have legal title to all property, records and moneys of Division 8 to hold in trust for the membership.

The trustee serves a term of six years.

Board of directors meetings are held each month, usually on the fourth Thursday. All officers and trustees are encouraged to attend.

Details of the offices are in the By-Laws and are posted on the Division Website.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR NOVEMBER TRAIN SHOW AND SALE.

We need volunteers to help setup, take down and assist our dealers on arrival. The times respectively are:

- 3:00 PM Friday November 17 - Setup
- 3:00 PM Saturday November 18 - Take Down
- 7:15 AM Saturday November 18 - Dealer Assistance

Thanks to those who already signed up at the September Division 8 meeting. If you weren't able to attend and would like to sign up, please email, text or phone me. We will get you on the list, lickety-split !

Ron Ellison
Train Show & Sale Chairman
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Confusing the CC&L with the CI&L By Rick Tipton

I notice that railfans/rail historians often confuse two railroads, the CC&L and the C&IL. The Chicago, Cincinnati & Louisville (CC&L) ran only from Cincinnati (think RH tower at the north end of Cincinnati Union Station) up Cheviot Hill and diagonally northeast across Indiana to Hammond Indiana. It was associated with some early engineering dreams about crossing the Ohio River at Louisville, but it's worth repeating that, despite its name, it

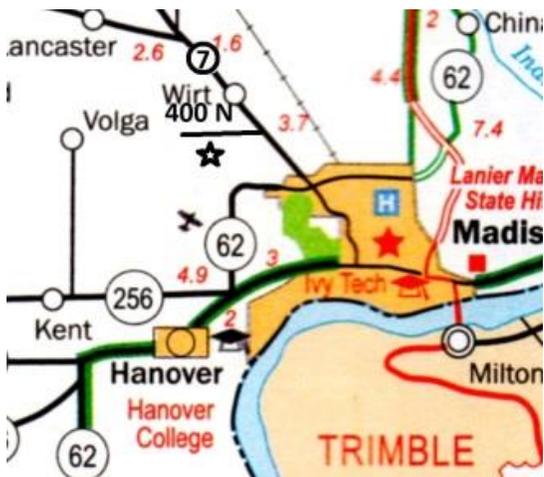
Left: C&O #377 built for Cincinnati, Richmond & Muncie (CR&M) Railroad as #108 in 1902. Shortly thereafter went to CC&L when the CR&M was merged into it. Now on display at the B&O Museum. Photo from B&O Museum website



never laid any track in the direction of Louisville. Being a later road than many, the CC&L's route did a lot of hill-climbing in southeastern Ohio and southeastern IN and hit only some smaller Indiana cities (Richmond, Muncie, Peru) on its way toward Chicago – with its up-and-down south end, it's been said that it succeeded in building a mountain railroad in Indiana. Its finances were weak, but its route must have once looked like a good hookup for the Cincinnati Hamilton & Dayton (which got no closer to Chicago than Cincinnati and Indy). The CH&D and the CC&L were involved in 1904-1905 stock market machinations, followed by an abortive attempt to flog them off on the Erie. Then in 1910 the CC&L was bought by the C&O to reach Chicago, and was reorganized as the Chesapeake & Ohio Railway of Indiana.

The Chicago, Indianapolis & Louisville (reporting marks CIL) earlier was the New Albany & Salem (1847), then Louisville, New Albany & Chicago (1873). It owned no trackage outside Indiana, relying first on the Pennsylvania for access to Louisville, and then later via Kentucky & Indiana Terminal. Circa 1954 CI&L changed its name to the Monon (MON), adopting its longtime nickname. As we all know, the Monon was merged into the Louisville & Nashville in 1971, later becoming Seaboard System and then CSX.

It's interesting that both these railroads went to Hammond IN, and specifically to State Line Tower, meeting the Chicago & Western Indiana's trackage there, on their way toward their terminals in Chicago.



MAP TO STEPHEN TAYLORS OPEN HOUSE ON OCTOBER 28. 1-5 PM

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Above: Bob Norwich's On30 layout in Reno, NV. Photo by Russ Weis.

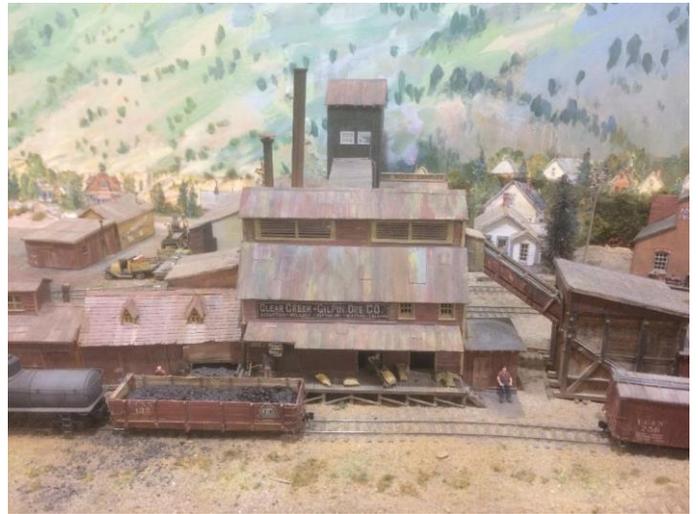


PHOTOS FROM THE NATIONAL NARROW GAUGE CONVENTION

By Russ Weis

Left: Forest fire scene on Colorado Model Railroad Museum's HO layout in Greeley, CO

Below: HOn3 layout in UP RR Depot, Cheyenne,



Left: Fred Soward took this photo while participating in an operating session on Bruce Chubs' Sunset Valley Railroad while attending the North Central Regional Convention in September.

Bruce's layout has been featured frequently in both Model Railroader and Railroad Model Craftsman over the year.

Bruce is the author of "Operating Your Model Railroad" published by Kalmbach Books.

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 For selections, prices, and order form, go to: div8-mcr-nmra.org
 and click on "Company Store".

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SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2017 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM
MOOSE LODGE 5
4615 FEGENBUSH LANE, LOUISVILLE, KY 40228

- Model Trains in All Scales
- Operating Layouts and Displays
- Retail Sales
- Hourly Door Prizes!



ADMISSION:

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Dealer Tables available - \$30 per table
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