

# SUPER'S SIGNAL

A publication of Division 6, Mid-Central Region of The National Model Railroad Association, Inc.

August 2016

## Superintendent's Report

Greg Short, Division 6 Super

Hey everyone, hope you are having a great summer so far. Mine has been a bit rough. I got derailed at the end of June and missed the festivities of the 4th of July. I came down with a nasty case of pneumonia and as you can imagine it was no fun. But I am on the mend and back to doing what I do. As I look out of my window I see my garden looking good except for the corn and beans. A doe and her 2 fawns have taken up residence in my back yard and have now decimated my plants. I am really glad to see that someone is enjoying all the work I put into that. More wasted time that I could have been working on the railroad, oh well.

Speaking of the railroad I was happy to see the great turnout for our annual meeting in Marion. Both the NS and CSX were kind enough to provide a nice show of trains to watch. We also had a great program and guest speakers to liven up the day. I would like to thank Gina from Operation Lifesaver for taking time to do a program for us.

I was a bit disappointed in the amount of contest entries. I thought there would be many more due to the open category for the month. But what entries we did have were exceptional and congrats to all the entrants. While we are on this Bob spelled out clarifications on the contest rules. If you have any questions, please see Bob and I am sure he can answer them.

During the meeting I cleared up one major item dealing with our financial statement. That is dealing with how to obtain a copy of the report. Simply put, there will be a limited number of copies at the meeting. We will publish a printed copy of the Paymasters Report in the January issue of the *Signal*. The January issue is now the only printed issue of the *Signal* because it is the Election Issue. If you would like a copy of the Paymaster's Report and can't get to a meeting notify the Superintendent and/ or the Paymaster by email. We will NOT be putting the Paymasters Report on line. Our major reason for this is to limit who can see the re-

## Super's Signal Deadline

18 August

14 August

## Bowling Green Township Hall, Brownsville Perry County

2:00: Bowling Green Township Hall (main meeting room) Opens

2:30: Division 6 Business Meeting,

**Bring your name badges**

3:15: Zanesville & Western Railroad train ride.

**Model Contest:** No Contest.

**Photography Contest:** No Contest.

port from outside our group. The whole world does not need to know our finances.

I also brought up some programs and projects that we should look into. Including working with the Boy Scouts and 4H, both have projects involving model railroading. I will be looking for Chair persons for both of these in the future. The last thing discussed was the revival of a train show. The Steering Committee discussed this idea at great length in a meeting. The Steering Committee decided that it is something that we need to do. I brought this to the membership and explained that we will be going forward with this. I am not looking for it to happen tomorrow but I would like to see it in the next year to 18 months. The Steering Committee decided the train show should move east to the Cambridge area. The central Ohio area is rather saturated with existing shows. This will have an positive effect on what we are trying to do. By moving it to an area that is easy to travel to and can draw from several metro areas, it will give us a better chance of getting attendees. Once again I will be looking for someone to head this up.

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## Clerk's Report

*Patrick Hreachmack, Clerk*

### Minutes for the Division 6, Mid Central Region, NMRA, Inc. Business Meeting for June 18, 2016 Marion Union Station

The Division 6 business meeting was called to order by Greg Short, Division 6 Superintendent, at the Marion Union Station, in Marion.

**Division 6 Officers in Attendance:**

Superintendent	Greg Short
Assistant Superintendent	<a href="#">Available</a>
Clerk	Pat Hreachmack
Paymaster	Dexter Hill
Director	Jim Borcz
Director	John Ritter
Director	Donald Wilke

**Division 6 Chairpersons Present:**

Achievement Program	Dick Briggs
Contest	Bob Lee
Media	Matt Goodman
Membership Program	Matt Goodman
Raffle	<a href="#">Available</a>
<i>Super's Signal</i> Publisher	Lon Wilson
Web Master	Don Wilke

**Welcome New Members:** Randy Ackerman, from Centerburg, operates HO-Scale Santa Fe.

**Clerk's Report:** Pat Hreachmack. Motion for approval of prior meeting minutes was made, seconded and approved by membership.

**Paymaster's Report:** Dexter Hill. Dexter reported the net total in Savings and Checking accounts.

**Program Report:** Greg Short. Superintendent Greg provided the future meeting schedule to be: 8/14, 9/10, 10/15, 11/13, & 12/11. Some locations are still pending.

**Achievement Report:** Dick Briggs. Mike Wolf completed the requirements for Civil Engineer. Jim Keen completed \_\_\_\_\_.

**Web Master Report:** Don Wilke. The new schedule will be on the web site probably this coming week.

**Media Report:** Matt Goodman. We have had 691 "likes", many from South America. We still have 33 subscriptions for our U-Tube. Matt has requested new videos for our media.

**Super's Signal Report:** Don Wilke. Need more articles from members to be published in the *Super's Signal*.

**Membership Report:** Matt Goodman. As of May, 2016 we have 178 members, down 2 from April. In May of 2015, we had 158 members, indicating we've had a good bump in membership. Matt requests that all members check their contact information to be sure we have it correctly listed.

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**APPOINTED CHAIRS**

**Achieve. Program:** Dick Briggs, MMR  
**Contest:** Bob Lee  
**Media:** Matt Goodman  
**Members Aid:** Available  
**Membership:** Matt Goodman  
**Program:** Available  
**Raffle:** Lon Wilson  
**Web Master:** Don Wilke

**Super's Signal Publisher**

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**NMRA Central District Director**

Robert Beaty, MMR

Non-Credited Photos by Donald Wilke

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Name Tags:** Superintendent Greg Short. Greg is still working on this, but says for now to wear your lanyard with your name badge attached. Name tags are to be worn for meetings and field trips. Division 5 gives coupons to hobby shops for wearing your name tag. We might consider this.

**Meeting Post Cards:** John Ritter will be assuming responsibility for this job. The Grand Prize for this year's drawing will be provided by Dick Briggs.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Program Ideas:** Programs at other division meetings seem to be very useful to our division. Some of the program examples are:

- \* Boy Scout Merit Badge (Division 3)
- \* 4-H program (Medina County)
- \* Train shows

**Train show discussion:** The train show in September usually held in Sandusky, is retiring. Could we tie a train show to the same weekend as Sandusky's show? Discussion

included hurdles, locations, clinics, items for families, walk-ins and other features.

**BRING'N'BRAG**

**Models:**

**1st Place:** Eric Ponett, 1/25-Scale PRR MoW truck.

**2nd Place:** Jim Kehn, O-Scale Jack's cabin water tank.

**3rd Place:** Shared by Judy Logan, Z-Scale train and Darrell Logan, SD-24 UP A-B-B-A diesels.

**Photos:**

**1st Place:** Greg Short, KCS SD-70 #4034.

**2nd Place:** Peggy Doerflein, Turntable.

**3rd Place:** Peggy Doerflein, Colorado State 2-6-0 #6.

**Raffle:**

**GOOD OF THE ORDER**

Meeting was adjourned with approval of the membership.

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**Membership Report**

*Matt Goodman, Membership Chair*

**Other Stuff**

**New Members**

We have one new members in June, a RailPass member from Reynoldsburg. Welcome Marc!

**Renewals**

Nine members renewed their memberships in June.

**Active Members** (end of the month):

June	179	June '15	158
May	178	May '15	158
April	180	April '15	160

**Upcoming Expirations – Check your dates!**

June	2 memberships are expiring
July	1 membership is expiring
August	3 memberships are expiring

- 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](mailto:nmrahq@aol.com)

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

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**Phone:** 423-892-2846 (9am – 4:30pm)

**Mail:** NMRA, Inc.  
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I know some of this will require time and effort for all of us. But we as a group need to grow and expand and we will never be able to do this by just showing up at a monthly meeting. It is, and should be, the mission of this group to promote our hobby and bring in new members so they too can see what being a NMRA member can offer.

I look forward to our next meeting in August as we will be going to a real railroad in our area. We will be visiting the Zanesville and Western Scenic Railroad in

Mt Perry. As I type this I hopeful to have our meeting place set. The railroad itself does not have an area that would be useful for us to hold a meeting. I am looking at a couple of other places and will pass it on as soon as I know. I am trying to find someplace that will not charge us a bunch of money for 2 hours of a day.

Well that's about all for now. I look forward to seeing you all and Happy Modeling.

Greg



**Bring'n'Brag Report**

*Bob Lee, Contest Chair*

On June 18, 2016 the Division 6 Contest was held at the Marion Union Station, Marion, Ohio. The category was "**Modeler Choice**" for both Model and Photo.

The first place Model winner was Eric Porch for his "**1/25-Scale Pennsy M.O.W. Truck**". The second place winner was Jim Kehn for his "**O-Scale Jack's Cabin Water Tank**". The third place winners were Judy Logan for her "**Z-Scale train**" and Darrell Logan for his "**HO-Scale SD-24 UP A-B-B-A Diesels**" (Kitbashed)



**Model - First Place**  
**1/25-Scale Pennsy M.O.W. Truck**  
**Eric Porch**



**Photograph - First Place**  
**KCS SD-70 #4034 at Marion**  
**Greg Short**

The first place Photo winner was Greg Short for his "**KCS SD-70 #4034**". The Second Place winner was Peggy Doerflein for her "**Turntable**" and third place for her "**Colorado Southern 2-6-0 #6**".

***Remember, No meeting in July***

Our Next meeting will be at the Bowling Green Township House, Brownsville, Ohio on **August 14, 2016**. There will be no Contest at the August meeting.

Support your hobby and division by participating.

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



**Bring-N-Brag Contest Point Summary**  
**14 February 2016**

Models		Bob Lee, Contest Chair		Photos			
Darrell Logan	35	Peggy Doerflein	8	Greg Short	35	Paul Smith	6
Eric Porch	15	Fred Rea	6	Peggy Doerflein	27	Jim Borcz	5
Robert Doerflein	11	Jim Kehn	6	Lon Wilson	6	Al Doddroe	5
Lon Wilson	11	Judy Logan	5	Rich Hartley	6	Eric Porch	5
Al Doddroe	10	Bob Lee	2				
Pat Hreachmack	9	Greg Short	2				
Jim Borcz	8						

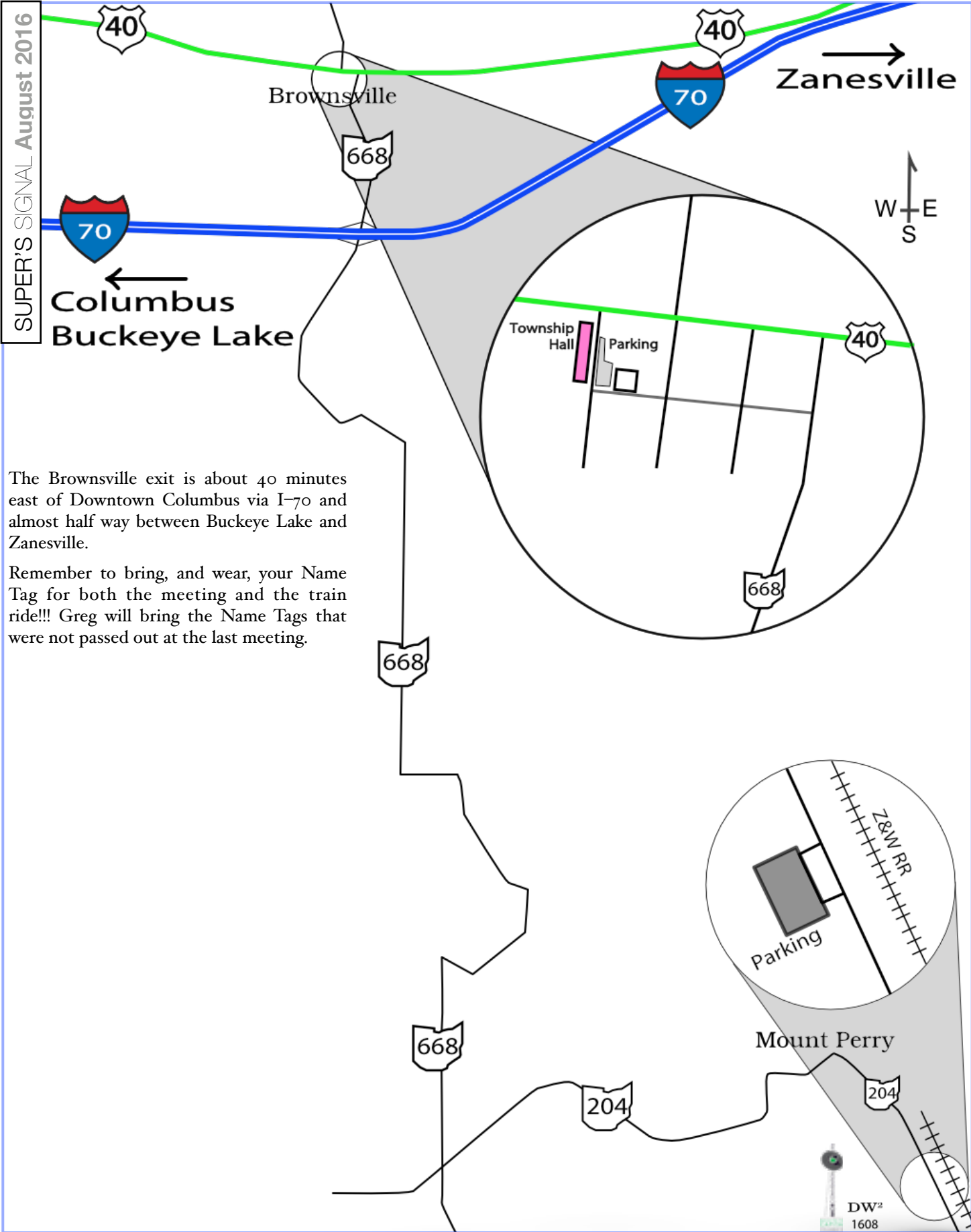




## Revised – Division 6 – 2016 Time Table

Date	Event	Location	Contest
17 Jan	Division 6 Meeting	Business Meeting: Saint John's Lutheran Church, Grove City Clinic: <i>Car Cards Without Card Numbers</i> , Mike Wolf	Model: On Line Structure Photo: On Line Structure
20 Jan	<i>Super's Signal Deadline</i>		
14 Feb	Division 6 Meeting	Business Meeting: Saint John's Lutheran Church, Grove City Video Clinic: <i>Turning Inexpensive Styrene Kits Into Front Row Buildings</i> , Katharine Alley	Model: Steam Locomotive Photo: Steam Locomotive
17 Feb	<i>Super's Signal Deadline</i>		
6 Mar	Division 6 Meeting	Business Meeting: Reynoldsburg Methodist Church, Reynoldsburg Clinic: <i>TBA</i>	Model: Diner/Lounge Car Photo: Diner/Lounge Car
6 Apr	<i>Super's Signal Deadline</i>		
28 Apr – 1 May	<i>MCR Convention</i>	<i>Rails to the Capital</i> , Dublin, OH	Modeler's Choice
14 May	Ohio N-Scale Weekend	Franklin County Fairgrounds, Hilliard	
15 May	Division 6 Meeting	Business Meeting: Reynoldsburg Methodist Church, Reynoldsburg Clinic: <i>TBA</i>	Model: MOW Cars Photo: MOW Cars
18 May	<i>Super's Signal Deadline</i>		
18 June Saturday	Division 6 Meeting	Business Meeting: Marion Union Station, Marion Clinic: <i>Son of Imagineering</i> , Steve Kaplan & Greg Short Clinic: <i>Operation Lifesaver</i> by Gina Sheldon Clinic: <i>Scratch Building Cars Stick by Stick</i> , Gary Burdette	Model: Modeler's Choice Photo: Modeler's Choice
20 July	<i>Super's Signal Deadline</i>		
14 Aug	Division 6 Meeting	Business Meeting: Bowling Green Township House, Brownsville, Train Ride: Zanesville & Western	Model: None Photo: None
18 Aug	<i>Super's Signal Deadline</i>		
10 Sept Saturday	Division 6 Meeting	Joint Business Meeting 6 & 9: Mark Maynard, Portsmouth	Model: Refrigerate Car Photo: <del>Prototype</del> –Refrigerate Car, color or black & white
15 Sept	<i>Super's Signal Deadline</i>		
15 Oct Saturday	Division 6 Meeting	Business Meeting: TBA, Coshocton Train Ride: <i>Mill Creek Central Live Steam</i>	
20 Oct	<i>Super's Signal Deadline</i>		
13 Nov	Division 6 Meeting	Business Meeting: CA&C (PRR) Depot, Mt. Vernon Clinic: <i>TBA</i>	Model: Tank Car Photo: <del>Model</del> –Tank Car, color or black & white
16 Nov	<i>Super's Signal Deadline</i>		
11 Dec	Division 6 Meeting	Business Meeting: Upper Arlington Library <i>Slide/Movie Show</i>	
15 Dec	<i>Super's Signal Deadline</i>		

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The Brownsville exit is about 40 minutes east of Downtown Columbus via I-70 and almost half way between Buckeye Lake and Zanesville.

Remember to bring, and wear, your Name Tag for both the meeting and the train ride!!! Greg will bring the Name Tags that were not passed out at the last meeting.