

Super's Signal

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Superintendent's Report

Matt Goodman, Division 6 Superintendent

Happy almost-September. I'm writing this almost exactly two months after the Summer Solstice. The day is now one hour and thirty-seven minutes shorter than it was. Two months from now, the days will be another two hours, thirty minutes shorter. The days will be down to ten hours and fifty minutes. It seems like this happens every year!

Division News

At the last Steering Committee Meeting, we resolved several topics around (or spurred by) the car project. One was fine-tuning the pricing for the Buckeye Steel gondolas. We now have a price for membership meetings, internet sales, and one or two other scenarios. We will publish the latter two on the website soon. As discussed at the July Meeting, the member pricing will remain at \$25 per car if members pick them up in person.

The car project, and to a lesser degree, the Convention, also prompted a discussion about state sales tax collection and our division's tax status with the I.R.S. I formed a new committee called the *501 Committee* to investigate these subjects. Mike Wolf, Ken McDonough, and Carter Jastram volunteered to staff the committee, track down details, and build processes. Each of these men has a professional background or body of knowledge well suited to the type of detail this needs. Thanks to this group for taking on this needed work.

Coshocton Meeting

The A.M.R.E.C. Club hosted our August division meeting at the Coshocton County Fairgrounds. This location is one of my favorite locations because of the scope and quality of the layout. Another benefit is that it constantly expands; thus, there is always something new to see. The meeting space seems to get smaller every time we go there. But Rick Jones tells us that the current meeting area will not get any smaller, even as the layout expands.

The highlight of the Division Meeting was Mike's Bring

16 September Division 6 Meeting Zane Trace & National Trail Model Railroad Club 24 South 6th Street Zanesville

12:30: Zanesville Club opens

1:00: Social gathering at Club

1:05: Contest submissions open

1:40: Contest submissions closes; Voting begins

1:50: Contest Voting ends

2:00: Division 6 Meeting

After Meeting: Tour of Zanesville Club

Contests: Steam Engine

and Brag program. See elsewhere in the *Signal* for more on this. I thought the format was highly successful. Five people (braggers?) spoke for five or ten minutes about something they were working on. Something about an active project brings a little excitement that rubs off on

the onlookers. The format had elements of an R.P.M. type meet and a mini-clinic, with its informal conversational style. On top of the Q&A during each Brag, there were many one-on-one conversations after the fact. I hope to see this format again – I learned a lot.

Thanks to A.M.R.E.C. for hosting!

Other News

The Central Ohio R.P.M. in Marion, Ohio, is coming up in October. The setup is on October 12, with the main event on the 13th and 14th. This event typically brings 400-600 models, which amounts to a Bring and Brag on a large scale. I encourage all Division 6 members to consider supporting this local event. Expect to find clinic programming and lots of one-on-one conversation.

I've recently descended into tender nerd-dom on a personal model rail-

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Clerk's Report

**Buckeye Division,
Mid Central Region, NMRA, Inc.
Membership Meeting
A.M.R.E.C.**

19 August 2023

Carter Jastram, Clerk

Call to Order

The Division 6 Meeting was called to order by Matt Goodman, Division 6 Superin-
tendent, at 1:59 p.m.

Division 6 Officers Present:

Superintendent	Matt Goodman
Clerk	Carter Jastram
Director	Ken McDonough
Director	Don Wilke
Director	Mike Wolf, MMR [®]

Division 6 Chairs Present:

Company Store	Greg Short
Membership	Ken McDonough
Membership Retention	Bruce McDonald
Programs	Mike Wolf, MMR [®]
Raffle	Scott Brown
Super's Signal Publisher	Don Wilke
Train Show	Greg Short
Webmaster	Don Wilke

Absent:

Assistant Superintendent, Programs	Dexter Hill
Paymaster	Jim Borcz
Achievement Program	Dick Briggs, MMR [®]
Contest, Groups.io	Jim Ruisinger
Inspector of Elections	Harry "Butch" Sage

Announcements:

Matt Goodman. There were no guests to welcome. On behalf of Division 6, Matt
thanked A.M.R.E.C. and its members for hosting our meeting and welcoming us
there today. The members of A.M.R.E.C. wish us to sign their guest book.

Reports:

Clerk's Report: Carter Jastram. Carter requested everyone to sign in on the Di-
vision 6 attendance pad. He has the order form if more Division 6 members wish
to buy a personalized Division 6 shirt. The membership approved the Clerk's Re-
port, published in the August 2023 *Super's Signal*, pp. 2-4.

Paymaster's Report: Matt for Jim Borcz. The membership approved the Pay-
master's Report, pending audit.

Program Locations and Clinics Report: Mike Wolf. Our next few meetings
occur in Zanesville, Mount Vernon, and the Upper Arlington Library. The clinic in
Mount Vernon will be on Sergeant Couplers. The clinic at the Upper Arlington Li-
brary will be on Fire Equipment. Use the opportunity to offer a clinic for next year
and prepare to be a clinician at our 2025 Mid Central Region Convention.

Watch the *Super's Signal* for the details and updates.

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Achievement Program Report: Dick Briggs. There was nothing new to report.

Webmaster's Report: Don Wilke. The website is up to date. Don will post contest winners on Tuesday. He will update the division's Welcome Page on Monday or Tuesday with a few changes.

Super's Signal Report: Don Wilke. The deadline for articles or your intentions for the September issue of the *Super's Signal* is this Thursday, August 24. Mark Krueger recognized and thanked Don for publishing articles about model railroad phishing scams and how to report them.

Groups.io/Facebook Report: Matt for Jim Ruisinger. Involvement in groups.io is stable. Matt encourages subscribing if you have not yet done so.

Membership Report: Ken McDonough. As of July 31, Division 6 had 145 members plus two new ones. Three members are 30 days past renewing, and one is 60 days past.

Retention and Recruitment Report: Mike Wolf. There was nothing new to report.

Nominations and Elections Report: Butch Sage. All four officers are finishing their second terms and are term-limited from continuing in their present offices. Now is your opportunity to become more involved and run for office. Talk with Jim Ruisinger, Jim Kehn, or Butch Sage to pursue this further.

Car Project Report: Greg Short. Greg brought the *Buckeye Steel Castings Gondolas* to sell at the meeting. They are \$27 plus shipping/handling if ordering by mail. The webmaster will post details on the web by Tuesday.

Train Show Report: Greg Short. The tables are filling up. Mount Hope canceled its train show for this year, and vendors are looking for another Show. Our Train show is on the NMRA calendar, and Greg has scheduled the food truck. There is more advertising yet to do

Old Business:

Donated Railroad Books: The 30 to 40 books donated by Darrell and Connie Logan and the five or six from the Sunbury Club are at the meeting. The suggested donation to Division 6 is \$10 for each book in good condition.

Division 6 Shirts: Jim Kehn. Jim has the box of shirts from the first set of orders ready to distribute. Patrick Hreachmack and Carter Jastram will accept orders and payments through the end of this calendar year for any member who has not yet ordered a shirt and would like to do so

New Business:

Cars and Resistor Wheel-sets: A.M.R.E.C. has both cars and resistor wheel sets for sale.

Short 2025 Convention Meeting: Greg Short will hold a brief meeting at the end of this member meeting about hosting the 2025 MCR Convention.

R.P.M. Meeting: The Railroad Prototype Modelers (R.P.M.) will meet in Marion on Friday and Saturday, October 13 and 14

Club Reports:

No club member presented a club report.

Raffle:

Scott Brown.

Five items were raffled today, and only two people, both members of A.M.R.E.C., were winners. Miles Williamson took home an Accurail HO-Scale Canadian Pacific steel 40' box car, an undecorated triple hopper, an Atlas N-Scale Western Maryland 90-ton hopper, and the Special Raffle Prize of the display shelves. Jody Davis received a copy of the September 2023 *America's Short Lines* issued by the publishers of Trains Magazine.

We appreciate the members' support of the division by buying raffle tickets and donating raffle prizes. If you wish to donate a possible raffle prize, please get in touch with Scott Brown.

Contest Results:

Contest: Don Wilke for Jim Ruisinger. Jim's physical activities are more limited at present. He remains Photo & Contest Chair and will continue to run the Virtual Photo Contest. Don will help out with the Model Contest during our meetings.

August Contest Topic: Caboose.

The Virtual Photo Contest winners are:

Third Place: Scott Brown, *Caboose repurposed as an ice cream stand*

Second Place: Mike Wolf, *Pennsy Cabin Car, using Sketch Up on an iPad to combine three photos with three focal points into one in-focus picture*

First Place: Jim Ruisinger, *Weyerhaeuser Timber Co. # 719*

The Model Contest Winners are:

Tied for Second Place: Greg Short, *Lehigh Valley Caboose*; Mark Krueger, *Northern Pacific Wide Vision Caboose*; and Matt Goodman, *Norfolk & Westerner Caboose*

First Place: Mike Wolf, *Pennsy Caboose with flicker-free marker lights*

Congratulations to the winners, and thanks to all who entered. Keep your entries coming; we love to see them.

The September contest is **Steam Engine**. Please bring your models to the Division 6 member meeting.

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Continued: **Clerk's Report**

Members may enter photographs of models or prototypes from now through September 13, 2023. Members may vote on September 14 and 15 until 9:00 p.m. The Contest Chair will announce the winners at the September 16 Division 6 meeting.

Remember, a member may only enter photos taken by oneself

Good of the Order

Next Steering Committee Meeting: The Steering Committee meetings take place every third Thursday evening of each month at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom. The next one is September 21. Any member may attend any Steering Committee meeting. Contact Superintendent Matt Goodman for the Zoom meeting link if interested.

Next Division 6 Membership Meeting: The next Division 6 Member Meeting will be on Saturday, September 16, at the Zanesville Club at 2:00 p.m. Details will be in the **Super's Signal** and on the division's website Welcome Page.

Adjournment:

After a motion and a second to adjourn, Matt adjourned the meeting at 2:62 p.m.

Clinic:

Mike Wolf, Michael Percy, Matt Goodman, Howdy Lamprecht, and Richard Jones shared their *bring-and-brag* items for a lively and varied presentation.

We express our appreciation to the "braggers" and encourage anyone with an idea or an experience to talk with Mike Wolf about sharing a clinic at a future date.



Continued: **The Super's Report**

roading front. Tenders used to be things that simply trailed steam engines. I didn't pay a lot of attention to their differences. Now, I've collected eight of the ten major versions of the tenders used by the railroad I model. One of the two missing ones (a 12,000-gallon U.S.R.A. tender) will be easy to scratch from the many produced plastic models. What does that mean? Not much, really – unless I'm a nerd. Guilty.

Another recent interest has been searching for photos of thirties-era panel and box vans. Since Christy and I cre-

ated the artwork for decals of her grandparent's egg farm and applied the decals to a 1933 Willy's Panel Van (Sylvan model), I've been looking for examples of other business names I could do the same with. I found many options thanks to the Farm Service Administration photo collection at the Library of Congress and Facebook groups. Examples are The Midland Grocery, Pennant Crackers, Corn Products Sales Co., Weber Meat, and Bud Perry Gravel and Sand. These are all real businesses in the Central Ohio area, adding detail and historical grounding to the layout.

Time to drop the fire!

Matt



Thanks to Howdy Lamprecht, Matt Goodman, Michael Percy, and Richard Jones for bringing along projects or techniques to share in the Bring-N-Brag format we tried out last month at Coshocton. I thought the Bring-N-Brag format worked well, and we'll do it again.

And thanks to the Coshocton Club (A.M.R.E.C.) for hosting our meeting, showing off their huge layout, and updating us on their expansion since our last visit.

Due to space limitations, we will not have a clinic in September. Enjoy watching trains at the Zanesville Club.

In November, Michael Percy will discuss *Sergent Engineering Couplers* in Mt. Vernon. Greg Short will close out the

year discussing *Modeling Firefighting Equipment* during our December meeting in Upper Arlington. I have two members, Mark Krueger and Darrell Logan, lined up for 2024. I still have plenty of openings throughout 2024. As Matt mentioned at the meeting, it's an excellent time to practice your clinic as we'll need many volunteers to present at our Region Convention in 2025.

As always, drop me a line at wvunion@gmail.com if you have an idea you'd like to present or a layout you'd like to share with others. We'll have both full-length and mini-clinics.

Clinics can count toward the *Author or Volunteer AP*. Check out the requirements for each to see which certificate your presentation qualifies.



Division 6 – 2023 Time Table

Date	Event	Meeting	City
21 January (Change)	Division 6 Meeting	Business Meeting: Hilltop Library Clinic: Map Maker: Using Google Maps to Build Maps of Non-existent , Matt Goodman; Using Maps to Research and Document Railroads - Two Case Studies , Butch Sage Contest: Open Car with Load	Columbus
25 January	<i>Super's Signal Deadline</i>		
18 February	Division 6 Meeting	Business Meeting: Hilltop Library Layout Tours: Matt Goodman, Darrell Logan Contest: Non-Revenue / MOW	Columbus
23 February	<i>Super's Signal Deadline</i>		
18 March	Division 6 Meeting	Business Meeting: Hilliard Library Clinic: How The Big Show Moved in The 1920's, The Ringling Brothers and Barnum & Bailey Circus , Jerry Severson Contest: Self Propelled & Non-Steam Locomotive	Hilliard
24 March	<i>Super's Signal Deadline</i>		
15 April	Division 6 Meeting	Business Meeting: Hilltop Library Clinic: Contest: RR Served Structure, Not RR Owned	Columbus
29 April	<i>Super's Signal Deadline</i>		
4–7 May	MCR Convention	Virtual Photo Contest: Railroad Signals [No Model Contest]	Pittsburgh, PA
17 June Saturday	Division 6 Meeting	Annual Business Meeting: Marion Union Station Clinic: Mini Clinics: East Broad Top Update , Butch Sage; Look-back on the Hobby Through the Page of MR, Howdy Lamprecht; Protecting your Decoders From Losing Their Mind , Mike Wolf, MMR®; Car Cards for Opposing Industries , Carter Jastram; Painting Clouds , Darrell Logan; Operation Lifesaver , Connie Logan Model & Virtual Photo Contest: Favorite Train	Marion
22 June	<i>Super's Signal Deadline</i>		
15 July	Division 6 Meeting	Business Meeting: Sunbury Library Clinic: Overview of the NMRA Website , Ken McDonough Model & Virtual Photo Contest: Shanties, Shacks, Shelters, & Sheds	Sunbury
27 July	<i>Super's Signal Deadline</i>		
19 August	Division 6 Meeting	Business Meeting: Coshocton Club Clinic: Painting Backdrop Clouds , Darrell Logan Model & Virtual Photo Contest: Caboose(s)	Coshocton
24 August	<i>Super's Signal Deadline</i>		
16 September	Division 6 Meeting	Business Meeting: Zanesville Club Open House: Zanesville Club Model & Virtual Photo Contest: Steam Locomotive	Zanesville
26 October	<i>Super's Signal Deadline</i>	No October <i>Signal</i>	
22 October	Division 6 Train Show	Train Show Virtual Photo Contest: Railroad Bridges & Trestles	Laughlin Center, Cambridge
26 October	<i>Super's Signal Deadline</i>		
18 November	Division 6 Meeting	Business Meeting: Mt. Vernon Library Clinic: Sergeant Engineering Couplers , Michael Percy Model & Virtual Photo Contest: Closed Freight Car	Mt. Vernon
23 November	<i>Super's Signal Deadline</i>		
16 Dec (Tentative)	Division 6 Meeting	Business Meeting: Upper Arlington Library Clinic: Modeling Firefighting Equipment , Greg Short Model & Virtual Photo Contest: Passenger Car	Upper Arlington
21 Dec	<i>Super's Signal Deadline</i>		

Don't Just Belong, Participate!!

September 2023 Map



RAIL TALES-3

Boy Hood Home

Jim Kehn

I always have mixed emotions about visiting the Model Railroad Club in Coshocton. This past August 19th meeting, I learned I had not attended the club since pre-COVID. The club has made a lot of progress since then. It has come a long way since its beginnings over 50 years ago in 1972 – and I was there.

I consider Coshocton my hometown as I moved there as a 12-year-old in January 1964. The first house Dad rented was at 307 South 7th Street, which was on the corner of South 7th and Orange Street. It is long gone, replaced by a large firehouse. Back in 1964, the Nickel Plate Road had a downtown spur to a freight house, and the track ran right down the middle of Orange Street. I remember yellow-striped diesels with oddball rolling headlights (Mars lights) rolling down the street. Sometimes, late in the evening, dinging a bell constantly. If the engine wasn't in the lead, the lead was a High Speed Service caboose with a lit fusee and a backup whistle.

We moved away six months later to a house on Walnut Street. I could still hear the NKP going down Orange Street but not see it. Further up Walnut Street, the NKP and later the N&W had quite an operation with several industries served.

The more extensive railroad in town was the Pennsylvania. It ran right through the middle of town. My only contact with it was watching the trains splitting the town in two as they rolled by. If I were on the sidewalk, I would always turn around to watch it.

Back in the 1960s, Coshocton was a vibrant small Ohio city. Many industry-employed folks worked in such diverse activities as making iron pipes, novelty advertising, gloves, car floor mats, laminated tabletop products, etc. The sidewalks were full of people shopping at O'Neils, Carton Shoes, J.J. Newberry's, and more. There were no malls or fast-food joints either. It was a great place to grow up!

My biggest railroad activity was to go with a friend on hikes, using the railroad as a convenient path. Walking east of town out the old NKP ROW, we would be at a higher level than the adjacent PRR tracks until they leveled off near Morgan Run. Once, I saw a ballast-cleaning train working on the PRR tracks.

In my early teens, my buddy and I would take our .22s through town (bolts in our shirt pockets), out the ROW, and go plinking all day. No one ever stopped to question us.

By the middle of the 1960s, I was deep into aviation and paid little attention to railroads. It wasn't until the late 60s when a high school friend invited me to his home, where his father was a model railroader. His home was the late



Figure 1

End of the W&LE spur that when down Orange Street to the W&LE Freight House. PRR Depot in the background.



Figure 2

New W&LE Depot (1912) on the east-side of Coshocton

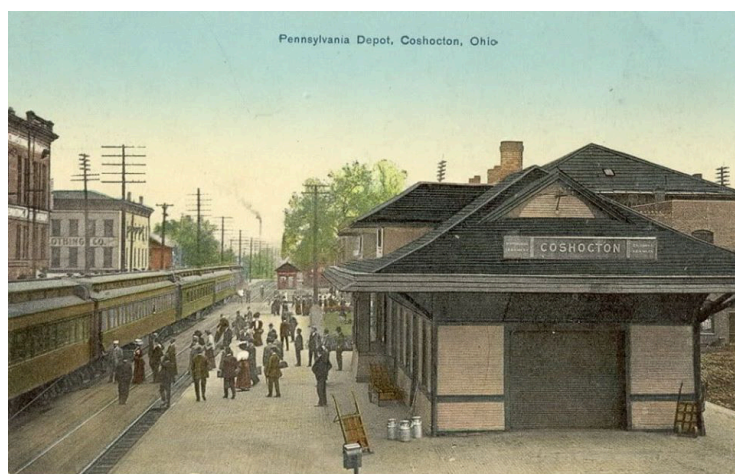


Figure 3

Second PRR Depot, downtown Coshocton

Rev. Robert Kleesattel. He had the Beulah Land and Gehenna (Heaven and Hell) Railroad in his attic. There, I met several other high school boys also interested in trains, including Rick Jones and Bob Hothem. It was an eye-opening experience, and I became a lifelong model railroader.

In 1972, a group of us started the Associated Model Railroad Engineers of Coshocton (A.M.R.E.C.) and created a serious model railroad in the top story of an old mill building on 2nd Street.

My railroad career took me to Columbus, and I finally dropped off the club's roster. This move was before they acquired the present building and built probably one of the best model railroads in this country.

The emotional mix I get when visiting Coshocton is realizing that time went by so quickly. We are now the Rev. Kleesattels trying to pass on our hobby to another generation. The other thing is remembering how alive Coshocton was back then. The downtown is now like a ghost town. Most industries, buildings, and businesses have changed or are gone.

The old NKP ROW has been abandoned, and the old PRR is just a shadow of itself. At least there is some trackage!

There is an old saying that you can never go home. So true

2024 Buckeye Division Election of Officers

Harry "Butch" Sage

Buckeye Division Elections Teller

The next Buckeye Division election, scheduled for early 2024, is for the four officer positions. The officers are all term-limited, and they cannot run for re-election. They can run for a different office should they so choose.

The nominating process is open and will conclude at the November Buckeye Division Meeting. Are you interested in running for one of the four positions? Don't hesitate to contact me and let me know which position you wish to run for. You can also seek nomination by presenting a petition during the November division meeting. You can also seek nomination by announcing your interest during the November meeting. Details on how to do this are in the Buckeye Division's Regulations located at:

https://div6-mcr-nmra.org/AboutFold/Division_6_Regulations_220225.pdf

Please consider becoming active in the leadership and management of your Buckeye Division.

Harry "Butch" Sage hsage3@yahoo.com

Nominations Committee Chair

Train Show Update

Greg Short

As of July 15, we have shy of 50 tables sold. This is a good number for how far we are out. Advertising for the show is ongoing, with flyers at the other train shows for some time. Mike Wolf has been getting the show listed on numerous websites and calendars. Mike will send Train Show flyers to area hobby shops and clubs soon. We are getting onto the radio and newspapers of the area. We are also getting ready to get the Facebook ad started again. One thing we all need to do is get the word out to other model railroaders. We all have friends in the hobby but are not NMRA members, and they are welcome to attend the show. Please let Mike Wolf or myself know if anyone can think of a place to put flyers or advertise (for Free). Also, when you see Mike, thank him for all his work for the show. Mike has taken on getting the advertising done, taking that work from me. He is allowing me to concentrate on dealing with the venue, vendors, and the all-important food stand.

Contest Report

Jim Ruisinger, Contest Chair



1st Place Virtual Photo
by Jim Ruisinger
Copyright by the entrant

September Contests: *Steam Engine*

A word about Contests - Gonna keep harpin' on this!

We've tried to keep the subject matter pretty much the same from year to year, with a wrinkle or two from time to time. Members can plan ahead and have something to enter. The Model Contest requires that the model be present at the actual meeting.

But, we conduct the Photo Contests virtually via the web in order to allow as many members as possible to enter a photo without the need to attend the meetings. I'm puzzled that we have pretty much the same 10 – 15 members submitting photos and voting. Now, with 150+ members on the roster, that's pretty sad. We ARE all model railroaders and, almost by default, railroad photographers.

There really is no reason we can't have 20, 30, or even 40 or more photos entered. If you're like me, you've taken hundreds, if not thousands, of railroad-themed photos over the years. Dig through your photos and slides and dig out some good ones to enter. You can take slides to a photography shop and have them digitized to

August Contest: *Caboose*

Virtual Photo Contest:

1st Place: Jim Ruisinger, *Weyerhaeuser Timber Co. caboose #719*

2nd Place: Mike Wolf, *Pennsy Cabin*

3rd Place: Scott Brown, *Caboose re-purposed as a hot dog emporium*

Model Contest:

1st Place: Mike Wolf, *Pennsy #477188*

2nd Place (Tie): Greg Short, *Lehigh Valley #95016*

2nd Place (Tie): Mark Krueger, *Northern Pacific #10401*

2nd Place (Tie): Matt Goodman, *Norfolk & Western #518125*



1st Place Model
by Mike Wolf
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put on your computer. Plus, I imagine we have members who have slide scanners that can maybe help you out.

The rules are simple. The division member submitting the photo must have taken the photo. The photo can be either the prototype or a model. Take this as a challenge **ENTER THE PHOTO CONTESTS!!!!**

The Contest Committee is considering some new ideas for contest subjects. If any of you have ideas that might have broad appeal to our members, drop the Contest Chairman a note with your idea(s).

August Contest Winners:

https://archive2.div6-mcr-nmra.org/ContestFold/contest230819/Contest_230819.html



Contest Point Summary July 2023

Jim Ruisinger, Contest Chair

Modeler of the Year 2023

Greg Short	17	Connie Logan	3
Mike Wolf, MMR [®]	14	Don Wilke	3
Pat Hreachmack	4	Matt Goodman	2

Photographer of the Year 2023

Mike Wolf, MMR [®]	12	Jim Oberst	5
Harry Sage	11	Rick Brown	4
George Stringer	10	Scott Brown	4
Matt Goodman	9	Darrell Logan	4
Don Wilke	9	Bob Baker	2
Mark Kruger	6	Doug Kullman	2
Connie Logan	6	Howdy Lamprecht, MMR [®]	2
Jim Ruisinger	5	Matt Fisher	1
Ken McDonough	5	Jim Kehn	1

Company Store Update

Greg Short

The gondola kits are here, and sales have started. As of this message, we still do not have the final price for the gondolas on the website. But, we are offering the kits to the membership for \$25. This price is only good if a division member purchases the kits for personal use. Members must pay for and pick up the gondola at a division meeting. We will have the price for shipping the kits and how to order them by the next *Signal*.



Buckeye Division Shirts

Pat Hreachmack

As of July 7, Division 6 has 14 members who have ordered 15 shirts (one member ordered two!) All these orders are in the hands of Jim Kehn's wife, Suzi.

The value of the ordered shirts is \$478. Of this amount ordered, there is still \$158 due from members who have ordered shirts, INCLUDING our fearless leader!

You will recall that the red shirts are Jerzees oxford with a collar and short sleeves. There is a pocket on the left chest. The Oxford shirts are a 47/53% cotton/polyester blend. The Division 6 logo will be on one side, and your name will be on the other side. Please write your name as you want it to appear on your shirt.

Prices have increased slightly and now are small, medium, and large for \$30 each. X-large is \$32. XX-large through 5X large are \$35.

If you have not ordered a shirt, please get your money and order to Patrick or Carter before or during our next Division Meeting. For those of you who have ordered but not yet paid, your funds are due by the closure of our next division meeting.

Come on, NMRA Members, look sharp as a unit and order your shirts before we announce any price change.

Family Thank You

John Hoffman

I was looking for a gift for my granddaughter's birthday in late March. During her visit over the Christmas holidays, an oval of HO track set up on a table entertained her for hours. With some light oil and a microfiber cloth, I had a couple of my 50-year-old engines pull a train of gondola cars loaded with her miniature stuffed cats. While browsing model RR websites for additional ideas, the Division 6 Buckeye Steel Castings and Hoster Beer project cars grabbed my attention.

I have a family connection to those businesses! Several generations of my family operated a bakery in German Village on S. High St. and Brewers Alley for around 50 years. They served Hoster beer, and the two families were friends. Then, when the bakery closed in 1904, my grandfather began a 20-year career working for Buckeye Steel. I may not have found a gift for my granddaughter, but I had found gifts for my extended family. In time for the family reunion planned for late June! Let's see, a car for each nephew, niece, brother, and two adult children ... twelve cars would do it. Unfortunately, my hopes were dashed when I contacted Division 6 and discovered the division's cars were sold out.

That's when Division 6 Superintendent Matt Goodman said he might be able to help. He surveyed the club membership and found several generous people willing to part with their Buckeye Steel gondola cars. In a few weeks, Matt had collected and shipped me four kits!

In late June, Hoffmann descendants from around the country reunited at the Cuyahoga National Park in Peninsula, Ohio. As a senior family member, I was happy to distribute the Buckeye Steel Cars. They are now displayed and/or rolling in Portland, Woodburn, OR., Ventura, CA., and Bedford, OH.

Please express my family's and my appreciation to those kind members who offered their cars, and es-

HOFFMANN JACOB, Bakery and Grocery, and First Class Saloon Attached. Families and Parties Supplied with all Kinds of Cakes, &c, at Short Notice, 388 and 390 s High, res same.



Hoffman Family Members

pecially to Matt Goodman for all his effort to make this happen. What a great way to promote the hobby!

Sincerely,

John Hoffmann

Woodburn, Oregon



The Mini Bunch Fall Meet The Meeting At The Glaize

Harry "Butch" Sage

The Mini Bunch Fall Meet will be in Defiance Sept. 29 - Oct. 1. Activities will include: clinics, swap tables, model contest, "Odd and Unusual" display, raffle, operating displays and more. While the Mini Bunch is primarily a narrow gauge group, all model railroaders are invited.

For more information please contact host Richard Witteborg at rswitteborg@hotmail.com



Fifth Annual NMRA Division 6

Train Show

Cambridge Ohio

Sunday

October 22, 2023

10 am to 3 pm



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Vendors Contact Greg - (740) 607-3223 - trainshow@div6-mcr-nmra.org



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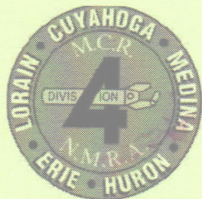
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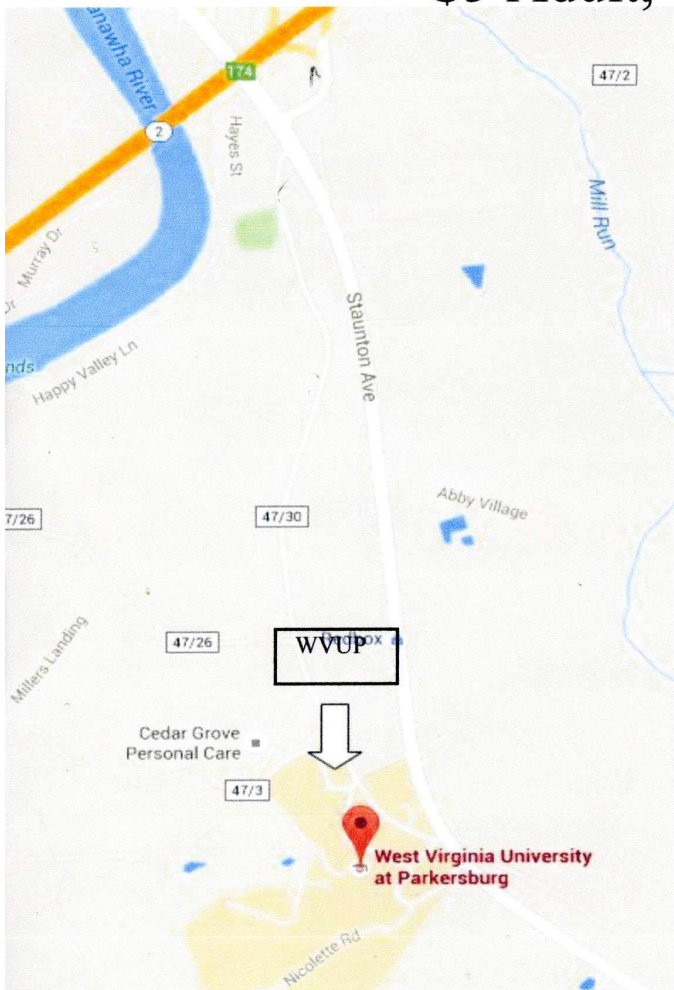


TRAIN SHOW

28th Annual M.O.V. Model RR Club Train Show

Where: West Virginia University-Parkersburg on WV Rt. 47. 1 mile east of I-77 exit #174 Parkersburg, WV

When: Saturday Oct. 28th . 2023, 10A.M. to 3P.M. **Cost:** \$5 Adult, Under 12-Free



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For more information or dealer information contact:

Mid-Ohio Valley Model RR Club

Tom Ratkovich

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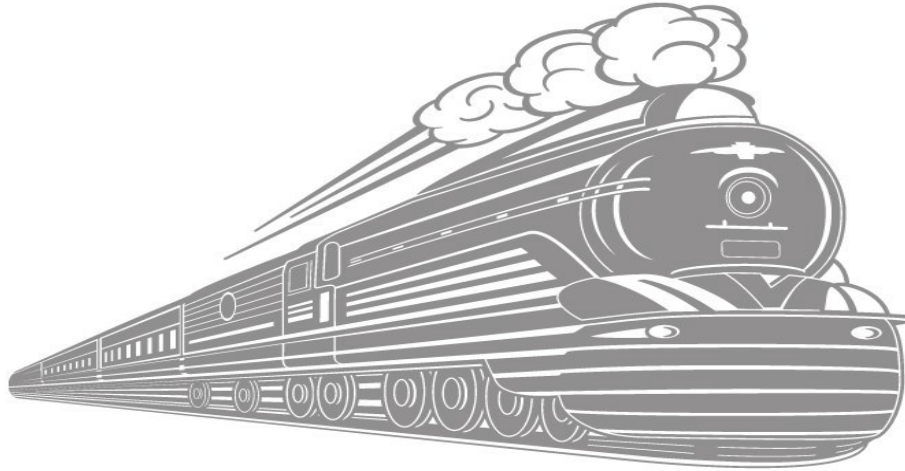
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