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Erik Fritzberg won second place in the Bring 'n' Brag contest for brass O scale model (2-rail) of the PRR "Mountain View" observation car, which he purchased in an auction. The car exterior had already been finished, but he created and painted a detailed interior, added other elements such as the dividers, furniture and figures, and interior and exterior LED lighting, including the drumhead. He weathered the car using a wash and Pan Pastels.

- Editor photo

Meeting Schedule

Format / Agenda

1:30pm Social Hour & Mini-Clinic(s)
2:00pm Bring 'n' Brag entry deadline
2:30pm Business Meeting begins
ca. 3:15pm Post-Meeting program begins

October 18, 2026 - Meeting & Program

Schiappa Library
4141 Mall Drive
Steubenville, OH
Program: Interstate Waste Service, "Rail Impacts on Landfill Operations"

November 15, 2026 - Meeting & Swap Meet

New Eagle VFD Social Hall
156 Chess Street
New Eagle, PA 15067
Mid-Mon Valley Model RR Club open noon to 2pm
Member Swap Meet (Program TBD)

Bring'n'Brag Categories

Jan 18 Anything Goes
Feb 15 Motive Power: Diesel / Electric / Traction
Mar 15 Motive Power: Steam
Apr 18 ** Jamboree ** | "Extra" Contests
May 17 Freight Cars
Jun 28 Non-Revenue Cars (incl. Caboose)
July 19 ** Picnic ** | Vehicles
Sep 20 Passenger Cars
Oct 18 Non-Railroad Structures
Nov 15 Photos: Model RR and Prototype

Submission Deadline for next *Flyer*:
October 25, 2026

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From the Super's Desk Train Season

I am pleased to announce that Rick Montgomery has assumed the role of Assistant Superintendent for Division 2. I look forward to working with him. His volunteering for the position reminded me that this division is filled with people who “get it done.”

Speaking of “getting it done,” I want to ask members living near upcoming meeting sites to please think about opening their layouts prior to or after meetings. We’ve kind of gotten out of that habit and it’s really a great way to share the hobby.

Speaking of “sharing the hobby,” I am looking for a Mini-Clinics Chair to organize mini-clinics and the 1:30 Social Hour portion of our monthly get together. The job is simple: recruit folks to do mini-clinics (at least 1-2 per meeting), bring cookies, arrive by 1:30 at every meeting, get folks to make and wear name badges (for which they get a cookie!), act as host, and get the party started! And the Mini-Clinics Chair can earn Volunteer AP points! One mini-clinic topic that should be part of every Social Hour is “What’s on your workbench?” That’s something we can all participate in.

At the September meeting, I conducted a straw poll about the new picnic date. What I heard was overwhelmingly positive. Unless there is some strong objection (you know how to reach me), I think we should make the change permanent. It kind of caps off the summer.

And speaking of the end of summer brings us to “train season.” We are on the brink of it with train shows and railfan events popping up; check the division Facebook page and KeystoneDivision.org for all the latest postings. And if you have events to publicize, please contact Jimmy Braum and Tom Gaus. Both do a great job of getting the news out. And I wouldn’t know what to do without Susan Werner’s helpful e-mail blasts. I want to encourage our folks to help raise awareness and attract new members by opening your layouts for viewing during the upcoming holiday season. I hope you will consider sharing your layout with family, friends, and neighbors.

... *George Pandelios*

Upcoming Train Shows: pages 13-18

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September 20, 2026 Business Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 2:30pm at the Weirton Area Museum & Cultural Center. Superintendent George Pandelios thanked our host, Ed Giacchino, president of the museum. While the donation hat was passed, we found that no new members or guests were in attendance. Minutes of the July 19 meeting were approved unanimously on a motion by Mike DeSensi, seconded by Susan Werner.

Committee Reports

Keystone Flyer: Patrick Altdorfer reported that the deadline for the October issue is 9/27. He also reported that he's searching for different software to use, as Microsoft is abandoning Publisher.

Financial: Jeff Gregg read the current report.

Programs: Superintendent George Pandelios reported that Dominic Martinelli has resigned as Assistant Superintendent, due to work pressures. A replacement will soon be appointed to fill out the term. (See elsewhere in the Flyer). The October meeting will be at the Schiappa Library in Steubenville; November will be at New Eagle. Clinicians and mini-clinics are still needed for both.

Company Store: Susan Werner reported the usual inventory of structures, car kits, and details.

Membership: Ken Hanawalt reported a total of 175 members, holding steady.

T-Trak: Jim Braum reported that T-Trak will be at the upcoming Monaca train show: Saturday Nov 21. No other shows are firm at the moment.

Social Media: Jim Braum reported that he is stepping down from the podcast – looking for a new host.

Jamboree: Neal Schorr found a Jamboree advertising flyer from 1994 (!)

Achievement: Dennis Vaccaro reported that one award is ready to be presented, but the member was not present. Dennis and Susan are doing today's presentation on a new merit award for modules.

Bring 'n' Brag: Dave Martinelli gave the results of the voting for this month's category (passenger cars): Rick Montgomery won first place honors.

No Old Business was presented.

New Business: George reported on the recent MCR Board Meeting. News included the new AP program (above), that the 2028 MCR convention is still up for grabs, and that National has decided to LOWER the cost of membership dues. The new 2027 rates are \$74/\$50 with/without the printed magazine.

George is currently looking to appoint a new Assistant Superintendent, and is also looking for volunteers to do clinics, mini-clinics, and to act as hosts for future meetings.

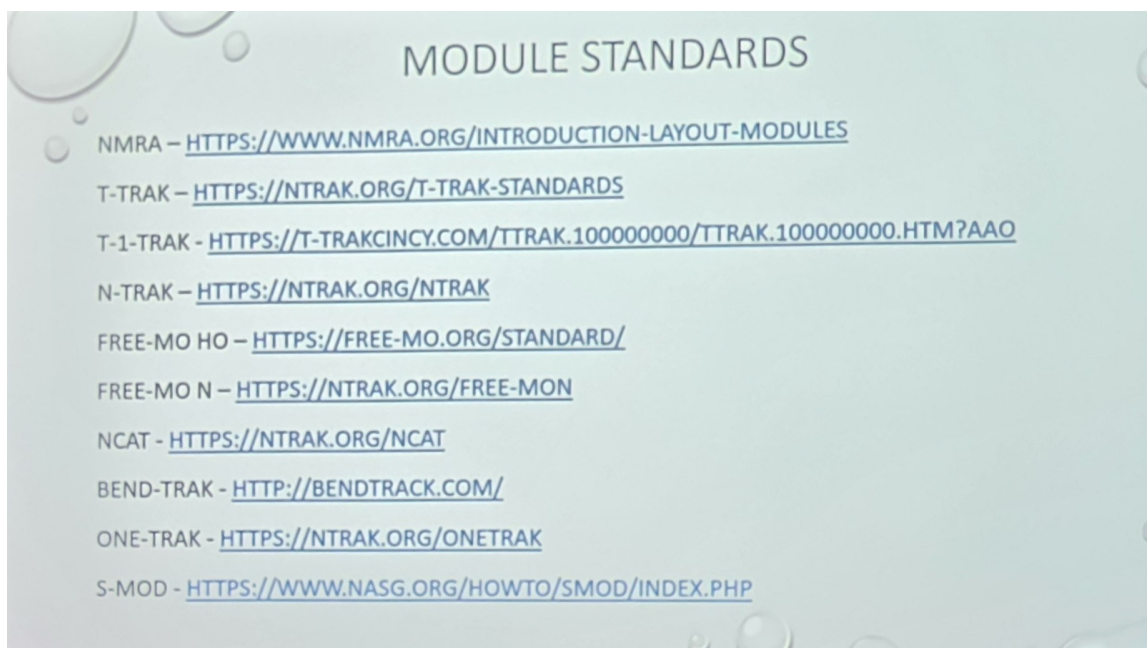
For the Good of the Division:

Grier Keuhn reported on two upcoming shows: TCA at the Washington County Fairgrounds on Sept. 26 and the Berea (OH) show October 3-4.

Jimmy Braum urged anyone with local holiday train show info to forward it to him and/or post it on the Division's Facebook page.

Our next meeting is October 18 in Steubenville, Ohio.

Seeing no other business, a motion to adjourn was made by Dennis Vaccaro and seconded by Vagel Keller. Meeting adjourned at 2:56pm..



Dennis Vaccaro and Susan Werner introduced the new [NMRA Merit Award for modular railroading](#) at the meeting, and many attendees asked that this slide be shared with the members so they could learn about the standards developed for various scales/gauges.

At the September meeting at Weirton Museum & Cultural Center in Weirton, WV there were many entries in the category **Passenger Cars**.

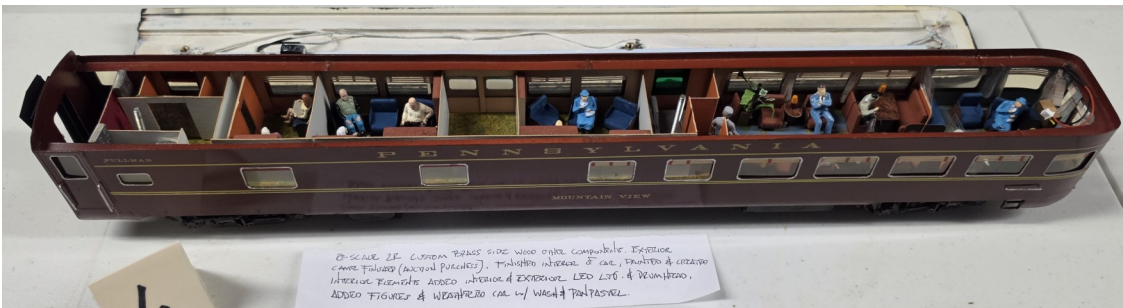
Rick Montgomery placed **first** in the voting with his HO scale Chesapeake & Ohio Gadsby Kitchen car, a kitbash project based on a Con-Cor model to which he added two miscellaneous

RR diner car kitchens (to create the double kitchen), and to which he added Preiser kitchen staff figures at work crafting delicious meals that would help the passengers to “sleep like a kitten” on their onward journey.

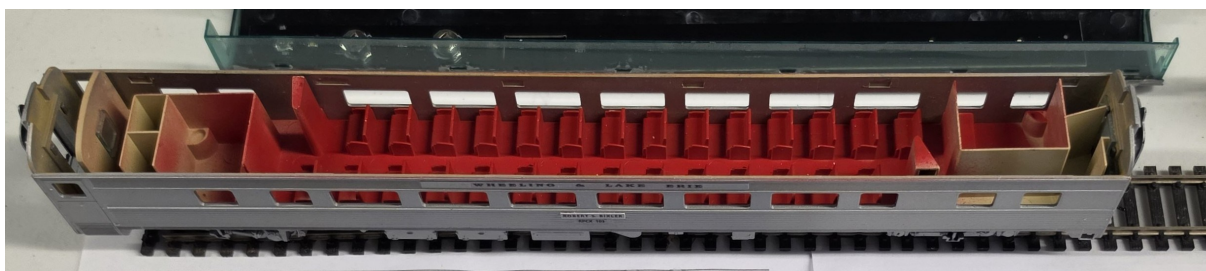
Photos by the Editor



Erik Fritzberg placed **second** with his O scale PRR “Mountain View” observation car, a brass model that he detailed extensively, inside and outside (see cover photo caption for more information).



Two entrants tied for **third place** in the contest with their HO scale passenger coaches: **Rick Reichenbach** entered his heavy-weight Erie Railroad coach, along with extensive documentation and even a jar of Scale-coat paint in the proper color that he miraculously found practically buried in the back of a shelf at a hobby shop.



Jim Braum brought a model that started life as a UP passenger coach, but which he print-stripped, added a name board to

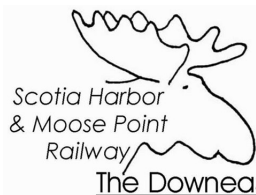
each side, then airbrushed its exterior in a chrome finish, painted the interior, and applied decals he created on the computer to transform the car into the Wheeling & Lake Erie OCS coach “Robert S. Bixler.”



Name	pts
Rick Montgomery	13
Rick Reichenbach	9
Neal Schorr	7
Bob DiBenedetto	4
Jim Braum	2
Erik Fritzberg	2
Vinny Kaplack	2
Dennis Lippert	1

The category of the October Bring'n'Brag contest is **Non-Railroad Structures**. When you arrive, please see Dave to get your model registered for the contest.





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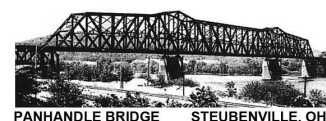
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NEW MEMBERS
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OHIO RIVER NORTHERN RAILWAY CLUB

Division Leadership

by George Pandelios

I am delighted to announce that Rick Montgomery volunteered to become Assistant Superintendent. He will fill out Dominic Martinelli's remaining term. Please contact Rick if you wish to present a program or clinic for an upcoming meeting.

Book Update

by Susan Werner

Unique Views of Northeast Railroading Vol. 3: Heading West has gone to the printer. Like the two previous books, this will offer a top side view of various locations and facilities as viewed by the pilot / photographer. Areas covered will be Horseshoe Curve, Hornell, Strasburg, Binghamton, Scranton, Perryville, Harrisburg and many more locations. This book will feature all color photography, contain 82 pages and be priced at \$50.00.

Newly announced is **Modern CSX Power Locomotives Bought New by CSX from 1986 to 2023**. As stated, this volume will concentrate on locos that CSX bought new as opposed to units inherited from predecessor roads. Included will be heavily rebuilt units produced during that time frame. It will nicely compliment previously produced reviews of CSX motive power. Expected is an all color work with approximately 130 pages with an estimated 200+ images. Priced at \$65.00, arrival is expected in mid-December.

What this Hobby does for me

by JW Snyder

Here is the first in a series of pictures specifically about the strengths of model railroading. This is a picture that is based on a series of short essays that I have been drafting and it was inspired by a recent publisher editorial in the *Model Railroad Hobbyist* digital (online) magazine, August edition.

In his editorial, Mr. Fugate spoke of Al C. Kalmbach, founder of Kalmbach Publishing, known for many magazines, guides and catalogs focusing on model railroading. In his editorial, Mr. Fugate presented an image of what Mr. Kalmbach was speaking of in balancing the importance of the modeler and the modeling industry: "Al Kalmbach figured out something that still holds up: the most interesting thing about this hobby was never the stuff on the shelf... It was the guy standing in front of his layout at 11pm, soldering iron in one hand, coffee gone cold in the other, completely lost in a world he built himself."

It was an epiphany for me. The doubts about my craft and abilities were washed away, and a strong solid image grew in my mind. So I dictated a setting and detailed script and applied it to an AI visual realization app.

It is the start of a series of themed images entitled "What Model Railroading Does for Me," which will continue with an essay next month.

(Editor's note: See also JW's guest column on train show preparation on page 9 online.)



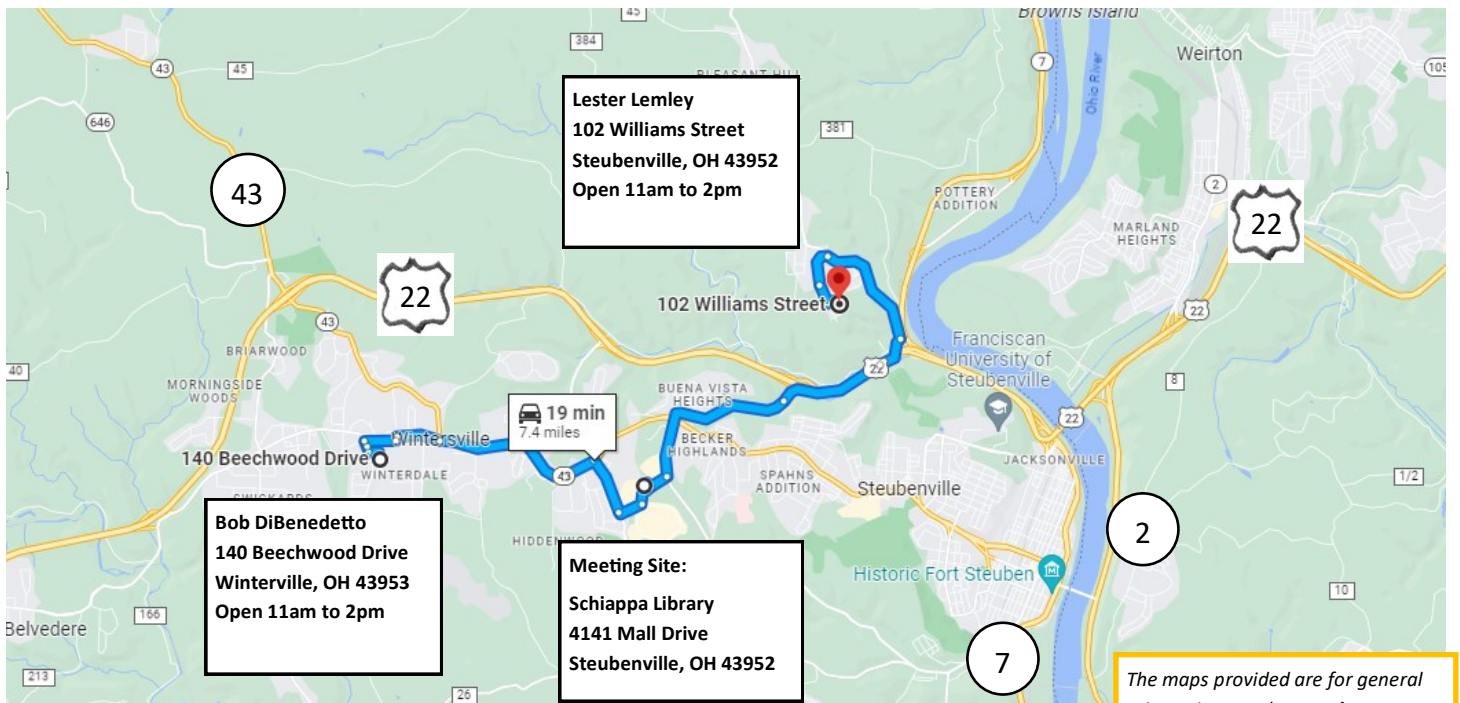
"I can recreate a memory"

- AI visualization by JW Snyder

MEETING TIMETABLE

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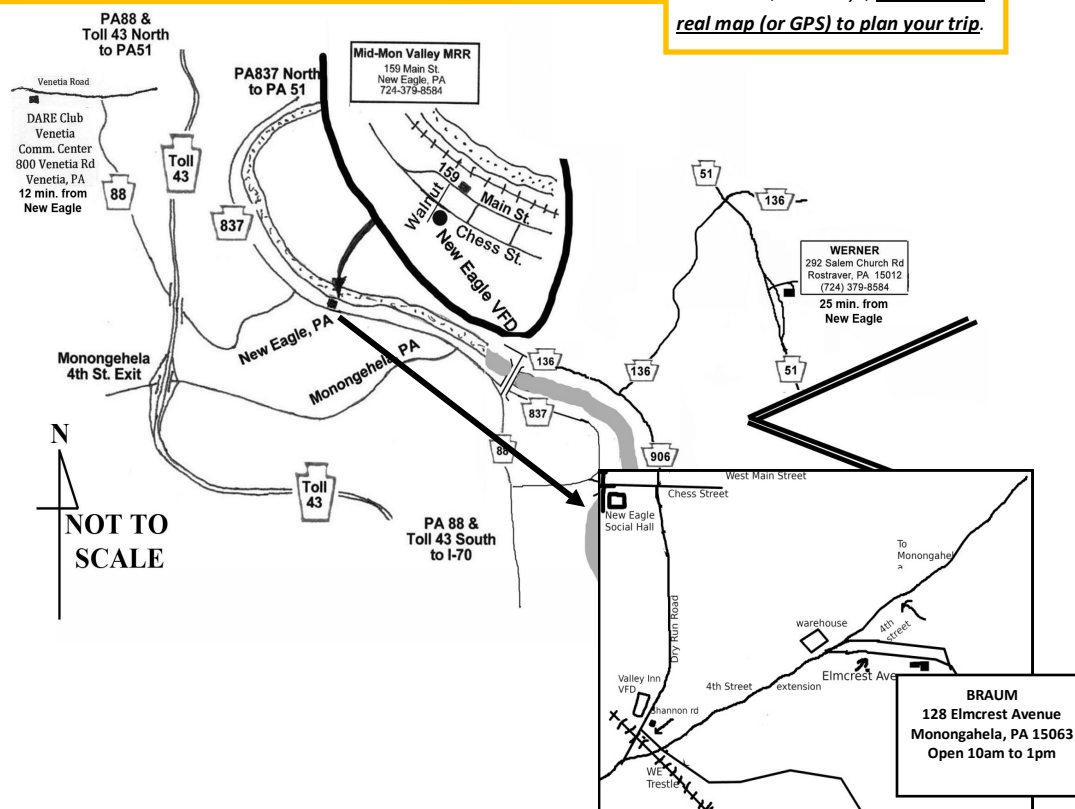
Our October meeting returns to Steubenville's Schiappa Library (4141 Mall Drive, Steubenville, OH 43952). Thanks again to **Bob DiBenedetto**, who organized this locale for our meeting and coordinated our guest speaker, from Interstate Waste Service, who will present a program on how rail service affects the landfill operations. Before the meeting, two layouts will host open houses from 11am to 2pm: Bob will open his Midwest RxR layout (140 Beechwood Drive, Winterville, OH 43953), and Les Lemley (102 Williams Street, Steubenville, OH 43952) will also be open during these hours.



November 15:

New Eagle, PA

In November we meet again at the New Eagle VFD Social Hall (156 Chess Street, New Eagle, PA 15067) and our host, the Mid-Mon Valley Model RR Club (about a block away at 165 Main Street), will be open before the meeting from 12-2pm. Two local layouts by Susan Werner and Jimmy Braum will be open from 10am to 1pm. And also before the business meeting, we have our social hour and members swap meet, where cash is king; an eventual post-meeting program is still TBD.



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NEXT MEETING:
 Steubenville, Ohio: Schiappa Library, October 18

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What I Bring to the Train Show

by JW Snyder

As we enter “train show season” this fall, I wanted to share a few practical thoughts this month about how I approach train shows and other model railroading related events. (Next month I will share some broader thoughts I have on what components make for a good model train related event, and on how the event organizers can improve on what are already some pretty decent offerings.)

With that said, here is a checklist of what I try to bring with me for these events. (Note: I have deferred maintenance, high-mileage, worn knee joints, and a diminished lung capacity):

- ✓ A **Lightweight, Foldable, 4 wheel walker with hand brakes and seat**. Big wheels are far better than small, but an ATV version is not necessary. It is lightweight for easy loading/unloading from a vehicle. Foldable, not only for storage but for those times when the aisles get narrow. (Think “The Night Bus” from Harry Potter) A sling seat that is part of the frame and folds with it. Horns, Leslies, Nathans, Federals, or Ahoogas; single, 3, or 5 chimes are not necessary. A polite clearing of the throat or “pardon me” suffices. Classification, ditch lights, and EOTs are optional (and can draw a smile). A couple of “Bag snag” hooks are very helpful for carrying your booty as are add on baskets. And of course, the all-important cup/bottle holder!
- ✓ An **outdoors headlamp** is invaluable when looking through stacked shelves of blue, yellow, red, and multi-color car and locomotive boxes, examining a loose piece or even a boxed piece for wear, damage and missing parts, especially if they are in dark colors or underneath the top shelf in its shadow, or in one of the stacks of box lids filled with rolling stock, or in storage containers on the floor.
- ✓ A complete **inventory of my Model Railroad collection**. I have it on Google Docs on my phone. On a few occasions it has saved duplicating a piece that I already own.
- ✓ **Three forms of money** for purchases: plastic, personal check, and cash
- ✓ A **bag for my purchases**, even though the seller usually provides one, I like them all in one bag. Well, depending on how much loot is obtained!

Take-aways

- Cards, receipts, or contact information of people of interest
- Receipts, Notes, and information on purchases
- Leaflets for upcoming shows and related events
- Grade on the event for future reference
- A verbal “thank you” or “well done” to the staff or sponsor is important and appreciated.

So! Get out to the shows, swap meets, group clubs, or railfanning, or just sit down and have “beans” with another artist, maker, model railroader. Have real fun, meet and greet, swap stories, get ideas, get inspired, be open! Grow! Change!..... ‘Nuff said.

On Operation: Conclusion

by Ken Hanawalt, MMR

This last issue for now marks a year's worth of columns about model railroad operation. I started this series in response to a survey asking about the interests of Division 2 members. Operation was tied for first in the list of original survey responses. I hope that these columns have helped some members get started in operating their layouts. Now it is time for a summary and suggestion about what comes next.

Carl Volkwein and I started serious operations on my Turtle Creek Railroad layout as we were building it many years ago, using a custom program that I wrote for the purpose. We promoted the ideas that operations is essential for maintaining long term interest in a layout, provides a basis for developing friendships among the modelers who participate, and that interaction with the trains is generally more fun than watching them run around in circles. We recognized that what we really like about the hobby is that it has so many aspects: carpentry to build tables, electronics to design and build control systems, historic research to understand and be able to model prototype equipment, artwork to make realistic scenery, crafts for constructing realistic buildings and rolling stock, and especially understanding the operation and emulation of prototype operation and paperwork. Over the years, many other modelers participated in operating, maintaining, updating, and moving the layout, most recently, Tom Frommeyer. I thank them for their help and participation. Below is a photo of the crew at the Golden Spike celebration after the three year effort to move the layout to my current address.



Bernie Gordon, Carl Volkwein, Carleton Weber, Ken Hanawalt, Chuck Dollins, Glenn Choate, Dave Stanton, Jim Ferguson, Keith DeVault, Jim Kubanick, Dennis Lippert, Tom Frommeyer, and Bob Meier

I have learned a lot by writing this column. It is easy to forget how we arrive at a destination over many years of experimentation and revisions in a project. For example, we started with DC using a distributed throttle system that I built enabling walk-around control without carrying a throttle, graduated to an early command control system that failed to meet our needs, later adopted the Easy DCC radio control DCC system after visiting Keith Gutierrez in Texas, but finally settled on an NCR system.

GUEST COLUMN

As noted in my columns, there are several steps in developing a layout operating system. The first is to decide on objectives, including features to be included. I strongly recommend visiting as many operating layouts as you can to help you identify and choose among possible objectives. You have to decide this for yourself, but some of the objectives that I have chosen include: A system that is easy for newcomers to learn (I have had operators as young as 6 yrs old at my layout); ability to run a train at any time without adverse consequences for a subsequent operating session; operation not restricted to a minimum number of operators; and as insensitive to operator errors as possible.

When objectives have been developed, the next step is creating a design to meet your objectives. In most cases, I think this means: deciding on an era and geographic location; deciding on the towns to be modeled and the interchanges with other railroads; deciding on the industries (spurs) to be modeled at each town; deciding on the kinds and numbers of trains to be run; deciding on the number and kinds of cars to be run; and deciding on the number and location of staging tracks. As noted in an earlier column, about 30 years ago I wrote an AI program using a very early technique and used it to guide my design. I suspect that one of the general purpose AI programs available today might work for you.

When you have installed the first powered tracks at the first town, it is time to design and test the process to manage movement of trains and cars. Actually, if you are just getting started, I recommend starting with a standard module. The reasons are many. Most model railroaders are going to have to move - especially young modelers who will leave their parent's house, and probably try several jobs and possibly locations during their career. A module will provide experience with many modeling and operations ideas for a modest investment in money and time and will provide opportunities based on connecting with other modules at meets. A layout built entirely from modules will be much easier to move than a sectional or continuous layout built to fit a particular space. Starting in November, I am planning to bring a FreeMoN switching module to Division Two meetings to let members try car-card operation.

As soon as some tracks are available it is time to design and test operations. This usually means deciding between the two most popular paperwork schemes: car cards and JMRI. Either way you will have to create spreadsheets or other paperwork to list all your towns, industries, cars, train types, routes, interchanges, yards, and other features. Then you will have to work out details for what kinds and numbers of cars your industries accept, what kinds of loads your cars will carry, what kinds of trains you will run, where the trains go, and other features. I have found it interesting to work out these things and found that I could make changes to my operations scheme when I came across new ideas even after using the program for years. Unfortunately, I do not know of an available good general purpose program to support this effort. I wrote my own custom program for the TCR, but I cannot support it for use on other layouts. So I think you might have to do this step manually.

Next is the hard question of whether to use car cards or JMRI waybills to implement your objectives. I have chosen car cards to meet my objectives, but many other layout owners have chosen JMRI and are running fine sessions. And this choice is the real deal in this column, because ...

GUEST COLUMN

Because I think the next step in operations will be to go beyond either car cards or printed waybills. At a recent operating session on my TCR, I shared a list of objectives for a new method to manage operating sessions with Jim Herrington. Jim ran my objectives through an AI design program to obtain advice about how to meet the objectives. A key suggestion is to prepare the program as an add-on to the open-source version of JMRI. I am recruiting a few friends to work with me on evaluating the AI design and perhaps writing the recommended program. Following are the basic objectives:

A car reader could be placed in the track at the entrance to every town and every siding, and on the RIP track. The reader would detect and identify each car passing over it. Then a computer program could know where every car is located. The reader could be used to access bar code labels or RFID chips.

A throttle (presumably a phone) would have two displays available. One would be the usual engine controls (speed, direction, lights, sounds, etc.) corresponding to the throttles we have now. The second display would show the cars in the train destined for the current town (if any) and the cars at the current town scheduled to be picked up by the train. It would probably also be able to show the town track diagram.

The program would automatically adjust for errors, or trains run with random movements, so the database of car locations and train consists would always be correct.

The program would either interact with or control a signal system maintaining a complete picture of the towns, their connections, the trains, their directions, and other info. The signal aspects could be shown on the phone.

The main advantages of a program like this would be:

- 1) No need for car cards that get worn out, misplaced, or be distracting on the front of the layout;
- 2) No need to always pick a car from every siding where a car is dropped while still being possible to maintain the number of cars on each siding within a predetermined range;
- 3) No need to manually check each car on the layout to make sure it is in the right place;
- 4) an easier way to add new cars to the roster; and probably other benefits that I will think of later.

This is the last column on operation for now, but if you have questions or would like to try operation on the TCR, send me a message at [and I will answer or invite you to a session.](#)

TRAIN SHOWS

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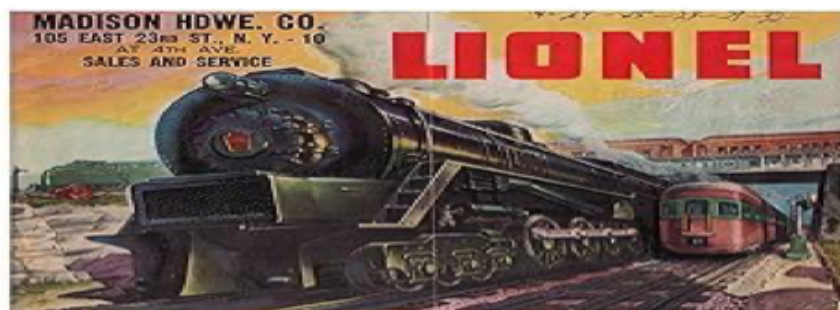
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Canfield Train & Toy Show



Sunday, October 11, 2026

10:00 AM – 3:00 PM

Michael Kusalaba fund of the Youngstown Foundation, Event Center.

Canfield Fairgrounds, Canfield, Ohio 44406 – Gate 9 St Rte. 46

Admission: Adults \$8 / Children 12 and under free

Early bird admission at 9:00 AM - \$10

Featuring: New and old trains, parts, repair manuals, price guides, etc. Train videos, model building supplies, and kits. Lionel, American Flyer, MTH, Williams, Weaver, LGB, O, S, HO, N, Z and Large Scale. Toys of all types

Rules for Dealers:

1. Dealers will set up between 6:30AM and 9:00AM day of show—day before show 4-7.
2. Dealers will accept full responsibilities for any injuries or loss to them or their property while attending the show. Dealer expressly release the promoter (Elwood Woolman) and The Canfield Fair from any liability and agree to hold promoters harmless therefore. Dealers are responsible to pay all sales tax as in accordance with the Ohio Dept of Taxation, all dealers should have an Ohio Vendors License. Information can be found at gateway.ohio.gov/home
3. All monies will be refunded for each show that a dealer is unable to attend because of illness or vehicular problems. If unable to attend because of any other reason dealer must let Elwood Woolman know one week prior to the show in writing.
4. **There is to be nothing attached to the walls.**
5. **If for any reason the show is cancelled, all sums will be refunded.**
6. All boxes and storage material must be placed directly under the tables. NO loose material is to be left in the aisles or unattended. Electricity is available if ordered in advance.
7. All loading and unloading of material, exhibits, and etc are to be done at the designated entrance
8. No "Pack-Up" before 3PM
9. Sale of food by dealer is prohibited
10. Early Bird admission begins at 9:00 AM – Be Ready!

Canfield 10/11/26

Please return this form with check

Dealers – Tables 8 ft 1 – 5 @ \$35 ea. / 6 or more \$30 ea. / 2 admissions per vendor, additional helper admission is \$5 ea.

I would like _____ Tables at \$35 each / 6 or more _____ @ \$30 each = Table Cost \$ _____ Additional Admission \$ _____

Name: _____ Electric \$5 _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Address: _____ City, State, Zip _____

Type of Display: _____ Send to: Elwood Woolman, 8560 Bedell Rd, Berlin Center, Ohio 44401
ebwoolman@gmail.com 330-651-1042

TRAIN SHOWS

THE INAUGURAL

COSHOCTON TRAIN SHOW

OUR SHOW IS EVERY 3RD SATURDAY IN OCTOBER!

SATURDAY 10AM-3PM
OCTOBER 17TH 2026

COSHOCTON COUNTY CAREER CENTER
23640 AIRPORT ROAD COSHOCTON, OH 43812

15 MINS FROM
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1/4 MILE FROM
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VENDORS CALL: 330-473-7466 (\$15 PER 8' TABLE, \$20 PER 12' TABLE)

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Train Show

Cambridge Ohio

Sunday
October 25, 2026
10 am to 3 pm

Pritchard Laughlin Center
7033 Glenn Hwy
Cambridge OH 43725

Easy Access from I-70 and I-77



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Check out our website for a listing for more information:

<https://www.nmrabuckeyedivision.org/train-show>

Vendors Contact Greg - (740) 607-3223 - nmrabuckeyedivision@gmail.com



**The Guernsey Valley Model Railroad Club
Open House**

October 26th 12pm-5pm

**3rd Floor of Colley Block Building
648 Wheeling Ave, Cambridge, OH 43725**

Non-profit 501c3 Organization

\$2 admission 12 and under free

Not ADA compliant

TRAIN SHOWS

2026



MEDINA MODEL RAILROAD & TOY SHOWS

735 Lafayette Road • Medina, Ohio 44256



SUNDAY - FEBRUARY 1st
SUNDAY - APRIL 12th
SUNDAY - OCTOBER 25th



CHRISTMAS **X**TRAVAGANZA
SUNDAY DECEMBER 6th

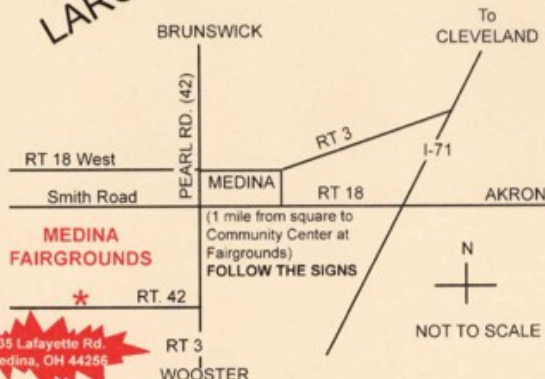
~~ 9 AM TO 3 PM ~~

MEDINA COUNTY COMMUNITY CENTER
(Medina Fairgrounds)
Medina, Ohio

MEMORABILIA



LARGE PARKING AREA



Must Call for Table Reservations

8' TABLES \$35

\$30 if prepaid by **Wednesday** before event

SET-UP

Saturday Night Before Show **4 p.m. to 8 p.m.**

Day of Show - **7 a.m. to 9 a.m.**

Door Prizes • Food & Drink • ATM on Site

ADMISSION

Adults \$8.00 • Children under 12 FREE

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION VISIT
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