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One of the models from the September contest.

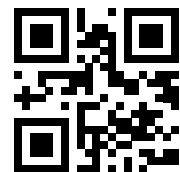
Division Four's next meeting will be Friday October 14, 2016

Division website: www.div4.org

Social time starts at 7:00 pm
Business meeting 7:30 pm

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General Meeting Minutes: September 2016

Start at 7:32 pm.

Welcome by Steve Kaplan, Superintendent.

Bill Ferry acknowledged new members and visitors, and also asked for volunteers to deliver Train Show and Training Day flyers to specific locations (e.g., libraries and hobby shops) in their areas.

Steve invited everyone to go Bakers' Square after the evening's clinic.

Treasurer Greg Noeth reported assets of \$49,403, which is after all three completed payments to the Berea Fairgrounds for the Train Show. Also included are vendors' checks to date.

Larry Madson stated that tonight's clinic will be by Darrall Swift on the background of the railroad he is modeling. October's clinic is to be determined.

Scott Benson said that the modules will be on display on 9/10 at the Willard Trainfest. The joint modular setup at the National Train Show won first place. Scott acknowledged each Division 4 participant with a certificate and group photo. The modules will (of course) be set up at the Berea Train Show and then at Avon Lake Library on October 22/23 as well as Training Day in November.

John Hemsath reported that layout tours will be held on Sunday November 13 and more on Saturday November 19.

Bruce Brintnall MMR presented Jim Grell with a merit award for his National convention winning car. Steve Kaplan was presented with his Achievement Program Award for Association Official.

Dave Lawler said that tonight's contest is grain elevator. Show and Tell items were covered. Next month's contest will be a car loaded with steel other than coils.

Steve held the raffle for those who visited the 4H module display at the Medina Co. Fair. Dennis Romain won the engine.

David James talked about the upcoming field trip (next Saturday) to Scenic Express near Pittsburgh and other points of interest. Plenty of seats still available and only \$20. Seats will be opened outside the Division after this evening.

David James continued on the Great Berea Train Show, thanking Mike Oster for his enormous help in helping the new team to come onboard. We're fortunate that we get a very high percentage of returning vendors each year, with new vendors waiting for room (and existing vendors looking for more space). Some discussion about Comic-con having an event at the same time – may need people at our building doors to check for wristbands. David spent some time explaining the various volunteer positions for new members. Train Show shirts and hats are available.

Lee Sheffield gave a brief report on the summer picnic, cited approximately 80 people in attendance. Clarification was made that NEOLS has no age restriction for riding trains when accompanied by an adult. Lee said that the Holiday Party/Award's Banquet would be December 9th at the CopperTop in Valley City. The menu will be varied from last year's. Alternate locations for future parties will be considered. The Santa from last year will return and there will be more dessert available.

Lee continued by reporting that Training Day will be Sunday November 6th, 11 am to 4 pm at the same location as last year in Lorain. Lee listed open positions for demonstrations. A good turnout by the public is expected.

Chuck Klein (Company Store) gave a list of available products. A dozen reefer cars were sold at the National convention.

Mike Klein explained the items available for the evening's raffle.

Various members reported on upcoming events for their other organizations.

Meeting adjourned at 8:31 pm.

Dave Williams
Secretary

The Clinic Corner

**October 2016
George Keller
Modeling With Styrene**

George will demonstrate how to construct models using Styrene products from Evergreen Scale Models. Evergreen's products are used by many modelers to construct all types of scratchbuilt models.

**November 2016
Darrall Swift
Burlington Northern/Milwaukee Road in North Central Montana**

Why I chose to model the Burlington Northern/Milwaukee Road in North Central Montana, Great Falls to Shelby, Circa: August –September of 1979. We'll look at the history of both lines in this part of Montana, Industry, Train Operations, and equipment used by both railroads during this period.

Clinics Wanted

Help!!!! I need a few more for programs for 2016 -2017. If any of you would like to share your modeling techniques, know of someone I could contact for a program, or have a suggestion for a program topic, please contact me. If you have contacted me previously about a program, please take time to remind me again.

Larry Madson
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440-934-2643 or 440-864-2305
Thanks, Larry

Clinic Presentation Aids

Division 4 has a digital projector available for use by division members for presenting clinic programs in digital format. We now also have a carousel slide projector with carousels. The division also has a video camera available for program enhancement. Anyone wishing to use the camera or the projectors for their program, contact Larry Madson.

Larry Madson

Great Berea Train Show

Many thanks to the members of Division 4 who came together as we had a great show this past weekend. Thanks to all the volunteers for their great dedication to make the show the best show in northern Ohio. That is a comment that I heard many times this weekend from the dealers and others. I met with the Fairboard manager and maintenance manager on Monday and they were very thankful and complimentary for the way we run a show and how clean the buildings were at the end. Next week on Tuesday the 11th of October, my committee will be gathering at the Panera Bread at 6:30 PM in the Avon commons to critique the Show. You are welcome to join us. If you cannot, please send me a note on your thoughts. Again, many thanks to all the dedicated Volunteers.

David James
Show Manager



Show Chair David James (left) gives Jeff Adams of Motrack Models his grand prize check.

Dealer Appreciation Raffle

Grand Prize (\$100)

Motrack Models/Jeff Adams

second Prize (\$50)

Rockhouse Station/Greg Anastopoulos
Star Hobbies

Third Prize (\$25)

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Scenic Express Field Trip

Photos and narrative on this page provided by Joe Kurilec MMR



On Saturday, 9-17-16 division members boarded a very comfortable bus at the IX center for a trip to Scenic Express and then on to Pittsburgh, PA for dinner.

We arrived at Scenic Express and were told we could walk up & down the aisles to view all of the many products they sell. I was amazed at the number of items stocked. Scenic Express is the best kept secret in model railroading!



Jim Elster, the owner greets division members.



Once we all had fun viewing the products on the shelves, Mr. Elster gave us a hands on clinic using a ton of Scenic Express products. Division members trying their skills to make scenic dioramas. We were able to take our efforts home.



Pittsburgh did a GREAT job of restoring the P&LE station and turning it into a people magnet.



These are the steps leading from the old passenger drop off. Our dinner would be in this room.



All photos on this page provided by Bruce Bowie



Raffle

Hello everybody, October's raffle will be another fine selection of various prizes. Good to have seen everyone at "The Great Berea Train Show" and looking forward to the next Division 4 meeting.

The Raffle Dudes.

Joe Andrews, owner of *Eastern Ohio Trains*, is quickly moving forward with his retirement plans. Unfortunately for us, Joe's new retirement home is a couple hours away from the Division, so his presence in one of the classrooms before our meetings is a thing of the past. We didn't have a chance to ask Joe about the future of Eastern Ohio Trains - he was way too busy with customers at the Train Show!

Joe extends his appreciation to all Division members for their years of patronage.

Achievement Program



Jim Grell received a merit certificate for his winning entry at the National convention. Rumor has it that Jim needs a structural engineer to reinforce the wall holding his modeling awards. The presenter is Bruce Brintnall MMR, chairman of the Achievement Program.



Regional President and Division Four Superintendent **Stephen Kaplan** received his Association Official AP Certificate from Bruce.



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Yahoo - The Division has a Yahoo group available for members. Send your request to join to dave_wms@sbcglobal.net. It's best to include "Division 4" in the subject line and include your name.

Members of the Yahoo Group receive an email when the Flatwheel PDF has been posted onto the website. The group is private and does not appear on the Yahoo directory.

Uncredited photos: D Williams.

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Deadline for the next Flatwheel is Thursday October 27, 2016 The deadline is almost always 2 weeks and a day before the next general meeting.

The Flatwheel is no longer mailed.

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Dave Williams Gary Schaefer

TRAINing Day

This is a repeat of last month's entry. Probably more volunteers have stepped forward but there's still a place for you. Plan on bringing something to work on that you can share with our visitors.

Greetings Division 4 members

Training Day 2016 is on Sunday November 6th. 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. It is again at The Transportation Center at Black River Landing, Lorain, Ohio. Below is a list of areas and topics for Training Day. The MIN.# is the minimum number of members for each.

AREA /TOPIC	DESCRIPTION	MIN. #	
Registration Table	Welcome, sign in. sign up	2-3	
Make It Take It	Help build kits	2	
Electronics	Model railroad electronics, soldering, wiring, etc.	1-2	Larry Mad- son
DCC Installation	Demonstrate DCC installation	1	Lee Sheffield
Fast Track Switches	Build / demonstrate Fast Track Switches	1	
Car Tuning	Demonstrate how to fine tune cars	1-2	
Create Scenery	Making scenery from nature or other	2	Brian Haas
Boy Scout Merit Badge	Discuss/ begin Railroading Merit Badge etc,	1	
Weathering	Weather rolling stock, locomotives buildings etc.	1-2	
Kit bashing / Scratch Build- ing	Build Build Build	1-2	
Creating Backdrops	Using paint, photos, etc.	1	
Membership Table	Membership and Door Prizes	2-3	Bill Ferry
Make it real	Realistic scenery: Ballasting, grass rocks etc.	1-2	
Model RR 101	For beginners: What Scale DCC v Analog etc	1-2	
Your Project	What you need to work on Kit, Module etc	2	

Remember, you don't have to do a fancy presentation. Just do what you do! If you have and questions or would like to sign up for an item on the list or you have something else on your mind, please contact me.

Thank you.

Gary Schaefer

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Fall Layout Tours

Ron Morgan, Layout Tour Chair

Save the dates! Details will be emailed to Division members as the time approaches.

Sunday Nov. 13, 2016

Cuyahoga Valley and Westshore Model Railroad Club
Joe Filipiak
Brian Haas
Ron Morgan

Saturday Nov. 19, 2016

John Hemsath
Dave Lawler
Steve Riddlebaugh

Update: Tom McInerney regrets that his layout will not be open this time around.

Flea Market

Saturday, October 22nd 10:30 am – 4:30 pm
Sunday, October 23rd 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm

The modular group will be operating at the Avon Lake Public Library and in conjunction with this popular event the Friends of the Library are hosting a railroad flea market. A limited number of tables are available at \$12 each for the entire weekend. For further information or to book a table, please contact Dave Lawler at 440-930-2096 or davelawler@oh.rr.com.

Contest Corner

Model contest report for September 2016.

Subject: A Grain Elevator

There were 6 entries and 41 votes.

1st: George Keller

2nd: Rich Mayich

This was a total blow out for the first two entries. A small number of votes were spread amongst the other four entries and since their models were very clever and interesting, I decided to give them all third place/points.

3rd: Jim Grell, John Hemsath, Dave Lawler and Dave Williams

Next month's contest is for a gondola or flat car loaded with steel products. Let's make it interesting: Steel plates, sheets, structurals, rails, pipes, castings or scrap but, NO COILS.

This is not a diorama contest but, you can put your car on a section of rail if you wish.

Dave Lawler



Area Hobby Shops

One in a series by Joe Kurilec MMR

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Jan Dell is easy to find in Rocky River, Ohio.



I found this "hobby shop" while in Rocky River close to the old NKP station and the old Westlake Hotel.

Please take the time to visit Jan Dells. We all know that our list of hobby shops keeps getting smaller and smaller!



Located at 19350 Detroit Road in Rocky River was the last place I thought I'd find a hobby shop! The large red banner stating TRAINS, Rocky River depot sign and the neon Lionel sign caught my eye. I'm glad that I went to view what they have to offer.



As I made it to the other end of the display I found a really big surprise! HO_N3 items. The loco's and cars were of interest as you really do not see this scale in hobby shops.



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