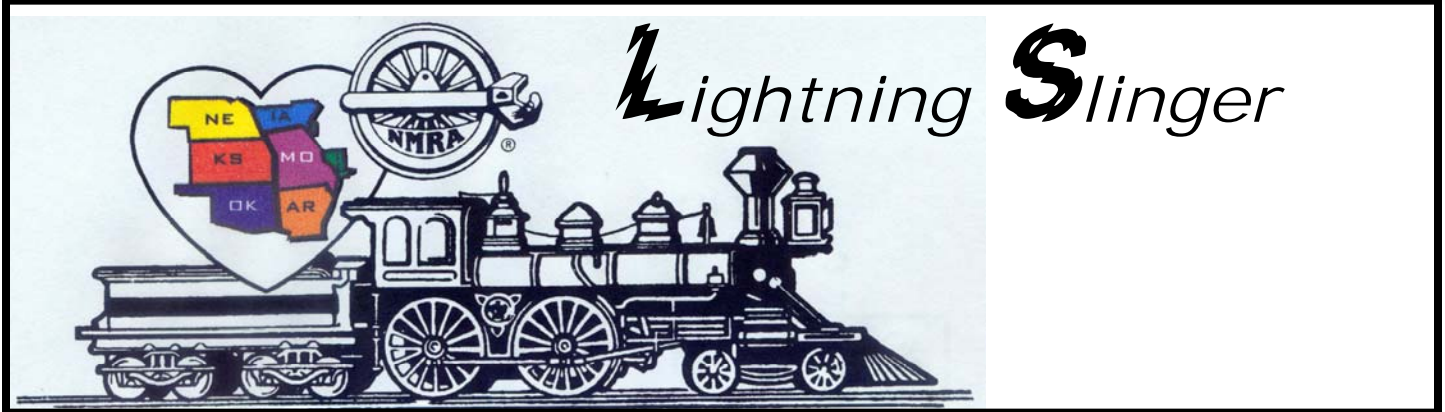


# Turkey Creek Division



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## Turkey Creek Division Meeting at

Meeting Shawnee Mission North High School  
September 24<sup>th</sup> 7pm in the Library

Clinic Laser Kits – Design, Layout,  
and Cutting by Mike Fyten





Hello Ray Here

Hope you have had a good summer. Fall is here and the weather will be getting cooler. Grass will slow it's growth so it will not need as much mowing if you do that. As the weather cools it is time to get out those projects and making lists of what supplies you need. Hopefully you have had sometime over the summer to work on a few things. I didn't have as much time as I would like to have had. My coaling station has not been completed, wiring not touched and my locos, although have been worked on , are not running yet. Questions with my track power too. It haven't been on in so long I'm not sure what's fall and winter is for now.

Don't forget to bring your money for you kit if you didn't pay or if you haven't signed up yet. It would be nice to see as many people as possible at the make and take next month.

I will be working on next years clinics this month. I have some scheduled and some in the planning but could always use more.

I would like to have one or two as back-ups in case something comes up that someone can't make theirs. I will try to have at least a rough draft of the clinics by next news letter.

I would like to thank ron morse for his Presentation last month. Ron makes it look a lot either than it is, even though he keeps a good time line with his experience . It would take me twice as long and turn out as well. I still want to put some snow on my layout eventually. I know I'll never take the pictures he does.

Our clinic this month will be given mike Fyten . The clinic will cover designing, a structure , putting it on auto cad, laser cutting the structure out and assembling it. I have worked with mike on a few projects and an amazed at how much time is put in on just the preparation before it gets to laseper cuttings. I hope everyone can matt it, I'm sure mike will make it interesting.

Sincerely  
Ray brown  
Superintendent  
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# Meeting

130918 Turkey Creek Minutes

Turkey Creek Division – Mid-Continent Region –  
NMRA

Minutes of the September 24, 2013 meeting in the  
Resource Rom of the Shawnee Mission North High  
School

The meeting was opened at about 7:00 PM by Super-  
intendent Ray Brown. There were 30 members and  
two guests present.

There was basically no business that needed to be  
conducted so after a short time we went to the clinic.

The clinic was presented by Ron Morse and was a  
double barreled one on “Modeling Snow and Photo-  
graphing the Results”. Actually I didn’t catch an ac-  
tual title but that was what Ron’s was about. If you  
were there, you know how it went. If you weren’t,  
you’ll never know what a fascinating clinic you  
missed!

Respectfully submitted, by Bob Jefferis, Clerk





# THE CHICKEN PLUCKER GAZETTE

A RANDOM OCCURRING SUPPLEMENT OF THE TURKEY CREEK LIGHTNING SLINGER

**"In hot pursuit of the 2014 Modeling Challenge"**



**"...in his dreams!"**

**Chicken Man ... riding that red bull hard!**



Chicken Man! Chicken Man!  
He's Everywhere!  
He's Everywhere!

Chicken man is pursuing all angles to make sure he has every advantage to beat all the "red bulls"!

Chicken man was seen spying on Ron Morse's house. He found Ron Morse working hard in his basement on his next project. Ron Morse was even bragging to others how he plans to beat the feathers off Chicken Man!!!

Chicken Man has news for all you red bulls. Chicken Man has already lost all his feathers! Chicken Man has nothing to lose! He's going for broke!!!!!!

**"Chicken Man ... Incognito"**

**Chicken Man was seen recently at Ron Morse's house ... scarfing up secret photos of Ron's next project! Chicken Man thinks it will be a piece of cake to beat that!!!**





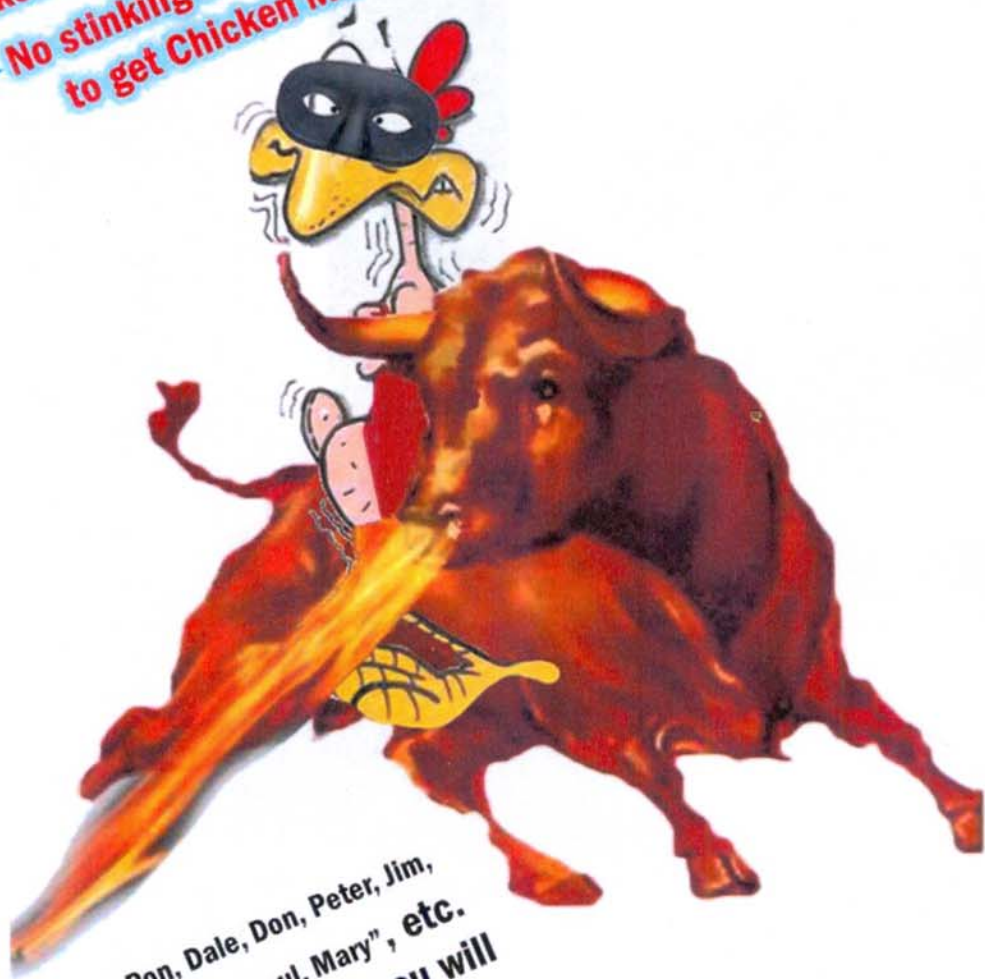
August 26, 2013

# THE CHICKEN PLUCKER GAZETTE

A RANDOM OCCURRING SUPPLEMENT OF THE TURKEY CREEK LIGHTNING SLINGER

Chicken Man sees it  
this way ...

- ★ Chicken Man aims to win!
- ★ No stinking Red Bull is going to get Chicken Man down!



All you Red Bulls ... Ron, Dale, Don, Peter, Jim,  
Gary, Larry, John, George ... "Peter, Paul, Mary", etc.  
... and I know there are more! ... you will  
never be pushed and ridden so hard!

Do you want to give up now?  
Throw in the towel!  
You know you can't win! Can ya!?!  
.... Naah!





August 26, 2013

# THE CHICKEN PLUCKER GAZETTE

A RANDOM OCCURRING SUPPLEMENT OF THE TURKEY CREEK LIGHTNING SLINGER



Look who showed up at the  
National Narrow Gauge Convention in Pasadena!

Obviously, looking for modeling tips  
to better combat all the red bulls in KC!





# BULLETIN

September/October 2013

## Cleveland 2014 News



Atlanta is behind us and I'm sure everyone had a great time. Now it's on to Cleveland! We'll be holding it at the brand new Cleveland Convention Center, which will be the location for both the convention and the National Train Show. It's been over 50 years since the National Convention last visited the North Coast, so we're working hard to put on a convention with something for the whole family. Within walking distance of the hotel and convention center you'll find:

- The Rock and Roll Hall of Fame.
- The Great Lakes Science Center
- USS Cod (WW2 submarine open for tours)
- Steamship William Mather (Great Lakes Ore boat open for tours)
- Progressive Field (Cleveland Indians MLB park)
- Horseshoe Casino
- Many great restaurants

In addition, we're putting the final touches on our prototype tours, which may include:

- Age of Steam Roundhouse
- General Electric Locomotive (Erie, PA)
- Ohio Loco Works
- Mad River & Nickel Plate Museum
- Steel Mill Tour
- Cleveland Track Materials
- Larry's Truck & Electric
- Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railway
- And others to be announced

We'll have over 65 great home layouts to enjoy, plus a selection of clinics featuring many nationally known presenters. Some multi-clinic tracks will include:

- Steel Modeling Track
- Scenery Track
- DCC Track
- Layout Design Track
- Others to be announced

## A few words from the President

### *Model Railroading is Fun*



The title of this column was prominently displayed for many years on the masthead of Model Railroader Magazine as their motto. And it is an outstanding motto. Sometimes in the hustle and bustle of a busy NMRA life, we can forget the purpose of this organization and the reason for its existence. It is that simple phrase, "Model Railroading is fun". Although we are a not for profit educational corporation, with a multi-million dollar budget, the bottom line is that we are promoting a wonderful hobby. It is that hobby which defines what we do and is the common glue that holds us together.

When I started in this hobby over 50 years ago, "Model Railroading is fun" would have seemed redundant. Of course it was fun and a wonder to a 13 year old who was mastering the intricacies of building with balsa and brass snap track. Those were fun days as I tried to master a bewildering number of new skills and created some perfectly dreadful models. Two of the better attempts survive.

But over time I changed and hopefully improved, as did the hobby. Balsa and brass snap track are fairly rare these days. A few years later, I bought a Kadee log car kit

because it had an embossed label that told me the product met "NMRA standards", whatever they were. Later I discovered the NMRA and joined because of that purchase. I marveled at the work done by this organization and how it helped the hobby. It made model railroading more fun because it insured that products worked together. My hobby changes were in knowledge and sophistication. So were the changes in the hobby. DCC, sound, proto operations, specialty modeling, and the Internet with its vast array of sites for research, transformed the hobby. There is more specialization and interests than ever before. And the NMRA is changing with the hobby.

But some things do not change. Regardless of scale, interest, era or skill level, we are all model railroaders. Yes, the hobby we all enjoy has changed to become as varied as our own interests. So it is somewhat surprising that I continue to receive complaints and reports, mostly at the division level, about intolerance and sometime abusive practices by our own members toward other model railroaders. One division official supposedly announces with regularity that women are not welcome within the NMRA. Can you imagine anything so ignorant or small minded? This, despite the fact that we number quite a few talented women among our master model railroaders. I receive reports of clannish behavior, refusal to embrace new members and cliques.

Model railroading is fun until the "politics" of the association makes it less so. The NMRA should be a place to celebrate model railroading, not a place for petty jealousies, little fiefdoms or personal grudges. Any association with as many members as ours will obviously have personnel issues and peculiarities. I hope that those of you reading this might reflect upon whether you region or division has any of these problems and if so, what is being done about it.

Well that's all for now. Those are my thoughts - what are yours?

[Charlie Getz](#)

NMRA President







2013  
Great Plains Train show  
Exhibitor Registration



Show Dates:  
October 19, 2013 9am - 5pm  
October 20, 2013 9am - 4pm

Business Name \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name \_\_\_\_\_

Business Address \_\_\_\_\_

City / State / Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ FAX \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

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**CANCELLED**







# Two Train Shows in One !!!



Saturday, October 19, 2013 10 am - 5 pm  
Sunday, October 20, 2013 10 am - 4 pm




20700 W 151st St  
Olathe, Ks 66061

*We will have a train load of activities at this year's show.*

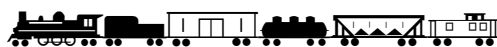
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- layouts in all scales hobbies and close detail work.
- Clinics of all types
- Parts, people, and accessories for scale model building including dioramas

Model railroading is much more than tracks and trains.  
It's a whole world in miniature.



## THE SWITCH LIST September 2013

\*new since last issue

The Switch List contains all known Mid-Continent Region, NMRA, train shows and Division meetings. It also lists all known club shows and swap meets in the Mid-Continent Region (IA, IL, MO, AR, NE, KS, and OK). To list your event information please

Email: [l-seibel@comcast.net](mailto:l-seibel@comcast.net), or Mail Information: Louis Seibel, 1069 N Logan, Olathe, KS 66061. To subscribe, or unsubscribe, to The Switch List send an email to the above link. Look for us on the MCoR web site:

[www.mcor-nmra.org](http://www.mcor-nmra.org).

### DIVISION MEETINGS

**COWBOY LINE DIVISION (NORFOLK, NE)** meets 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday each month, 7:00 P.M. at Hy Vee East upstairs meeting room. Corner of 1<sup>st</sup> Street and Norfolk, Ave. Info: James B Van Dekden, Div. Dir. 402 833-5531 or [genjvan@msm.com](mailto:genjvan@msm.com) for more information.

**Eastern Iowa Division:** The Next Eastern Iowa Division Meeting will be Sunday, October 13, 2013 from 10:00 to 4:00 at the Bertram Township Hall 211 Angle St. Bertram, IA 52403 For other division activities check out our website monthly at: <https://sites.google.com/site/easterniowadivision/> or the division's Facebook Page at: Eastern Iowa Division. For further information you can contact the division's Superintendent, Tony Bowen MMR at: [railroadteacher@gmail.com](mailto:railroadteacher@gmail.com)

**GATEWAY DIVISION (ST. LOUIS, MO)** meets 3rd Monday each month, 7:00 P.M. Odd numbered months: Trinity Lutheran Church, 14088 Clayton Road at Woods Mill Rd (Hwy 141), Ballwin, MO; Even numbered months: VFW Hall, O'Fallon, IL <http://www.gatewaynmra.org/division.htm>

**INDIAN NATIONS DIVISION** Unless otherwise specified, all Indian Nations NMRA meets are held at the new Hardesty Library, 8316 E. 93rd. St., just east of Memorial Rd. in Tulsa, OK. The library opens at 9:00 am and the meetings start at 9:30 am. Web page: [www.tulsanmra.org](http://www.tulsanmra.org) Superintendent - Dave Salamon (918)272-5512 or [drs\\_rr@yahoo.com](mailto:drs_rr@yahoo.com)

**KANSAS CENTRAL DIVISION** Meetings are at 1:00 pm. For the full schedule check the MCoR website or email: [boxcar75@wamego.net](mailto:boxcar75@wamego.net).

**KATE SHELLEY DIVISION** meets the 4th Thursday of every month except Nov. which we meet the 3rd. Dec. we have no meetings. The Ames Public Library is being remodeled, so contact KSD officers per the NMRA website for latest meeting place. This arrangement is in effect until mid-summer 2014. Business meeting starts at 6 PM and at 7 PM we have a get together, anything railroad goes. The Library is at 515 Douglas Ave. Contact KSD thru the NMRA web site.

**OK HEARTLAND DIVISION**, NMRA meets in the even months in the Oklahoma City area. All who are interested in Model railroading are welcome. Info: [www.okcnmra.org](http://www.okcnmra.org)

**PLATTE VALLEY DIV. (HASTINGS, GRAND ISLAND, and KEARNEY, NE)** Meets quarterly in members' homes on a rotating basis or at sites of interest. New members are always welcome. Info: Todd L. Petersen, Div. Dir. 308-832-2200 or [todd@gtmc.net](mailto:todd@gtmc.net)

**TURKEY CREEK DIVISION, NMRA**, Meetings are held on the fourth Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. meetings will be at the Shawnee Mission North High School at Johnson Drive and Metcalf in the Library. Check the Division Timetable at <http://www.tc-nmra.org/TC-Calendar.html> for current information. Info: Louis Seibel, Division Director 913-393-3495 or 913-927-6850 [l-seibel@comcast.net](mailto:l-seibel@comcast.net)

**WESTERN HERITAGE DIVISION (OMAHA, NE / COUNCIL BLUFFS, IA)** meets second Saturday (except June and December) at noon in the Sump Library at 2nd & Washington Streets in Papillion (across from Runza). Visit [www.whdnmra.info](http://www.whdnmra.info) for more info and a map. The new web site is found at <http://www.whd.mcor-nmra.org>

**WESTERN KANSAS DIVISION (GARDEN CITY, KS)** Meets every Tuesday evening from 6:30 P.M. to 9:00 P.M. at 4091/2 N. Main St. (second floor above "Stage" department store) 7 layouts on display (2-HO, 5-N) Operating sessions available Info: Robert Simmons, Division Director (620) 521-3591 or [ras@odsgc.net](mailto:ras@odsgc.net)

### TRAIN SHOWS & MEETS

**September 28<sup>th</sup> 2013 Ozarks Model Train Swap Meet**  
Springfield Expo Center ([map](#)) September 28th 9 am - 3 pm  
Springfield Expo Center 635 E Saint Louis St (next door to the Shrine Mosque) Springfield, MO 65806 Doors open at 9am to 3pm \$6 adults, children under 12 free with paying adult. Operating display railroads, swap Tables door prizes. Table rental \$20 each Vendor setup Friday September 27 after 5. Food & refreshments will be available. Set-up hours are 4 - 9 pm Friday, 6 - 9 am Saturday There is parking for trailers behind the Expo Center and behind the Convention Center. Loading and unloading will be done from the Saint Louis Street entrance to the West Mezzanine which is our area for the show. We will have signs and club members to guide you. For more information call David Brashers 417-848-1739 or email [dbrashers69@yahoo.com](mailto:dbrashers69@yahoo.com). Vendor registration forms available on OMRA website. Greg Sullivan at 417-664-4208 or email at [sullibud@gmail.com](mailto:sullibud@gmail.com) or web site <http://omraspringfield.org> <http://www.upspringfield.com/content/download/171/1276/file/mtgspace.pdf>

**September 28<sup>th</sup> & 29 Wichita Toy Train Club and Museum's 19th Annual Train Show and Swap Meet** Times Saturday 9 to 5; Sunday 11 to 4 Location: Cessna Activity Center, 2744 George Washington Blvd., Wichita, KS 67210 Concessions are available on site. Admission: \$6.00 for both days. Children under 12 admitted free. After the Train Show/Swap Meet, the public may tour the Wichita Toy Train Club and Museum for 50% off admission (\$2.50) with a hand stamp from the Train Show that weekend. For information, contact: Shari Shockey- [mshockey@hughes.net](mailto:mshockey@hughes.net) Jim Hickman- [jwhickman@att.net](mailto:jwhickman@att.net) Check our website [www.wttcinc.org](http://www.wttcinc.org)

**October 6<sup>th</sup> 30th Annual Train Show in Washington, Iowa**, KC Hall 606 West 3rd Street Hours 9am to 3pm, Admission- Adults-\$5, Kids 6-12-\$1 All gauges & railroadians, Lunch available. Contact-[meworley@iowatelecom.net](mailto:meworley@iowatelecom.net) or 319-653-3782

**October 12<sup>th</sup> 2013 Topeka Model Railroaders Manhattan Area Rail Joiners Swap Meet** Saturday 9:00am to 2:00pm Crestview United Methodist Church 2245





S.W. Eveningside Dr. Topeka Ks 66614 Now here's the details. This event is intended as a time to get model railroaders together and socialize without the worry of watching layouts, or making sure vendors are ok. So we are asking no vendors please This is open to all model railroaders and clubs in the area. The admission is Free. There is a \$2.00 fee for half a table or 5.00 for a full table. We encourage you to look around and through your collection and bring items that you no longer want or have a need for. Remember your junk is someone's treasure. When you are pricing it, price it so you don't have to carry it home. There will be Coffee, Juice, and Donuts available for a free will donation to defray cost of the items and supplies. So come prepared to have a good time and find some treasures. For more information contact Tony Fox @ 785-477-9304 or e-mail tfox57@gmail.com, Terry Posten@ 785-235-8887

### October 19<sup>th</sup> 4th Annual Silver Rails Model Train Show

the American Passenger Rail Heritage Foundation (APRHF), a non-profit 501c-3 organization, is hosting the show on Saturday 9 am to 3pm at the Silver Rails Event Center. The Silver Rails Event Center is located at 202 E. Moore Street in La Plata, Missouri. We will have operating train layouts and lots of trains/railroad memorabilia for sale. Vendor space is available for \$20.00 a table. Entry fee is \$3.00 per person at the door all proceeds from the entry fee go to benefit the local food bank. Children 12 and under are free with an adult. Breakfast and lunch will available on site. For more information please contact Bob Cox 660-287-1714 or by email [president@aprhf.org](mailto:president@aprhf.org) For more information call Bob Cox, President of the APRHF at 660-287-1714, or by email: [president@aprhf.org](mailto:president@aprhf.org) For more info about the APRHF please visit: [www.aprhf.org](http://www.aprhf.org) & <http://www.aprhf.org/2013/03/19/silver-rails-model-train-show-october-19th-2013/>

**October 19-20 2013, The Great Train Plains Train Show**  
Saturday 10 to 5 and Sunday 10 -4 The Great Mall of the Great Plains, 20700 W 151<sup>st</sup> Street, Olathe, Ks 66061 Adults \$7 under 16 Free \$2 off with coupon on web site Vendor, Manufactures Exhibits, Vendors, and Model Railroad Layouts. For more information Contact John Roberts at 913-406-3400 and Website [www.greatplainstrainshow.com](http://www.greatplainstrainshow.com)

**October 19-20, 2013 Western Kansas Train Show 6<sup>th</sup> Year of Show** Saturday 9:00 to 5:00 Sunday 11:00 to 4:00 Buy and sell new and used model trains 100 tables of trains for sale plus large operating layout, food vendor on sight and door prizes!!!! Adults \$5 Admissions 12 and under free! Ellis Country Fairgrounds 1343 Fairground Rd. Exit 157 on I-70 Hays, Kansas 67601 Vendors tables \$30 each. More information Contact Kevin Keeler Phone: 417-838-95615 Email: [KLK@mchsi.com](mailto:KLK@mchsi.com), [www.ozarkexpreehobbies.com](http://www.ozarkexpreehobbies.com), [www.k-n-d-collectibles.com](http://www.k-n-d-collectibles.com)

**November 2nd, 2013 Kate Shelley Train Show United Community School** (Between Ames and Boone, Iowa on US Hwy 30) 9 AM - 3:30 PM Operating layouts, door prizes, silent auction, model & photo contest, clinics, 90+ dealer tables. Admission: \$ 5 at the door; \$4 for NMRA members; advanced registration \$4; kids under 12 free Contact: David Yetter 515-233-5665 or E-Mail: [railroad5714@msn.com](mailto:railroad5714@msn.com); or Pete Korsching 515-382-5382

**November 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> The 2013 Boot Hill Model Railroad Club Train Show** in Dodge City, KS, at The Western State Bank Expo Center, 11333 HWY 283 South, Dodge City, KS, 67801. This is located just SW of the intersection of HWY 283 and 56 on the South side of town. Show times are 10am to 6pm on Nov 23rd and 11am to 4pm on Nov 24th. Admission is \$5.00 each with children 10 and under Free when accompanied by an adult. There will be several Vendors at the show. Tables are \$15.00 each. Please register your need for number of tables by SEPTEMBER 30th, if at all possible, to reserve floor plan space. Other Model Train Clubs are invited to be a part of our show, and usually do, from Garden City, McPherson, Bennington, KS, North Platte, NE. Woodward, OK., and of course , Dodge City. We do not have a web address. I am the contact for the show: Don Delzeit 2415 Howell Ave, Dodge City, Ks, 67801. Phone 620 338 7139. My email address is [ddelzeit@dodgecity.net](mailto:ddelzeit@dodgecity.net). If I am unavailable, call Henry Turner Phone 620 271 4306

**November 30, December 1, 2013: The Great Train Expo.** Gateway Center is located at One Gateway Drive, Collinsville, IL. Show times are 10 to 4 both days. GTE is a national, traveling show that caters to the model railroad enthusiast. The show features 200-500 tables of train dealers, who offer everything from HO Scale, N Scale, Lionel (O Gauge), G Gauge, Z Scale, American Flyer (S Gauge), hobby tools, die-cast vehicles, train whistles, scenery items, Railroadiana Slides, t-shirts, videos, railroad gift items, books, photos and much, **MUCH MORE ! Free Workshops for Beginners & Experienced Modelers!** Ask Questions & Take Notes... Talk With Model Railroading Experts! The show offers a variety of operating model railroad and toy layouts for the entire family to enjoy in many different scales and gauges. Check them out and get some great ideas for your own layout! If you're interested in joining a local model railroading club, the Great Train Expo is a great place to visit some of the different clubs in your area and learn more about them. If you're looking to sell an old toy train, this is the perfect place. You can get appraisals and offers from multiple dealers under the same roof! If you're looking to sell an old toy train, this is the perfect place. You can get appraisals and offers from multiple dealers under the same roof! For more information go to web site [www.GreatTrainShowExpo.com](http://www.GreatTrainShowExpo.com)

**November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2013 The Joplin Museum Complex** will host a model train show and swap meet on Saturday, November 30th from 9:00am to 3pm. Admission is \$3 adult, children 12 and under admitted free with paid adult. Included will be operating layouts and over 70 tables of items for sale or trade. The Joplin Museum Complex is located at 7th and Schifferdecker Streets in Schifferdecker Park between the golf course and swimming pool. All proceeds at the door go to benefit the Joplin Museum Complex. For additional information please contact Rick Gardner phone 417-673-4888 or e-mail [rickgardner4449@gmail.com](mailto:rickgardner4449@gmail.com).

**December 7 – 8 and 14 -15 2013 The Santa Claus Express** Saturday Sunday is pulling into the Midland Railway again this year!! Address is 1515 W. High Street Baldwin City, KS 66006-0005 Trains depart at 10 am, 1pm and 3pm. Enjoy Christmas music, Carolers singing your favorite Christmas songs, a cookie and hot cocoa! Santa will be on the train in his own specially decorated car! Bring your cameras and take photographs with Santa Claus! Each child receives a small gift or candy cane from Santa! Tickets are available ONLINE at [www.midlandrailway.org](http://www.midlandrailway.org)



or at the ticket window the day of the event. (Ticket window opens at 9 am each day of event.) Tickets are \$15 for ages 12 and up; \$8 for ages 1 to 11\*Please dress warm. Train has limited heat and you will be walking through the cars to meet Santa. Blankets, coats and tons of smiles encouraged!! Depot (785) 594-6982 Answered during operating hours 1515 W. High Street, Baldwin City, KS 66006-0005

### **December 28-29, 2013: The Great Train Expo**

Overland Park International Trade Center 6800 W 115<sup>th</sup> Street, Overland Park, KS. Show times are 10 to 4 both days. GTE is a national, traveling show that caters to the model railroad enthusiast. The show features 200-500 tables of train dealers, who offer everything from **HO** Scale, **N** Scale, **Lionel (O Gauge)**, **G Gauge**, **Z Scale**, **American Flyer (S Gauge)**, hobby tools, die-cast vehicles, train whistles, scenery items, Railroading Slides, t-shirts, videos, railroad gift items, books, photos and much, **MUCH MORE ! Free Workshops for Beginners & Experienced Modelers!** Ask Questions & Take Notes... Talk With Model Railroading Experts! The show offers a variety of operating model railroad and toy layouts for the entire family to enjoy in many different scales and gauges. Check them out and get some great ideas for your own layout! If you're interested in joining a local model railroading club, the Great Train Expo is a great place to visit some of the different clubs in your area and learn more about them. If you're looking to sell an old toy train, this is the perfect place. You can get appraisals and offers from multiple dealers under the same roof! If you're looking to sell an old toy train, this is the perfect place. You can get appraisals and offers from multiple dealers under the same roof! For more information go to web site [www.GreatTrainShowExpo.com](http://www.GreatTrainShowExpo.com)

### **February 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> 2014 the Great Train Expo**

Saint Charles, MO Saint Charles Convention Center Show times are 10 to 4 both days. GTE is a national, traveling show that caters to the model railroad enthusiast. The show features 200-500 tables of train dealers, who offer everything from **HO** Scale, **N** Scale, **Lionel (O Gauge)**, **G Gauge**, **Z Scale**, **American Flyer (S Gauge)**, hobby tools, die-cast vehicles, train whistles, scenery items, Railroading Slides, t-shirts, videos, railroad gift items, books, photos and much, **MUCH MORE ! Free Workshops for Beginners & Experienced Modelers!** Ask Questions & Take Notes... Talk With Model Railroading Experts! The show offers a variety of operating model railroad and toy layouts for the entire family to enjoy in many different scales and gauges. Check them out and get some great ideas for your own layout! If you're interested in joining a local model railroading club, the Great Train Expo is a great place to visit some of the different clubs in your area and learn more about them. If you're looking to sell an old toy train, this is the perfect place. You can get appraisals and offers from multiple dealers under the same roof! If you're looking to sell an old toy train, this is the perfect place. You can get appraisals and offers from multiple dealers under the same roof! For more information go to web site [www.GreatTrainShowExpo.com](http://www.GreatTrainShowExpo.com)

### **February 8 & 9 2014 WICHITA TRAIN SHOW**

**& SWAP MEET** Sat. 9am to 6pm Sun. 11am to 4pm. Cessna Activity Center 2744 George Washington Blvd. Wichita, KS. Sponsored in part by, Chisholm Trail Division NMRA, Swap tables, Modular Layouts, Switching Contest, Model Contest, Photo contest, Live Clinics and Much, Much More!! Adult Admission \$8.00 for both days \$1.00 off with a

non-perishable food item, Children under 10 Free, and Scouts in uniform Free. Advance Table Registration: Eight foot tables are \$25.00 each if paid before 12/31/2013 after that they are \$30.00 each. Contact Phil Aylward at 316-259-5190 mail registration to; 603 Chestnut. Halstead, KS. 67056 Email: [aylward1@cox.net](mailto:aylward1@cox.net).

### **February 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> 2014 The Great Train Expo**

Council Bluffs, IA Mid America Center Show times are 10 to 4 both days. GTE is a national, traveling show that caters to the model railroad enthusiast. The show features 200-500 tables of train dealers, who offer everything from **HO** Scale, **N** Scale, **Lionel (O Gauge)**, **G Gauge**, **Z Scale**, **American Flyer (S Gauge)**, hobby tools, die-cast vehicles, train whistles, scenery items, Railroading Slides, t-shirts, videos, railroad gift items, books, photos and much, **MUCH MORE ! Free Workshops for Beginners & Experienced Modelers!** Ask Questions & Take Notes... Talk With Model Railroading Experts! The show offers a variety of operating model railroad and toy layouts for the entire family to enjoy in many different scales and gauges. Check them out and get some great ideas for your own layout! If you're interested in joining a local model railroading club, the Great Train Expo is a great place to visit some of the different clubs in your area and learn more about them. If you're looking to sell an old toy train, this is the perfect place. You can get appraisals and offers from multiple dealers under the same roof! If you're looking to sell an old toy train, this is the perfect place. You can get appraisals and offers from multiple dealers under the same roof! For more information go to web site [www.GreatTrainShowExpo.com](http://www.GreatTrainShowExpo.com)

### **February 22, 2014 Eleventh Annual Great Northwest**

**Arkansas Train Show** will be presented by Sugar Creek Model Railroad and Historical Society. Venue is the Holiday Inn NWA Convention Center in Springdale, AR, near intersection of I-540 and US 412. Open 9:00 AM to 4 PM, with food service on site and nearby restaurants. Admission is \$7.00 with \$1.00 off with non-perishable food item. Children under 12 and active duty military are free. There will be 150+ tables of vendors and several operating layouts in various scales, with more floor space than in past shows at the Center. Plans include the Lionel Challenge, demonstrations and mini-clinics. Door prizes plus grand prize of two round trip tickets on A&M Railroad with hotel package. Information: [www.trainshow-NWA.org](http://www.trainshow-NWA.org). Contact Keith at 479-871-2802 for vendor info.

### **March 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> 2014 the Great Train Expo Wichita, KS.**

Century II Show times are 10 to 4 both days. GTE is a national, traveling show that caters to the model railroad enthusiast. The show features 200-500 tables of train dealers, who offer everything from **HO** Scale, **N** Scale, **Lionel (O Gauge)**, **G Gauge**, **Z Scale**, **American Flyer (S Gauge)**, hobby tools, die-cast vehicles, train whistles, scenery items, Railroading Slides, t-shirts, videos, railroad gift items, books, photos and much, **MUCH MORE ! Free Workshops for Beginners & Experienced Modelers!** Ask Questions & Take Notes... Talk With Model Railroading Experts! The show offers a variety of operating model railroad and toy layouts for the entire family to enjoy in many different scales and gauges. Check them out and get some great ideas for your own layout! If you're interested in joining a local model railroading club, the Great Train Expo is a great place to visit some of the different clubs in your area and learn more about them. If you're looking to sell an old toy train, this is the perfect place. You can get appraisals and offers from multiple dealers under





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**March 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> 2014 The Great Train Expo** Tulsa, OK Expo Square Show times are 10 to 4 both days. GTE is a national, traveling show that caters to the model railroad enthusiast. The show features 200-500 tables of train dealers, who offer everything from HO Scale, N Scale, Lionel (O Gauge), G Gauge, Z Scale, American Flyer (S Gauge), hobby tools, die-cast vehicles, train whistles, scenery items, Railroadiana Slides, t-shirts, videos, railroad gift items, books, photos and much, **MUCH MORE!** **Free Workshops for Beginners & Experienced Modelers!** Ask Questions & Take Notes... Talk With Model Railroading Experts! The show offers a variety of operating model railroad and toy layouts for the entire family to enjoy in many different scales and gauges. Check them out and get some great ideas for your own layout! If you're interested in joining a local model railroading club, the Great Train Expo is a great place to visit some of the different clubs in your area and learn more about them. If you're looking to sell an old toy train, this is the perfect place. You can get appraisals and offers from multiple dealers under the same roof! If you're looking to sell an old toy train, this is the perfect place. You can get appraisals and offers from multiple dealers under the same roof! For more information go to web site [www.GreatTrainShowExpo.com](http://www.GreatTrainShowExpo.com)

**Saturday, March 15, 2014 36<sup>th</sup> Annual Ozarks Model Train Show & Swap Meet** Remington's 1655 W. Republic Road, Springfield, MO 65807 9 am to 3 pm \$7 adults, children under 12 free. A portion of the admission goes to Crosslines See a large array of display layouts featuring a variety of scales, door prizes, food/refreshments throughout the show. Planned activities include kids can ride the Kiddie Train, test their skills operating a train on a virtual railroad, take the throttle of an OMRA train, earn a Whistle Blowers certificate and compete in the LCCA's track laying contest in three age divisions. Bring your pre-1970 train for an appraisal or find out what it will take to make it run like new. Table rental \$25 each including lunch. Bottomless coffee all show for \$1. Vendors from the Fall Meet save 10%. Tables and special requests: Dave Brashers, [dbrashers69@yahoo.com](mailto:dbrashers69@yahoo.com) or 417-848-1739. Registration forms available on website: <http://omraspringfield.org>. Ron Williams MMR at 417-883-5350 or email at [rwilliams3129@gmail.com](mailto:rwilliams3129@gmail.com) web site <http://omraspringfield.org>

**March 22<sup>nd</sup> 23<sup>rd</sup> 2014 The Great Train Expo** Des Moines, IA at Iowa Events Center Show times are 10 to 4 both days. GTE is a national, traveling show that caters to the model railroad enthusiast. The show features 200-500 tables of train dealers, who offer everything from HO Scale, N Scale, Lionel (O Gauge), G Gauge, Z Scale, American Flyer (S Gauge), hobby tools, die-cast vehicles, train whistles, scenery items, Railroadiana Slides, t-shirts, videos, railroad gift items, books, photos and much, **MUCH MORE!** **Free Workshops for Beginners & Experienced Modelers!** Ask Questions & Take Notes... Talk With Model Railroading Experts! The show offers a variety of operating model railroad and toy layouts for the entire family to enjoy in many different scales and gauges. Check them out and get some great ideas for your own layout! If you're interested in joining a local model railroading club, the Great Train Expo is a great place to visit some of the different clubs in your area and learn more about them. If you're looking to sell an old toy train, this is the perfect place.

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**May 2-3 Z scale National Convention** will be held at the Hilton Hotel in KC on Friday and Saturday, Thursday is check-in / set up day, Friday is our event day for registered attendees, and Saturday is the public show day. We'll have Z scale exhibitors and Z module groups on the show floor. We expect just over 100 registered attendees and between 100-200 walk-ins on the public show day (Saturday). For more information contact Ben Thielemann Convention Coordinator [info@nzsc.org](mailto:info@nzsc.org) or [www.NZSC.org](http://www.NZSC.org)

**June 14-15, 2014 Memphis 2014 Rails Across the River:** The Memphis Railroad and Trolley Museum and the Bluff City Division of the NMRA are proud to host the 2014 Joint Convention of the Southeastern Region and Mid Continent Region of the NMRA. The convention will be held at the Harding Academy, 1100 Cherry Rd, Memphis, TN 38117. For more information, registration and hotel information please visit the website [www.ser-nmra.org](http://www.ser-nmra.org)  
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