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November 2017

Turkey Creek Division

Christmas/Holiday Party Meeting December 19th at 7:00 pm **Lakeview Village Eastside Terrace** 14001 W 92 St., Lenexa, KS 66215

> First Clinic Ron Morse MMR "Reflections in a Gold Pan."

> > **Second Clinic**

David Jacobs MMR On his home layout the "Sam Clemens Lumber Company"

The meeting location is in the Eastside Terrace Building on the 5th floor and an elevator is available in the lobby see map inside



From THE SUPER'S DESK...

Greetings to all Turkey Creek Division Members...

Let me begin by wishing everyone a very Merry Christmas and Happy Holiday Season!! It's a great time for model railroaders, with the likelihood of operating trains and special gifts under the tree. Hope Santa brings you all exactly what you are wishing for.

A quick note regarding the November meeting. We had two great clinics on subjects that we haven't seen for some time...live steam railroading and adhesives. Many thanks to Jim Duncan and Pat McCarthy for their presentation on "The Big Creek & Southern – Operations Ready to Ride!" Also, a big thank you to Miles Hale, MMR for his presentation on "Adhesives". A great meeting, hope you didn't miss it.

Our December meeting will again be our Christmas/Holiday party. Please don't miss it...and remember, spouses are also invited. We will have two presentations this year. Ron Morse will tell and show us about his early years in Colorado with "Reflections in a Gold Pan." In addition, David Jacobs will present a nice video about his beautiful home layout. Also, see information elsewhere in this issue of the Lightning Slinger about bringing refreshments.

This meeting will again be at the Westlake Village facility; however, it will be it a different building. It will be in the Eastside Terrace building...address is 14001 W 92nd St, Lenexa, KS. A map of the facility is included elsewhere in this issue. The meeting will be on the 5th floor and an elevator is available in the lobby. This building is secure with the doors locked. We will have someone at the door to let people in...but, because of this, please do not be late. However, if you are late, call my cell at 913-515-6686 to get access.

We held elections at the November meeting for next year's TC officers. Please join me in congratulating John Fales (Superintendent), Steve McKee (Clerk), and Bill Humenczuk (Paymaster). We are lucky to have these dedicated individuals to lead the Division in 2018.

As winter sets in and we put the holiday season behind us, it's a great time to get to work on all of those model railroad projects that have been put off during the summer. So, get to work! The Division can always use help and involvement in many ways. Please consider volunteering to present a clinic, participate in the make-and-take model program, and/or the annual Modeling Challenge. The Division has a lot to offer...just get involved!

Finally, thanks to all who supported my year as Superintendent (actually, my 3rd year). To all who presented clinics and helped with other events, including the Annual Meet and Train Show.

Best to all... Larry

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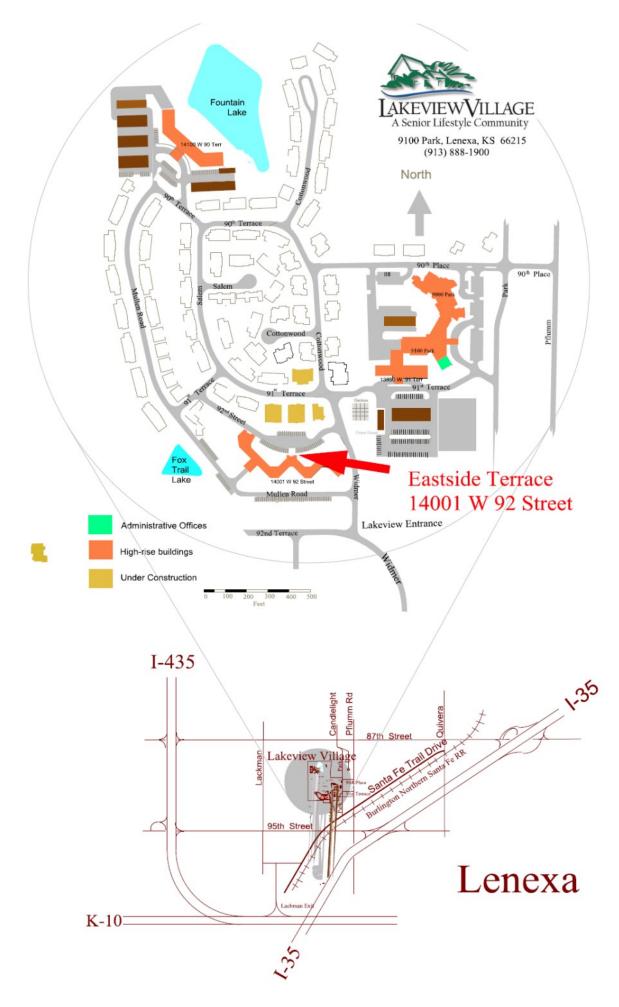
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http://www.tc-nmra.org

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Olathe Downtown Library

January 10 - 14, 2018

Come to the library to see an operating model railroad. Experts will be on hand to answer questions about the display and model railroading. Everyone is welcome! Free!

Wednesday, January 10

Thursday, January 11

Friday, January 12

Saturday, January 13

Sunday, January 14

2:00 - 8:00 p.m.

2:00 - 8:00 p.m.

10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

1:00 - 3:30 p.m.

Olathe Downtown Library

201 E. Park St. Olathe, KS 66061





2018 NMRA National Convention Registration Form

www.kc2018.org							
Registrant Last Name:				NMR/	A #:		
First Name:	Dr		Mr	Mrs.	Ms	MME	RHLM
SIG Memberships (shown on badge):LDSIG	<u> </u>	PSIG	PR	o	RPM _	_N _	_SG
Complete Name As It Should Appear On Badge:	Are	a Code	& Telep	hone #:			
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E-Mail Address:							
Name Of Companion:	Dr		Mr	Mrs.	Ms	MME	RHLM
Complete Companion Name As It Should Appear On Badge: E-Mail Address:							
Names & Ages (As Of July 2018) Of Family Member(s):							
Special Considerations:							
Note: Tours, meal functions, non-rail activities, and tickets for other events may be added to this 2018 NMRA National Convention pre-registration as the events are announced and promoted.							
Convention Registration Fees Fees On or Before February 1, 2018 Fees After Feb. 1, 2018 Sub-Total							
Basic Registration (NMRA Member) x \$140.				Fees After Feb. 1, 2018 Basic Rate x \$160.00			
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* Must accompany a standard registration ** Family rate includes NMRA member, companion, and all children up to 18 years of age as of the			Total Submitted To: NMRA 2018 \$				
Payment Of Fees Checks / money orders payable to: NMRA 2018 (Please do not staple checks to registration forms!) Description of the Control							
Paying Via Credit Card, Complete Details Below Then Mail To NMRA:							
AMEX Discover Mastercard VISA		Security Code:			Exp. Da	ate:	
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THINGS TO DO:

DOWNTOWN/KANSAS CITY

POWER & LIGHT DISTRICT

Amid the skyscrapers and famastic Art Deco buildings, you'll find a vibrant, new energy in the heart of the city. Just two blocks from the Kansas City Convention Center and downtown hotels is the new eight-block Kansas City Power & Light District, which is filled with more than 50 restaurants, bars, and entertainment venues. Downtown is also a prime destination for the performing arts with the new Sprint Center srens, a concentration of historic theaters, and the \$413 million Kauffman Center for the Performing Arts.

COUNTRY CLUB PLAZA

No trip to Kansas City is complete without a visit to the Country Club Plaza. This 15-square-block outdoor shopping and entertainment district is filled with romantic Spanish architecture, European art, and dazzling founzains. Designed in 1922, the Plaza features boutiques and fashionable national stores as well as distinctive restaurants, outdoor cafes, and nightlife hotspots. Two nationally renowned art museums are located nearby: The Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art and the Kemper Museum of Contemporary Art.

CROWN CENTER/UNION STATION

This is a great area for family fun. Situated between Downtown and the Country Club Plaza, Hallmark Cards' Downstown and in Columby Compiles of more than 60 shops and restaurants, exhibits, live theater, and the Hallmark Visitors Center New to the complex are LEGOLAND Discovery Center and SEALIFE — the city's first aquarium. Next door is Union Station—a renovated train station that houses a science center, theaters, restaurants, touring exhibits and Amtrak. Just to the south is the National World War I Museum at Liberty Memorial

CROSSROADS ARTS DISTRICT/WESTSIDE

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If you're looking for an eclectic gathering place, head to the Crossroads. Once-vacant buildings now house unique shops, restaurants, and a thriving art scene. First Fridays are a local favorite when more than 60 galleries and shops remain open late the first Friday of each month. The adjacent Westside neighborhood offers dining and emertainment, including some of the city's most popular Mexican and Latin American restaurants

18TH & VINE HISTORIC JAZZ DISTRICT

There's no better place to learn about Kansas City's jazz. legacy than in this neighborhood that was once the epicenter of the city's African-American community. The area features the American Jazz Museum and the Negro Leagues Baseball Museum in a combined complex. Hear live jazz at The Blue Room or the Mutual Musicians Foundation. To the north, the Goin' to Kansas City Plaza at Twelfth Street and Vine pays tribute to the song that made the intersection famous.

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RIVER MARKET

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To experience a lively and unique neighborhood, head to the
River Market. Situated just south of the Missouri River, the
area features historic brick buildings, loft apartments, bars
and restaurants, and one of the Midwest's largest farmers'
markets—the 150-year-old City Market. The market is
especially lively on weekends when more than 140 farmers bring their goods for sale. The Arabia Steamboat Museum, ethnic food stores, and antique shops are also in the area.

Locals know Westport as a popular nightlife district. However, in the 1800s, Westport stood as a bustling outpost, offering the last taste of European civilization at the doorstep of the great West. Westport's 19th century charm remains with historic buildings, oldstyle lampposts, and tree-lined boulevards. The area features fun and funky shops, diverse restaurants, and a variety of bars and nightclubs. Just to the west is 39th Street West, which offers an eclectic mix of ethnic restaurants and colorful shops.

RAILFANNING

Kansas City is the second largest railroad hub in the United States. Its yards and junctions are all within 15 minutes of each other, making railfanning in Kansas City a pure delight. The Kansas City Terminal hours more than 300 trains a day, most of which can be seen at Santa Fe Junction located 5 minutes from the convention hotel.

MODEL RAILROADING

Kansas City has more than 60 functional model railroads. Many layouts are built for operation and are regularly operated by visitors from other cities.



WHEN:

on, August 5 - 12, 2018

TRANSPORTATION:

(MCI) Kansas City International Airport

HOTEL/CONVENTION CENTER:

1 East Pershing Road Kansas City, MO 64108 PH: 816-474-4400

TRAIN SHOW EXHIBIT HALL: 301 West 13th Street Kansas City, MO 64105 PH: 816-513-5000 http://kcconvention.com

2018 CONVENTION WEBSITE: http://kc2018.org

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DRIVE TIMES



Factoids:

Kansas City is home to the the National WWI Museum which opened in 1926 and will be celebrating the 100th anniversary of the end of WWI during the convention. The musuem is located across the street from the convention hotel.

With a total population of 2.1 million, Kansas City is the 29th largest metropolitan area in the U.S.

The Kansas City Barbecue Society reports that KC has more barbecue restaurants per capita than any other city in the nation.

Jazz has been a staple of the KC music scene since the 1920s. Legenday artists Court Basic, Bennie Moton, Isy McSham, Lester Young, and Charlie "Bird" Parker called Kansac City home during the golden age of swing and bebop. The "jam session" originated in Kansas City — musicians would gather after their gigs to play together into the wee hours of the morning.

In 1910, Joyce C. Hall began selling postcards out of a shoebox in K.C. Today, his company has grown to the world's largest greeting-cards maker, Hallmark Cards.

KC is home to the largest maker of boxed chocolates in the world. Based here since 1932, Russell Stover Candies still hand dips more than 25 million pieces of chocolate each year.

Walt Disney opened his first animation studio in Kansas City: Laugh-O-Gram Studios. He fed a small mouse in the building, which he later said was his inspiration for Mickey Mouse.

Get Your Caboose





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The Lawrence Model Railroad Club

The 17th Annual Train Show and Swap Meet



2018



February 10 (9am-4pm) & 11 (9am-3pm)

Admission: Adults \$6.00 donation & Children 12 and under free with paid adult

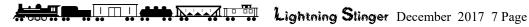
Bring canned food donations and receive \$1 admission discount per person Lawrence Model Railroad Club supports L.I.N.K. Inc. Food Pantry

Crown Toyota 3400 South Iowa St, Lawrence, KS

More information at www.lawrencemodelrailroadclub.org

Features: Layouts (HO scale and N scale), Model contest, vendor tables, silent auction, door prizes, concessions and

Model Contest Categories Include: Diesel Locomotive, Steam Locomotive, Rolling Stock, and Structures. More info and entry forms can be found on the LMRC website and accepted the first day of the show







An adventure on the Big Railroad Creek & Southern

By Kelly Loyd MMR

The Turkey Creek Division was treated to a slideshow presentation by Jim Duncan and Pat McCarthy of the Big Creek & Southern Railroad on November 28 at our regular meeting.

Jim and Pat invited our group to visit the railroad, so on a bright sunny December Saturday, I took an early morning drive out to the railroad. Pat came out of the workshop and greeted me, then showed me around the workshop and some of the equipment. The workshop has full machining capability with a large mill and a recently acquired digital lathe.

We walked out of the workshop and around a little of the property, taking a look at the inside of HK Tower, where the Dispatcher works when it is an Operations Day. There is a full CTC panel installed which is controlled by JMRI Panel Pro.

Pat explained that we would be using the automatic system as it was not an operations day. The railroad is fully signaled except for yard tracks with all turnouts powered and track circuit detection of trains. All of the powered turnouts are Dual-Control and have a "Hand throw" switch that allows train crews to take control of them for switching and days when there is no Dispatcher on duty.

After looking at the railroad, it was time to get some work done. Pat said he wanted to spread some ballast around a few places that needed it and empty out the ballast train. We walked down to the train shed, containing 14 tracks, where the rolling stock and locos are stored. Pat drove the Alco Century 420 out, hauling all the ballast hoppers and we drove around the railroad to a few spots needing attention. When the train

stopped at each location, we shoveled gravel onto the track where the ballast was required. It was much like ballasting HO track, without the glue!

Once the gravel was used up, we took the empty train back over to HK tower and went around the loop to back into the storage hopper.

With the ballast train finished, Zippy fired up his CSX GP38 with the passenger set and we took a long ride around the railroad. It took about 30 minutes to complete the entire layout, a very enjoyable trip.

If you're looking for something different why not give it a try, Pat is very friendly, and the railroad is looking for new members. I enjoyed my visit and will be going back for more and hopefully an operating day.

The Big Creek & Southern railroad web address is http://www.bcsrr.com and you can contact Pat for directions and details.



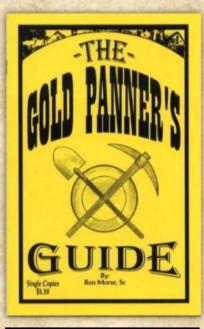


Turkey Creek Division

December 19, 2017 (Tuesday) @ 7:00 PM

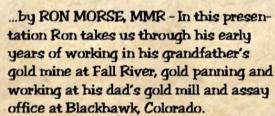


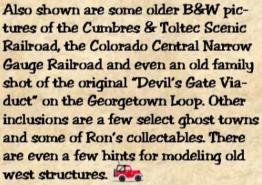






"REFLECTIONS IN A GOLD PAN"



















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November Clerk Report

We had about 41 members at our meeting this month.

Miles Hale MMR had a great clinic on Adhesives. He talked about the differences between the different types of AC, water base glues like Elmer's and ones like glue stick and just tacky glues. You need to see the power point presentation he presented to get all the info. There are now some glues I don't have I need to get after seeing that. He also talked about the famous 5 minute epoxy the Larry Diehl uses that he gets in 55 gallon drums. The stuff Larry use's is special because it made to use on fishing lines so it will stay somewhat flexible and not get hard as a rock. I have used it on my plaster round house from Banta and it worked great. On a large structure like that I wanted something that might have a little flex so when the building gets moved it doesn't end up cracking a wall because the board it's on might flex and the plaster walls don't. You can view Miles Hale's MMR video on at Trainmasters TV.

Jim Duncan and Pat McCarthy had a power point clinic on their "The Big Creek & Southern RR". This is a operating outdoor large scale railroad where you can sit on some of the cars. They are looking for new members to join them in the fun. They have a pretty neat RR out there. It's got several bridges and a tunnel. The members can store their trains on the property and also work on them there. These guys have all the big boy's tools. They work on the RR about year round except for the really cold weather. You can get more details on their web page at http://www.bcsrr.com/

Don't forget the National NMRA convention will be here next year and it would be nice to see a lot of the model awards stay right here in Kansas City from this show. You guys still have 8 months to put something together so don't say you don't have time. It doesn't have to be scratch built. Just pick out a building you have or buy one you like, put it together and enter it in next year's contest. It seems like anymore the narrow-gauge contest

rooms look better then the NMRA contest rooms. Next year let's show the NMRA that Kansas City can put out great models.

Larry Diehl is going to order the Tommy Knocker Cabin from Wild West Models. Scales: N, HO,

Turkey creek will chip in on the price to keep it affordable to everybody and Mike and Cory are going to give us a special price on the kit.

Details include: Interior etched floor boards, removable roof, include an extra interchangeable wall for multiple building options, all scales can be built with the side gable addition on the left or right side, and windows and doors can be positioned open or closed and include laser-cut glazing. Our trademark EASY to follow FULLY Illustrated step-by-step instructions make building easy! Precision laser cut wood construction. Includes our laser-cut, realistic no-paint paper shake shingles (# 01). Small footprint with loads of unique character.

Footprints:

N = 1.2" x 1.4"

HO = 2.2" x 2.6"

S = 2.8" x 3.5"

O = 3.7" x 4.6"

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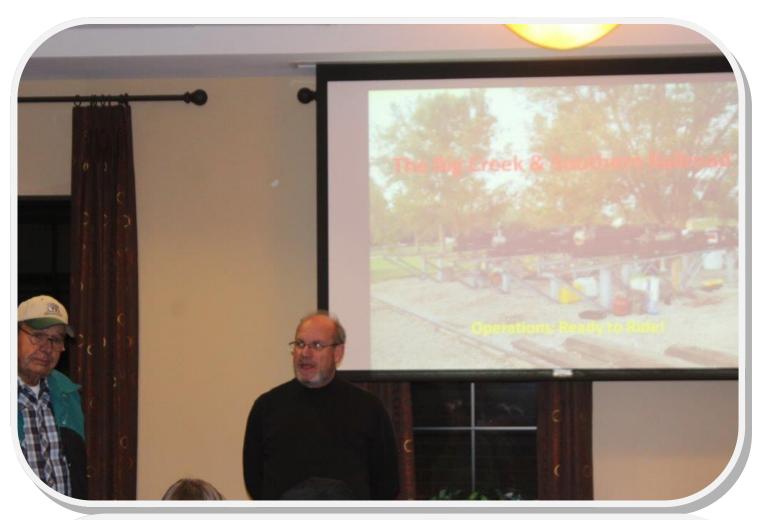


Miners shack, worker housing, or used as small residential structure, these small multi-use structures were found in towns all across the country.











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SWITCH LIST December 2017 *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: 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 The first Saturday of even numbered months. Meeting start at 1PM. For the next meeting's location and program please email kd0r@fhrd.net.

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 Lakeview Village, 9000 Park Pl., Eastside Terrace Bldg., Lenexa, Meeting starts 7:00 pm on the Fourth Tuesday of every month except and December meeting date 19th annual Holliday Party. For current information: Louis Seibel, Lseibel@comcast.net, 913-393-3495 or 913-927-6850 or the Division Timetable http://www.tcnmra.org/TC-Calendar.html

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 email:trainman55@hotmail.com: Facebook page "Western Kansas Division" also Western Kansas Division website: http://www.wkd-nmra.org

KANSAS CITY SOUTHERN'S 2017 CHRISTMAS TRAIN TO BENEFIT HARVEY VICTIMS

KANSAS CITY, Mo. - Kansas City Southern's 2017 Holiday Express will travel through some of the communities which bore the brunt of Hurricane Harvey and will focus on raising extra funds for ongoing relief efforts, the railroad announced in a recent news release.

"This year, KCS will work with the Salvation Army to target communities along the route most impacted by Hurricane Harvey for additional support, including Victoria, El Campo, Kendleton and Beaumont, Texas," KCS spokesperson Doniele Carson says. "For these communities, the KCS Charitable Fund will make a supplemental donation to provide additional support as they recover from the hurricane.

Between Nov. 24 and Dec. 19, the Holiday Express will make stops in 22 communities in six states.

The schedule in our area:

Dec. 6 – 4:00 p.m. – Ashdown, AR, Main & U.S. Highway 71

Dec. 7 – 4:00 p.m. – Mena, AR, 524 Sherwood Ave.

Dec. 8 – 4:00 p.m. – Heavener, OK, KCS Yard, 403 West First

Dec. 9 – 4:00 p.m. – Stilwell, OK, Depot

Dec. 10 – 4:00 p.m. – Siloam Springs, AR, Jefferson St.

Dec. 11 – 4:00 p.m. – Anderson, MO, Anderson City Hall, 103 West Beaver St.

Dec. 12 – 4:00 p.m. – Joplin, MO, Union Depot, east of "B" and North Main St.

Dec. 13 – 4:00 p.m. – Pittsburg, KS, Elm & Monroe Streets, (Heart of the Heartlands could use volunteer help)

Dec. 14 – 4:00 p.m. – Oak Grove, MO, Broadway St.

Dec. 15 – 2:00-5:00 p.m. – Kansas City, MO, Union Station

Dec. 15 – 6:00-8:00 p.m. – Kansas City, MO, Union Station Dec. 16-17 – 10:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m. – Kansas City, MO, Union Station

Dec. 18 – 11:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m. – Kansas City, MO, Union

Dec. 19 – 11:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. – Kansas City, MO, Union Station

For a full schedule: www.kcsouthern.com

Monthly News in a Glance

NAVRE

Monday, December 4 – Hutchinson, Airport Steak House, 1100 Airport Rd, 8:30 a.m. Information: Ron Pauls, arkola@sbcglobal.net

Tuesday, December 5 – Arkansas City, Senior Citizen Center, 320 S. A St., 11:30

Monday, December 11 – Abilene/Salina, Bayard's Café, 540 S. Broadway, Salina. Information: Tony Schmitt, asch9438@cox.net

Monday, December 11 – Parsons, The Chinese Chef, 900 N. 16th St., 11:30. Information: Jimmy W. Dodds, jimmywdodds@gmail.com

Tuesday, December 12 – Wellington, Senior Center, 308 S. Washington, 12:00. Information: abdb@sutv.com Tuesday, December 12 – Topeka, Coyote Canyon, 1251 SW Ashworth Pl., 9:30-11:00. Information: Larry Broadbent, lbroadbent@cox.net

Wednesday, December 13 – Marysville, Rickey's Café, Hanover, 11:30. Information: Dolores Krug, d30krug@yahoo.com

Monday, December 25? – Wichita, Ourr's Family Dining, 1606 S. Georgetown St., 11:20. Information: Tony Schmitt, asch9438@cox.net

NRHS

Friday, December 8 – Topeka Chapter, Ward-Meade Historical Site, Preston-Hale Room, 124 NW Fillmore St., 7:00. Holiday Social and Election of Officers Friday, December 15 – Wichita Chapter, Great Plains Transportation Museum, 700 W. Douglas, 7:00. Slide free-forall. Information: J. Harvey Koehn, jhkoehn@prodigy.net Friday, December 22 – Kansas City Chapter, Union Station, KC Terminal Board Room, 2nd floor, 7:00. Information: Ed Conrad, Heartlandrails@aol.com

DIVISIONS

Saturday, December 2 – Kansas Central, at a members' home, 1:00. Information: Kd0r@fhrd.net

Monday, December 4 – Chisholm Trail, Olivet Baptist Church, 3440 W. 13th St, Wichita, 7:00-9:00. Information: Alan A. Aagaard, alan.a.aagaard@gmail.com

Tuesday, December 19 – Turkey Creek, Lakeview Village, Eastside Terrace Bldg., 9000 Park Place, Lenexa, 7:00,

Christmas Party. Information: Louis Siebel, <u>L-seibel@comcast.net</u> or <u>www.tc-nmra.org/TC-Calendar</u>

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

SPECIAL EVENTS

Saturday, September 15, 2018 – Kansas Railfest, Great Plains Transportation Museum, Wichita

TRAIN RIDES

Santa Trains - Midland Railway, Baldwin City Friday, December 1 – Santa Train, Midland Railway, Baldwin

Saturday, December 2 – Santa Train, Midland Railway, 1:00 Sunday, December 3 – Santa Train, Midland Railway, 9:30,

Thursday, December 7 – Santa Train, Midland Railway, 6:00 Friday, December 8 – Santa Train, Midland Railway, 6:00 Saturday, December 9 – Santa Train, Midland Railway, 9:30,

To purchase tickets: www.midlandrailway.org

MODEL RAILROAD CLUBS

Thursday, December 7 – Augusta Model Railroad Club, 6th & School Sts. 7:30. Information: info@augustahorrclub.org Friday, December 1 – Topeka N-Track Associates, at members' home, 7:00. Information: Bob Wright, 785-273-

Sunday, December 3 – Cherry Valley Model Railroad, Leatherock Hotel, 2nd floor, 420 N. Depot St., 1:00, Cherryvale. Information: John R. Dhooghe, john@cvmrc.com or www.cvmrv.com

Thursday, December 7 – Manhattan Area Rail Joiners, Hy-Vee Supermarket, dining room, 601 3rd Pl, 7:00. Information: Robert Stewart, 785-527-8730

Saturday, December 9 - Kansas Pacific Model Railroad, Ellis Museum, 911 Washington, 10:00. Lunch at a restaurant afterward. Information: Tom Robinson, rrailway@gbta.net Saturday, December 9 – Frankfort Division, 416 W. 1st St, 10:00-3:00. Information: Joe McAtee, joem@bluevalley.net Saturday-Sunday, Dcember 9-10 – Wichita Toy Train Club, 130 S. Laura, Sat.10:00-5:00, Sun. 1:00-5:00. Admission charged.

Sunday, December 10 – Heartland N-TRAK of Greater Kansas City, 131 S. Water St., Liberty, MO, 1:00 socialize. 3:00 run trains. Information: Bob Osborn, 816-452-9227 Monday, December 11 – Lawrence Model Railroad, Bridge Pointe Community Church, 601 W. 29th Terrace. Information: www.lawrencemodelrailroadclub.org

Sunday, December 17 – Cherry Valley Model Railroad Monday, December 18 - Topeka Model Railroaders, Topeka/ Shawnee Co. Public Library, 1515 SW 10th, 7:00. Information: Tony Fox, tfox57@gmail.com

Thursday, December 21 – Kansas City Narrow Gaugers, at members' layout, 7:00. Information: Dean Windsor, On3@worldnet.att.net

Saturday, December 23 – Frankfort Division Saturday-Sunday, December 23-24 – Wichita Toy Train

Every Sunday – Weekend N'gineers, 16624 W. 126th St., Olathe, 1:00. Information: Ken Clark, hapheart@swbell.net Every Sunday – MidKansas 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, 429 W. Commercial St., Springfield, MO. Information: Ron Williams, rwilliams3129@gmail.com

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 Saturday-Sunday - North East Kansas Model Railroaders, 12" scale, 1440 N. 6th St., Atchison, Sat. 10:004:00, Sun. 12:00-4:00. Information: Otto Wick, 913-367-7536

MEETINGS GARDEN RAILROADS

Sunday, December 17 – Wichita Area Garden Railway Society, at members' home or Botancia, 1:30. Information: Nancy Marin, nanmarin@att.net

Thursday, December 28 – Tulsa Garden Railroad Club, Freewill Baptist Church, 1190 N. Mingo Rd, 7:00. Information: info@tulsarailroadclub.org

HISTORICAL CLUBS

Thursday, December 7 – Round Table, Paul & Jack's Tavern, 1808 Clay St., N. Kansas City, MO, 6:00. Program: Art Riordan Films Part III by Tony Fey. Information: Robert Walz, rmwalz@sprintmail.com

SHOWS and CONVENTIONS 2017

Sunday November 26 Mid-American Train and Toy Show Open 9am - 2pm admission \$5, 12/Under Free KCI EXPO CENTER 11728 Ambassador Dr. Kansas City, Missouri, 64153 Trains, Models, RR Collectibles & More Collectible Toys, new & used Free Train Movies * Door Prizes 200 Dealer Tables * Free Parking 913-651-5864

Saturday-Sunday, February 3-4, 2018- Wichita Train Show, Cessna Activity Center, 2744 George Washington Blvd, Sat. 9:00-5:00, Sun. 11:00-4:00. Adult \$8.00, \$7.00 with food item, Scouts in uniform Free, child 10 & under Free. Sat. 9:00 -5:00, Sun. 11:00-4:00. Information: Phil Aylward, aylward1@cox.net

February 10-11, 2018, the 17th Annual Train Show and Swap Meet The Lawrence Model Railroad Club is moving to a new location for the 17th Annual Model Train Show and

Swap Meet. **New Location:** Crown Toyota Used Car Kingdom, 3400 Iowa, Lawrence **Admission**: Adults \$6.00. Children 12 and under free with paid adult. Bring a canned food donation for LINK and receive \$1.00 off admission. The contest is open to all model railroaders and railfans. http://lawrencemodelrailroadclub.org/TrainShow.htm

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March 24th Missouri, Springfield - Ozarks Model Railroad Assn. 40th Annual Train Show., 9 am to 3 pm, Expo Center, 635 St. Louis St., Admission \$7, children under 12 free. The features: 150+ vendor tables; model railroad displays and a dozen operating layouts; and many children's activities including the kiddie train, train simulator, switching challenge, whistle blower. There will also be a several clinics for the mini -Frisco convention, Best Frisco Model and a tour of Frisco Museum. For show information contact Ron Williams MMR rwilliams3129@gmail.com. For vendor table information go to https://www.omraspringfield.org.

Saturday, April 1, 2018 - Greater Tulsa Train Show, Bixby Community Center, 211 N. Cabaniss Ave., Bixby, OK, 9:00-3:00. Adult \$4.00, child under 12 Free. Sponsored by Toy Train Operating Society Sooner Division. Information: Bob Pope, 405-250-8449

August 5-12, 2018 The NMRA 2018 National Convention Kansas City, MO Visit web site for more information http:// www.kc2018.org

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