Division 4, MCR, NMRA, Meeting Minutes, 10/8/2021

Superintendent Lee Sheffield opened the meeting at 7:30 pm. He let us know that Don Glass is at home relaxing. Don has a leg injury and was unable to be with us.

Correction to last month's minutes: Chuck Klein corrected that he was informing us of his clinic for this month.

Treasures Report – Greg Noeth – stated amounts in our accounts

Great Berea Train Show – David James – It was a good year considering all factors. Prizes were awarded to returning vendors. Next year dates are October 1st and 2nd, 2022. Thank you to all who volunteered.

Indy Convention – David Neff – Let us know that Division 5 is looking for alternate place to hold their Railfest in Spring. If they find one it will more than likely be a much smaller show. He then told us about Indy Junction 2022. It will be held May 18th to the 22nd, in Indianapolis, Indiana at the Indianapolis Marriott East. There will be clinics, layout tours, operating sessions, and much, much more. This is a Tri-Regional Convention.

The Director of the East position is open. John Janda, Ben Lanza, and Joe Kurilec are all interested.

A nominating committee is needed for Elections. Elections need to be completed by April 15th.

Board of Directors meeting will be help in November, and will be hosted by David James. Date to be announced.

Membership – Lee Sheffield – Welcomed our 2 guests tonight, Walter O'Malley and Dave Marvinie (sp?) Dave was a former Superintendent of Division 4.

Clinics – Gary Sole_ has passed the job to Jerry Krueger with assistance from Scott Eastburn. They will be sharing the responsibilities and are open for suggestions. Bruce Bowie who is doing next months Clinic, let us know 2 lucky members will be demonstrating his hands on clinic. It will be on asphalt roads. A big thank you to Gary Sole for all of his work on Clinics.

Module Group – Lee Sheffield – the group has been busy wit Cuyahoga County Fair, Octoberfest we had a great time at both. Upcoming events: Training Day, Trees and Trains, and if we hear from the Zoo we will be doing the Holiday Lights there.

Flatwheel – Chuck Shick – if you can get your articles in a little earlier, please do. The 26th is the deadline.

Awards – John Hemsath – One recipient of 5 awards tonight. Congratulations to John Witt, who received: The Golden Spike, Association Volunteer, Model Railroading (Electric), Master Builder (Scenery), and Master Builder (Structures).

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Contest – Joe Filipiak – Last months winners:

Models – 1<sup>st</sup> – Dave Lawler

2<sup>nd</sup> – George Gelehrter

3<sup>rd</sup> – John Hemsath
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Dioramas – 1st – John Witt 2nd – John Puch

Next month's contest: Sanding facilities or sanding equipment. Tonight was small steam engines. Last month's attendance was 64 and 52 voted. Tonight's attendance is 66.

Training Day – Gary Schafer – Training Day is November 7th, at Black River Landing, in Lorain. Sign up to volunteer, sign up sheets are on the table in the front. Volunteers are also needed for set-up. Any questions call Gary.

Awards Banquet – Lee Sheffield – Friday, December 10th, at Brennen's Party Center, on Triskett Road, in Cleveland. Cost is \$15.00 per person, Kids under 15 are free. Sign-up with Greg Noeth in front. We need a minimum of 50 people. Doors will open at 6:00 pm, Dinner begins at &:00 pm, and we need to be out of the building by 11:00 pm. Reservations will be taken until Thanksgiving weekend.

Layout Tours – Ron Morgan – Saturday, November 13th – 12::00 to 4:00 pm at the following homes.

Chuck Klein, Larry Kowicki, Ramhog Shearer, and Dave Lawler.**PLEASE BEAWARE OF SPECIAL CONDITIONS TO VISIT THESE LAYOUTS**

Sunday, November 20th, 12:00 to 4:00 pm at the following homes: Joe Kurilec and Ron Morgan. Hoping others in this area will sign up. **PLEASE BEAWARE OF SPECIAL CONDITIONS TO VISIT THESE LAYOUTS**

Company Store – Scott Benson – not present.

Raffle – Lee Sheffield for Adam Woodie – Bram Bailey is sitting in for Adam. Stop in and buy your tickets.

Any new business or comments – none

Meeting adjourned at 8:51 pm

Raffle held

Clinic was presented by Chuck Klein. His presentation was on The Cleveland Transit System: The Clifton Blvd. and Detroit Ave. Lines.

Chris Shick, Secretary NMRA, MCR. Div-4