

Division 4 NMRA, MCR Monthly Meeting November 12, 2021

Superintendent Lee Sheffield called the meeting to order at 7:32 pm.

All Veteran's were recognized and thanked for their service.

Minutes of previous meeting were approved.

Treasure's Report – Greg Noeth – amounts of all accounts were given.

Starting time for meetings will be at 6:30 pm beginning in January.

Missing remote was found.

Medina 4-H modules are in the lobby. Stop by, look at them, and question the boys about their individual modules. Also feel free to set up and do a clinic at on of their meetings for them.

Hopefully, everyone got to see Joe Kurilec's article in the NMRA Magazine. It was a real nice article about our own Division 4 and all we do. Great job Joe!

The other 4 current Directors met before the meeting and John Janda will fill in for the rest of Fred Obreza's term until the Spring elections.

Membership – George Keller – if you don't have a new name tag, please sign up on the sheet over by the tag box. Guests tonight were Stan Dus (sp?) Welcome to the meeting.

Clinics- Jerry Kruger – Bruce Bowie is doing tonight's clinic, it is a hands on training of how to make roads. No clinic for next month. Bram Bailey will do January's clinic. If you are interested in doing a clinic, please let Jerry know.

Module Group – Adam Woodie – Set on Sunday, November 14th at 1:00 pm for the Wild Winter Lights at the Zoo. We start running trains on Thursday, November 18th. Trains will be run Thursdays through Sundays from 5:30 to 9:30, please get there about 4:30 to clean the tracks. This will run on these nights until the week of Christmas when we will run every night. Trees and Trains set up is Saturday, November 20th, around 9:30am. Trees and Trains will start the Saturday after Thanksgiving and run until Sunday, December 26th. Running nights are Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays. If you are interested in running trains at either event please let Adam know.

Flatwheel – Chuck Shick – Deadline is November 26th.

AP Awards – John Hemsath – One award tonight is going to John Witt. He earned his Model Engineer – Civil.

Contests – Joe Filipiak – Last months winners:

Model: 1st – Joe Kurilec
 2nd tied – Scott Eastburn/ George Gelehrter
 3rd - Steve Riddlebaugh

Dioramas: 1st – John Witt
 2nd – Dave Lawler
 3rd – Rick Ulmer

This month was Sanding Facilities, there is no contest in December. January's contest is Small Rural Railroad Station.

Training Day – Gary Schaefer – There was low attendance die to the beautiful weather. We only had 5 members there sharing how to make items for displays. Gary knows 3 families came from the advertising at The Great Berea Train Show. We may get 2 – 3 new members for the Division. Total 64 visitors, 16 Division 4 members, and 5 volunteers from the Caboose Committee.

Awards Banquet – Lee Sheffield – We need at least 50 reservations. Maps are available on the front table. Greg is up here taking reservations and you can make reservations until Wednesday, November 24th. Banquet will be at Brennen's Party Center on Triskett Rd. in Cleveland. Doors open at 6:00 pm, Dinner at 7:00 pm, and have to be out by 11:00 pm. Cost is \$15.00 per person and children under 15 are free.

Layout Tours- Ron Morgan –

Saturday, November 13th – Chuck Kline, Dave Lawler, Larry Kowicki, and Ramhog Shearer.

Sunday, November 21st – Ron Morgan, Joe Kurilec, and Paul Novak and Sons.

All tours are from Noon until 4:00 pm.

****Please be respectful of all Covid requests****

Company Store – Scott Benson – Scott is taking orders for shirts and has restocked the store with modeling supplies, adhesive foil, scale gauges. There are also videos to check out.

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Frank Bongiovanni – Norfolk/ Southern and Nickel Plate Society Convention is being held June 2nd to the 4th. It will be at the Holiday Inn in Independence. There will be lots of presentations and tours like Age of Steam and Weather Tours. David James will be providing transportation. There will also be a combined banquet. Sign up and enjoy!

Elections – Dave Flebbe – needs two more helpers for elections. Larry Kowicki and Joe Filipiak volunteered.

New Business – Mary Gorbett would like someone to set up an O-Gauge train set for her grandson. She lives in Independence. David Williams volunteered. The Division received a Thank You note from the family of Leonard Scherry for allowing them to have tables to sell off Leonard's train equipment at the Great Berea Train Show. It's up on the front table if you would like to read it.

2022 Budget – Lee Sheffield – The budget was gone over line by line. Bram Bailey made a motion to accept the budget. Bruce Bowie and David James seconded the motion. The members present passed the motion, budget accepted.

Raffle will be at 8:20

Meeting adjourned at 8:22

Respectfully submitted,
Chris Shick
Division 4 NMRA, MCR Secretary