



# The Pie Card



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## *From the Superintendent's Desk*

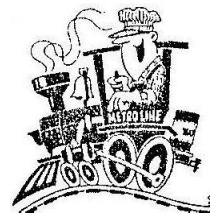
As this goes to press, a good many of us will be getting ready to board the L&N 4-6-2 steam locomotive #152. Not only will we be riding a historical locomotive, one of our own members will be at the throttle! As with many of life's activities, there are untold hours of time and effort that make this possible. The locomotive doesn't maintain itself any more than the annual picnic plans itself. Be sure to extend a few words of thanks to the many hard working members who make these things happen.

The picnic and Christmas parties are a wonderful opportunity for the railroad enthusiasts in the community to get together, celebrate, and share experiences. The division welcomes everyone to these events – the clubs, the hobby shops, and those who just think trains are fun to be around. The NMRA exists to support the members, the clubs, the hobby shops, and the public. Of course, members of the division receive a discount. Membership has its privileges. If you know someone who has been wondering about joining, bring them along and let's get them signed up and involved. We get to know them, they get to know us, and we fulfill our mission. Everyone benefits this way.

Bill Lynch, our contest chairman,

introduced a point system for the monthly contest back in January. By all measures, this has been a success. The quantity and quality of models is simply incredible. The talent in the division is second to none in the region. This first time through, we had a "short year". The winner will be recognized at the picnic and rewarded for their talents and efforts.

It's on! Get those X-Acto knives and adhesives out. Let's show our talents and enter the contest starting again in August. Check the division web site and the *Pie Card* for some modest refinements to the contest rules.



As ever, keep it fun. Life's short.

Mark

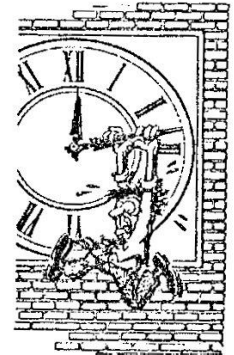
## **BILL COLLINS**

Local car dealer and philanthropist Bill Collins passed away last month. Mr. Collins gave his support to many charities and projects in the community. For several years he sponsored our Holiday Model Railroad Show at the "Collins Auto Group Auto Mall" on Bardstown Road in Buechel. He was also instrumental in the relocation of the historic Buechel Train Depot. Our condolences go out to his family.

## **DIVISION 8 EMAIL LIST**

To place your name on the Division 8 E-mail list, send an email to **Jack Diehl**: [diehljohn@bellsouth.net](mailto:diehljohn@bellsouth.net) with the subject "Please Add to Email list."

## *TIMETABLE*



**Jul 25**, Saturday, Annual Picnic, Kentucky Railway Museum  
**Aug 8**, Summerail, CUT, Cincinnati, O

**Aug 20**, Div 8 Meeting, Thursday, 7:30 PM, Bob Frankrone's

**Aug 30**, Ky Flyer Train Show, 11:00 AM to 5 PM, Gen Butler St. Pk.

**Sep 19**, Div 8 Meeting, Saturday, 2:00 PM, The Taylor's, Madison, IN

**Sep 20**, AP Judge Training, Sunday 2:00 PM, Meadowview Church

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

**Nov 8**, Div 8 Meeting, Thursday, 7:30 PM, Location TBA

**Dec 18**, Holiday Party, Thursday evening, Kyana Car Club.

*(Note that several meetings will be on Thursday evenings this year. Check the Time Table each month for meeting location.)*

## **DIVISION 8 ACHIEVES**

Things have been slow. We are waiting for paper work to be returned from the Mid Central Region AP Chairman. Judging will resume in AP Judging Class to be held in September.

Jerry Ashley, MMR  
Division 8 AP Chairman

## Model Contest

<b>JULY</b>	<b>NO CONTEST</b>
August	MOW Equipment
September	Photos
October	Steam Locomotives
November	Displays/Dioramas
December	No Contest
January	Freight Cars
February	Diesels
March	Commercial Structures
April	Passenger Cars
May	Cabooses
June	Open Loads

Bob Kuchler took the honors for the June Contest, open loads, with his Circus Train. See photo in the color pages. Bob Frankrone took second place with his pipe load. Point standings to date are: First place, Bob Kuchler with 11 points; second, Charlie Keeling, 10 points; third place Bob Sobotka with 9 points. Other point standings: 8 points, Bob Frankrone and Bill Lynch; 6 points, Bob Johnson; 5 points, Nat King; 2 points, Rick Maloney and Jack Diehl; 1 point, John Kelly, Tom Lindquist, and Herman Weir. The next contest is at the August Meeting, Maintenance of Way (MOW) Equipment.

## 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. Donors for 2009 to date are:

**\$ 50 or more:** Don Fowler, Ralph Bracewell

**\$ 25 to \$ 45:** Charlie Fackler, Bob Lawson, Ivan Baugh, Jim Kuzirian, Larry Hujo

**\$ 5 to \$ 20:** Stephen Taylor, Charlie Buschmann, Eric Waggoner, Bob Frankrone, Bob Johnson, Jim Harrington, Charlie Keeling, Short'n'Sassy Embroidery, Mark Hedge, Joe Fields, John Ottman, Bill Poteet, Ron Montgomery, Jerry Ashley, Ed Brennan, Frank Becker, John Henle, Jack Diehl, Cecil Smith, Ryan Eckler, Ron Rauchmiller, Rick Williams, The Roundhouse Train Shop.

## Meeting Minutes

The official minutes are published on the Division 8 website.. You can view them at <http://div8-mcr-nmra.org>.

## ANNUAL KENTUCKY FLYER RAILROAD TRAIN SHOW TO BE HELD IN AUGUST

The Kentucky Flyer Railroad LTD will hold its annual Model Train & Railroading Show and Swap Meet at General Butler State Resort Park Conference Center on Sunday August 30, 2009. Show hours are 11 am to 5 pm. Free Admission and Free Parking. Free train ride if weather permits. Take Exit 44, Interstate I-71. The address for the Park and Conference Center is 1608 Highway 227 , Carrollton, KY. Dealer tables available. For information contact Chris Pape, 1-502-743-5414 or email: [kyfrr@att.net](mailto:kyfrr@att.net).

## GOOD TIME HAD ON CINCINNATI LAYOUT TOURS

On May 30, approximately 30 Division 8 members with friends and family visited four layouts in the Greater Cincinnati Area. We were also joined by delegations from Division 9 and Division 10. Our friend Bob Lawson lined up the layouts and organized the tour. All of the layouts were HO scale. First on the tour was Bob Lawson's new CNO&TP Division of the Southern Railway. Bob is modeling the Southern and NC&St.L in the Chattanooga area and north in the transition area. As with his Danville layout, Bob has developed highly detailed scenes with realistic weathering, proportion, and details. The second layout was John Miller's Kanawha and Lake Erie, a freelanced recreation of Cincinnati Railroading in the Conrail era. The K&LE features numerous interchange points with several staging yards. Next we visited John Listerman's B & O layout set in the 1950's. John models the B & O Railroad in the transition era. Fully scened, John's realistic backdrop paintings enhance the feeling of "being there". We concluded with Perry Simpson's L & N layout. Also modeling the transition era, you can watch first generation diesels and "Big Emmas" pull long coal drags thought spectacular Eastern Kentucky Scenery. Check out the photos of these layouts in this month's *Pike Show Case* section of the color pages.

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**At the June Meeting**



Above left: The garden railroad was up and running. Above right: Ramona Johnson's Lionel Layout. Below: Contest winner, Bob Kuchler's N-Scale Circus Train. *Photos by Eric Waggoner.*



**Pike Show Case - Cincinnati Layout Tour**



**Bob Lawson's CNO&TP Division of the Southern Railway**

**Bob Lawson's Layout (continued)**



**John Listerman's B & O Railroad**



**John Miller's Kanawha & Lake Erie**



**Perry Simpson's L & N railroad**



**Perry Simpson's Layout (Continued)**



**Trackside Kentuckiana - Pictures by Charlie Keeling  
Conrail, Jeffersonville, 1978 and 1979.**



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Conrail GP 9

## FROM THE MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN

### *Volunteers needed*

From time to time Division 8 sets up a display. I am sure you have seen it either at a show or when it was unveiled at a meeting. I guess you could say it is used as “bait” to lure potential members into checking out what NMRA is about without having to ask a person (you know how that can be uncomfortable - like going to a car lot and looking at cars then some slick salesman comes over to bug you.) It has been my philosophy to let the display pique people’s interest about the organization and then follow up with a simple “let me know if you have questions.” I don’t think our organization would benefit from a “hard sell” since what we really want are members who really want to join us, not who are talked into joining us.

Do you think you might be interested in recruiting new NMRA members or educating the public about our organization? There are several events coming up over the next several months. Due to the nature of my job I can’t always attend them (including weekends) so I am looking for some help manning the booth.

*Bob Sobotka,*

*Division 8 Membership Chairman*

## NO MEETING IN JULY

July is our Summer Picnic Event. This year it will be July 25 at the Kentucky Railway Museum. Our next meeting will be Thursday August 20, 7:30 PM at Bob Frankrone’s. See August Pie Card for details and directions.

## AT THE JUNE MEETING

Approximately 25 members, their families and friends met at the home of Bob and Ramona Johnson on Thursday evening, June 18<sup>th</sup>. Bob had his outdoor G-gauge layout running.

Eric Waggoner said he had 11 reservations for the Picnic at KRM. He reminded everyone that he need to have reservations in and paid for by July 11. The picnic and train ride is July 25. He also asked that we arrive by 11:30 AM. Bruce Goreham reported that the Christmas Party will be Friday evening December 18 at the Kyana Car Club. The meal will be a buffet. Bruce said he is in contact with three caterers to get a price.

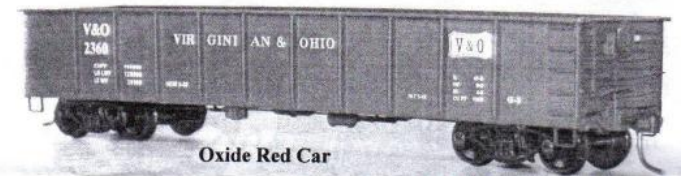
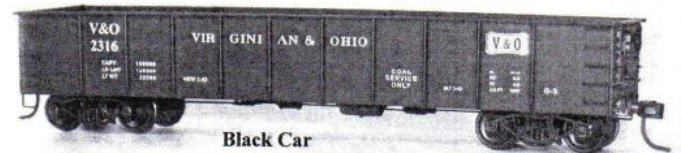
Bob Kuchler took first place in the June Contest with his circus train. See this month’s color pages for a picture. Point standings are reported elsewhere in this issue.

Following the meeting we enjoyed Ramona’s tasty

## Division 3 Offers Cars

Division 3, Mid Central Region is offering two different Virginian & Ohio HO gondola models. The models are available with three numbers in both oxide red and black, either in kits or ready to run (RTR). Prices: Kits each, \$ 17: \$ 18 RTR. Packs: One red one black, \$ 28; Six kits \$80 (3 lbs shipping priority). Six RTR \$ 108. All prices given include postage.

Checks to money orders to: Division 3 MCR, 6493 Anvil Drive, Waynesville, OH 45068.



## YOU BE THE JUDGE?

Would you like to be a judge in the NMRA Achievement Program? Do you want to know what the judges are looking for when examining a model? In September you can have an opportunity to find answers to these and any other questions you may have concerning judging for Convention Contests and the Achievement Program. As Jerry announced in his column last month, the Division will be offering an “AP Judging School”. The date will be Sunday September 20, at 2:00 PM. Tentative location is Meadowview Presbyterian Church, 2944 Breckinridge lane. Bob Weinheimer MMR, Mid Central Region Contest Chairman will be the instructor. Even if you have no thought of becoming a judge, the material covered in this program will help you improve your modeling skills. You must be an NMRA member to attend. If you have any questions, or interested in attending call Jerry Ashley at 502-893-0801 or email him at: [jerryashley@insightbb.com](mailto:jerryashley@insightbb.com).

brownies and other goodies. In addition to the garden layout, Robbie Johnson, was running Wilbur Johnson’s vintage HO layout. Wilbur (Bob’s dad) was a charter member of Division 8. In another area of the basement, Ramona ran her Lionel layout. Bob had pictures on display of the attic layout, but he said it was just too hot to go up there.

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