



# The Pie Card



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## From the Superintendent's Desk



I am starting this article on a deep subject. Well, Charlie Fackler only lacks two more AP certificates to complete the requirements for Master Model Railroader (MMR). Others of you out there may lack only three or four certificates also, so get working. Ed Brennan has completed his, and has a lot of new wall hangings for his train room

(Certificates & Plaques). So who is going to be next to step forward and claim your prize?

I recognized a "new" old member who attended the April Division 8 meeting. Welcome to Dr. Charles Brohm. I updated him on all of the layouts being built around the area. There are a bunch of you that have either started your pikes, are in the middle stages of construction, or just about have them finished. I don't believe that we have many armchair modelers in our group. Lots of members are working to have their own pike in their homes. I have seen some of them, and they are outstanding works of modeling.....Great Job Division 8 .....you are doing well!

Last month the K&I MRC visited a train show with their mobile layout in Dunbar West Va. They reported that a fun time was had by all. Little did I know that right next to their layout was the Division 9 info booth manned by former Louisvillian Bob Weinheimer. After the show, Bob invited them over to visit his Pennsylvania Southern RR in Charleston.

Remember folks that this is your Division. If you have any suggestions or improvements, make them known.

## TIME TABLE

May 25, Sat 2:00 PM, Div 8 Meeting  
*St. Matthews Episcopal Church (note this is the fourth Saturday)*

Jun 15, Sat, 2:00 PM, Div 8 Meeting

July 27, no meeting, Picnic, KRM

Aug 17, Sat, 2:00 PM, Div 8 Meeting

Sep 21, Sat, 2:00 PM, Div 8 Meeting

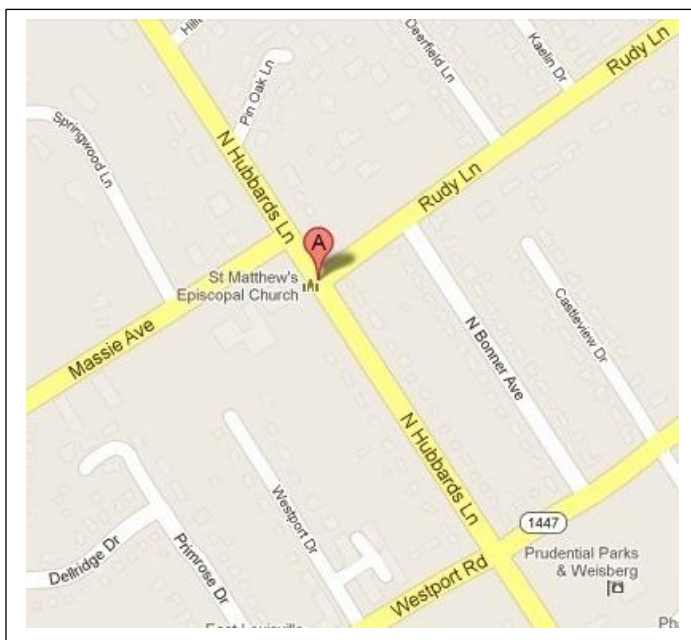
Oct 19-20, Div 7 Train Show

Oct 19, Sat 2:00 PM, Div 8 Meeting

Nov 16, Sat 10-3, Div 8 Train Show

Nov, Div 8 Meeting, TBA

Dec, no meeting, Christmas Party TBA



## AT THE APRIL MEETING

*Bob Dawson, Clerk*

The Division met at the Airport Industrial Park Conference Center on April 18. Eric Wagoner reported that the Division Picnic will be July 27, at the Kentucky Railway Museum. The plan is to eat at a park near the museum before we ride the train. Details and costs will be announced later. Bob Kuchler shared information on a casting material that will reduce in size as the casting dries. He has recast several items from HO to N Scale. Check the website for the meeting minutes. (see page 4 for more information on the casting material).

## MAY MEETING INFORMATION (date change)

The May meeting will be held Saturday May 25 at St. Matthews Episcopal Church, 330 Hubbards Lane, 40207, 1/4 mile north of Westport Rd. Enter the doors under the parking lot walkway roof.

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**MODEL CONTEST****MAY**

June  
July  
August  
September  
October  
November  
December  
January  
February  
March  
April

**CABOOSES**

Open Loads  
NO CONTEST  
MOW equipment  
Photos  
Steam Locomotives  
Displays/Dioramas  
NO CONTEST  
Freight Cars  
Diesels  
Commercial Structures  
Passenger Cars

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.

**APRIL CONTEST RESULTS**

*Bill Lynch*

The April Contest, Passenger Cars, had 6 entries. John Kelly took first place with his PRR Passenger cars (*photo below*). Second place was a tie between Bob Johnson and Bill Lynch. Charlie Keeling and Tom Lindquist tied for 3rd place followed by John Bowman. The April door prize drawing was won by Bob Kuchler.

The year to date results: Bob Johnson 21, Bill Lynch 17, Tom Lindquist 14, Jim Harrington 11, Charlie Keeling 7, John Kelly 5, Rick Maloney and Bob Frankrone 4, Patrick Hardesty 3, Joe Fields, Jim Kucieian, John Bowman, and Bob Kuchler with 1 point each.

**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 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 of \$ 5.00 or more to the maintenance ties fund will continue to be recognized in the Pie Card. Donors for 2013 to date are:

\$5 to \$20: Jim Harrington

\$ 25 to \$45: Charlie Keeling, Stephen Taylor, Bill Poteet.

\$45 to \$55: John Ottman, Bob Johnson, Larry Huio

**ACHIEVEMENT PROGRAM**

*Joe Fields, AP Chairman*

Bob Johnson and I had the privilege of visiting and judging scenery on Charlie Fackler's layout. His layout is coming along nicely, and his scenery is top notch. Charlie scored 111 points out of a possible 120. This will earn him his fifth certificate on his way to achieving Master Model Railroader. Charlie said the next category he is working on will be cars.

**MAY MEETING (from page 1)**

The May program will be presented by Bob Weinheimer, MMR, Mid Central Region Secretary. The subject: Insuring your model railroad. You have put a lot of time and money in it; Bob will describe how to protect your investment.

Following the meeting Russ Weis will host an open house at his new layout. Russ will distribute maps and directions at the meeting.



May contest is Caboooses-Cabeese?

PIKE SHOWCASE



Russ Weis sent the following information and photo to the left.

Visiting on Russ's layout, the two N&W's belong to Steve Meyer who is a real engineer for CSX. Steve doesn't have a layout - - yet, but has bought HO and N scale locos to run on other guys layouts. Steve is an excellent modeler and has detailed some great N scale engines.

Jon Vincent, who is an excellent N modeler, took the picture.

Pretty sharp for a phone camera!!

(right) Get your chocolate and train fix at the same time. This model made entirely of chocolate holds the Guinness World Records for the longest (112 ft.) chocolate structure in the world.

The sculpture is on display at the busy Brussels South Station in Belgium. Marty Biemer found this photo on the internet.



(left). Another scene on former Division 8 member Jim Petro's layout in Reno, NV.

Correction: Last month in Pike Showcase was a photo of a massive collection of Digitrax Power Supply components. It was captioned as being on Jim's layout. Russ Weis sent a correction. The photo was taken on a layout visited by Jim Petro.

## TRACKSIDE KENTUCKIANA



## THE MODEL

Fred Soward's Southern Pacific SD35 (a recent Atlas DCC-equipped ebay find) handles a coal train on Tom Guenther's L&N Railroad during a recent operating session. *Photo to left and captions are by Fred Soward*

## THE PROTOTYPE

(right) A bit of research provided the justification for the L&N having leased power from the SP in the photo above. The Appalachian Railroad Modeling site <http://www.appalachianrailroadmodeling.com/> has a few photo examples and has this comment about one of the photos on the site, "Two Southern Pacific U33Cs are bringing an empty string of coal hoppers into the Hazard, KY yard on a cool March day in 1979. In the late 1970s and early 1980s there was a lot of foreign power on the L&N, mostly Southern Pacific and Canadian National " *Photo by Jay Thompson*



## DID YOU KNOW?

*By Rick Tipton*

Louisville streets disappeared because of the Pennsylvania Railroad. Part 1 of 2 (see next month for part 2)  
 When the Pennsy bridge was built in 1870, the PRR's predecessor only came south to a station at Main Street. Once complete, the L&N's construction line from south of Broadway was torn up. But within a few years, PRR laid track south in 14th Street and east in Maple to reach the L&N yards east of 11th Street. Eventually, 14th Street was lined with rail-served businesses and was filled with main lines and industrial spurs, and the city of Louisville had to abandon 14th Street in favor of the railroad.



This street abandonment did not quit just south of Broadway, where the PRR first ran east in Maple Street and later (with the 1940 elevation project) in the next alley north. Instead, it continued to the end of PRR property at Kentucky Street and then on south through IC's Oak Street Yard, across the K&IT at Magnolia, and on farther.

And that's why Louisville has no 14th Street today... *(photo above Fourteenth Street in 1938-UofL Photo Archives)*

PIKE SHOWCASE (continued)



Left. K & I club members who took their layout to Dunbar, WV for a train show last month. After the show, they visited Bob Weinheimer's Pennsylvania Southern in Charleston, WV.



The 2014 National Convention will be in Cleveland.

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