


SUPER'S SIGNAL

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March 2010



14 March 2010

South-West Columbus Tour

Columbus, Ohio



Schedule

Noon – 3:00: layouts open
Rich Hartley – Grove City
Bob Horner – Grove City
Dave Matheny – Galloway

3:30 p.m.: Division 6 Business Meeting
City Hall – Grove City

Contest

Model: Small scenic tunnel portal diorama.
Should include: track, roadbed, tunnel portal, nature scenery and imagination.

Photograph: Prototype Tunnel entrances.
Should be your own composition.

Superintendent's Report

By
 Division 6
 Superintendant
Judy Logan

I hope everyone had a good time at the Columbus Model Railroad Club. The Club has made a lot of progress since we were last there. Thanks guys for hosting the meeting.

Our next Division meeting is a Southwest Layout Tour on the 14th of March. Come enjoy the layouts of Rich Hartley, Bob Horner and Dave Matheny. The business meeting will be at the town hall in Grove City. This should be good meeting and I am looking forward to seeing a great turnout.

The model contest is a ***Small Scenic Tunnel Portal Diorama*** and the photo contest is ***Prototype Tunnel Entrances***.

Please remember that both categories must be items that you have completed and pictures that you have taken.

The 2010 election ballot should be in everyone's hands.

For those who have not mailed theirs or did not take them to the Columbus Club, you can still drop them off at the meeting. Being an even year, we are electing the Superintendent, Assistant Superintendent, Clerk and Paymaster. Also, a special Director for a one year term.

This Director will serve for one year, with a potential to be re-elected in 2011.

Please bring your ballot and turn it in at the meet-

ing or mail to the address on the ballot. All mailed ballots must be postmarked by 3/31/2010.

**Remember to VOTE for
 Division 6 Officers by
 31 March**

***See you on the Tour
 on the 14th of
 March!!!!***

Thanks –




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DIVISION 6 WEB SITE:

WWW.DIV6-MCR-NMRA.ORG

Mid-Central Region President

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NMRA National Director

Dave Thornton

Division 6 Financial Report

By
Division 6
Chief Clerk
**John
Gafney**

Income Statement					
<p>To see the Division 6 Finical Report, contact the Division 6 Superintendent at: Super@Div6-MCR-NMRA.org</p>					
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*subject to audit					
Prepared by, John Gafney Chief Clerk 2/3/2010					

Chief Clerk's Report

NMRA Div 6 Monthly Meeting January 31st, 2010 Columbus HO Model Railroad Club

The Division 6 meeting was opened by Superintendent Judy Logan at 3:03 PM at the Columbus HO Model Railroad Club.

In addition to Superintendent Judy Logan other officers present were;

Assistant Superintendent Robert Lee, Chief Clerk John Gafney, Directors, Howard Smith, MMR, & Paul Smith.

Chairpersons in attendance were: Program: Jim Ruisinger, Achievement Program: Howard Smith, MMR, Super Signal Editor: Robert Lee, Web Master: Don Wilke, Modular Layout: Dick Briggs, MMR.

There were approximately 35 Division 6 members present for the meeting.

The minutes of the November 22nd meeting were reviewed and a motion was made by Craig Sonnen, MMR, to accept the minutes as printed, Don Wilke seconded the motion, motion passed with one nay vote.

Chief Clerk John Gafney pointed out the financial report

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By
Division 6
Chief Clerk
**John
Gafney**

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was incorrect as printed and corrected the ending balance to _____ and the net worth as of Dec. 31st to _____.

Craig Sonnen, MMR, made a motion to accept the report as corrected subject to audit, a second was voiced by Don Wilke, motion was passed as corrected.

Program Chairman: Jim Ruisinger thanked the Columbus Club for their hospitality in hoisting the January meeting.

The **March 14th** meeting will consist of 3 layout tours, Bob Horner's in Grove City, Rich Hartley's in Grove City, and Dave Matheny's in Galloway with the meeting and contest at the Grove City Hall (tentatively at publication time) following the tours.

In the absence of John Retterer, Contest Chairman, the contest at the next meeting will be: **Model:** small tunnel portal diorama, and **Photo:** prototype tunnel entrance.

Future meetings:

April 25th possibly in Urbana.

June 12th at the Marion Station, all day event.

August might be an operations session at Ned Harlow's.

September 12th members on their own tour the Garden Railroads open house tour with no meeting.

October 17th Howdy Lamprecht's home layout.

November 21st looking for a host.

Achievement Program Chairman: Howard Smith, MMR, presented Bill Connell with his A.P. Dispatcher Certificate. (See AP Report below.)

John Retterer will be receiving 2 Merit Awards for structures towards his AP Structure Certificate.

Rich Hartley will be receiving his Golden Spike award as soon as it comes back from National.

If anyone has models or structures to judge Howard is more than willing to round up some judges and review all projects.

Web Master: Don Wilke reported the Division 6 WEB Site is constantly being updated that will include an archive section which will have all the contest winners for the past few years and the 2009 Convention Winners. Also the site has been recording approximately 30 hits per day.

Superintendent: Judy Logan introduced all the candidates that are running for office for the upcoming two years and mentioned the title of Trustee has been changed to Director. This change was made necessary by current Ohio law. She also mentioned the current membership is 208 strong.

Contest Winners were:

Photo: 1 st place	Howard Smith, MMR
2 nd place	Don Wilke
3 rd place	Tie Peggy Doerflein & Don Wilke
Model 1 st place	Dick Briggs, MMR
2 nd place	Ted Wetterstroem
3 rd place	Paul Smith

Old Business: There was no old business to discuss.

New Business: Judy introduced new members Daryl White, Marvin Grubb, Dexter Hall, Scott Williamson.

Judy announced the NMRA Division 6 shirts are still available in gray, red, & black, but an order cannot be placed until there is a need for four shirts price is \$15.00 each. Division 6 hats are also available.

Chief Clerk

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Jim Ruisinger mentioned that Dean Freytag was reportedly hospitalized but no further details were available at this time.

Bob Doerflein asked about Tom Fox and Judy said she had heard he was back in the hospital for a while but was currently in rehab and his daughter was hoping to get him in assisted living facility.

John Stuber asked if the Division was going to display its products at the Great American Train Show in February and the Chief Clerk said he was going to have a table there with all products for sale.

Joe Slanser said he has been having trouble getting his mail and his new address is

1140 Wilson Ave.

Apt. 124

Marion, Ohio. 43302

Phone 740-360-2098

Howard Smith announced that The Columbus Club was closed as of the adjournment of the meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 3:36 PM

Submitted by

Chief Clerk

John Gafney

2/1/2010

Division 6
Chief Clerk's
Report
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Division 6 AP Program Report

William Connell was awarded the AP Program Certificate for Chief Dispatcher at the January Division meeting. This is Bill's second AP certificate. As I said at the presentation of his certificate, Bill's paperwork is some of the best work I have seen for this award. I suggested that he might prepare a clinic on the subject. I am pleased to say he has done just that and is planning to present the clinic soon. His presentation will help if you plan to work on this certificate.

I have submitted documentation for a Golden Spike Award for Richard Hartley. This is the first venture into the AP program for Richard.

In addition, I have two Structures Merit Awards for John Retterer. I plan to present them to John soon. We judged these structures at a Division meeting. We are always willing to and ready to judge models at any Division meeting.

Howard R. Smith, MMR
Division 6 AP Chairman



AP Program Chairman, Howard Smith, MMR, presents William Connell with his Chief Dispatchers Certificate.

January
2010
AP Report
By:
**Howard
R. Smith,
MMR**

CLINICS AT NMRA '75 LOOK FORWARD AND BACK

Would you like to learn how to create a modern CTC panel for your layout using CATS? Or maybe you'd like to find out more about building kits made from brass etched parts, or increase your knowledge about chapel cars. Did you even know there were such things as chapel cars?

You can learn about these topics and many more by attending the clinics at NMRA 75, the National Model Railroad Association convention for 2010. This year the NMRA celebrates its 75th anniversary, so its altogether fitting that our national convention be held in Milwaukee Wisconsin, the city where it all began. The dates are July 11th through the 18th.

While NMRA 75 will take an affectionate

look back at our hobby's days of old, it will also be looking ahead to the fresh and new. This year's clinic program reflects that idea very well. Of the 163 clinics scheduled to be presented, 123 are brand new and never before presented at an NMRA national convention. These new clinics will cover everything from scenery to structures to the newest trends in Digital Command Control. So if you're looking for fresh new ideas to enhance your modeling, NMRA 75 is the convention you must not miss!

But not all the new clinics at NMRA 75 are about fresh new ideas. You can look forward to a couple of them that look back. Clinician Paul Hobbs will present Seventy-Five Years Of Development And Achievement In Model Railroading. Paul will review events, processes, inventions, companies and individuals that have made significant contributions to the hobby over the past 75 years. You might also want to see Steve Stewart's new clinic, Seventy-Five Years Of Railroading. Steve examines prototype railroading from what was in 1934 to what will be in 2011. And

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First Place Contest Winners

First Place –
Model
(Weathered
Bridge): Dick
Briggs, MMR



First Place –
Photograph
(Train Crossing
Bridge):
Howard
Smith, MMR



Additional winners at:

<http://div6-mcr-nmra.org/ContestFold/Contest100131Fold/100131Contest.html>

Click the shutter and win a steam cab ride!

With the single click of a shutter, you could find yourself riding for a full day in the cab of an historic mainline steam locomotive operated by the Union Pacific! It can happen if your photo is the winner of the National Model Railroad Association's 75th Anniversary Photo Contest.

Your day-long cab ride will begin in Cheyenne, WY in May, 2010, behind some mighty big steam power on its first leg of an excursion. And we'll make sure you're there when the conductor yells "All aboard!" because the winner will also receive airfare (up to \$500), two nights in a hotel, plus transportation to and from the excursion.

If you're an NMRA member in good standing, all you have to do is submit a photograph depicting one or more models of UP equipment and/or structures in a realistic scene. Your photo will be judged for prototype fidelity of both the modeling and the scene, as well as for photographic art. You can submit color prints, color slides, or digital files on CD.

To be eligible, your photo must be postmarked by **April 15, 2010** (or originated in transit by a third party service such as FedEx or UPS), and received no later than April 20. Only one photograph may be submitted per envelope, but there's no limit to the number of photos you can submit. All photos become the property of the NMRA, which may use the photo in any manner it chooses. In addition, participants agree to provide the NMRA with the original medium of the photo (negative, transparency, or digital file) if requested.

Send your entries to: Robert J. Amsler, Jr., 514 Dover Place, St. Louis, MO 63111. And if you send a print, be sure to protect it from bending!

So get modeling and shooting right away. Because this May you may be behind a few horses in Wyoming!



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what could be more appropriate to bring the list of new clinics to an end than one about the history of Milwaukee Road Cabooses?

As an added bonus, many of the new clinics at NMRA 75 will be presented by some of the best-known names in model railroading. Names like Jack Burgess, Bruce Chubb, Chuck Hitchcock, Tony Koester, Sam Swanson, Bill Schaumburg,

Andy Sperandio, Tony Thompson and Wayne Wesolowski.

Of course NMRA 75 is about much more than clinics. To find out everything you need to know, visit our website at www.nmra75.org. You can even register online. Come celebrate 75 years of model railroading this summer in Milwaukee!

Oh and in case you were wondering, no actual cats were harmed in the making of that CTC clinic.

Division 6 Timetable

14 March

South-West Columbus Tour

25-27 March

Mini-Bunch Spring Meeting
Canfield, Ohio (fairgrounds)

2 April

Super's Signal Deadline

25 April

Urbana (Tentative)

Model: Thumbs

Photo: Railroad Oddities

13-16 May

Coalfield Express MCR Convention

Charleston West Virginia

21 May

Super's Signal Deadline

12 June

Marion Union Station, all day event.

Model: Diorama

Photo: Industrial

12-17 July

75th Anniversary

NMRA National Convention

Milwaukee, Wisconsin

August

An operations session at Ned Harlow's.
(Tentative)

Model: Loaded Tractor/Trailer

Photo: Tractor/Trailer

12 September

Garden Railroads Open House Tour
No meeting, members on their own.

Model: None; **Photo:** None

17 October 17th

Howdy Lamprecht's home layout.

Model: Tank Car

Photo: Tank Car

**NMRA's
75th
Anniversary
Convention
(continued)**

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Return Service Requested

South-West Columbus Tour

Three layouts will be open for members to tour. Which order to visit them is up to the individual member(s) but I would recommend starting at either Matheny's or Hartley's, crisscrossing to the other, then go to Horner's which is a stone's throw from the Grove City, City Hall.

Dave Matheny	Contact The Division 6 Program Chair for model railroad locations.	* Magnolia Southern Rwy.
Bob Horner		* Southern Rwy.
Rich Hartley		* R & J Railroad

Grove City, City Hall located at the west side of Broadway at the corner of Grove City Rd.

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The Superintendent's Report was not received in time for publication in this edition of The Super's Signal.