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"For all gauges and all ages"

March 2016

# Turkey Creek Division Meeting March 22 2016

At 7:00 pm

Clinic by Paul Evans. The topic will be Operations and Construction of the Lincoln Division Packing Plant in Pueblo, Colorado.

Hocker Grove Middle School 10400 Johnson, Shawnee, KS 66203-2895



## Hello Ray Here,

Time is slipping by and I haven't started anything for the Model Challenge! I hope you are doing better than I am. I will be ready! I would like to see as many models as possible. Know matter what you think your skill level is, build a model. It is great to see everyone's model. The only way to get better is to do it. I consider myself a descent modeler, but I continue to learn something with very model I make. My list of projects is growing faster than I can do them. I have probably six Places I use as a work bench. At least one project at each work place. I keep telling myself I am going to cut it down to one or two, but that hasn't happened yet. It might help getting a project done. I never seem to get one a 100% done.

There is always something I want to add but never get it to it. That's one of my problems, what's yours? Don't tell me you don't have any. That would make me feel worse than I do, because I did say that was one of my problems.

I want thank Joe Robertson for his clinic on pan pastels. I'm not going to say he made it easy but I think it will be easier and I think I will have more confidence that I can do some weathering. This month's clinic will be given by Paul Evans. The topic will be Operations and Construction of the Lincoln Division Packing Plant in Pueblo, Colorado.

Planning on seeing you at the meeting.

Ray Brown Superintendent **Turkey Creek Division** 

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## Turkey Creek Division Minutes February 23<sup>rd</sup> 2016

Ray Brown Superintendent open the meeting at 7pm. He asked if there was any visitors Dan Wiltshire Kerry Williams both from Lee Summit and Bruce Petrarca from Arizona.

Ray ask if there were and awards and Brad Morneau MMR said he had two. They were Mark Juett Received his Certificate of Achievement for Scenery and Ken Jenkins for Certificate of Achievement for Chief Dispatcher.

Old business Turkey Creek Division Meet asked if anyone interested in being chairman and there were no takers. It was decided that there would not be a meet this summer.

Also under old business was volunteers for the World's Greatest Hobby Show the first weekend of March ant the American Royal complex. The following members said that they would help out Paul Evens, Harry Midgley, Jim Larson, Ken Jenkins, Michael Barnes, Norman Shiver, Kent Hurley, Andy Luchen And myself. Show was great lot of questions on Kent's 3D printer and Michael's brought N scale Layout size 3x4 technology demonstrator which includes occupancy detection, signaling, JRMI, and smart phone integration. Also the Farm layout and a Switching Layout that the Kids and Parents had a chance to operate.

Then it was time to have the Clinic by Joe Robertson MMR on the use of Pan Pastel's on models. Just about everyone had a model to use the pastels. Joe showed how to use them every body tried them. They are available one line or at Creative-Coldsnow Artist Materials and Framing - Overland Park, KS.

We also had a visitor from Arizona Bruce Petrarca known as Mr. DCC he have brought some model to be judged for his certificate on cars. He now has enough to complete his paper work.

Next Meeting on Tuesday March 22 at the same location.

Louis Seibel Clerk/Membership **Turkey Creek Division** Home 913-393-3495 Cell 912-927-6850

#### NMRA AP Group Rules and Regulations

The NMRA Achievement Program Yahoo Group is for those who are members of the NMRA and are working on their Achievement Program Certifications. Here you can get questions answered, find a mentor/coach, or get a kick in the pants to get you started. The group is about helping people.

We REQUIRE that you be an NMRA member and if you are signing up, please provide us your NMRA membership number. Not a member? Please join! www.nmra.org. While you are there, read the rules and regulations for the Achievement Program.

#### http://www.nmra.org/education/achievement/

90% of the questions that are being answered on the forum are in the regs.

Naturally things turn to the dark side from time to time, so here are some guidelines.

#### BEFORE YOU HIT SEND, ASK YOURSELF...

Did I ask for help? Did I help someone?

If your message can't pass the test then you are probably talking about NMRA politics, whining, complaining or way off topic. Please be on your best behavior. This is a fun site and we would like to keep profanity and rudeness off the list. The moderator has an itchy trigger finger!

#### **Topics that are allowed:**

- AP Topics on any of the 11 possible AP Certificates
- MMR questions
- National/Regional/Divisional/International AP Chairman questions
- Ouestions about contest rules
- Questions about model research, assembly, et al. Questions about merit judging

#### Topics that are NOT allowed:

- NMRA politics
- Recommendations for improving/modifying or changing AP guidelines (send those to the NMRA)
- Politics in general
- Religious topics
- Off topic gags and jokes

Accusations or criticism of any member

This is a PRIVATE group for friends that are working on their NMRA and Moderators are not required to warn members of being put on moderate status or suspension or removal of membership. While we are not an NMRA sanctioned group, we do follow NMRA rules and will act to promote the organization.

If you are moderated/banned from the group and you think it was done unfairly, you are welcomed to contact the list owner Scott Perry at scottgperry@comcast.net.

Please address questions to Scott Perry at scottgperry@comcast.net. We're glad to have you aboard! Scott Perry, List Owner.





# THE ROAD TO OMAHA

## June 2-5, 2016 Hosted by the Western Heritage Division, MCOR, NMRA

## **Overview Prototype tours**

Council Bluffs Heritage Fleet: Verbal affirmative, details pending.

Henry Doorly Zoo Railroad and Shops: Verbal affirmative, details pending.

Harriman Dispatch Center: Request made. Answer pending.

## **Contests**

Ryan Moats, Chair of Judged Contest. Scott Crites, Chair of Popular Vote Contest

Favorite Train, Locomotive, Rolling Stock, Caboose, Structure, Display, Model Photo, Prototype Photo, Photo Match, 'Thumbs', First-time Entry, and Local Entry

## Rail and Non-Rail Activities

- Henry Doorly Zoo, Durham Western Heritage Museum, Lauritzen Gardens, Dodge House (Bluffs),
- UP Museum (Bluffs), Rails West Museum (Bluffs), Rose Theater (Kids), Children's Museum, Joslyn Art Museum (free), Strategic Air & Space Museum, and '7 Burlington Station'

## **Clinics**

- "Omaha and Council Bluffs: 60 years of Railroading through the lens of Ray Lowry" David A. Seidel, President Camerail Club
- "Building 844" and Steam Locomotive Construction: John Bush, President of Friends of the C&TS RR "Building T-Trak" Scott Crites and friend. Many other topics to be added.

## **Operating Sessions and Layout Tours Bob Finkenbiner, Chair**

OS Omaha to participate, 6 Op Sessions planned, Sessions Thursday, Friday, Saturday AM, and Layout Tours: Thursday, Friday night, Sunday

## **Cooperative Swap Meet – Train Show**

Held for many years on this weekend by Nebraska-Iowa Railroaders.

Over 25,000 sq. ft. of exhibit space.

We will cooperate by pre-registration of Convention attendees to the show.

They will have room for NMRA members to exhibit layouts: WHD N-Trak layout and Missouri Valley Free-Mo H0, for example.

## **Banquet** Hotel is famous for 'Whisky Steak'

Planned Buffet:

Three Entrées: Whisky Steak and two others

Two salads Potato dish Vegetable

## Planned Speaker from local Omaha Railroad to be confirmed.

## **Committee**

Henry Nipper, Chair Ryan Moats, Contests Scott Crites, Budget Bob Finkenbiner, Op Sessions and Layout Tours Harvey Swanger, Facilities and Transportation Other volunteers to be added



See You in June?

# TRAIN AND TOY SHOW









Big 2-Day Event !!

June 4, 2016 -- 9:00 am to 4:00 pm June 5, 2016 -- 9:00 am to 2:00 pm

## RALSTON ARENA

7300 Q Street - Omaha, NE 68127

\* \* Ample Free Parking at the Arena \* \*

25,000 square feet with great lighting for display of Train and Toy items for sale including Trains, Tractors, remote control Airplanes, Boats & Cars, etc.

\* \* \* Parts and Repair Vendors available at the Show \* \* \*

Various Train Layouts will be running – great displays for the entire Family!! Admission \$6.00 --- Children 12 yrs. & under Free

\*\*\*\*\* For more information, please contact any of the following members:

> 402-292-3392 Ron Bond

> 402-253-8885 Bob Schaffer

> Mark Nelson 402-731-1349

NEBRASKA-IOWA RAILROAD HISTORICAL & MUSEUM SOCIETY

www.ne-ia-railroaders.com

The 2016 Convention is being held at the Hilton Garden Inn located at:

2702 Mid America Drive, Council Bluffs, IA 51501.

For those that wish to make reservations by phone, their number is 712-309-9000.

We have reserved a block of rooms between 6/2 and 6/5 (through 5/3/2016) that include both Kings (either one King Size bed or two Queen Size beds) for \$115/night or Jr. Suites at \$135/night. Be sure to state that you are with the MCoR Convention to get the convention rate.

#### Hotel features:

- On premises Garden Grill serving breakfast and dinner with evening cocktail service.
- Bar is open till midnight.
- Connected to the Horseshoe Casino with three other restaurants and bar.
- Complimentary parking
- Complimentary shuttle service to surrounding area within 5-mile radius of hotel. This includes:
- Omaha's Old Market,
- Amtrak and Durham Western Heritage Museum o
- **Eppley Airfield** o
- Henry Doorly Zoo
- Lauritzen Gardens
- o Council Bluffs UP Museum

General Dodge House

## The Road to Omaha, 2016—Registration Form

Council Bluffs, IA June 2-5, 2016 Sponsored by the Western Heritage Division

> Hilton Garden Inn 2702 Mid America Drive, Council Bluffs, IA 51501.

Rooms \$115/night, Jr. Suites \$135/night

(Be sure to ask for the MCoR convention rate)

Note: You MUST be a member of the National Model Railroad Association to attend. Membership will be checked.

Spouses or significant others need not be NMRA members to attend the Saturday Banquet or non-rail events— payment for the banquet must still be received.

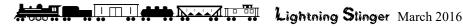
A 6 month "RailPass" membership is available to new members for \$10. See below.

If you have ever received a "RailPass" membership to attend a previous convention, you cannot use that again you must sign up for a full NMRA membership to attend.

Name:Spouse/Guest Name:			
City:	State:	Zip/Postal Code:	
Phone:	Email:		
Is this your first M			

Event	Pricing (Each)	Quantity	Subtotal
Convention	\$65		
Saturday Evening Banquet (Keynote by Bob Krieger, business manager of UPHS)	\$45		
Friday Morning Union Pacific Heritage Fleet Car Shops Prototype Tour (limited to first 40 responders)	\$10		
Saturday Morning Harriman Dispatch Center Prototype Tour (limited to first 60 responders)	\$10		
Saturday/Sunday NE-IA Railroad Show held at the Ralston Arena	\$6		
6 month Rail Pass	\$10		
		Total	

Make Checks Payable to the Western Heritage Division Send Payment and Questions to 2016 MCOR Convention 511 S 93rd Ave Omaha, NE 68114



## **Amherst Train Show**

I visited the show in Springfield, Massachusetts the last weekend in January. I came across some all basswood kits from Monster Model Works in California. Manufacturer had assembled and painted several of his kits and in my opinion, are very good renditions of buildings and freight houses in the Kansas City West Bottoms in the 1900's through 1950's. They are right in style of buildings/businesses you would see along 8th, 9th ... 12th, James Street, Genesis, etc.

"Something to Consider"



## **BASSWOOD KITS**

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A Complete 3D Brick Building System Kits, Detail Parts & More

## OUR UNIQUE BRICK DESIGNS ARE FROM ACTUAL PHOTOGRAPHS OF REAL BRICK & STONE LASER CUT INTO QUALITY BASSWOOD KITS



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Robertson's Paper Company - Available in HO Scale \$99.99



Hansen Machine & Tool Background Flat HO Scale \$39.99



Single Story Starter Structure - HO Scale \$59.99



McCampbell's Storage Background Flat - HO Scale \$79.99



Union Brewery HO Scale \$69.99





3 Story Storefront Starter Kit - Available in HO, S & N Scales

HO Scale \$59.99 - S Scale \$89.99 - N Scale \$39.99







# MAKE AND TAKE CLINIC

















## SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP

## Spring 2016 offering of Digital Photography-101

Photography 101 Would you like to learn more about digital photography? Join Crossroads'

Digital Photography class and meet others with the same interest. Ron Morse, a seasoned and published photographer, will give you pointers on understanding your digital camera and taking photos.



This class has been expanded to five sessions. New to the class is a "Live" camera demo session and a special guest speaker, professional photographer Tim Andersen, doing a session on post photo processing. Also, Ron Jr, will be doing a session on how to take better cell phone photos. Classes start on Monday, March 28, 2016

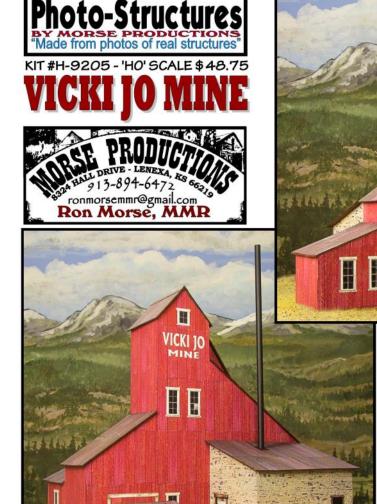
The class is FREE but you must PREREGISTER.

There are no fees or costs associated with this class.

For a digital information brochure please contact Ron Morse at 913-894-6472 or email at: ronmorsemmr@gmail.com



## **Our NEWEST Photo-Structure Kit**



Our Photo-Structure sheets are made from photos of real buildings and details. They are printed on Epson® Premium Matte Presentation Paper using Claria<sup>TM</sup> HiDefinition ink that is said to be water resistant, smudge resistant, scratch resistant and resists fading for up to 98 years. Sections of these photo sheets will need to be glued to chipboard (included) and cut out and assembled. These kits require a lot of fine, precise cutting and gluing. However, the end result is a stunning building that has super realism…because it is made from photos of the real thing.

VICKI JO

## THIS KIT INCLUDES MATERIALS TO BUILD (KIT FOOTPRINT = 8" x 5")

- 1 "Vicki Jo Mine"
- 1 two stall privy

### ITEMS INCLUDED IN THIS KIT:

- 3 full color Photo-Structure sheets
- 4 sheets of cardboard...we will refer to this as chipboard
- 15 pieces of "HO" scale 10" x 10" strip wood for bracing
- 1 painted piece of brass tubing for boiler smokestack
- 18 pages of photos and instructions

## **SWITCH LIST March 2016**

\*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: 1seibel@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 Please put me in your newsletter.

#### **DIVISION MEETINGS**

Chisholm Trail Division First Tuesday of the month Evening Meeting at the Olivet Baptist Church

3440 West 13th St. No. • Wichita, KS 67203-4560 (13th Street North & High Street)

Begin gathering-6:45pm NMRA - meeting 7:00pm - 9:00pm Information Alan A. Aagaard email

alan.a.aagaard@gmail.com

COWBOY LINE DIVISION (NORFOLK, NE) meets 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday each month, 7:00 P.M. at HyVee East upstairs meeting room. Corner of 1st Street and Norfolk, Ave. Info: Dennis M. Brandt Phone 402-992-2415 email dennisbrandt44@gmail.com

**EASTERN IOWA DIVISION** Tom Persoon is the Superintendent e-mail: persoont06@msn.com

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

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 Superintendent -Dave Salamon (918)272-5512 or drs rr@yahoo.com KANSAS CENTRAL DIVISION Every first Saturday of a month meeting starts at 1pm. For the full schedule check the MCoR website or email: wcastegnaro35@gmail.com. KATE SHELLEY DIVISION meets the 4th Thursday of every month except Nov. which we meet the 3rd. Dec. we have no meetings. 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

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

TURKEY CREEK DIVISION, NMRA, Turkey Creek Division Meeting Every Fourth Tuesday, at 7:00 pm. at Hocker Grove Middle School 10400 Johnson, Shawnee, KS 66203-2895 Check the Division Timetable http://www.tc-nmra.org/TC-Calendar.html for current. Info: Louis Seibel, 913-393-3495 or 913-927-6850 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 for more info and a map. The new web site is found at <a href="http://www.whd.mcor-nmra.org">http://www.whd.mcor-nmra.org</a>

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, rear entrance from parking lot) 6 layouts on display (1-O27, 2-HO, 3-N) Operating sessions available Info: Robert Simmons, Division Director 620-521-3591 cell or 620-272-0444 Home email:trainman55@hotmail.com: Facebook page "Western Kansas Division" also Western Kansas Division website: http://www.wkd-nmra.org

## Monthly News in a Glance

NRHS

Friday, March 11 – Topeka Chapter, Ward-Meade Historic Site, 124 NW Fillmore St., 7:00

Friday, March 18 – Wichita Chapter, Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, 1101 N. River Blvd, 7:00. Dinner gathering Riverside Café, 739 W. 13<sup>th</sup>, 5:30. Program: "Kansas Depots" by Bob Walz. Information: J. Harvey Koehn, jhkoehn@prodigy.net Friday, March 25 – Kansas City Chapter, Union Station, Town Square Room, 7:00. Information: John DeRoo, jderoo@planetkc.com

Saturday, April 30 – Quad Chapter Meeting, Wichita Chapter hosts. Program: "Street Railways of Wichita" and "Ark Valley Interurban Railway". More information later

#### DIVISIONS

Monday, March 7 – Chisholm Trail, Olivet Baptist Church, 3440 W. 13<sup>th</sup> St. N., Wichita, 7:00-9:00

Sunday, March 20 – Indian Nations, Hardesty Library, 8316 E. 93<sup>rd</sup> St., Tulsa, OK, 9:30-12:30, layout tour. Information: Dave Salaman, drs rr@yahoo.com

Tuesday, March 22- Turkey Creek, Hocker Grove Middle School, Shawnee KS 7pm Library Information Louis Seibel L seibel@comcat.net

Thursday, March 24 – Kate Shelley, 515 Douglas Ave., 6:00. Information: www.NMRA.com

Every Tuesday – Western Kansas, 409½ N. Main, Garden City, 6:30-9:00. Information: Robert Simmons, trainman55@hotmail.com

#### **NARVRE**

Tuesday, March 1 – Arkansas City, Senior Citizen Center, 11:30 luncheon

Thursday, March 3 – Chanute, N. Malcom Community Center, 1 E. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 6:30. Information: Charles Sesher, 620-431-



Tuesday, March 8 – Kansas City, KS, Joe Amayo Center Community Center, 2700 Metropolitan Ave.,

12:00. Information: Craig Hatch, hatch4591@gmail.com Tuesday, March 8 – Wellington, Senior Center, 308 S.

Washington, 12:00. Information: abdb@sutv.com

Tuesday, March 8 – Topeka, Coyote Canyon, 1251 SW Ashworth Pl., 9:30-11:30. Information: Larry Broadbent, lbroadbent@cox.net

Wednesday, March 9 – Marysville, Ricky's Café, Hanover, 11:30. Information: Dolores Krug, d30krug@yahoo.com

Saturday, March 12 – Osawatomie, Whistle Stop Café, 901 6<sup>th</sup> St., 12:00. Information: Larry Walker,

lswalker294@hughes.net

Monday, March 14 – Newton, Charlie's Restaurant, east room, I-135 & US-50, 11:30. Information: Ron Calbert, rcalbert@cox.net

Monday, March 14 – Abilene/Salina, Hitching Post, 100 SE 5<sup>th</sup> St., Abilene. Information: Tony Schmitt, asch9438@cox.net

Monday, March 14 – Parsons, The Chinese Chef, 900 N. 16<sup>th</sup> St., 11:30. Information: Jimmy W. Dodds, jimmywdodds@gmail.com

Monday, March 21 – Wichita, Best Western N., 915 E. 53<sup>rd</sup> N. (I-135), 11:00-1:30. Information: Tony Schmitt, asch9438@cox.net

### MODEL RAILROAD CLUBS

Thursday, March 3 – Augusta Model Railroad Club, 6<sup>th</sup> & School Sts, 7:00. Information: www.augustahorrclub.org Thursday, March 3 – Manhattan Area Rail Joiners, Hy-Vee Supermarket, dining room, 601 3<sup>rd</sup> Pl., 7:00. Information: Robert Stewart, 785-537-8730

Friday, March 4 – Topeka N-Track Associates, at member's home, 7:00. Information: Bob Wright, 785-273-7835 Sunday, March 6 - Cherry Valley Model Railroad, Leatherock Hotel, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, 420 N. Depot, Cherryvale, 1:00. Information: John R. Dhooghe, john@cvmrc.com or www.cvmrv.com

Thursday, March 10 – Lawrence Model Railroad, 111 E. 1400 Rd. Information: Steve Meseraul, print12345@aol.com Saturday, March 12 – Kansas Pacific Model Railroad, Ellis Museum, 911 Washington, 10:00. Lunch at a restaurant afterward. Information: Tom Robinson, <a href="mailto:rrailway@gbta.net">rrailway@gbta.net</a> Saturday, March 12 – Frankfort Subdivision, 416 W. 1<sup>st</sup>, Clubhouse open 10:00-3:00. Information: Joe McAtee, joem@bluevalley.net

Saturday-Sunday, March 12-13 – Wichita Toy Train Club, 130 S. Laura, Sat. 10:00-5:00, Sun. 1:00-5:00, admission \$5.00, child up to 12 free

Thursday, March 17 - Kansas City Narrow Gaugers, at member's layout, 7:00. Information: Dean Windsor, On3@worldnet.att.net

Sunday, March 20 – Heartland N-TRAK of Greater Kansas City, at member's home. Information: Dick Cooper, nscale@kc.rr.com

Sunday, March 20 - Cherry Valley Model Railroad Monday, March 21 - Topeka Model Railroaders, Topeka/ Shawnee Co. Public Library, 1515 SW 10<sup>th</sup>, 7:00. Information: Tony Fox, tfox57@gmail.com

Saturday, March 26 - Frankfort Subdivision Saturday-Sunday, March 26-27 – Wichita Toy Train Club Every Sunday – Weekend N/gineers, 16624 W. 126<sup>th</sup> St., Olathe, 1:00. Information: Ken Clark, hapheart@swbell.net Every Sunday – Mid Kansas Model Railroaders, 1130 E. Kansas, McPherson, 2:00-5:00. Information: John Snell, Jsnell@cox.net

Every Monday – Garden City Model Trains, 408 N. Kansas,

back entrance, 6:30. Information: Robert Simmons, trainman55@hotmail.comEvery Sunday - Weekend N'gineers, 16624 W. 126<sup>th</sup> St., Olathe, 1:00. Information: Ken Clark, hapheart@swbell.net

Every Sunday – Mid Kansas Model Railroaders, 1130 E. Kansas, McPherson, 2:00-5:00. Information: John Snell, Jsnell@cox.net

Every Monday – Garden City Model Train, 408 N. Main, back entrance, 6:30. Information: Robert Simmons, trainman55@hotmail.com

Every Tuesday – Ozarks Model Railroad Association, 424 W. Commercial St., Springfield, MO, 7:00pm. First Tuesday is the Member Meeting & Clinics. Second Tuesday is Layout Maintenance. Third Tuesday - Operation Night. Fourth Tuesday - Bring your own running. The OMRA has a 16' x 90' HO RR based on the Frisco's Central Division from Monett, MO to Paris, TX. Throughout the year members travel to other train shows, special activities and quarterly programs about trains. Information: Greg Sullivan, sullibud@gmail.com

Ever Tuesday evening the Mexico Train Works Model RR Club meets (except at major holidays) @ 7pm at 415-B West Jackson Street, Mexico MO. The website is www.mexicotrains.com and you can reach John Johnson, President @ info@mexicotrains.com or phone 573-

Every Wednesday Greater Kansas City Model Railroad Club, 6060 NW Waukomis Dr., Kansas City, MO, 7:00. Information: J. D. Spicher, jdspicher@aol.com or W. L. Ohrnell, wohrnell@sbcglobal.net

Every Other Every Wednesday - Kansas City Society of Model Engineers, Wed. 7:00-9:00 E-mail for meeting Information: Steven Boeck, siboeck@att.net

Every Thursday – North East Kansas Model Railroaders, HO gauge, 7:00. Information: Otto Wick, 913-367-7536, or Steve Schaefer, 913-367-6202

Every Saturday - Boothill Model Railroad, 1:00. Information: Robert Simmons. trainman55@hotmail.com

Every Saturday – Heartland N-Trak of Greater Kansas City, 131 S. Water, Liberty, MO, 11:00-3:00. Information: Dick Cooper, nscale05@gmail.com

Every Saturday-Sunday - North East Kansas Model Railroaders, 12" scale, 1440 N. 6<sup>th</sup> St., Atchison, Sat. 10:00-4:00, Sun. 12:00-4:00. Information: Otto Wick, 913-367-

7536, or Steve Schaefer, 913-367-6202 **Every 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday-Sunday** – Wichita Toy Train Club, 130 S. Laura, Sat. 10:00-5:00, Sun. 1:00-5:00. \$5.00 admission, child up to 12 free

First and Third Sunday - Cherry Valley Model Railroad Club, Leatherock Hotel Center, 420 North Depot Street, Cherryvale, KS 1:00 PM. Information contact John Dhooghe, john@cvmrc.com

Add our website - www.cvmrc.com - we post the dates of our Sunday meetings on our main page

### Meetings GARDEN RAILROADS

Saturday, March 19 – Wichita Area Garden Railway Society, at member's layout. Information: Claudia Rollstin, Claudia@gardenrailwaygizmos.com

Sunday, March 27 – Northeast Kansas, at member's layout. Information: Tedy Bellos, petedy@everestkc.net Thursday, March 31 - Tulsa Garden Railroad Club, Freewill Baptist Church, 1190 N. Mingo Rd, Tulsa, OK, 7:00. Information: info@tulsarailroadclub.org

#### HISTORICAL CLUBS

Thursday, March 3 – Round Table, Paul & Jack's Tavern, 1808 Clay St., N. Kansas City, MO, 6:00. Program: "BNSF St. Joe Sub" by Dalton Adams. Information: Robert Walz, rmwalz@sprintmail.com

Wednesday, March 9 – Heart of the Heartlands, Webb Center, Carona, 7:00

Monday, March 14 – Amtrak Task Force, Emporia Main St. Office, 12 E. 5<sup>th</sup>, 4:00. Information: Rev. Andrew McHenry, pastorandrew70@yahoo.com

#### SHOWS and CONVENTIONS 2016

March 5 & 6, 2016 World's Greatest Hobby Train Show Kansas City, MO American Royal Complex, 1701 American Royal Ct., Kansas City, Mo 64102. The World's Greatest Hobby on Tour showcases the hobby of model railroading. Sponsored by the Hobby Manufacturer's Association - Model Railroad Division and by the World's Greatest Hobby Program, the show is intended to introduce the general public to model railroading in an entertaining, lively and family-friendly atmosphere. The hobby of model railroading has a unique ability to bring the family together in activities that teach many skills. Model railroad skills span from carpentry to artistry, from electrical engineering to historical research. Model railroading is truly the World's Greatest Hobby Train Show Inc. World's Greatest Hobby on Tour 280 Carlton Drive Carol Stream IL 60188 Phone: 630.279.5094 Fax: 240.597.4482 E-mail: info@wghshow.com March 12 Boeing Employees' Railroad Club St. Louis Railroad Swap Meet 10 am - 3 pm Greensfelder Recreation Complex at Queeny Park 550 Wiedman Road, Ballwin, MO 63011 Admission \$3, Children under 12 FREE, Saturday-Sunday, March 19-20 - Garden City Train Show, Exhibition Bldg., Finney Co. Fairgrounds, 409 Lake Ave., Sat. 10:00-6:00, Sun. 11:00-4:00. Adult \$6.00, child 7 & under free. Information: www.facebook.com/

Saturday, April 2 – Greater Tulsa Area Train Show, Bixby Community Center, 211 N. Cabaniss Ave., Bixby, OK, 9:00-3:00. Adult \$3.00, child 12 & under free. Information: Bob Pope, 405-250-8449

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Sunday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> Middle American Train Show KCI EXPO CENTER 11728 Ambassador Dr. Kansas City, Missouri, 64153 Open 9am - 2pm Admission \$5, 12/Under Free Saturday, April 16, 2016 but at a different location The Ozarks Model Railroad Association hosts its 38th annual Spring Train Show 9am to 3pm, Saturday, April 16, 2016 but at a different location. The new site will be the Springfield Expo Center, 635 St. Louis St., Springfield, MO.

Attendance has grown dramatically in recent years with the emphasis on providing a number of opportunities for families with children.

Kids can earn an Official Whistle Blowers certificate by blowing the whistle on one of the operating layouts and others can become Official Switchman by completing a simple switching challenge. Others can become Official Locomotive Engineers by operating the Simulator program.

Connie and Willie Misemer, Mt. Vernon, MO will be operating the Kiddie Train providing rides around for children of all ages during the show. Rides are subject to weather and conditions in running room in front of the Expo Center.

Owners of pre-1970 trains can find out what they are worth or if they have a locomotive that isn't running Harvey Owens, Harvey's Train Service, Joplin, MO will diagnose the problem and provide an estimate of the cost to get it running again. More than 130 tables will display railroad equipment of all scales as well as memorabilia. Ten or more model railroads in O, HO and N scale plus a large portable garden railroad layout operated by the Ozarks Garden Railroad Society will be on

Food will be available and there will be many door prizes given away.

Admission is \$7 for adults. Children under 12 are free with a paying adult.

For other show details contact Greg Sullivan. Phone: (417) 664 -4208. Email: sullibud@gmail.com. Visit the website at http:// omraspringfield.org for more information about the OMRA and the Spring Train 2016 show.

Thursday-Tuesday, April 21-26 – KATY Railroad Historic Society Convention, Holiday Inn Southwest, Route 66, 10709 Watson Rd, I-44 (exit 277B). Reserve room 314-821-6600, mention KRHS convention rate \$89. Rate guaranteed until April 7. Convention registration \$60 per person for all events; Sat. only \$45. Full information: www.katyrailroad.org Thursday-Sunday, June 2-5 2016 Road to Omaha, 2016 Mid-Continent Regional Convention. Mid-Continent

Regional Convention, Hilton Garden Inn, I-29 & I-80, Council Bluff, IA; shuttle service to Amtrak, Eppley Airfield, Omaha's Old Market, Henry Doorly Zoo, and Lauritzen Gardens - Omaha: Union Pacific Museum, General Dodge House – Council Bluffs; tours of model railroads. Train show will be at Ralston, Nebraska Arena, The Nebraska-Iowa Railroaders annual train show and swap meet details to follow soon and will be available on the Western Heritage Division website: http://whd.mcor-nmra.org Henry Nipper Convention Chairman

Tuesday-Sunday, June 21-27 – Santa Fe Railway Historical & Modeling Society 2016 Convention, Marriott East, 9100 Corporate Hills Dr., Wichita (US-54 & I-35). Wed. excursion behind steam #3415, Abilene & tour of Eisenhower Museum; Thur. excursion on former Santa Fe Railway from Winfield to Moline; also – tour Great Plains Transportation Museum, Wichita with BBO lunch. Amtrak comes as close as Newton. Numerous Santa Fe depots in area and steam locomotives on display. Special spouses activities by trolley on Friday. Registration: \$150 before May 1, \$165 after; nonmembers \$165 before May 1, \$180 after. Information: www.atsfrr.net

June 29-July 3, 2016 National N Scale Convention Hosted by the N Scale Enthusiast

Welcome to the 24th National N Scale convention hosted by the N-Scale Enthusiast. The official convention start date is Wednesday, June 29, 2016<sup>th</sup> but as in the past we are working on preconvention events so plan to be in Kansas City by Tuesday morning, June 28. Convention registration will start the 1st week of December 2015. Sheraton Overland Park Hotel at the Convention Center Phone: 913-234-2100 6100 College Boulevard, Overland Park, Kansas, 66211 Special Convention Hotel Reservation Page Click Here

Thursday-Wednesday, July 21-27 – National NRHS Convention, Holiday Inn-Stapleton, Denver, CO. rooms \$110 2 people in room, discount code NRHS, 1-855-914-1373. Events Royal Gorge Scenic Railroad, Georgetown Loop Railroad, Colorado Railroad Museum, Forney Museum, and Leadville, CO & southern Railroad. Information:

www.nrhs.com

Saturday, July 23 – Turkey Creek Division. No show this Year Information: Louis Seibel, L-seibel@comcast.net Sunday-Saturday, July 24-30 – Union Pacific Historic Society Convention, Sacramento, CA. Information: www.uphs.com

Thursday-Sunday, October 6-9 – Missouri Pacific Historic Society, Jefferson City, MO. Information: www.mopac.org