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From the Superintendent's Desk

By Fred Soward

Last month I wrote that I was “whooped” after a 4-hour stint working as a switchman on a 7.5” gauge layout during the NMRA National Convention. I can safely say that this month there are a lot of us in

Division 8 who were “whooped” after our first Louisville Train Day!

A huge thank you to everyone involved in making this adventure an absolute success. Starting with Tom Guenther’s original idea, many people were involved in the planning and execution. The massive marketing plan carried out by Ron Ellison, the site arrangement and coordination by Bob Dawson, the floorplan creation and tweaking by Cecil Stewart, the coordination of mini-clinics by Mark Norman, the electrical and safety implementation by Don Fowler, and an amazing list of other tasks, small and large, by many other people all went into this event. There were more than 60 people from Division 8 and the clubs who helped make it a success.

It was great to see all the collaboration of the model railroad clubs in our area (K&I, Louisville Connecting Lines, Southern Indiana) in one location along with a consolidated T-Trak layout with both Louisville and Lexington people working toward a common goal of running trains, having fun, and sharing their love of the hobby with our visitors. The individual layouts (Bob Johnson, Chris Broughton, and Tom Guenther) were excellent examples of what someone could do on their own with limited space. Having the Louisville Train Museum onsite with their layout was an added bonus.

Almost everything went off as planned. But, there was one thing that didn’t go as expected and it was totally my idea. <oops> The envisioned concept of 15-minute mini-clinics just wasn’t a feasible concept for this event. Fortunately, several people much smarter than me realized the issue early Saturday morning and we immediately changed our implementation. We ended up with a series of “information stations” around the perimeter of the venue. That went very well as people could stop and talk with the Division 8 person at that “station,” asking questions and learning what was really important to them.

We had just under 300 visitors attend Louisville Train Day. While that may seem like a low number, we should be extremely pleased. This audience was completely different than the audience we see at our Train Show and Sale. Virtually everyone who attended was in the target audience we wanted to reach. They were new to the hobby and curious about what it is all about.

If you attended the event, no matter how long you were there or how inconsequential you believe your “job” was, please know that it is very much appreciated. Know that you had a positive impact on someone that day and maybe, just maybe, you influenced someone to get involved with our hobby.

SEPTEMBER MEETING REPORT

Thanks to Russ Weis who took notes and published the minutes for the September meeting for the Clerk, Bob Dawson, who was absent. The minutes for the September Meeting are on the Division Website.

Ron Ellison asked for volunteers for our November Train Show and Sale and passed around a signup sheet.

Superintendent Fred Soward introduced the new Division 8 Logo. Fred explained the process the board went through to develop the new logo and answered members’ questions.

TIME TABLE

Oct 20, Sat 2 PM, Div. 8 Mtg. 600 Room.

Nov 15, Thur, 7:30 PM, Div 8 Mtg. Southern Ind. Club, Jeffersonville.

Nov 17, Sat, 10AM to 3 PM, Div 8 Train Show and Sale.

Dec 1, Sat, 5 PM, Christmas Party, J. Harrods on River Road.

Jan 19, Sat 2 PM, Div. 8 Mtg. 600 Room.

Feb 16, Sat 2 PM, Div. 8 Mtg. Location TBA

CHARLIE KEELING MODEL CONTEST

Barry Christensen and Bob Kuchler Contest Co-Chairmen

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

There were just 3 photo entries in the September 2018 Charlie Keeling Model Contest. Ron Ellison came in first with his color model photo of PRR Baldwin Centipede 5833. Bill Lynch's color prototype photo of NS locomotive 1065 (the S&A heritage scheme) came in second and Patrick Hardesty's color prototype photo of UP E9A 951 came in third.

Ron's winning entry features the Brunswick green with gold leaf lettering scheme of Mike "Doc" Shane's Centipede eastbound on track 2 passing Fackler's Farm on the K & I Model Railroad Club main layout. Bill's photo was taken westbound at Oakland City, Indiana, with a Canon EOS set at ISO400, 1/320, with zoom lenses. Patrick's entry is from the Charles Keeling Collection.

Current contest standings are: Bill Lynch first with 6 points, Rick Maloney and Ron Ellison tied for second with 4 points, Bob Johnson with 3 and Patrick Hardesty with 2.

The October contest will be for steam locomotives. There will be blank contest entry forms for anyone who needs one at the 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.

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.

Alicia Hardesty won the gift card drawing.

**OCTOBER MEETING INFORMATION.**

The October meeting is 2 PM Saturday October 20, at the 600 Room, first floor of the 600 Building, 600 N. Hurstbourne Pkwy. 40222. Use the Whittington Pkwy. entrance. Program: "Building Serious Mountain Scenery" by Bruce DeMaeyer. Mike Berry is providing refreshments.

DIVISION 8 CHRISTMAS PARTY

Saturday December 1, 2018

J. Harrod's Restaurant

7507 River Rd., Prospect, KY 40059

Gather at 5 PM, Dinner at 6 PM.

\$28 per person

See reservation details and menu in the flyer with this issue.

MAINTENANCE TIES FUND 2018

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, Rob Cooper and Shanna Berry; \$59 Ron Ellison; \$70, Ed Brennan; \$50, Steve Taylor (in memory of John Bowman), Greg Gephart; \$40, John Ottman, John Czerwinski; \$33 Jim Kuzirian.

IN MEMORIAM

Helen Kelly, wife of member John Kelly, died Sept. 5th a few weeks short of her 93rd birthday. She leaves to savor her memory: her husband, John Kelly; son, James Kelly (Elizabeth); and her daughters, Maura Bosbyshell (Will) and Julie White (Randy) as well as 3 grandchildren. Our condolences to John and his family.

MEMBER WELFARE

Please notify us if you are hospitalized or have lost a family member, or know of a fellow member who has lost a loved one or has been hospitalized please let us know. We'll put the word out to the membership using the email lists we have for distributing the PieCard. Please call or email both:

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SEPTEMBER MEETING-ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS



CHARLIE KEELING MODEL CONTEST



Above:
Ron Ellison's winning entry in the October Charlie Keeling's Model Contest-Photos. Ron's photo is of Mike "Doc" Shane's HO Pennsylvania "Centipede" locomotive. The photo was taken on the K & I Model Railroad Club main layout when the club was in Buckner, KY.

DIVISION 8 SALES TABLE

The Fall Train Show & Sale will once again feature a Division 8 Sales Table. The idea for the table is if you have 2 or 3 items you'd like to sell to make room for the items you purchase at the Show, you can sell at the Division 8 Sales Table. Mark Hedge will once again be manning the Table.

Here is the way the table works

- You can place items on the table when the show opens at 10:00 AM
- The table will be the 1st table to the right after you enter the show - Prime location. It's what visitors will see first. See Mark Hedge
- You can sell 1, 2 or 3 items at the table
- Items will need to be priced
- There will be a \$5.00 fee to sell at the table - pay Mark when you place your items on the table
- You will need to remove your unsold items before leaving the show - Mark cannot take responsibility for your unsold items
- Division 8 will mail you a check the week after the show for any items that are sold

If you have any questions about the Division 8 Sales Table, contact me.

Ron Ellison

Train Show & Sale Chairman

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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR FALL TRAIN SHOW & SALE

We need volunteers to help with setup, dealer unloading, and teardown. The times are:

- 3:00 PM Friday, November 16 - Setup
- 7:15 AM Saturday, November 17 - Dealer unloading assistance
- 3:00 PM Saturday, November - Teardown

There will be a signup sheet again at the October Division 8 meeting. If you would like to signup but are unable to attend the October meeting, just email, text or phone me.

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DIVISION 8 LOGO REVISION

By Fred Soward, Superintendent



The newly revised Division 8 logo was introduced at the September Division meeting. The new logo establishes the organization as clearly railroad-related while retaining the lineage/heritage to the original Division 8 logo, and is forward looking while creating a clean, crisp identity which is noticeable on apparel such as polo shirts, t-shirts, and other outer wear. The logo retains the 8-ball of the original logo created more than 50 years ago. Taken in the meaning it

was originally meant to convey, members of Division 8 tend to be a little different and live on the edge, hoping for a bit of luck in all their endeavors.

By using a line drawing of a GP40-2, we are able to reduce the emphasis on the 8-ball and increase the railroad focus. Although most of us in model railroading love to see steam engines, they're not prevalent on today's railroads, thus the change to a diesel engine. It also allows us to spread the word "Division" across the body of the locomotive and add the 8-ball to complete our name. As a line drawing, it will be much easier to make it "pop" on apparel instead of the previous versions of the Division 8 logo.

The 1966 on the cab reflects the year the Division was formed. It is in small print and makes a reference to our heritage of being around for quite a while.

The yellow background is not always a required design element. Although it is usually appropriate, the logo can be used as just a black outline with the 8-ball filled in with black and a white background for the 8 itself. Yellow was chosen as the preferred background because the logo will "pop" much better on that color. At train shows and conventions, the yellow will be much more recognizable than other colors.

LOUISVILLE TRAIN DAY

Photos from Division 8's Louisville Train Day Saturday September 22, held at St. Thomas More Parish Life Center on South Third Street. This was a free to the public event.

Right: Visitors were greeted by Don Smith and Mark Hedge. Guests could sign up for the door prize, a full year's NMRA membership.

Congratulations to Nick Coates, the winner of the door prize.

Photo by Bob Dawson



Above left.
Larry Smith, Division 10, with the T-Trak Modular Layout. That's Larry in the blue shirt.
Photo by Fred Soward.

Above right.
A future model railroader checks out the T-Trak.
Photo by Tom Guentner

Left: Chris Broughton describing the methods he used to build his N-scale Little River Lumber Co. "shadow box" layout.
Photo by Bob Dawson

This was one of the several "Information Stations" set up around the floor.

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TRAIN DAY (continued from page 6)

Clockwise;

Top right: Barbara Soward's information station, "Women in Model Railroading";

Below right: Checking out the details.

Photos by Fred Soward

Below left:

Overall view of the show.

Photo by Bob Dawson



PHOTO FROM THE NATIONAL NARROW GAUGE CONVENTION



Left:

One of Ken Olson's engines drifting through Mystic, South Dakota on his free-lanced On2, On3, and On30 layout depicting "South Dakota around 1960."

Ken's layout is loosely based on a real railroad that ran from Rapid City to Mystic. His layout includes an automated On2 high line mining line.

This is one of the 19 layouts Fred and Barbara Soward visited during the 4-day National Narrow Gauge Conference in Minneapolis.

Photo by Fred Soward

Division 8 Christmas Party

Saturday December 1st

Gather @ 5:00 PM

Dinner @ 6:00 PM



Salad Selections

- Fresh Greens Salad
- Caesar Pasta Salad

Side Dish Selections

- Roasted Vegetable Medley
- Au Gratin Potatoes
- Green Beans

Main Entrée Selections

- Salmon Parmesan
- Chicken Piccata
- Beef Stroganoff

Dessert Selections

- Assorted Pies & Cakes

\$28.00 per person

**J Harrod's Restaurant
7507 River Rd, Prospect, KY**

Send your reservation payment by Tuesday, November 20, 2018 to:

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**2018 Silver Spike Award
will be presented following dinner**

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TRAIN SHOW & SALE

OUR 28TH YEAR



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