



The Pie Card



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From the Superintendent's Desk



Just got my notice from our editor that my super's notes were needed, so I am sending them during the 4th quarter of the UL-Cincy game that I am watching from the comfort of my dry house, unlike Eric Wagoner who is probably soaked by now at Papa John's Stadium.

The Dayton Convention is shaping up to be a good one, and should be affordable. The planners have not had to promise to fill the hotels rooms to get the freebies such as clinic rooms. There are cheaper rates around the convention hotels at places like Red Roof and others less expensive hotels. One of the activities that they are going to have is an "operate til you drop session". If you have not attended one of these, try it....you might like it! Several from Division 8 will be presenting clinics at the Dayton Convention....

The Board of Directors has been hard at work on some special projects for Division 8...you are going to be surprised when they happen.

Please make plans to attend the annual Division 8 Christmas Party at the Kyana Car Club in December....almost on my birthday again. The charge is \$35 for two folks (\$ 17.50/person)to attend, and is an all you can eat buffet. I am going to triple up on my insulin shots so I can get my money's worth.

Beth and I will be making several trips to Indianapolis in the next two and a half months, to the IUPUI Cancer Center there for her treatments. The cancer has reared its ugly head and returned again. She has been going through this for over 8 years now and is doing very well. No need to discuss this with her as she will not talk about it. Beth says "sickness is for someone else", and I cannot say I blame her....life has to go on. I will keep you all informed as to her condition and things that are happening here at the Ashley household....

Thanks to those that are helping with the Swap Meet, you are appreciated and I hope you enjoy the donuts that I will be bringing from Bussman's Bakery. Have fun and enjoy the Train Show and Swap Meet, I know I will.

If you have any suggestions on how to make our Division better, please let me know and I will try to implement them....Thanks.

Jerry Ashley MMR

NOVEMBER MEETING INFORMATION

The November meeting is Thursday, November 15, at 7:30 PM in Jeffersonville, Indiana. . The meeting is being hosted by the Southern Indiana Model Railroad Club. They are located in the basement of the First Presbyterian Church, Walnut and Chestnut Streets, Jeffersonville. Take exit 0 from I-65 to Court Avenue. Continue on Court Avenue ½ miles to Walnut Street. Turn right on Walnut and go two blocks to Chestnut. Turn left on Chestnut, the church is on the southeast corner, park in the lot on the east side of the church. Enter from the parking lot. The club is in the basement (there is an elevator). For future reference, do to conflicts with other events and availability of the Conference Center, many of our meetings in the first part of 2013 will most likely be scheduled for the third Thursday of the month.

TIME TABLE

- Nov 15**, Thur 7:30 PM Div 8 Meeting, Southern Indiana Club
- Nov 17**, Sat, Div 8 Train Show & Sale.
- Dec 2**, Sun, Ralph Bracewell and Tom Guenther Open Houses.
- Dec 8**, Sat, K & I Club Open House
- Dec 21**, Div 8 Christmas Party,
- Dec 22**, Sat, Bob Irmscher and Harry Munzer Open Houses.
- Jan 16**, Thur 7:30 PM Div 8 Meeting,

MODEL CONTEST**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
September	Photos
October	Steam Locomotives

Enter your favorite model in the contest. 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.



October's winner (above) was Tom Lindquist's weathered HO model of L&N Class C-2 O-8-O switcher 2123. There was a 3 way tie for second place with Bob Johnson's G-gauge 2-6-6-6 Jim Harrington's HO Rio Grande L-105, and Patrick Hardesty's C&O N scale 4-8-2. Third place was a tie between John Bowman's HO LCL RR 2-8-2 and Bill Lynch's HO Southern 4501. Five other models rounded out the entries. We had 2 Door Prize drawing due to the fact we didn't have one last month. Charlie Fackler and Ruth Lynch won the door prizes.

Contest point standings to date:
10 points, Bob Johnson; 7 points, Tom Lindquist and Jim Harrington; 6 points, Bill Lynch; 4 points, Ed Brennans; Charlie Keeling and Patrick Hardesty with 3 points. Bob Kuchler. John

MAINTENANCE TIES FUND

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 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 of \$ 5.00 or more to the maintenance ties fund will continue to be recognized in the Pie Card. Donors for 2012 to date are:
\$ 5 to \$ 20: Ray Hager, Charlie Keeling, in memory of Bob Brown, Jack Jackson, \$25 to \$45: Bob Lawson, John Ottman, Jim Kuzirian, Jim Harrington, Bill Poteet, Ed Brennan
\$45 to \$99: Don Fowler, Bob Johnson, Stephen Taylor, Larry Hujo
\$100 or more: Tom Lindquist

OCTOBER MEETING REPORT

The Division meeting was at the Airport Industrial Center Conference Building on Thursday evening October 18. Mark Hedge reported that the tables were sold out for our Fall Train Show. Nat King said the K & I Club is sponsoring an open house December 8. Details and information on more open houses are elsewhere in this issue. The Louisville Connecting lines will be set up at the Festival of Trees and Lights. Bruce Goreham distributed information about our Christmas Party. Again, details can be found elsewhere in this issue. Following the business meeting we enjoyed chili, soft drinks, dips and chips provided by Bob Kuchler. Our super, Jerry Ashley gave a "down and dirty" clinic on weathering using inks, real rust, and commercial weathering materials.

DIV 8 CHRISTMAS PARTY

This year we will again be at the KYANA Car Club, 3821 Hunsinger Lane. The date is FRIDAY evening, December 21, 2012. As last year, the meal will be catered by Hall's Catering and will feature a choice of three meats, four vegetables, and several salad and dessert choices. You can eat all you want, but no carry outs (no doggie bags). There will be music, door prizes and entertainment, but NO gift exchanges.
Cost: \$17.50/person (\$35 per couple). Bruce Goreham is taking reservations. Reservations are due by December 16. Make checks out to: Division Eight, MCR, NMRA. You can bring your check to the meeting or mail to: Division 8 MCR, P.O. Box 99041, Louisville, KY 40269-

HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSES



RALPH BRACEWELL AND TOM GUENTHNER ARE HOSTING OPEN HOUSES ON SUNDAY DECEMBER 2.

Ralph's layout (photo left) will be open from 11 AM to 5 PM.

Ralph's address is 107 West Woodlawn Ave. This is just west of First Street. Ralph suggests parking on First Street and walk up the short alley behind his house. If you have never seen Ralph's layout before you are in for a real surprise. It is bi-level connected with a helix in HO. It also features several animated scenic items.

Tom's layout (photo right) will be open from Noon to 5 PM.

Tom's address is 4523 S. First Street at the corner of Ottawa, Ave. Tom is just a few blocks north of Ralph. You can park on First or Ottawa. Enter by the back door off Ottawa. Tom's HO L & N Layout is fully scened with operating signals using JMRI.

Ralph and Tom's layouts are just a few blocks apart on South First Street.



THE K & I MODEL RAILROAD CLUB, SATURDAY DECEMBER 8

The K & I Club is hosting an open house at their Club House in Buckner, Kentucky, Saturday, December 8, from 10 AM to 4 PM.

Directions: From most places take I-71 to exit 18 (KY 393). Continue north on Hwy 393 to La Grange Road (KY 146), cross the railroad tracks and turn right. The club house will be on your left in a former firehouse.

OPEN HOUSES (continued)**BOB IRMCHER AND HARRY MUNZER
WILL BE OPEN SATURDAY
DECEMBER 22**

Bob's layout (right) is a fully scened O-gauge layout with an On30 branch line.

Bob's address is 5541 Buck Creek Rd., Floyds Knobs, Indiana just off Hwy 150. From Louisville take I-64 West to Indiana, and then US 150 West. Buck Creek Rd is on the right immediately after the four lane divided highway goes to two lanes. The layout is on the second floor of his garage.

Bob will be open from 10:00 AM to 1 PM.



Harry will be running his large vintage Lionel layout (left) as well as the HO Division of the Swift Creek Railroad. Harry lives at 6265 Buttonwood Rd. off US 150 in Greenville, IN. Harry's layout will be open from 1:00 PM to 5:00 PM.

From I-64 follow US 150 West to Buttonwood Rd. Turn left onto Buttonwood Rd. Harry's is 0.4 miles on the right.

Harry lives only a few minutes from Bob.

TRACKSIDE KENTUCKIANA

Bob Dawson caught this Southern Indiana Railway train making a delivery to CSX at Watson, Jct. near Charlestown, Indiana on October 15, 2012. They had just arrived from the Cement Plant at Speed, Indiana.

#103 is one of a pair Alco S2m's that had been rebuilt with 600hp Cummins diesel engines by the Pickens RR. Not a lot of horsepower but they are heavily ballasted and geared low for maximum tractive effort.

Thanks to Ryan Jones on *Louisville Railfanning* Facebook site for the locomotive information.



MEMBER WELFARE AND BEREAVEMENT

It was reported at the October meeting that a thank you card had been received from Mark Norman for the gift certificate we sent him due to his stay in the hospital last month. Jerry Ashley said Joe O’Gara was in rehab. Nothing new has been reported since the meeting.

TRAIN SHOW and SALE

Sponsored by Louisville Division 8 • National Model Railroad Association

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2012 • 10:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.
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www.trainweb.org/mcrdiv8



Admission: \$5.00 per person
 Children under 12 **FREE** with an adult.

PLANS ARE BEING FINALIZED FOR OUR NOVEMBER 17 SHOW

The Legion Post will be open the Friday night before for layout set starting at 7 PM. The hall will open at 7:30 AM Saturday morning for dealer set up. Help is needed to quickly get the dealers to their tables.

We have the OK to use the school parking lot behind the Legion for additional parking.

Dealer tables are sold out, but we still need your support for a successful show.

News Notes

From National. As part of an effort to improve communications with members, and specifically those who don’t receive *NMRA Magazine*, the NMRA leadership team is discussing adding an “eBulletin” – a short, concise emailed newsletter which will list NMRA news, announcements, and other important information. It won’t replace *NMRA Magazine*, but instead will be an adjunct to it and will be available free to those members with email. A proposal will be made to the Board of Directors in February.

The newly formed NMRA Marketing Department is working with Amtrak stations in major cities to get modular layouts placed there in an effort to raise awareness of our hobby.

From the Region. At the last MCR board meeting Division 10 Lexington put in a bid for the 2015 MCR convention and was accepted.

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