

# SUPER'S SIGNAL

A publication of Division Six, Mid-Central Region of The National Model Railroad Association, Inc.

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## 24 April 2010 Central Ohio N-Trak Columbus, Ohio



### Schedule

- Noon – 2:00:** N-Trak Layout open  
**1:00 – 3:00:** Park of Roses Recreation Center Open  
**2:30:** Division 6 Business Meeting,  
Park of Roses Recreation Center

### Contest

- Model:** Thumbs. Let your imagination run loose.  
**Photograph:** Railroad Oddities.  
Should be your own composition.

# Superintendent's Report

By  
 Division 6  
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 dent  
**Judy  
 Logan**

I hope everyone had a good time at the Grove City Tour. Bob, Dave and Rich have made a lot of progress since we were last there. Thanks guys for hosting the meeting.

Our next Division meeting will be held at the Park of Roses Recreation Center on the 24th of April. The N-Trak Layout is located a short distance down High Street and it will be open for two hours before the Meeting. Enjoy the Layout and then bring your contest entries to The Park of Roses Recreation Center. The Business Meeting will be held there at 2:30. This should be good meeting and I am looking forward to seeing a great turnout.

The model contest is a *Thumbs* (let your imagination run loose.) The photo contest is *Railroad Oddities*. Please remember that both categories must be items that you have completed and pictures that you have taken.

Thanks –



**12 June  
 Marion All-day Train  
 Watching & Meeting**



Bob Horner's Southern



Dave Matheny's Magnolia Southern



Rich Hartley's R & J

## DIVISION 6 OFFICERS

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**Legal Advisor:** Tom Veigel

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Dave Thornton

# Division 6 Financial Report

By  
Division 6  
Chief Clerk  
**John  
Gafney**

## Income Statement

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To see the Division 6 Financial Report,  
contact the Division 6 Superintendent at:  
[Super@Div6-MCR-NMRA.org](mailto:Super@Div6-MCR-NMRA.org)

\*subject to audit

Prepared by John Gafney

Chief Clerk 3/31/2010

## Chief Clerk's Report

**NMRA Div 6 Monthly Meeting  
14 March 2010  
City Hall  
Grove City, Ohio**

Superintendent Judy Logan opened the meeting at 3:34 PM and thanked the 3 layout host Rich Hartley, Bob Horner, & Dave Matheny for opening up their homes so Division 6 members could view their layouts.

Besides Judy, other Division 6 Officers & Chairpersons present were:

Assistant Superintendent: Robert Lee; Chief Clerk: John Gafney; Director: Paul Smith; Program Chair: Jim Ruisinger; Web Master: Don Wilke; and *The Super's Signal* Editor: Robert Lee. There were a total of 21 members present. July also introduced new member Maria Wright who was present and Charles Scherer who could not make the meeting.

The minutes were corrected to reflect Dexter Hill as a new member not Dexter Hall as reported.

Don Wilke made a

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By  
Division 6  
Chief Clerk  
**John  
Gafney**

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motion to accept the minutes as corrected with a second by Paul Smith, motion passed.

Chief Clerk John Gafney presented the Division 6 Financial Report and Jim Ruisinger made a motion to accept (subject to audit) and Don Wilke seconded the motion, motion passed.

Craig Sonnen asked why there were no maps in the electronic version of *The Super's Signal*.

Jim Ruisinger responded that may be a link to map quest should be inserted on the address page to make it easier for the members.

Darrell Logan mentioned that all members who attended the convention last spring should have a map book of all the members' layouts.

Don Wilke addressed the issue in his report, there will soon be a members only area on our WEB Site that will allow members to view division members names and addresses, maps to those that have layouts, and financial reports.

Robert Lee than reported the mailed version of *The Super's Signal* did have maps included with their issue.

Bob Doerflein than asked why he did not get an e-mail advising him *The Super's Signal* was on the WEB Site. Don Wilke said, he had some emails came back as undeliverable, he was going to check to see if Bob was one of those. Another member mentioned he cannot print a PDF file so his wife has to print it at work and bring it home.

Program chairman, Jim Ruisinger reported he is in need of a host for the April 25th meeting, if anyone is interested please contact Jim Ruisinger. The August 1st meeting will be at Ned Harlow's. There will be no September meeting and it is

suggested to enjoy the Garden Railroad Annual tour. The October 17th meeting will be a tour of Howdy Lamprecht's and Craig Sonnen's home layouts. The November 21st. meeting will be held at Gary Salzgeber's home in Urbana. The Mini Bunch Spring Meet will be held in conjunction with the All Scale Narrow Gauge meet in Canfield, Ohio on March 26th thru the 27th.

Bob Lee reported the Zanesville Model Railroad Club is having a open house Saturday April 14th all are welcome.

Craig Sonnen reported The Buckeye Train Show is April 17th at the Ohio State Fairgrounds. Also the 2nd N-Gauge weekend is May 1st. & 2nd. at the Franklin County Fairgrounds. Admission is \$5.00

Judy reported all ballots must be turned in by March 31st, 2010

Ken Miesse reported longtime member Tom Fox is recovering from his fall in January. He is at Franklin Woods Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, 2770 Clime Rd. Columbus, OH 43223, (614) 276-8222.

You can send him a card or call him at the above address.

Hobbyland on Sawmill Rd will be closing on March 21st. 2010

Jim Borcz a member of Division 6 has some Lionel items he would like to sell if anyone is interested, he can reached at [jimborcz@wowway.com](mailto:jimborcz@wowway.com)

Judy introduced new member in attendance today Maria Wright and mentioned Charles Scherer is a new member but could not attend today.

Meeting adjourned at 4:12 PM

Submitted by Chief Clerk

John Gafney 3/14/201

# Division 6 AP Program Report

AP Report

By:  
**Howard  
R. Smith,  
MMR**

I have received a Golden Spike Award for Richard Hartley. Congrats as this is the first venture into the AP program for Richard. I plan to present the award to Rich at the April division meeting.

Two Structures Merit Awards were presented to John Retterer recently.

These awards were all John needed to complete his submittal for Master Builder Structures. His completed forms

were sent to Frank Koch, the MCR AP Manager.

Lastly, completed forms for the AP certificate Association Volunteer has been submitted for John Gafney. John has served in several positions and most recently as Division 6 Chief Clerk.

Congratulations to all.

Howard R. Smith, MMR

Division 6 AP Chairman

## Division 6 WEB Masters Report

The Division 6 WB Site is in the process of being divided into two different sections. The original Division 6 WEB Site has undergone some minor visible changes and major invisible changes. It is full of old, outdated code I learned in my youth - back when I was in my 50's.

A second, new WEB Site, called the Division 6 Archive, is now on-line, but not yet finished. This new Site will contain all the information the Division has gathered over the last few years and information that we plan on keeping for a long time. This is where we will keep issues of *The Super's Signal*, photographs of Contest Winners, and photographs of Layouts.

In time the original WEB Site will be paired down to current information; this years Time Table, Contest Schedule, The Division Store, and general Division 6 information. I will try to keep you informed of changes in the original WEB Site as they are made.

To find the Division 6 Archive WEB Site, either go to:

<http://archive.div6-mcr-nmra.org>

or use the link in "News and Notes" on the Division 6 Welcome Page.

Don Wilke

Division 6 WEB Master

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## Contest Winners

No entries were submitted to either category.

### Division 6 Timetable

**14 April**

Zanesville Club Open House

**17 April**

Buckeye TrainShow, State Fairgrounds

**1-2 May**

N-Gauge Weekend,  
Franklin County Fairgrounds

**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

**1 August**

An operations session at Ned Harlow's.

**Model:** Loaded Tractor/Trailer

**Photo:** Tractor/Trailer

**12 September**

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

**Model:** None; **Photo:** None

## Columbus N-Trak

**Central Ohio N-Trak –**  
3840 North High Street, Columbus, Ohio

**Park of Roses Recreation Center –**  
3901 N. High Street, Columbus, Ohio

### **From the Editor desk**

This issue of *The Super's Signal* will be the second edition since the changeover to on-line publication. As many of you know, who did not receive a copy in the mail or notification that it was available on line, that a change was made. A request was made by the editor in December and January issues to proclaim your choice. Out of 200 and some members in the Division only a small percentage responded to the (2) two choices of email notification or mailed copy. Unless you request by mail or email to the editor your choice, you will not receive email or snail mail a copy of the Signal. Your support in this matter is greatly needed to ensure that you continue to receive information from and about your Division in a timely manner.

Thanks

*Bob Lee*