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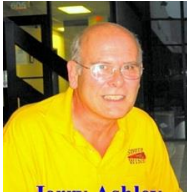
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From the Superintendent's Desk

Jerry Ashley, MMR



I feel like a broken record and here I go harping again.....PLEASE either turn your cell phones off during the meeting, or leave them in the car. Surely you can do without them for an hour. Another "harp": please do not disrespect the clinic person as he gives

his clinic by talking in the background as to how you would do it. The clinician has donated his time and money to prepare his program; at least we can show him the respect of listening to him.

We lost another railroader last month. Rick Corman, owner of the RJ Corman Railroad, passed away after a long battle with cancer. He will be missed by the rail hobbyists of Kentucky and the surrounding areas. He was especially good to the Lexington and Cincinnati Divisions of the NMRA.

Convention planning is proceeding, and Eric will need your help. Please let him know where and when you can assist.Your Super, Jerry

AT THE AUGUST MEETING

We gathered at Conference Center on Saturday afternoon August 17. Treasurer Mike Berry had copies of the Division Financial Statement for the fiscal year just closed available for examination -- we actually came in under budget. Eric Waggoner gave an update on our 2017 Convention plans (see Pie Card Extra accompanying this issue of the Pie Card).

Clerk Bob Dawson read the revised Member Welfare and Bereavement policy. Over the years the policy had gotten somewhat "out of balance". It was found that "get well" gifts, in some instances, were larger than memorial gifts for the loss of a member or spouse. A summary of the revised policy is presented elsewhere in this issue.

Jerry presented Bob Johnson with his gift certificate for first place in the model contest for the year just completed (see photo page 5). Normally this is presented at the annual picnic, but the certificate wasn't available at that time. A complete list of the winners was published in last month's Pie Card.

Following the meeting, Joe Fields provided refreshments. Nat King presented the program, demonstrating how he makes trees using natural and commercial products. His program generated a lot of interest, and we expect to see a lot of trees sprouting on layouts throughout the Division. The model contest was won by Bill Lynch. The minutes for the August meeting are posted on the website.

SUMMARY OF THE MEMBER WELFARE POLICY:

Death of member or member's spouse. Memorial gift of \$50 to a charity specified by the member or member's family. If none is specified, the Division will choose a charity (such as Crusade for Children) and make a memorial donation in the name of the deceased member or their spouse.

Hospitalization other than out-patient of a member or member's spouse. A \$25 gift certificate of their choice will be mailed to them. While not specifically addressed, in case of hospitalization, the recipient can specify a charitable donation rather than a gift certificate if they desire.

Rick Wehr is our member welfare chairman. It is the responsibility of the member, member's family, or a fellow member to notify Rick or one of the officers or trustees of a death or hospitalization. Contact information is on the last page of the Pie Card.

TIME TABLE

Sep 21, Sat, 2:00 PM, Div 8 Meeting
Oct 17, Thur, 7:30PM Div 3 Meeting, K & I Model RR Club.
Oct 19-20, Div 7 Train Show
Nov 16, Sat 10-3, Div 8 Train Show
Nov 21, Thur, 7:30PM Div 8 Meeting, Southern Indiana Club
Dec, no meeting, Christmas Party TBA
Dec 14, Sat, Christmas Party

MODEL CONTEST**SEPTEMBER**

October
November
December
January
February
March
April
May
June
July
August

PHOTOS

Steam Locomotives
Displays/Dioramas
NO CONTEST
Freight Cars
Diesels
Commercial Structures
Passenger Cars
Cabooses
Open Loads
No Contest
MOW Equipment

Bring your favorite photo, either prototype or model, and enter it 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.

The August Contest was Maintenance of Way. First Place was Bill Lynch's Jordan Spreader. Second place was a tie, with Bob Johnson's C&O Hoist and Jim Harrington's Rotary Plow Train. Charles Keeling's Sperry Rail Inspection Car and Rob Johnson's Milwaukee Snow Plow were tied for Third. Point standings: Bill Lynch, four points; Bob Johnson and Jim Harrington, three points; one point each, Rob Johnson and Charlie Keeling.

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 are recognized in the Pie Card. Donors for 2013 to date are:

\$5 to \$20: Jim Harrington, Bob Lawson, Ed Brennan.

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

\$45 to \$55: John Ottman, Bob Johnson, Larry Hujo
\$100 or more: Fred and Barbara Soward

GREAT TRAIN EXPO LOUISVILLE 2014

The dates for the Louisville edition of the Great Train Expo have been published: Saturday and Sunday, January 11 and 12, 2014, at Kentucky International Convention Center (downtown).



This month's meeting is Saturday September 21, 2 PM, at the AIRPORT INDUSTRIAL CENTER (former Naval Ordnance Plant). We will meet in Building 91, the Conference Center on Rochester Ave. This location can be accessed from Southside Drive at Rochester Ave. Turn south on Technology Drive. The Conference Center is on the right and clearly marked. If you are using a GPS system, enter 119 Rochester Ave, 40214. NOTE: If you use Watterson Expressway to Crittenden Drive, turn RIGHT at the ramp and cross to the center lane. Turn left on to Park Blvd. and follow the detour signs to the Woodlawn overpass.

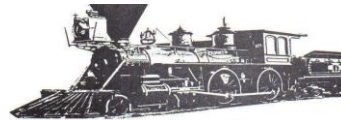
Rail Historian Charlie Bogart will be presenting a program on the L & N Railroad and the Distilling Industry. Bill and Ruth Lynch will be providing the refreshments.

Meetings for the remainder of the year:

Thursday October 17, 7:30 PM, K & I Model Railroad Club, Buckner, KY.

Thursday November 21, 7:30 PM, Southern Indiana Model Railroad Club, Jeffersonville, IN.

Saturday December 14, 6:00 PM, Captains Quarters Restaurant, Harrods Creek.



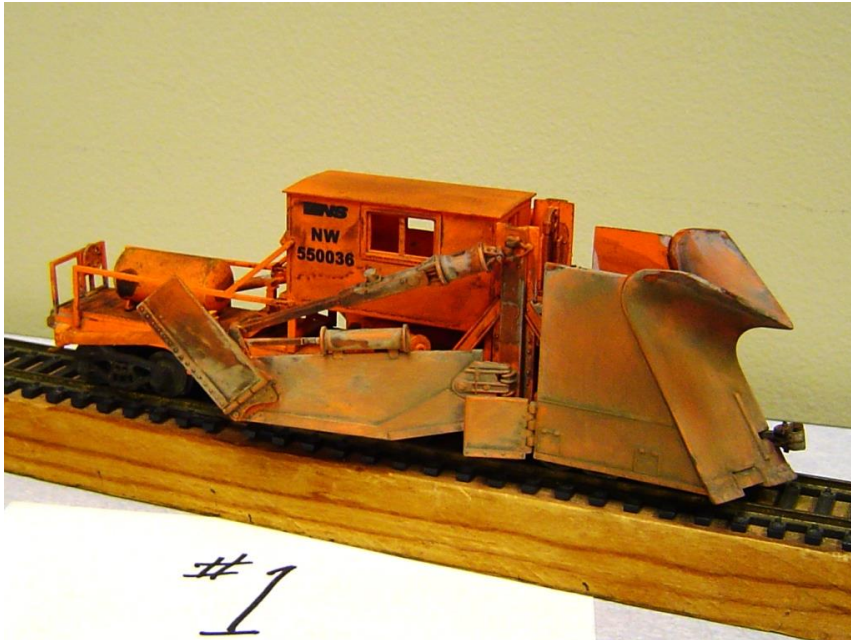
**DIV 8 TRAIN SHOW AND SALE
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2013
10 AM TO 3 PM**

Admission: \$ 5.00 (children 12 & under free)

Dealer Tables: \$ 20 each for NMRA members,
\$25 each for nonmembers.

For information or to reserve a table contact
Mark Hedge (812) 288-8037, or email:
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AT THE AUGUST MEETING



AUGUST CONTEST WINNER

The subject of the August Contest was maintenance of way equipment. Bill Lynch took first place honors with this HO NS snow plow/ Jordan spreader. Note that its reporting mark remains "NW" from its Norfolk & Western origin.

CLINIC

Right. Nat King presenting his clinic on making trees.



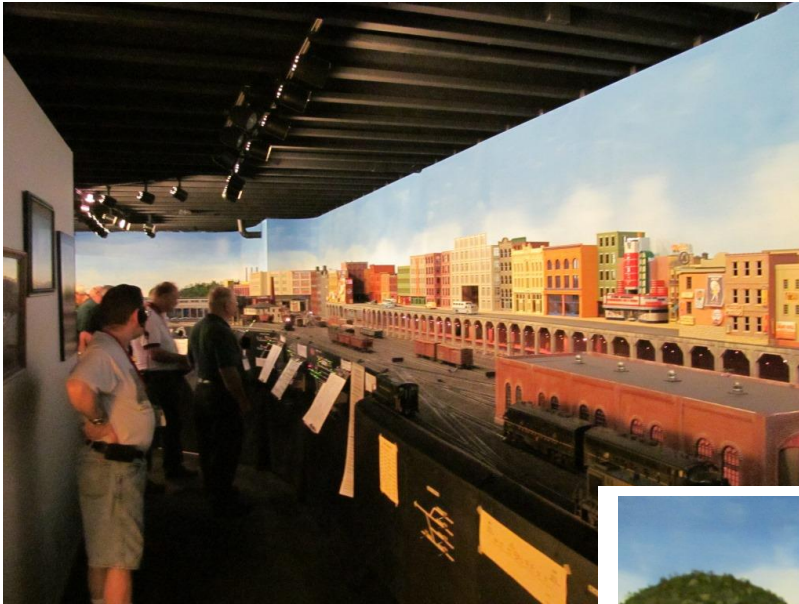
AP AWARDS

Below: Joe Fields presented Mark Norman(left) and Charlie Fackler (right)with NMRA Achievement Program certificates. Mark received two: one in Cars, and one in Locomotives. Charlie received his Master Builder Scenery certificate.

(Another August meeting photo on page 5)



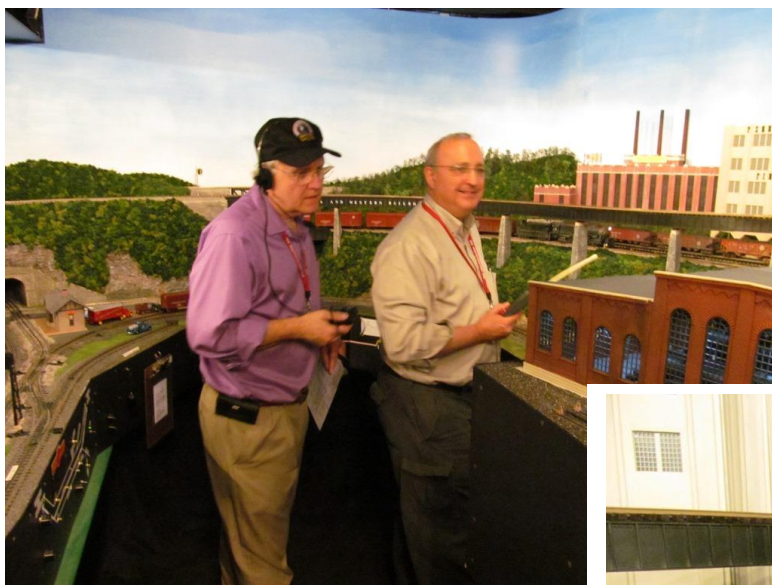
PIKE SHOWCASE - MCR CONVENTION LAYOUT TOURS



Bob Bartizek's O-Scale Pennsylvania & Western Railroad.
 Bob's layout was one of the railroads open for operating sessions as well as on the Sunday tour.

Left is a view of Harrisburg, the main yard and engine terminal, and gives you some idea of the size of this PRR-themed layout.

Right: A Pennsy class HH1 articulated locomotive, one of six bought secondhand from the Norfolk & Western during WWII, pulls its train through Horseshoe Curve.



Left: Two intrepid operators from Division 8. Eric Waggoner and Fred Soward plan their next switching move.

Right: A 2-8-2 Class L1s leads its train through a landscape dominated by large buildings.





REST IN PEACE RICK CORMAN

Rick Corman, owner and operator of R J Corman Railroad, passed away last month.

While operating a thoroughly modern railroad operation, he also respected the history and romance of railroading

Left: "Old Smoky" (Corman's Chinese-built steam engine) at HK tower on its inaugural run in 2008.

Right. The empty "slab" train heading north along Strawberry Lane in Louisville in 2006.



AUGUST MEETING *continued*

Superintendent Jerry Ashley congratulates Bob Johnson for taking first place in the 2012-13 model contest.

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