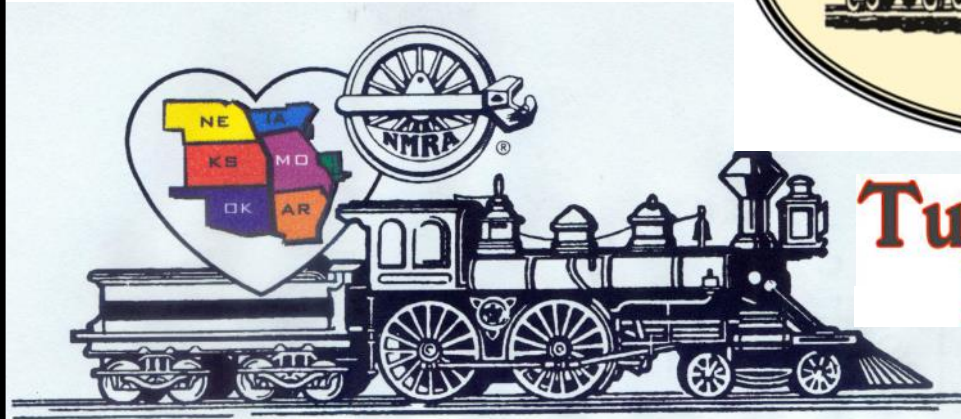


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June 2016

“For all gauges and all ages”

Turkey Creek Division Meeting

June 28th 2016 At 7:00 pm

**New Location for The
June and July Meeting**

Meeting Will be in The Little Theater

West End of School

If There is a Change in Location Look for Signs

Shawnee Mission North High School

7401 Johnson Dr.,

Overland Park, KS 66202





Hello Ray Here,

Another month by and I hope all is well. I'm sure at this point everyone has their Make and Take project done! Well almost everyone. I haven't started yet. Part procrastination part circumstances, probably more procrastination than anything.

Complain about the weather if you like, but a perfect excuse to stay inside to keep cool and work on the Make and Take or other projects you have. I get outside a little but I hate the heat. About 80 and I start to feel uncomfortable. I did delay turning on the air longer than I wanted to. I started at 78 but that wasn't doing it. I went to 76 and that was OK, not great but OK. But if I go down to the basement it is 8 - 10 degrees cooler down there. Of course that's where the layout and my projects are. So I am getting some work done on the layout. I will try to take some pictures on my phone if anyone is interested.

Our meeting this month is at Shawnee Mission North High School. It will be in the Little Theater which is on the west end. Larry Diehl is going to put out painstaking homemade signs to help you find your way. Thanks Larry?

I want to thank John Fales for his side presentation. It is nice to see other layouts and methods that some of us are not able to see in person. Some say "you can't have too much junk" but in my opinion you can go overboard. Making something look old when it would not have looked that old or run down or junky is not the way I would do it. I do sometimes weather something a little more than it needs to be or should be. I agree it makes whatever it is more interesting or noticeable. A lot of it depends on what it is about. On a diorama or model it makes sense, or a layout that just makes a circle, you want other things to look at. The trains after a while becomes secondary; the scenery becomes the focal point. My layout is based on operations, it's about the trains. I want nice scenery and pretty much prototypical as much as I can. Like any layout it has some modelers licensing. It all depends on the owner, whatever he or she wants to emphasize. I don't think there is a right or wrong. It's all about enjoying the hobby. I keep using the words "work on" but I don't think it's work if you enjoy it. Are we ever satisfied on what we do, I don't think so. That is why we keep doing it. Practice makes perfect! I've been practicing for years and haven't got anything perfect yet. Congratulations if you have! Thank you John!

Our clinic or clinics this month will be given by Larry Alfred, Larry Diehl and Joe Robertson. Joe his brother Larry and his other brother Larry. We will start with Larry Alfred with his mystery clinic, your guess is as good as mine. Like Larry I'm sure it will be as interesting. Next is Larry Diehl, scratch building an "O" caboose. Larry can't decide on a scale. Last but not least, Joe Robertson will give a presentation on perspective. How to make things disappear into the distance and or give depth to your project.

Hope to see everyone at the meeting!

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Superintendent, Turkey Creek Division

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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
 - Questions 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 scottgerry@comcast.net.

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



May 22, 2016



*Celebrating
30 Years...!*

Director's Report - June 2016

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Turkey Creek has been having a good year starting with "Make & Take" Clinic in January, followed by good monthly demonstrating and instructional clinics each month. We have been slow on new AP certificates and no MMR's yet.

The "Make & Take" Clinic generates considerable interest each year. We offered wood kits, made by Turkey Creek members, then started assembly at the meeting. We offered two station designs, one modeling a DRGW station at Sargents Colorado, and the other a Western Maryland RR station closely following a kit in the possession of one of our members. We also offered 4 of the 5 kits from last year, at scale of their choice. I believe all had a good time and some learning new "twists" to kit building. Special awards are made for the best "Make & Take" model submitted at our "Modeling Challenge" in September this year. Special thanks to Ray Brown, Dale Phetteplace and Miles Hale.

This year, Turkey Creek will not be sponsoring a Division Meet/Train Show/Swap Meet. We had difficulty getting someone who had the time and fortitude to lead the event. We plan next year to be back on track ...

We are gearing up for a "Modeling Challenge" meet in September. Although "not a contest", we all are pursuing "the lumber" and brass lantern award for best model submitted!

Kent Hurley continues to lead our group in 3D print modeling. He has a new printer. He is a master in the computer set-up to efficiently print with excellent results. Our "Guru"!

Turkey Creek group continues to be very interested in final disposition of the new rules and operational aspects of the National initiative to bring everyone under a Master 501(c)(3) IRS tax status. We note the commentary printed in October 2015 NMRA Magazine, which is "as wanted", but we want to know "as IRS rules the operation". We will appreciate all updates and interpretations, so I can keep our group informed.

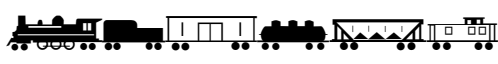
Sincerely,

Larry W. Diehl

Turkey Creek Division Director

pc: Ray Brown, Superintendent
Lightning Slinger









Report on ...



I attended our regional convention in Council Bluffs, Iowa held June 2nd thru 5th. About 80 persons attended and about 56 attended the Saturday evening banquet and short business meeting. The convention was coordinated with a local annual train show/swap meet held in nearby Ralston Exhibition & Sporting Arena on Saturday and Sunday, about 5 miles away direct on the highway. There was an opening slide show Thursday evening and an Operating Session on a layout on Friday evening. Several home layouts on tour Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

A contest room was well laid out with Ryan Moat's and Whit Johnson administering. About 100 models were presented. There was NMRA judging and a popular vote contest. Turkey Creek faired well with Mark Juett getting 3 awards, David Jacobs receiving one award, Marty Vaughn with one award, Larry Diehl with 3 awards and Larry Alfred earning 1st Place in structures and that structure won "Best of Show". Congratulations to Larry Alfred! (we taught him well!)

Several good clinics were presented with two of our own, Mark Juett and Marty Vaughn, giving 3 of the clinics. I attended Prototype tour of the UP Heritage Fleet Car Shop which turned out to be excellent. Not realized by me, the Heritage Fleet is about 55 passenger cars, of which about 48 are housed and maintained in Council Bluffs. Very interesting and enlightening tour of most of the cars ... very, very nice! Worth the trip.

I did not get to go on the Harriman Center tour, but having seen it before, I'm sure it was very interesting. They control trains throughout the entire country here! The control boards and screens parallel a "star trek" like environment.

The MCoR Board of Directors meeting occurred Saturday morning. I attended as Turkey Creek Director.

We honored Don Bumbacher of St. Joseph, Tom Troughton of Jefferson City, and Richard Johnson and Richard Halsey of Western Heritage Division, Omaha area, with their "Last Train Ride". Our condolences to their families.

Sales of MCoR reefer cars, introduced last year in Jefferson City, continue with about 250 cars in six car numbers still available.



- 1 = \$25 plus shipping
- 2 = \$49 plus shipping
- 4 = \$96 plus shipping
- 6 = \$138 plus shipping



Contact Whit Johnson: whitjohnson@mchsi.com

2017 Convention is planned for Ames, Iowa location. It will be a "joint convention" between Mid Continent Region and Thousand Lakes Region called the "Great Plains Joint Line". It will be May 18th thru 21st, 2017, at the Quality Inn and Suites. Whit is negotiating with them with intent to get rates about \$89 plus taxes/night. Ryan Moats is working on the website, updating as information is available. Attached is a copy of the registration form.

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We have a new Caboose Kibitzer editor and he is begging for articles and items to publish.

Alan A. Aagard, Editor
Chris Heinsohn, Asst. Editor
Louis Seibel, Advertising Manager

Send to: CKeditors@MCoR-NMRA.org

Hank Kraichely, President, is following national direction and pushing hard for all divisions to actively try to recruit and maintain current members. We need to develop better tactics to recruit, follow-up, make welcome new and old members, encourage activity and continue with our meetings and projects that hold people's interest.

Regarding the new Region 501(c)(3) application to the IRS, Bob Amsler reported through Hank that the IRS has made comment and there are issues that must be addressed. The biggest issue is that several of our "divisions or areas" are organized as 501(c)(7) designations, which covers clubs, civic organizations, etc., for profit, which causes inclusion problems.

Bob Amsler is suggesting to national that NMRA needs a good tax attorney to help address these issues. Therefore, we will want to see more information as to how all this will affect Turkey Creek.



The banquet food was excellent! A good meal! Service awards were made with Larry Diehl receiving Kenny Johns award, Larry Gulick (Wichita) receiving the Ken Cline award, and Robert A. Simmons (Western Kansas) receiving the Larry Long award. Congratulations to the recipients!

Henry Nipper, Convention Chairman, did a very good job, worked very hard, and as I learned meeting him, is a very nice man who handled the effort for the very first time.

All in All ...

*A Good Time for me
and a lot of Fun!!!*

Larry W. Diehl
Turkey Creek Regional Director





**Thousand Lakes
Region / Mid-
Continent Region
NMRA**

2017 Convention

**Celebrate with us, May 18
– 21, 2017**

**Dennis Rietze
TLR President**

**Henry Kraichely
MCoR President**

**Scott Nesbit (TLR) /
Whit Johnson (MCoR)
Convention Committee Chairman**



The Mid-Continent Region and the Thousand Lakes Region invite you to join us in the Convention of the Century. We invite you to join us in celebrating *Trains on the Plains!* Register now to attend this magical event.

This will be a special time filled with contests, clinics, dealers, door prizes, silent auction, model railroads, railroad operations, prototype tours, food, and fellowship.

We will gather in Ames, Iowa to celebrate the railroading in the Midwest.

Location

This special event will be held in Ames, Iowa, the home of the Iowa State University Cyclones. Major industries in the area include Agriculture, Veterinary Research, Hach Chemical, Sauer Sundstrand Company, Barilla America, 3M Manufacturing, WesTech Engineering, Inc., Ball Plastic Container Operations, and many others.

Quality Inn Ames-

I-35 & 13th Street, Ames, IA 50010

(515) 232-9260 or (800) 903-0009

Fax: (515) 232-9260

Situated on the East side of Ames, with easy access to Interstate 35 and Highway 30, the Quality Inn provides ample meeting space, lodging and dining services to provide all meeting and lodging requirements under one roof. Recreational facilities and indoor pool.

Event

This Convention will be a special opportunity for all to gather and celebrate the Thousand Lakes Region, the Mid-Continent Region, the National Model Railroad Association, and all of the *Milestones* that we have achieved.

Activities

Activities will include, yet will be far from limited to the following.

Contests, these will be judged by NMRA Achievement Program guidelines in accordance with the Contest Rules of the Mid-Continent Region.

Clinics, we will be hosting clinics on a wide range of topics. There are over two dozen planned. These will be available to registrants on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday.

Train Show, this will be one of the main attractions with over 70 tables for dealers, a silent auction, display layouts, and much more. This will be one of the premier events open to the general public on Saturday, as well as the convention attendees. This is our opportunity to share the National Model Railroad Association, Mid-Continent Region, and the Thousand Lakes Region with others who have not yet gotten on board.

Door Prizes, there will be more door prizes than anyone will have time to count. The biggest activity of the weekend is to collect all of the prizes.

Layout Tours, is a big part of any convention and train show. We are planning to see several of the best layouts in Central Iowa during the few days that we have. There are several layouts that will be available.

Prototype Tours are being planned. We have several unique opportunities we are currently working and more information will be coming.

Banquet, the Annual Awards Banquet and Regional Annual Meetings will be held at the Convention Hotel. These will include a buffet dinner, door prizes, contest prizes, auctions, and Region Presentations.

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**Thousand Lakes
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2017 Convention

**Celebrate with us, May 18
- 21, 2017**

MCoR / TLR Convention 2017 Registration Form

Name: _____ MMR _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State/Province: _____ Country _____ Postal Code: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

NMRA Member # _____ Dietary Needs _____

Additional Registrants can be listed below: _____

Please make check or money order payable to MCoR 2017, mail to: TLR / MCoR Convention 2017, 1117 E 16th Street S Newton, IA 50208. Do not send cash. **Do not mail after May 1, 2017.** All information, tickets, and registrations can be picked up at the Registration table when you arrive. **Sorry, no refunds after April 1, 2017.** (Over)

MCoR / TLR 2017 Convention Fee Schedule

	Quantity	Amount	Total
Convention Registration (NMRA Membership Req.)	_____	\$90.00	_____
Annual Awards Banquet (Convention Registrants Included)	_____	\$0.00	_____
Number of people registering _____		Total Amount Enclosed	_____

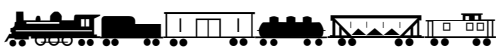
Youth 12 years of age and under will be allowed to register at no cost, when that registration accompanies that of an adult NMRA member. However, the tours, banquet, and other items will be charged at the regular rate.

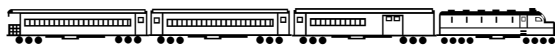
Bus Tour Fees Based on Tours Selected. Rates will vary \$10.00 - \$30.00 depending on Tour Selection and availability. A tour registration will follow with your convention confirmation.

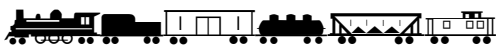
NMRA Membership required to register for the convention. Train Show activities on Saturday will be open to the general public at a \$5.00 Fee at the door. NMRA ducs must accompany registrations for Non-members. (Over)



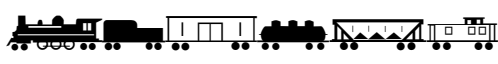
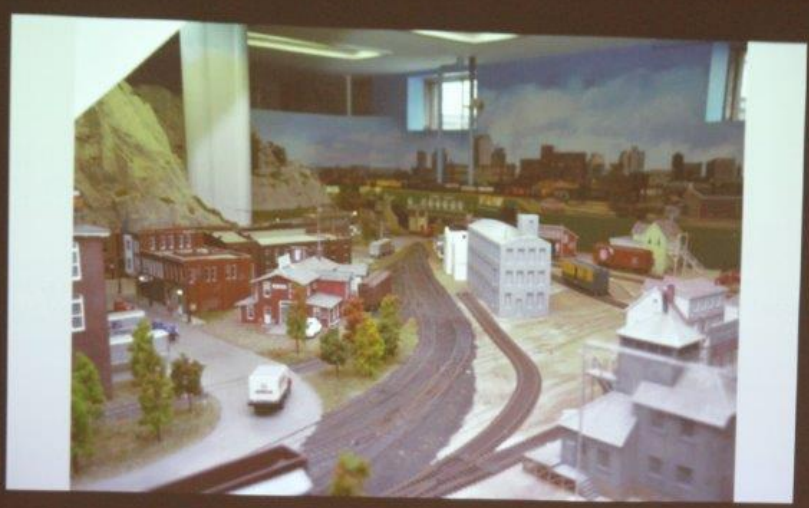
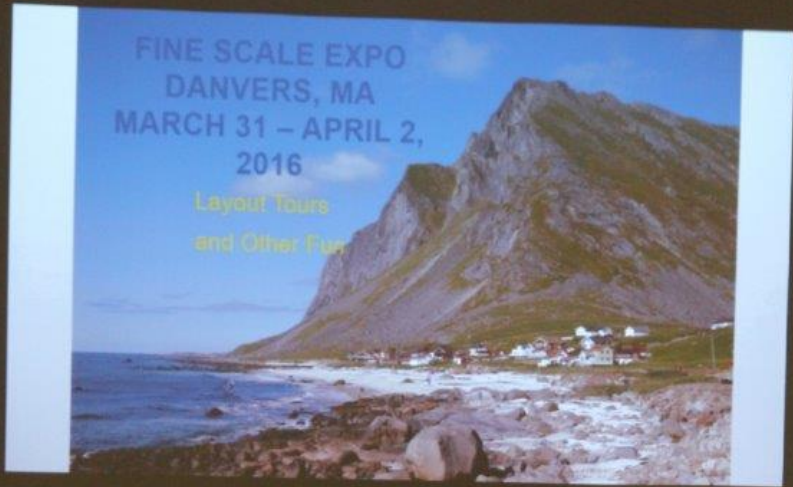






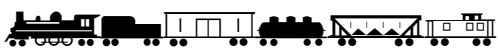
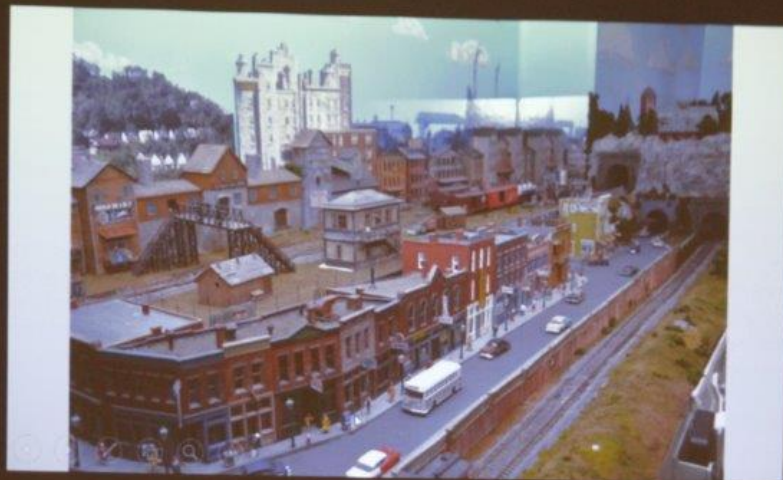
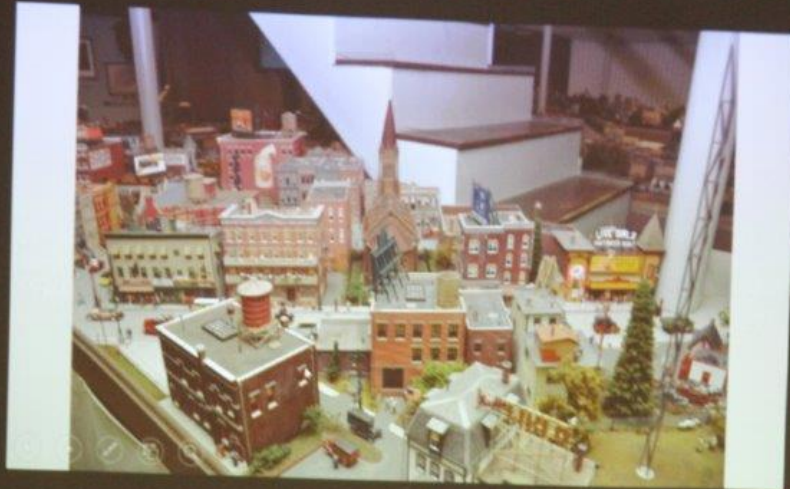






DAVE KOTSONIS
GREENLAND VALLEY RAILROAD





NOTE: Please forward this email to your newsletter editor and officers, mention it in your editorial, bring it up at meetings. Your members like to know what's going on at National!

UP No. 844 moved under her own power

June 17, 2016

Bruce A. Daugherty

CHEYENNE, Wyo. — Working toward returning their much loved 4-8-4 to the high iron, the Union Pacific steam crew test fired No. 844 after a lengthy rebuild, sources in Wyoming tell *Trains News Wire*.

No. 844 built up steam pressure and moved back and forth just outside the shop, blowing out dirt and scale from the cylinder cocks. Ahead is additional work, installation of the jacketing and lagging, and a test run in advance of the July 23 Denver Post Frontier Days Special between Denver and Cheyenne.

No. 844, the last new steam locomotive built for the UP in 1944 and categorized as “never retired” since 1962, has been out of service since 2013. After working to fix a problem with over-rolled tubes, the crew decided to complete a 1,472-day inspection on the locomotive. After opening up the engine, additional work was necessary, and in between all of this, UP acquired Big Boy No. 4014 and gave the Cheyenne shop a makeover.

From *Trains Magazine*

NS, CSX confirm further cuts

Speed reductions, jobs, and yard operations in the works for the two eastern Class I railroads

By **Bill Stephens** | June 9, 2016

Norfolk Southern and CSX made additional cost-cutting moves this week as they aim to offset the steady and continued loss of highly profitable coal traffic.

NS has reduced the maximum authorized speed on several secondary routes across its system as part of its plan to downgrade, sell, or short-line 1,000 miles of track this year. CSX, meanwhile, announced it would virtually shut down its Winston Yard in Lakeland, Fla., to consolidate its operations in the Tampa area.

CSX officials met with Winston Yard employees on Monday to inform them the yard's operations would be reduced and its car shop shuttered. Winston's locomotive shop will remain in service.

The move, effective Saturday, will result in 80 job abolishment's, including 76 union and four management positions.

“The majority of them are expected to find other opportunities at CSX facilities in the greater Tampa area,” CSX representative Melanie Cost says.

“The Tampa region is a strong revenue generator for CSX, but it is served by multiple yards with a large cost structure. In evaluating the region's operations, we saw an opportunity to significantly lower costs while continuing to provide safe, reliable service to all of our local customers served by Tampa-area crews,” Chief Operating Officer Cindy Sanborn wrote in an email to employees.



CSX also said it was eliminating 39 mechanical and eight engineering positions system wide.

Most of Winston Yard's local service and switching duties will be handled at Yeoman Yard in Tampa. Operations at Mulberry and Auburndale yards also will be affected, CSX says, and some through trains running in and out of the Tampa area will be combined. NS, meanwhile, confirmed that it had reduced the maximum authorized speed on several secondary routes this week. But a railroad representative was unable to provide specifics.

The speed reductions are "one of the options we are using across our network to reduce costs while not impacting service," NS' Susan Terpay says.

Speed on the affected routes has dropped to 25 mph, generally from 40 mph. The change from Federal Railroad Administration Class 3 track to Class 2 will reduce maintenance costs.

Both NS and CSX have taken steps to streamline operations this year as coal traffic plummets. NS aims to achieve \$200 million in cost and productivity savings this year, while CSX is shooting for \$250 million.

NS leased 309 miles of its mothballed West Virginia Secondary in Ohio and West Virginia to Watco in May. The shoreline railroad conglomerate is expected to begin operating the route in July as the Kanawha River Railroad.

So far this year NS has shut down the hump yard at Knoxville, Tenn., reduced switching operations at 25 smaller yards across the system, combined its Virginia and Pocahontas divisions, and reduced its operating regions from three to two.

CSX has reduced operations at 17 lower-volume car shops system wide and reduced its number of operating divisions from 10 to nine.

Both railroads are expected to take additional steps to bring costs in line with revenue.

From Trains Magazine

Reference – NMRA Presidents 1935 to Present

NMRA Presidents					
No.	Term		No. Years	Name	
	From	To		First	Last
1 Year Terms for President					
1	1935	1937	2	W. W.	Hanerly
2	1937	1938	1	Forrest	Fottler
3	1938	1939	1	William	Rau
4	1939	1940	1	Albert	Kamm
5	1940	1941	1	Kirke	Comstock
6	1941	1942	1	Victor	Ketcham
7	1942	1943	1	Paul	Zickgraff

If you have any questions or comments about any of the above, please send them directly to a Director or Officer. You will find those addresses at www.nmra.org or in the NMRA Magazine. If the person holding a region or division office changes, or their email address changes, please contact me at tcdraider@aol.com with the corrected the corrected information.

Regards,

Tom Draper – HLM, DSA, FA, MSA, PA
Director – Support Services

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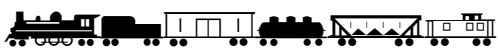
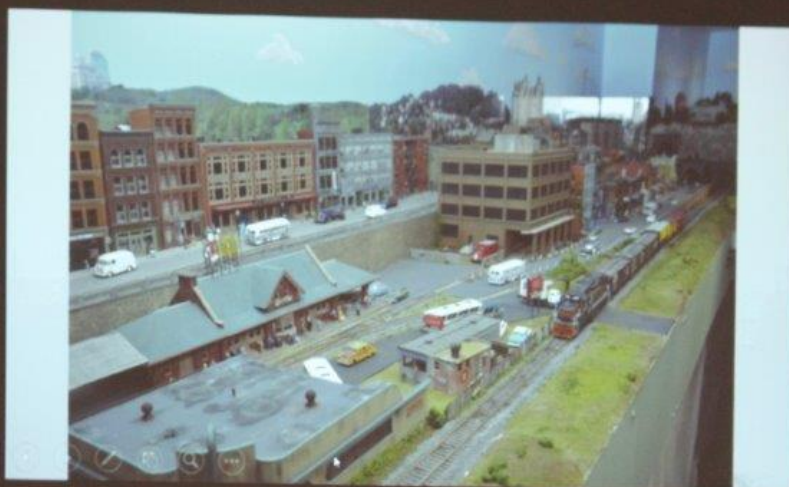
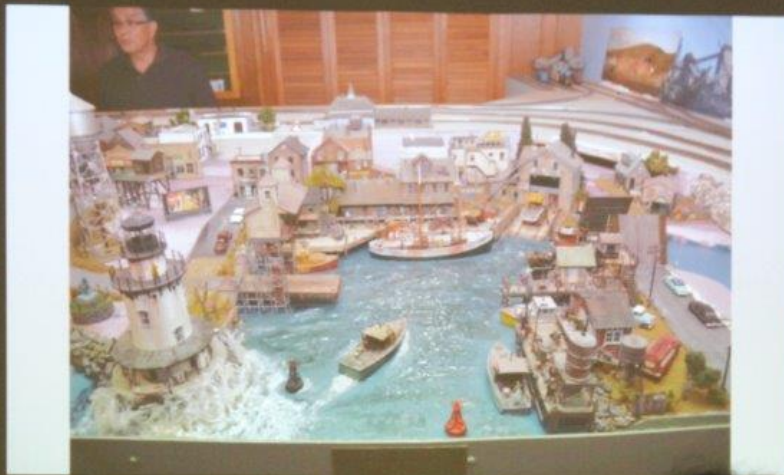
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Director – Support Services



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11	1947	1948	1	Edward R.	Campbell
12	1948	1949	1	Vernon	Guess
13	1949	1950	1	Wilbur E.	Hare
14	1950	1951	2	H. A.	Schultz
15	1951	1953	2	Edward M.	Van Leer
16	1953	1955	2	George H.	Brown
17	1955	1957	2	Ivon S.	Preble
18	1957	1959	2	Dr. Eber H.	Allen
19	1959	1961	2	Leighton	Keeling
20	1961	1963	2	A. Ballard	Bradley
21	1963	1965	2	Robert P.	Brinkman
22	1965	1967	2	Robert I.	Thronily
23	1967	1969	2	Whitney K.	Towers
24	1969	1971	2	Kenneth	Mortimer
25	1971	1973	2	D. E. (Gene)	Colborn
26	1973	1976	3	Eugene E.	Hickey
Start of 2 Year Terms for President					
27	1976	1978	2	Eric	Bracher
28	1978	1980	2	Craig	Brown
29	1980	1982	2	R.H. "Huebe"	Hubenthal
30	1982	1984	2	Anteiss H. "Jack"	Weir
31	1984	1986	2	Paul	Shimada
32	1986	1990	4	Bob	DuPont
33	1990	1994	4	Eric	Lundberg
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35	2000	2004	4	Allen	Pollock
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Start of 3 Year Terms for President					
37	2006	2012	6	Mike	Brestel
38	2012	2018	6	Charlie	Getz

Compiled by: Tom Draper





SWITCH LIST June 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: 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 **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 3rd 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: persoon06@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: wcastegnar35@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 <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, 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 e-mail: trainman55@hotmail.com ; Facebook page "Western Kansas Division" also Western Kansas Division website: <http://www.wkd-nmra.org>

Monthly News in a Glance

EXHIBITORS NEEDED AT DATE NAIL SHOW

Marvin Bush is planning another Date Nail Show in Salina on Friday-Saturday, August 12-13 at the Trinity Lutheran Church and he'd like for small displays of running trains to be at the show. Space is limited so if you'd like to take your display, get in touch with him before long – house phone 785-472-4274 or cell phone 785-472-1409. You may set up either Friday morning or early Saturday. The hours of the show is Friday 1:00-5:30 and Saturday 8:00-3:30.

NRHS

DIVISIONS

Saturday, June 4 – Kansas Central, at member's home, 1:00. Information: wcastegnar35@gmail.com

Monday, June 6 – Chisholm Train, Olivet Baptist Church, 3440 W. 13th St. N, Wichita, 7:00-9:00. Information: Alan A. Aagaard, alan.a.aagaard@gmail.com

Tuesday, June 28 – Turkey Creek, Shawnee Mission North High School Overland Park ,KS, 7:00. Information: Louis Seibel L-seibel@comcast.net website www.witc-nmra.org/



[TC-Calendar.html](#)

Thursday, June 23 – Kate Shelley, 515 Douglas Ave., town???, 6:00. Information: www.NMRA

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

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MODEL RAILROAD CLUBS

Thursday, June 2 – Augusta Model Railroad Club, 6th & School Sts., 7:30. Information: www.augustahorrorclub.org

Thursday, June 2 – Manhattan Area Rail Joiners, Hy-Vee Supermarket, dining room, 601 3rd Place, 7:00. Information: Robert Stewart, 785-537-8730

Friday, June 3 – Topeka N-Track Associates, at member's home, 7:00. Information: Bob Wright, 785-273-7835

Sunday, June 5 – Cherry Valley Model Railroad, Leatherock Hotel, 2nd floor, 420 N. Depot, Cherryvale, 1:00. Information: John R. Dhooghe, john@cvmrc.com; www.cvmrc.com

Saturday, June 11 – Kansas Pacific Model Railroad, 911 Washington, Ellis, 10:00. Lunch at a restaurant afterward. Information: Tom Robinson, railway@gbta.net

Saturday, June 11 – Frankfort Subdivision, 416 W. 1st St., 10:00-3:00. Information: Joe McAtee, joem@bluevalley.net

Saturday-Sunday, June 11-12 – Wichita Toy Train Club, 130 S. Laura, Sat. 10:00-5:00, Sun. 1:00-5:00. \$5 admission; child up to 12 free

Tuesday, June 14 – Lawrence Model Railroad, Bridge Pointe Community Church, 601 W. 29th Terrace. Information: www.lawrencemodelrailroadclub.org

Saturday, June 15 – Frankfort Subdivision

Thursday, June 16 – Kansas City Narrow Gaugers, at member's home, 7:00. Information: Dean Windsor, On3@worldnet.att.net

Sunday, June 19 – Cherry Valley Model Railroad
Sunday, June 19 – Heartland N-TRAK of Greater Kansas City, at member's home. Information: Dick Cooper, nscale@kc.rr.com

Monday, June 20 – Topeka Model Railroaders, Topeka/Shawnee Co. Public Library, 1515 SW 10th, 7:00. Information: Tony Fox, tfox57@gmail.com

Saturday-Sunday, June 25-26 – Wichita Toy Train Club
Every Sunday – Weekend N Gineers, 16624 W. 126th St., Olathe, 1:00. Information Robert Osborn <rozzie45@sbcglobal.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.com**Every Sunday** – Weekend N'gineers, 16624 W. 126th St., Olathe, 1:00. Information: Ken Clark, hapheart@swbell.net

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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: Geg 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 573-581-8013

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. Ohnell, wohnell@sbcglobal.net

Every Other Every Wednesday– Kansas City Society of Model Engineers, Wed. 7:00-9:00 E-mail for meeting Information: Steven Boeck, sjboeck@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. 6th 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 2nd & 4th 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, June 18 – Wichita Area Garden Railway Society, at member's layout. Information: Claudia Rollstin, claudia@gardenrailwaygizmos.com

Sunday, June 26 – Northeast Kansas, at member's layout. Information: Tedy Bellos, petedy@everestkc.net

Thursday, June 30 – Tulsa Garden Railroad Club, Freewill Baptist Church, 1190 N. Mingo Rd., Tulsa, 7:00. Information: info@tulsarailroadclub.org

HISTORICAL CLUBS

Every Tuesday – Just a Group to watch trains, Spangles, K-15 & Pawnee, 10:00

SHOWS and CONVENTIONS 2016

Saturday, October 8 – Salt City Model Train Show, Memorial Hall, 101 S. Walnut St., Hutchinson. Adult \$5.00, child 12 & under free; \$1.00 admission donated to Hutchinson Zoo Train. Information: Mark Buckley, mbuckley@sbcglobal.net

Saturday-Sunday, November 5-6 – Ark City Train Show, Agri-Business Bldg, 712 W. Washington. Adults \$5.00, \$4.00 with food item, child 12 & under free. Information: John Schmucker, javen1927@gmail.com

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 BBQ 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; non-members \$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, 2016th but as in the past we are working on pre-convention 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

Thursday-Sunday, October 6-9 – Missouri Pacific Historic Society, Baymont Inn 319 W. Miller, 314-573-5231. Registration \$30 before Sept. 1; \$40 after. No charge for spouses. Mail: Missouri Pacific Historic Society, 16318 Valley St., Omaha, NE 68130. MOPAC Heritage 1982 on display Sat. Information: www.mopac.org

SPECIAL EVENTS

Saturday, May 14 – National Train Day, Overland Park Arboretum & Botanical Garden, 8909 W. 179th St. Train garden with caboose, model trains, miniature old Overland Park. FOTA members free, non-members \$3. Information: Katharine Garrison, 913-685-3604

Each Weekend – Kansas Belle Dinner Train, Midland Railway, Baldwin City. Information: www.kansasbelle.com

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TRAIN RIDES

Saturday-Sunday, July 23-24 – Steam, Abilene & Smoky Valley Railroad

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Saturday-Sunday, October 1-2 – Steam, Abilene & Smoky Valley Railroad

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