

SUPER'S SIGNAL

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

June 2017

Superintendent's Report

Greg Short, Division 6 Super

May Super's Report

Well guess who's back, it's you ole Super with more enlightening or useless info. Guess it depends on your perspective. I am happy to say it looks like we made it thru another winter and we on going into what so far is a pleasant spring. Won't be long till everyone will be out working in the yard, tending the flowers or getting in the garden. For me it will be some of all of them. I hope that everyone has come thru the winter in good shape. For a lot of us it means cutting back on those workbench projects as now we want to be outdoors.

As a bunch of you know we had our April meeting in Zanesville. I was surprised to see as many folks show up as we did. I figured that being so close to a holiday it might have hurt but we had 34 members show up. For those who were there, thanks for coming out and seeing what we have been doing at the ZTNT. I think a lot of you were surprised at how much we did in a relatively short time. It has been almost two years since the division's last visit. And the boys there have busted their butts to get the railroad up and running. I wish more of you could have stayed longer and run the railroad. But it was a pretty nice day and it is a bit of a drive for some so I understand. Remember that the club meets every Tuesday and you can stop down. The club is also hosting run secessions the 4th Sunday of each month. If you wish to come by they usually start around 11 in the morning, check the clubs Facebook page for more info.

Super's Signal Deadline
22 June

17 June (Saturday)

Marion Union Station Marion

8:00: Marion Union Station opens

8:45: Contest Entries, AP Judging, Flea Market, Swap Meet

9:00: Clinic: *Scenery*, Greg Short

10:30: Clinic: *The ABCs of the AP Program*, Dick Briggs, MMR

11:30: Lunch (on your own)

1:15: Contest voting closes

1:30: Division 6 Membership Meeting, Raffle, and awards

3:00: Clinic: *Mold Making-Part III*, Darrell Logan

All Day: Train Watching

Model Contest: Favorite Train.

Photography Contest: Railroad Derelict.

We had a great contest this month, thanks to Jimmy for keeping the contest going. I was really surprised at the amount and quality of entries. Check out the contest page on the website for photos. I will say that I hope that some of you take you entries to the regional convention and enter them there. We have some good modelers in the division. You need to be rewarded for you work, but this can only happen if you enter the contest. That said, if you plan on going to the Convention, I hope that you have your registration in. I look forward to being there with you.

Everyone remember that our June meeting is on the 17 in Marion.

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Clerk's Report

Greg Short for
Patrick Hreachmack, Clerk

Minutes for the Division 6, Mid Central Region, NMRA, Inc. Business Meeting for April 9, 2017 Zane Trace and National Trail Model Railroad Club Zanesville

The Division 6 Business Meeting was called to order by Division 6 Superintendent, Greg Short, at Zane Trace and National Trail Model Railroad Club, Zanesville.

Division 6 Officers in Attendance:

Superintendent	Greg Short
Assistant Superintendent	Judy Logan
Paymaster	Dexter Hill
Director	Jim Borcz
Director	Donald Wilke

Division 6 Chairpersons Present:

Achievement Program	Dick Briggs
Contest	Jim Ruisinger
Media	Matt Goodman
Membership	Matt Goodman
Program	Greg Short
Raffle	Greg Short (temporary)
<i>Super's Signal</i> Publisher	Don Wilke
Web Master	Don Wilke

Clerk's Report: Greg Short. Minutes for last meeting were posted in the *Super's Signal*, a motion was made and the minutes were approved by membership.

Paymaster's Report: Dexter Hill. Dexter presented the Paymasters Report. A motion to accept the report, subject to audit, was approved by the membership.

Program Report: Greg Short.

Achievement Report: Dick Briggs. Dick reported he has a Merit Award for John Retterer. He also reported the committee judged Greg Short's Scenery.

Web Master Report: Don Wilke. Don reported that the web is again being updated this coming Tuesday.

Super's Signal: Don Wilke. Don reported that notices and other items for the next *Super's Signal* are due May 4.

Media Report: Matt Goodman. Matt gave his report.

OLD BUSINESS:

None to report.

NEW BUSINESS:

Bus Trip: Dick Briggs. The division looking at a bus trip to *Scenic Express*, Pittsburgh on 24 June, the Saturday after the Marion Meeting, for a cost of \$40.

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APPOINTED CHAIRS

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Contest: Jim Ruisinger

Media: Matt Goodman

Members Aid: Available

Membership: Matt Goodman

Program: Available

Raffle: Available

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Robert Beaty, MMR

Non-Credited Photos by Donald Wilke

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Division 6 – 2017 Time Table

Date	Event	Location	Contest
15 Jan	Division 6 Meeting	Business Meeting: Hilltop Library, Columbus Clinic: <i>Figure Painting</i> , Rich Hartley	Model: Open Freight Car WITH Load Photo: Open Freight Car WITH Load
20 Jan	<i>Super's Signal</i> Deadline		
12 Feb	Division 6 Meeting	Business Meeting: New Albany Library, New Albany Clinic: <i>Molds Making 101</i> , Darrell Logan	Model: Non-Revenue Car Photo: Non-Revenue Car
16 Feb	<i>Super's Signal</i> Deadline		
25 Feb Saturday	Boy Scout Merit Badge Clinic		
12 Mar	Division 6 Meeting	Business Meeting: Smoke Stack Hobby Shop, Lancaster Clinic: <i>Leader facilitated discussion</i> , Mike Wolfe	Model: Non-Steam Locs Photo: Diesel & Electric Locs
16 Mar	<i>Super's Signal</i> Deadline		
9 Apr	Division 6 Meeting	Business Meeting:	Model: Lineside RR structure Photo: Lineside RR structure
4 May	<i>Super's Signal</i> Deadline		
18–21 May	MCR Convention	Louisville, KY	Model: Modeler's Choice Photo: Modeler's Choice
17 June Saturday	Division 6 Meeting	Business Meeting: Marion Union Station, Marion	Model: Favorite Train Photo: Railroad derelict
22 June	<i>Super's Signal</i> Deadline		
9 July	Division 6 Meeting	Train Ride: Hocking Valley Scenic Railroad, Nelsonville	Model: Div. 6 sponsored car Photo: None
17 Aug	<i>Super's Signal</i> Deadline		
9 Sept Saturday Tentative	Division 6 Meeting	Joint Business Meeting 6 & 9: Mark Maynard, Portsmouth	Model: Steam Locomotive Photo: Steam Locomotive
14 Sept	<i>Super's Signal</i> Deadline		
8 Oct	Division 6 Meeting	Business Meeting: TBA, Sunbury	Model: Cabooses (Cabin Car) Photo: Cabooses (Cabin Car)
12 Oct	<i>Super's Signal</i> Deadline		
? Nov	Division 6 Train Show	TBA	Model: RR Bridges & Trestles Photo: RR Bridges & Trestles
16 Nov	<i>Super's Signal</i> Deadline		
10 Dec	Division 6 Meeting	Business Meeting: Upper Arlington Library <i>Slide/Movie Show</i>	Model: Passenger Car Photo: Passenger Car
14 Dec	<i>Super's Signal</i> Deadline		

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

Contest Report

Jim Ruisinger, Contest Chair

From the Contest Department:

Folks, once again we had an excellent turnout of models and photos for our Division meeting contests in Zanesville. We also had some entries from some long absent members who brought some outstanding entries. Our contest subject was on-line / lineside structures... Here were the winners:

Winners in the Model Contest were:

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| 1 st Place | Jerry Severson | Flour Mill |
| 2 nd Place | Darrell Logan | Cheyenne Yard Tower |
| 3 rd Place | Jim Borcz | Coaling Tower |

Winners in the Photo Contest were:

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| 1 st Place | Don Wilke | Roundhouse Complex |
| 2 nd Place | Don Wilke | Huntington Valley Station |
| 3 rd Place | Greg Short | Grafton & Greenbrier Interlocking Tower |



1st Place Photo
Roundhouse Complex
Don Wilke

Congratulations to all the winners. We will have Certificates for you at the next meeting, which will be SATURDAY, June 17th, in Marion, Ohio at the Depot. The subjects for that meeting will be:

Model: Favorite Train - Consists of motive power, cars and caboose or suitable EOT device. PLEASE BRING ENOUGH TRACK TO PROPERLY DISPLAY YOUR TRAIN!!!

Photo: Railroad Derelicts / Items for the Rip Track. We've all photographed a sorry looking locomotive or piece of rolling stock in a state of disrepair and headed for the scrappers torch. Let's see what you've spotted!

Keep up the great work!!! We're seeing lots of really neat stuff and I don't know about you, but I want to see a lot more in the coming months....



1st Place Model
Flour Mill
Jerry Severson

Special Note: Please relay our desire that photos be on good quality photo paper stock and not just any old paper. Photo paper can be glossy or matte finish.

Contest Point Summary April 2017

Jim Ruisinger, Contest Chair

Modeler

Jim Borcz	4	Fred Rea	3
Bob Doerflein	4	Jerry Severson	3
Lon Wilson	4	John Retterer	2
Darrell Logan	3	Jim Ruisinger	1

Photographer

Lon Wilson	9	Rich Hartley	2
Don Wilke	8	Matt Goodman	1
Dick Briggs	3	Greg Short	1
Peggy Doerflein	3		



Membership Report April 2017

Matt Goodman, Membership Chair
Summary/Comments

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The Division 6 membership decreased by six between the end of March and end of April. We lost three Regular Members, one Annual Member (someone who is on a one-year membership), two Family Members and one "ST" member type – I have no idea what that one means! We had one new member in that period.

The good news is that there are relatively few member expirations coming up this summer, but as always, check the date on your magazine or contact me if you have any questions about when your membership expires.

Following are the membership details as of 04/30/17.

New Members

We had one new member in April.

Renewals and Re-Rails (returning lapsed members)

Sixteen members renewed their memberships in December.

Active Members (end of the month):

April	163	April '16	180
March	169	March '16	178
February	172	February '16	173

Upcoming Expirations – **Check your dates!**

Note: If you have questions about when your membership expires, check your magazine address label or contact Membership Chair Matt Goodman.

April	1 memberships are expiring
May	3 memberships are expiring
June	2 memberships are expiring
July	3 memberships are expiring

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

Phone: 423-892-2846 (9am – 4:30pm)

Mail: NMRA, Inc.
P.O. Box 1328
Soddy Daisy, TN 37384-1328

Buckeye Division Membership Chair

Email: MembershipChair@div6-mcr-nmra.org

Phone: 614-313-3681 (please leave a message)

Mail: Matt Goodman
130 S. Algonquin Ave.
Columbus, OH 43204

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I know that we usually do the 2nd Saturday but due to scheduling with the folks at the Station we wound up with the 3rd. I look for a good day there. We will have three clinics, our flea market (remember to bring a table), a contest and lots of train watching. Keep your eye on the Signal and look for your postcard for times for the day.

Continuing on with our summer meetings, please check all our methods of contacting you about the meetings. I am still working on a workable cost for us to visit the Hocking Valley Railroad. If I cannot get what I feel is a good deal for the membership, I will

move or cancel the meeting. I do hope that before our June meeting that we can have all the details worked out. Also keep an eye out for a possible bus trip to Scenic Express. Dick Briggs has been working on this and depending on how many decide to go it will determine how large bus we need. This will be a Saturday trip and will be a day long adventure. We will get info out via all our outlets as soon as things come together.

Well that pretty much wraps up things for now so everyone enjoy Spring. I will see you either in Louisville or Marion.

As always, Happy Modeling Greg

Book Review

Through the Heart of Ohio

by Jeffrey R. Brashares

Harv "Butch" Sage

The last two decades of the 19th century and first three decades of the 20th century were the golden age of the electric interurban railroads in the US and also in Ohio. *Through the Heart of Ohio* is the story of one of those lines, the *Columbus, Delaware & Marion Interurban Railway*.

The book begins in 1892 covering the *Columbus, Clintonville & Worthington*, the predecessor of the CD&M, which operated between North Columbus and Worthington. In January, 1900, the line received a 25 year extension of its operating franchise and authorization to extend the line to Delaware. The balance of the year saw no action on the extension, which along with no activity by the *Mansfield, Mt. Gilead & Columbus*, lead *The Delaware Gazette* to declare "once again the Delaware people are called upon to swallow another electric railway story". In February, 1901, the management of the CC&W announced that construction would begin as soon as weather permitted. In March, 1901, another group announced plans for the *Columbus, Delaware and Northern*, which would basically parallel the CD&M.

In June, 1901, the CC&W/CD&M group purchased the Delaware Street Railway, giving them access to Delaware. During 1901 and first nine months of 1902 saw construction begin, while there was almost constant legal wrangling between the two groups. Finally, in late September of 1902 the two groups agreed to consolidate and build a single line, which was the start of the CD&M. During this time, the company also acquired *Marion Electric Power and Light, Marion Street Railway* and the *Prospect Electric Light Company*.

The CD&M began operation from Columbus to Delaware in October and the first cars operated between Delaware

and Marion in September, 1903. This was followed by thru operation between Columbus and Marion in October. Soon after thru freight service began. The final piece of the puzzle was the construction of the *Columbus, Marion & Bucyrus*, which connected the CD&M with the Cleveland Southwestern at Bucyrus, and allowed for direct travel between Columbus and Cleveland.

The CD&M operated, with some financial ups and downs, until February, 1931, when it lost the Cleveland connection due to the abandonment of the Cleveland Southwestern. The CD&M managed to hang on until August, 1933. The *Marion-Reserve Power Company* continued to operate the 7 1/2 miles between the C&O connection in Marion and the power plant, using ex-CD&M box motors until 1952, when a diesel took over, lasting until 1962.

The book has 65 pictures along with numerous examples of memorabilia, equipment roster and employee roster. There are also three maps, one of which is a loose 11 x 56 blueprint print. *The Ohio Railway Museum* (which operates on a section of former CD&M right-of-way) still owns "Red-Bird" 501, one of the last cars purchased by the CD&M.

The book has been out of print for a number of years, but used copies can often be found online and used book stores in the \$15-20 range. This is a great piece of local railroad/interurban history.

Harry "Butch" Sage

Historical footnote: I recall that in the early 60's, several traction enthusiasts/Buckeye Division members discussed acquiring that 7 1/2 mile segment at Marion.

Through the Heart of Ohio, by Jeffrey R. Brashares, 1973. Terminal Press Division, ALDIX International Corp., Union Terminal Building, Cincinnati, OH 45203. Softcover, 64 pages, out of print



Continued: **The Clerk's Report**

CLUB REPORTS:

Zane Trace and National Trail Model Railroad Club:
Greg Short. Thanks to the Zanesville Club for hosting the division meeting.

CLINIC:

Darrell Logan gave part 2 of his *Mold Making Clinic*, also had a hands on portion using a area on the Zanesville Clubs layout.

GOOD OF THE ORDER:

The next division meeting will be at the Marion Union Station on Saturday, June 17.



Division 6 on YouTube:

www.youtube.com/user/nmrabuckeyedivision

Division 6 in Facebook:

NMRA Buckeye Division [in search field]

DIVISION 6 ROAD TRIP

WHERE: SCENIC EXPRESS – DELMONT, PA

WHEN: SATURDAY, JUNE 24, 2017, 7AM – 7PM

COST: \$40.00 PER PERSON – LUNCH INCLUDED

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We will travel by deluxe motor coach and visit the headquarters of *Scenic Express*, one of the largest suppliers of model railroad supplies, near Pittsburgh PA. While there we will participate in a “make & take” clinic demonstrating some of their many scenery products, eat a provided lunch, and shop in their warehouse for all those neat items “we can’t live without” before returning to Columbus. Visit their web site at www.scenicexpress.com and check out the hundreds of unique items available. There will be two pick up locations one east and one west. We will email you with locations when determined. Please bring a lawn chair as seating may be limited for the clinic.

REGISTRATION FORM

NAME: _____ **PHONE:** _____

EMAIL: _____ **NMRA #:** _____

_____ **EAST PICK UP**

_____ **WEST PICK UP**

DEADLINE for sign up is June 17, 2017. Limit of 54 passengers.

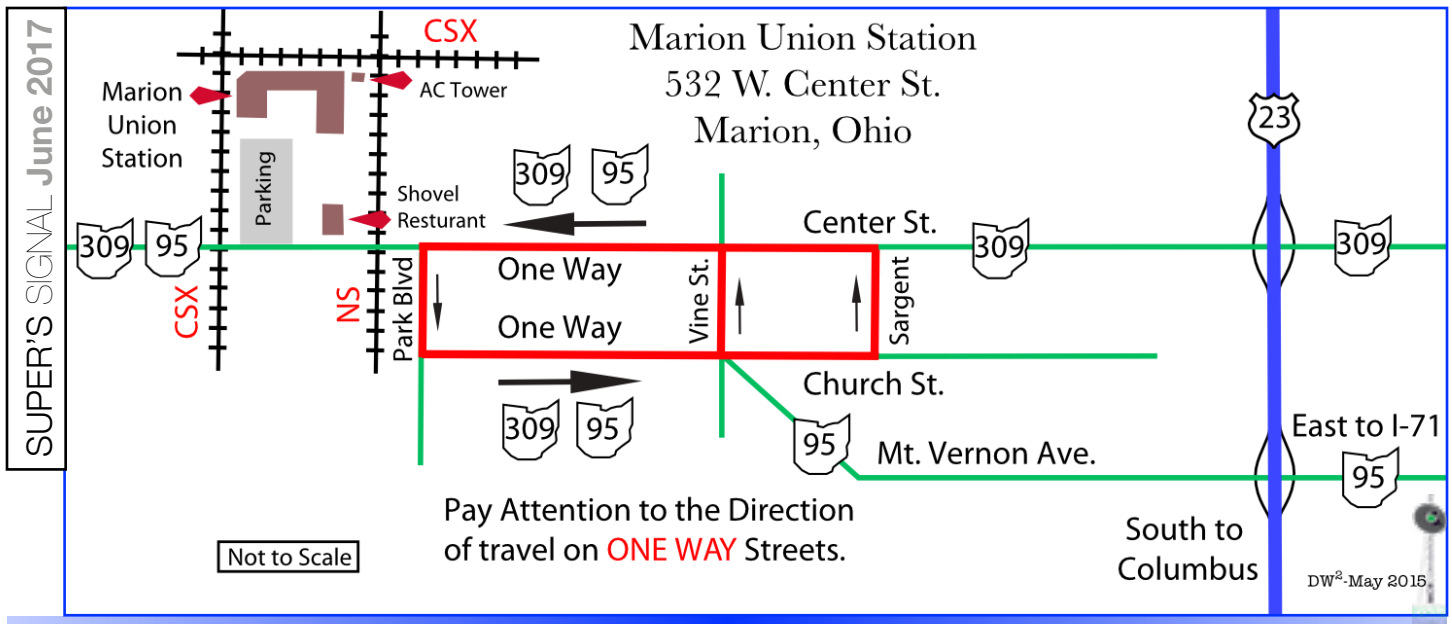
Make check payable to: Division 6, NMRA.

Send check to:

Dick Briggs

4397 Hidden St

Grove City, OH 4312



DIVISION 6 ROAD TRIP – ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

IT'S NOTTO LATE!

You can signup for the Scenic Express Bus Trip. Either send a \$40 check made out to Division 6, NMRA and the Registration Form above to Dick Briggs at the above address. Or bring a check (or cash) to the Marion Meeting and give it to Dick along with your preferred pickup location.

Don't wait to long, there is a 54 side limitation and the bus is over half full.

The bus trip will start on the south west side of Columbus and make a brief stop of the east side of Columbus to pick up 'east-enders.'

West Side Start: Park near the Bob Evans Restaurant, 1660 Georgesville Square Drive, located in Georgesville Square Mall near I-270 and Georgesville Rd. The bus departure at 7 AM. We can not wait for late arrivals, but you may try to catch the bus at the east side pickup point.

East Side Pickup: Park near the Cracker Barrel Restaurant, 1860 Winderly Dr., Pickerington, near I-70 and SR-256. Departure at 7:30 AM or as soon as everyone is aboard the bus.

Although there is parking around both restaurants, please park behind the restaurant and leave the parking space in front for the costumers.

Please note; no refunds will be given after the bus departs the west side starting point.

