

SUPER'S SIGNAL

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Superintendent's Report

Greg Short, Division 6 Super

December Super's Report

Well everyone here it is the Holliday Season and it is in full swing. Excepting the weather, which may be a bit warm, the festive spirit is in the air. Knowing that everyone has more important things to do than set and read what I think I will keep it short.

First off we are still in need of a couple of division members to come on board and take on the jobs of Assistant Superintendent and Paymaster. If anyone has a interest or wishes more information get in touch with me and I will be happy to help you out. I would truly like to have volunteers you wish to have the positions rather than to railroad someone into them.

We had a nice meeting at Upper Arlington this month as we watched old movies from the central Ohio area. I was amazed by how much the landscape has changed over the years. I wish we could have had some more of you at the meeting. Hey, I do understand that there were other things going on that day.

Our meeting was brief and all that we discussed was the 2016 meeting schedule. Dick is working on it and the Convention write up for the *Kingpin*.

I would like to congratulate Don Wilke as the winner of the postcard drawing for 2015. I hope that we keep this on going for many years into the future. We also need to congratulate the winners of the contest for the month. Bob had a great choice of topic in covered hoppers even though he was a bit miffed by my choice of photo. For those who were not there I entered a photo of a "recycled" covered hopper that rests on top of Buckeye Steel. I don't know why it is there or its use, but it is. Oh yea, I need to mention that it was the 1st place photo. Con-

Super's Signal Deadline
20 January

17 January

St. John's Lutheran Church Grove City

1:00: St. John's Church opens (Rooms 103/104)

1:30: Contest submission closes

1:30: Division 6 Business Meeting, Raffle

2:00: Clinic: TBA

Model Contest: On Line Structures.
Photography Contest: On Line Structures.

grats to Dick Briggs for his first place tie with himself on the models. Bob let us all know that the next contest will be a Online Structure, something that everyone should have.

Before I let you all go back to you festivities, please let me remind everyone that on a meeting day, if the weather or roads are bad please stay home. We will make every effort to let everyone know of a cancelation in plenty of time but things can creep up on us all. Just watch the website and check you email as we will get it out on both. We don't need one of us to get hurt or worse going to a Division meeting as everyone is worth way more that that.

So I bid you all well wishes and may Santa bring you lots of trains, as well the new year bring you health and happiness.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Greg

Clerk's Report

Greg Short for
Patrick Hreachmack, Deputy Clerk

Minutes for the Division 6, Mid Central Region, NMRA, Inc. Business Meeting for December 6, 2015 Upper Arlington Library

The Division 6 business meeting was called to order by Superintendent Greg Short at the Upper Arlington Library.

Division 6 Officers in Attendance:

Superintendent	Greg Short
Assistant Superintendent	Dick Briggs
Director	Donald Wilke

Division 6 Chairpersons Present:

Achievement Program	Dick Briggs
Contest	Bob Lee
Media	Matt Goodman
Membership	Matt Goodman
Program	Dick Briggs
Raffle	Lon Wilson
<i>Super's Signal</i> Publisher	Don Wilke
Web Master	Don Wilke
2016 MCR Convention	Dick Briggs

The Superintendent asked the attendees to put their Division 6 meeting notice postcards in the meeting notice collection box.

Clerk's Report: Greg Short. As the Clerk was not present the Super asked for any additions or corrections to the minutes as published. Paul Smith brought up that the minutes had a variance in them concerning the elections. It was cleared up that the minutes should be amended to say that the Dick Briggs made the motion to close nominations. With no nominations for the office of Assistant Superintendent and Paymaster. These positions will be filled at a later date. Fred Rea made the motion to approve minutes as amended with Matt Goodman 2nd. Motion was approved.

Paymaster's Report: Greg Short. The Paymasters Report was reported by the Super for Paymaster Farley. A motion for approval was made by John Stuber and seconded by Don Wilke. All the members approved the report, pending audit.

Program Report: Dick Briggs. Dick Briggs reported that the 2016 Convention program is being worked on.

Super's Signal: Don Wilke. Don reported that items for the next *Super's Signal* are due in by 9 December.

Website Report: None given.

Media Report: None given.

Membership Report: None given.

2016 MCR Convention: Dick Briggs. Dick reported that the Convention Report for the *KingPin* has been completed and will be in the next issue.

Car Project: Dick Briggs. The gondola has arrived and is here for viewing.

Schedule: Dick Briggs. The schedule, through the end of April, will be in the next issue of the *Signal*.

The Clerk's Report
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Non-Credited Photos by Donald Wilke

OLD BUSINESS

Elections: Greg Short. The Superintendent reminded everyone that there were no nominations for office of Assistant Superintendent or Paymaster. If anyone wishes hold one of these offices please let the Super know. If no one steps up the Steering Committee will have to find members to do these before the June meeting..

NEW BUSINESS

None reported.

CLUB REPORTS

Due to time constraints on the meeting there were no club reports for this meeting.

BRING'N'BAG

Bob Lee presented certificates to those who were the Bring'n'Brag winners.

RAFFLES

Lon Wilson handled the raffle and also took care of the BIG ONE being the post card drawing. Thanks to all who participated. The winner of the Passenger train was Don Wilke. We hope to keep this running with another nice gift next year.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Next Division 6 Meeting: The next meeting will be January 10, 2016 at the St. John's Lutheran Church in Grove City. **NOTE: THIS IS TENTATIVE. [Now 17 Jan]**

Signal Deadline: The *Signal* deadline is Dec. 9.

Next Contest: On line structures.

Membership Report

Matt Goodman, Membership Chair

Upcoming Expirations –

Check Your Membership Expiration Date!

November	1 membership is expiring
December	2 memberships are expiring
January	14 memberships are expiring!!

New Members

We have one new member this month. Say “welcome” to some anonymous person that lives in Ross county! New Ross County member, you know who you are; come to the next meeting and introduce yourself!

Renewals

November 2015 saw two renewals

Active Members:

November	162	September:	161
October	162	November '15:	173

Other Stuff

- Have you changed your address or other membership information?
- Are you not getting emails from the division?
- Not sure when your membership expires (or if it already has)?
Notify headquarters by email: nmrahq@aol.com

You can contact either the Buckeye Division membership chair, or the National Headquarters to give updates or get your questions answered:

National

Email: nmrahq@aol.com

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Convention Update

Dick Briggs, Convention Chair

There are three phases that make up the preparation for the Convention next year. First was the planning sessions along with the various field excursions required to check out the various venues for the activities. The second phase was the advertising activity. Over the next several months we will be busy putting the plan into action.

The *KingPin* article has gone to the printer, the web site will be up in the next few days and we will be visiting many of the other divisions in the next several months to encourage their participation.

I could make a long list of members to thank, but will avoid the long list at this time and just say that we have an outstanding weekend planned with a truly blockbuster clinic and tour program and an unbelievable assembly of layouts for our visitors to operate on and visit. Many thanks to all those who have helped so far. Many thanks also to those who have stepped up and volunteered their time and talents during the convention.

Bring'n'Brag Report

Bob Lee, Contest Chair

On December 6 the Division 6 Contest was held at the Upper Arlington Library The category was "Covered Hopper Car" for both Model and Photo.

The first place Model winner was Dick Briggs, MMR, for his **B&O Covered Hopper #631145**. Because Dick Briggs tied himself for first place we have no second place winner. The third place winner was Lon Wilson for his **Frisco Covered Hopper #84084**.

The first place Photo winner was Greg Short for his **Recycled Covered Hopper at Buckeye Steel Castings**. The second place Photo winner was Don Wilke for his **Klemme Coop Grain Covered Hopper #182950**. The third place winners were Lon Wilson for his **Central Soya Covered Hopper #43196** and Paul Smith for his **Central Georgia Covered Hopper #1329**.

The 2015 Modeler of the Year award winner is Dick Briggs, MMR, with a total of 48 points. The 2015 Photographer of the Year award winner is Paul Smith with a total of 59 points.

The Division would like to thank both winners for their outstanding performance in this year contests.

Remember to arrive early to submit your entries and vote!

Our next contest location will be at St. John's Lutheran Church, Grove City. The category will be "**On Line Structures***" for both model and photo.



Photo - First Place
Recycled Covered Hopper At Buckeye Steel Castings
Greg Short

*The definition of On Line Structures is as follows: Any building or facility that is serviced by the railroad examples are: switch tower; roundhouse; coaling tower; industry with track side loading dock; stations and etc. and pictures of the same.

On behalf of Division 6 we hope you and your family have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Remember, Show up and Put up, models and pictures that is.



Model - First Place (Tie)
B & O #631145
Dick Briggs.

Bring-N-Brag Contest Point Summary 15 November 2015

Bob Lee, Contest Chair

<u>Models</u>			
Dick Briggs, MMR	48	Eric Porch	12
Jim Kehn	34	Fred Rea	10
Bob Lee	29	Darrell Logan	8
Jim Borcz	25	Al Doddroe	7
Lon Wilson	24	Matt Goodman	6
Greg Short	20	Don Wilke	4
Pat Hreachmack	15	Howard Smith, MMR	3
John Retterer	15	Peggy Doerflein	2

<u>Photos</u>			
Paul Smith	59	Al Doddroe	5
Greg Short	53	Jim Borcz	2
Don Wilke	35		
Lon Wilson	33		
Dick Briggs, MMR	18		
Bob Lee	13		
Matt Goodman	8		
Eric Porch	8		

Division 6 – 2016 Time Table

Date	Event	Location	Contest
17 Jan	Division 6 Meeting	Business Meeting: Saint John's Lutheran Church, Grove City Clinic: <i>TBA</i>	Model: On Line Structure Photo: On Line Structure
20 Jan	<i>Super's Signal</i> Deadline		
14 Feb	Division 6 Meeting	Business Meeting: Saint John's Lutheran Church, Grove City Clinic: <i>TBA</i>	Model: Steam Locomotive Photo: Steam Locomotive
17 Feb	<i>Super's Signal</i> Deadline		
6 Mar	Division 6 Meeting	Business Meeting: Reynoldsburg Methodist Church, Reynoldsburg Clinic: <i>TBA</i>	Model: Diners/Lounge Cars Photo: Diners/Lounge Cars
6 Apr	<i>Super's Signal</i> Deadline		
28 Apr – 1 May	<i>MCR Convention</i>	<i>Rails to the Capital</i> , Dublin, OH	Modeler's Choice
15 May	Division 6 Meeting	Business Meeting: Reynoldsburg Methodist Church, Reynoldsburg Clinic: <i>TBA</i>	Model: MOW Cars Photo: MOW Cars

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This is a partial listing of planned activities to start off the new year until my replacement can take over the planning of the program. We anticipate clinics at each of these meetings and they will be announced in future Signals
Dick Briggs, MMR

Bring'n'Brag Rules

Bob Lee, Contest Chair

BRING' N' BRAG CONTEST RULES

Entrants will bring model(s) and or photo(s) and enter in the Division 6 Contest each meeting. The first, second, and third place winners will receive certificates and will be asked to give a brief description of the model(s) and or photo(s) they entered as they receive their award(s). All other entrants are not required to do this. Entrants get points toward our annual "Modeler and Photo of the Year" award based on what they enter and how many votes they get. The person with the most points at the end of the year is the winner in each category.

Each entry will receive a number and all members present will be permitted to vote for their favorite Model and Photo. A point system will be used as follows:

- The entrant that gets the most votes for their entry gets 5 points.
- The entrant that gets the second highest number of votes gets 4 points.
- The entrant that gets the third highest number of votes gets 3 points.

If there is a tie for first place there is **NO second place** and the next highest vote getter gets the third place points.

If there is a three way tie for first place there are **NO second or third place** winners.

If there is a tie for second place there is **No third place** winner.

If there is a tie for third place they all win the third place points.

Every other entrant get one (1) point for bringing in a model or photo. Even if they bring in ten models or photos they still only get one (1) point.

Every entrant whose model and or photo matches the monthly category gets an additional point.

The first place winner(s) will receive a bonus of one (1) point which equals 6 points.

Bring'n'Brag Rules
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SCRATCHBUILDING & KITBASHING RULES

To reward scratchbuilding and kitbashing skills additional points will be added to the points awarded for place.

- Scratchbuilt models will receive Two (2) additional points.
- Kitbashed models will receive One (1) additional point.

The entrant must notify the Contest Chairman if they model is scratchbuilt or kitbuilt at the time of entry. Failure to do so will disqualify the model for extra point(s).

Example:

1. A regular steam locomotive with a Scratchbuilt tender combined does not count as scratchbuilt.
2. A Ready to Run (RTR) car with Kadee couplers and new trucks does not count as kitbashed.

Each member will **NOT** be permitted to enter the same model again unless you have made some significant modifications to it. Also no RTR (Ready to Run) car can be enter unless you have done something to change it.

*Note: All Models and or Photos must be finished or taken by Entrant, no second party entries will be accepted.

Example:	First Place	5
	First place extra point	1
	Bringing a model or photo	1
	Matches Category	<u>1</u>
	Total	8 points

- Scratchbuilt add 2 points
- Kitbashed add 1 point

A running list of entrant names and points will be shown in each issue of the *Super's Signal*.

Contest voting closes 30 minutes before the posted division meeting start time.

PHOTOGRAPHY REQUIREMENT**Photograph Presentation:**

Framed Photographs are NOT permitted.

Photographs are not to be covered by glass, plastic, or placed in folders.

NO identifying text, including name, permitted on the front of photograph.

Photograph may have a generic title on the front.

Maximum of (3) three photos per entrée.

Photograph Size:

Minimum print size: 5 x 7.

Minimum mount size: 8 x 10.

Minimum size, print or mount: 12 x 16.

Maximum Height, panorama: 8 inches (width of panorama may be a factor of: 2, 3, or 4.)

Note: No photograph may be re-entered in a Division 6 contest if it has won in any category, First place in a previous contest or any place in a National or Regional contest.



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