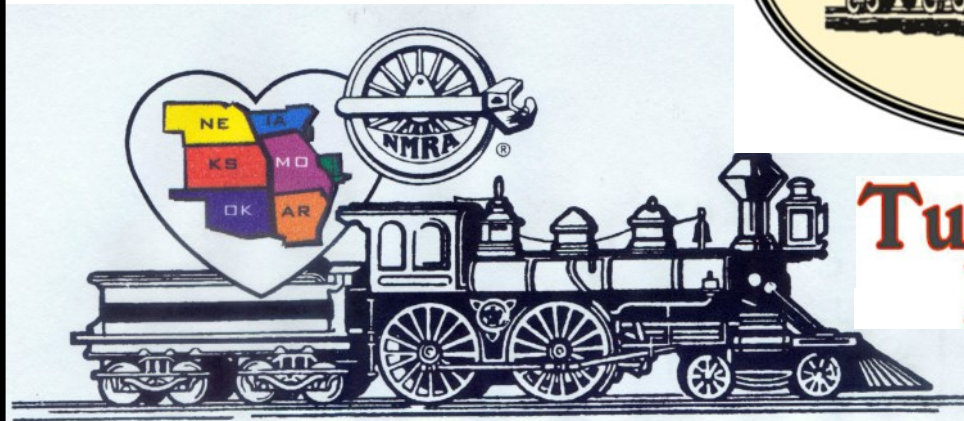


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Turkey Creek Division

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MONTHLY PUBLICATION OF THE TURKEY CREEK DIVISION
OF THE MID-CONTINENT REGION, NMRA
“For all gauges and all ages”

April 2017

Turkey Creek Division Meeting **April 25, 2017 at 7:00 pm** **Lakeview Village** **9000 Park St.** **Lenexa, KS 66215**

**The meeting room location is in
the Eastside Terrace Building**

Kelly Loyd MMR.

**Kelly will present a clinic on
“Plastic Modeling”**





From *THE SUPER'S DESK*....

Hello to all Turkey Creek Division members...

We had a great March meeting! The meeting room was nearly overflowing. Jeff Needham presented a very interesting and entertaining clinic on modeling the Santa Fe's Colorado Division in HO. If you missed it, you missed a good one. The new meeting space continues to work well! Thanks, Shelly. The April 25 meeting will feature our new addition to Division membership from Australia, Kelly Loyd MMR. Kelly will present a clinic on "Plastic Modeling". Should be a good one.

As a look ahead to the May meeting, three of our TC members will present a clinic on the NMRA's Achievement Program. Paul Richardson (NMRA AP General Manager), Brad Morneau (MCoR AP Chair), and Joe Robertson (TC Division AP Chair) will explain how to negotiate this program with a minimum of frustration. This is obviously the only instance of a Division that touts all three of these positions. We are very lucky!

This is another gentle reminder regarding the Modeling Challenge coming up in our June meeting. This is the time to be thinking about participating in the challenge. The Challenge theme this year continues to be "Anything Goes". So you can bring and display anything, so long as it will fit through the door. Your entry does not even have to be finished...bring it anyway and explain to the group what you are doing and how you are doing it. The inclusion of a Make-and-Take model with your entry makes the entry eligible for an additional special award. This will be the 14th year for this event. It was first initiated in 2004 in an attempt to get all Division members to participate. To an extent, I believe that it has been successful; however, many of the members have not joined in. I wish you all would!

I have been busy with several model railroad events recently...they are always very enjoyable. I attended the March O Scale meet in Chicago (always great), the Mid-America Train & Toy Show at the KCI Expo Center on March 26, and the SN3 Symposium in St Louis in April. Busy time, but lots of fun. I encourage all of you to attend some of these events. We have the MCoR Annual Convention coming up May 18-21 in Ames, IA and the TC Annual Meet and Train Show on July 29 at Shawnee Mission North High School. Information on both of these is available on the web...just Google them!

I hope you all will continue to try to attend the monthly Turkey Creek Division meetings (4th Tuesday of each month. These are great opportunities to meet and interact with other local modelers. It's a chance for all of us to learn new things and to pass on to others some of our new or different ideas and techniques. I know all will benefit. Best to all... Larry

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Turkey Creek Division

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ORGANIZATION



March Clerk Report

We had about 37 members at our meeting this month.

Brad Morneau handed out AP certificates to Larry Alfred for structures, and had 2 for Larry Diehl for cars.

Larry Diehl showed the lantern that will be given away for the Best of show model at the Turkey Creek show July 29 so be sure to bring something to enter in the model contest.

Jeff Needham put on a great power point presentation on his layout. He models the Santa Fe Railroad and this is an operating railroad.

After the clinic was over Larry Alfred passed out door prizes that Ron Morse brought to the meeting.

It was mentioned that Steve Priest is looking for volunteers and layouts for the 2018 NMRA convention. If you can help with either contact Steve. A few said the web site was not working and couldn't contact them. You can contact Steve at 816-746-6733 in case the web site is still not working.

The meeting was over just about at 8:30 pm.

For all those who do operations here's a web page that can figure scale speed for you at <http://www.stonysmith.com/railroad/speedcalc.asp>

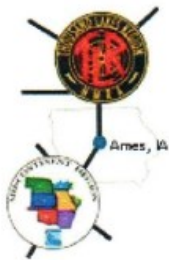
That's all for now, Steve McKee, Clerk



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. Restaurant, Recreational facilities, and an 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.

REGISTRATIONS

Mail to:

MCoR Convention 2000
1117 East 16th Street South
Newton, IA 50208

CONVENTION CHAIRMAN

Whit Johnson
1117 East 16th Street South
Newton, IA 50208
815-342-0301
Email: conventionstaff@mcpr-nmra.org



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.**

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 dues must accompany registrations for Non-members.





**Turkey Creek Division
Annual Train Show
July 29, 2017
Shawnee Mission
North High School
7401 Johnson Drive
Overland Park, Kansas 66202**



Show Times 8:00 am to 3:00 pm Layout Tours 3:30 pm to 8:30 pm

**Attendees \$6.00 at door ... NMRA members \$5.00 at door
Children 12 and under attend free**

Clinics Start at 9:00 – Clinics covering many aspects of the hobby.

Model & Photo Contests – by NMRA judging and popular vote. Each model you entered into the contest will give you a chance in the special drawing to receive one \$50.00 gift voucher, up to a maximum of 5 chances. Awards will be announced @ 2:00 p.m.

Special Youth Award - for the best overall youth model entry.

Door Prizes – From many different manufacturers, vendors and local hobby shops

Display Layout and Layout Tours – In addition to the display layout at the meet, several local modelers will be opening their homes to layout tours in the afternoon and evening. See schedule at the show.

Swap Tables and Railroad Groups – Expect to find more than 80 tables from area dealers, local hobbyists and other railroad groups.

Food and Refreshments – will be available.

Turkey Creek Division Annual Train Show 2017 Vendor and Individual Registration Form

Individual or Vendor Name(s) for badges: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Telephone: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

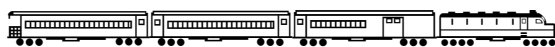
Individual Advance Registration \$5.00 _____ (NMRA members \$4.00 _____)

Vendor Registration: Eight Ft. Space \$20.00 No. of Spaces: _____ Total Amount: \$ _____
Total Encl. \$ _____ Check # _____ Electrical: Yes ___ No ___
Set up from 3:00pm to 7:00 pm on July 28th, must be out by 5pm on July 29th.

Make checks payable to "Turkey Creek Division"

Mail to: Turkey Creek Show, C/O Bill Humenczuk, Paymaster, 8624 W. 116th Street, Overland Park KS 66210

For more information contact: Larry Alfred, captlalfred@gmail.com, home 913-782-6584, or Larry Diehl, ldiehl066@gmail.com – cell 816-804-0152





Photos I wish to share....

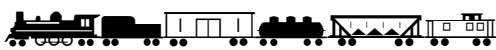
I attended the Sn3 convention in St. Louis first week in April. There were layout tours and many very impressive ... Very notable was Gary Hoover's layout in "rebuild stages". You may realize Gary had an ATSF layout featured in magazines for years. About 3 years ago, Gary decided to tear down and rebuild as Norfolk and Western RR, end of steam era. What I had seen before as a great, well detailed layout is commencing to become an even better layout representing the Appalachian Mountains in Pennsylvania. There pictures merely a sampling.

In conversation with Gary, his prior ATSF layouts lacked prototype detail for his "liking", plus he grew up in the Pennsylvania area and the modeling reflects his remembrances as a young man for which he has fond memories.

If you get the chance to see Gary Hoover's N&WRR, I recommend you not pass it up!

Larry W. Diehl









2017 SILVER RAILS MODEL TRAIN SHOW



ALL ABOARD!!! The Silver Rails Model Train show is ready to "Highball" into its 8th year. This year will bring the same good food for Breakfast and Lunch and also the return of our great vendors and friends. The show is located at the Silver Rails Event Center (204 East Moore Street) in downtown La Plata, MO.

Tables are \$15.00 each with discounted per table rates available for larger booths.

Show hours are from 9 am to 3 pm, Saturday, October 21st. The Depot Inn is our local hotel. The room rate is \$89.00. If you make reservations with them just let them know you want the "Trainshow" rate.

We are looking forward to seeing everyone again. Start saving now so you can buy more trains. Admission will be \$3.00. Children 8 and under will be free with adult. For more information please contact Bob Cox 660-287-1714.

The American Passenger Rail Heritage Foundation (APRHF) is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization whose mission is to preserve and promote the role that passenger rail played in the





2018 NMRA National Convention Registration Form

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT!

www.kc2018.org

Registrant Last Name:		NMRA #:	
First Name:	___ Dr. ___ Mr. ___ Mrs. ___ Ms. ___ MMR ___ HLM		
SIG Memberships (shown on badge): ___ LDSIG ___ OPSIG ___ PRO ___ RPM ___ N ___ S ___ G			
Complete Name As It Should Appear On Badge:		Area Code & Telephone #:	
Street Address:		City:	
State / Province:	ZIP:	Country:	
E-Mail Address:			
Name Of Companion:	___ Dr. ___ Mr. ___ Mrs. ___ Ms. ___ MMR ___ HLM		
Complete Companion Name As It Should Appear On Badge:		E-Mail Address:	
Names & Ages (As Of July 2018) Of Family Member(s):			
Special Considerations:			
<p><i>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.</i></p>			

Convention Registration Fees

<i>Fees On or Before February 1, 2018</i>	<i>Fees After Feb. 1, 2018</i>	<i>Sub-Total</i>
Basic Registration (NMRA Member) ___ x \$140.00	Basic Rate ___ x \$160.00	\$
Companion (Non-rail) Registration Rate * ___ x \$55.00	Companion * ___ x \$65.00	\$
Youth (under 18 as of July 2018) ___ x \$32.00	Youth (under 18) ___ x \$32.00	\$
* Must accompany a standard registration ** Family rate includes NMRA member, companion, and all children up to 18 years of age as of the national convention in July 2018		Total Submitted To: NMRA 2018 \$ _____

Payment Of Fees

Checks / money orders payable to: **NMRA 2018**
(Please do not staple checks to registration forms!)

Mail to: **Joe Kasper**
16541 Marias Dr.
Olathe, KS 66062

Paying Via Credit Card, Complete Details Below Then Mail To NMRA:

___ AMEX ___ Discover ___ Mastercard ___ VISA	Security Code:	Exp. Date:
Full Name As It Appears On Card:	Card #:	



THINGS TO DO:

DOWNTOWN/KANSAS CITY

POWER & LIGHT DISTRICT

Amid the skyscrapers and fantastic 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 arena, 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 fountains. 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' Crown Center is an enclosed complex 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

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 entertainment, 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 Grin' to Kansas City Plaza at Twelfth Street and Vine pays tribute to the song that made the intersection famous.

RIVER MARKET

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.

WESTPORT

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 lanpposts, 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 hosts 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 opened by visitors from other cities.

NMRA NATIONAL CONVENTION KANSAS CITY 2018



WHEN:

Convention, August 5 – 12, 2018

TRANSPORTATION:

Amtrak
(MCI) Kansas City International Airport

HOTEL/CONVENTION CENTER:

Westin Crown Center
1 East Pershing Road
Kansas City, MO 64108
PH: 816-474-4400
www.westincrowncenterkansascity.com

TRAIN SHOW EXHIBIT HALL:

Battle 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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FLIGHT TIMES



DRIVE TIMES



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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 museum 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. Legendary artists Count Basie, Bessie Monk, Jay McShann, Lester Young, and Charlie "Bin" Parker called Kansas 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-Grams Studios. He had a small mouse in the building, which he later said was his inspiration for Mickey Mouse.

Get Your Caboose



to Kansas City



14th Annual KCNG Narrow Gauge Meet

An invitation to all Narrow Gaugers (and all other model railroaders, too!),

The Kansas City Area Narrow Gaugers (KCNG) will host their **14th Annual Narrow Gauge Meet on Saturday, June 24, 2017.**

The meet will be held at a different location this year...not far from the previous location. This year we will be at the Lackman Branch of the Johnson County Library at 15345 W 87th Street Pkwy, Lenexa, Kansas. To get there, take the 87th Street exit west from I-35 to Antioch (about 2 ½ miles), go west past Lackman Road and then turn left at Allman Road. This will take you into the library parking lot.

The fun will begin at 9:00am with registration and socializing. We will have clinics in the morning. A lunch will be provided near noon. A Show-and-Tell session will be held after lunch. Please bring something to display and share with the group. We will then have model railroad layouts available to visit during the afternoon. Meet activities will wind down at about 5:00 pm.

Planned layouts will include:

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Other TBD

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Lind Wickersham: Building & Finishing Structures.
Others ?
Possibly a round of Mini-Clinics

Cost: \$10.00 (includes morning donuts/coffee and lunch).

Advance registrations are required by June 20, 2017, so that we can plan for lunch. Mail registration with your check to:

Larry Alfred
14633 S. Chalet Drive
Olathe, KS 66062
Make checks payable to Larry Alfred

For any of you coming in from out of town on Friday night, please consider joining us for barbeque at Jack Stack restaurant. Contact me for details.

It should be a great day to share narrow gauge modeling and conversation. You are all invited to participate!! Email me off line (captlalfred@gmail.com) if you have questions. Hope to see you on June 24.















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SWITCH LIST April 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, 7:00. For current information: Louis Seibel, L-seibel@comcast.net, 913-393-3495 or 913-927-6850 or the Division Timetable <http://www.tc-nmra.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 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

NRHS

Friday, April 14 – Topeka Chapter, Great Overland Station, 701 N. Kansas Ave., 7:00

Friday, April 21 – Wichita Chapter, Great Plains Transportation Museum, 700 E. Douglas, 7:00. Program: Topeka Exchange, "Behind These Walls" – Robbie Chitwood. Pre-meeting Gathering: Riverside Café, 739 W. 13th, 5:30. Information: J. Harvey Koehn, jhkoehn@prodigy.net

Friday, April 28 – Kansas City Chapter, Union Station, KC Terminal Room, 3rd floor, 7:00. Information: Ed Conrad, Heartlandrails@aol.com

Saturday, April 29 – Quad Chapter Meet, Topeka Chapter host. C&H Railway, 2801 SE Stubbs Road, Tecumseh, 10:30-3:30. More information under **Special Events**.

DIVISIONS

Saturday, April 1 – Kansas Central, at member's home, 1:00. Information: Kd0r@fhrd.net

Monday, April 3 – Chisholm Trail, Olivet Baptist Church, 3440 W. 13th St., Wichita, 7:00-9:00. Information: Alan A. Aagaard, alan.a.aagaard@gmail.com

Tuesday, April 25 – Turkey Creek, Lakeview Village, 9000 Park Pl., Eastside Terrace Bldg, Lenexa, 7:00. Information: Louis Seibel, L-seibel@comcast.net or www.tc-nmra.org/TC-Calendar

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



NARVRE

Monday, April 3 – Hutchinson, Airport Steak House, 1100 Airport Rd, 8:30. Information: Ron Pauls,

arkola@sbcglobal.net

Tuesday, April 4 – Arkansas City, Senior Citizen Center, 320 S. A St., 11:30

Monday, April 10 – Abilene/Salina, Bayard's Café, 540 S. Broadway, Salina, (time?). Information: Tony Schmitt,

asch9438@cox.net

Monday, April 10 – Parsons, The Chinese Chef, 900 N. 16th St., 11:30. Information: Jimmy W. Dodds,

jimmywdodds@gmail.com

Tuesday, April 11 – Wellington, Senior Center, 318 S. Washington, 12:00. Information: abdb@sutv.com

Tuesday, April 11 – Topeka, Coyote Canyon, 1251 SW Ashworth Pl., 9:30-11:00. Information: Larry Broadbent,

lbroadbent@cox.net

Wednesday, April 12 – Marysville, Ricky's Café, Hanover, 11:30. Information: Dolores Krug, d30krug@yahoo.com

Monday, April 24 – Wichita, Ourr's Family Dining, 1606 S. Georgetown St., 11:20. Information: Tony Schmitt,

ash9438@cox.net

MODEL RAILROAD CLUBS

Sunday, April 2 – Cherry Valley Model Railroad, Leatherock Hotel, 2nd floor, 420 N. Depot St., Cherryvale,

1:00. Information: John R. Dhooghe, john@cvmrc.com

Wednesday, April 5 – Society of Model Engineers, meet at various places for various activities. Information: Steven Boeck, 816-651-3225

Thursday, April 6 – Augusta Model Railroad Club, 6th & School Sts, 7:00. Information: www.augustahorrorclub.org

Thursday, April 6 – Manhattan Area Rail Joiners, Hy-Vee Supermarket, dining room, 601 3rd Pl., 7:00. Information: Robert Stewart, 785-537-8730

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

Saturday, April 8 – Kansas Pacific Model Railroad, Ellis Museum, 911 Washington, 10:00, lunch at a restaurant afterward. Information: Tom Robinson, railway@gbta.net

Saturday, April 8 – Frankfort Division, 416 W. 1st St., 10:00-3:00. Information: Joe McAtee, joem@bluevalley.net

Sunday, April 9 – Heartland N-TRAK of Greater Kansas City, 131 S. Water St., Liberty, MO, 1:00. Information: Bob Osborn, 816-452-9227

Tuesday, April 11 – Lawrence Model Railroad, Bridge Pointe Community Church, 601 W. 29th Terr. Information:

www.lawrencemodelrailroadclub.org

Sunday, April 16 – Cherry Valley Model Railroad

Monday, April 17 – Topeka Model Railroaders, Topeka/Shawnee Co. Public Library, 1515 SW 10th, 7:00. Information: Tony Fox, tfox57@gmail.com

Wednesday, April 19 – Society of Model Engineers

Thursday, April 20 – Kansas City Narrow Gaugers, at member's home, 7:00. Information: Dean Windsor,

On3@worldnet.att.net

Saturday, April 22 – Frankfort Subdivision

Every Sunday – Weekend N'gineers, 16624 W. 126th 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, 429 W. Commercial St., Springfield, MO, 7:00. 1st Tue.-member's

meeting; 2nd Tue.-maintenance; 3rd Tue.-operating session; 4th & 5th Tue.-open running

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. Ohnrell, wohnrell@sbcglobal.net

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

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rwilliams3129@gmail.com

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Jsnell@cox.net

Second Sunday of each month Heartland N-TRAK meets at 3:00 PM at 131 S Water St. Liberty, MO. The clubhouse opens at 1:00 PM to run trains and socialize. For information contact Bob Osborn rozzie45@sbcglobal.net

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

MEETINGS GARDEN RAILROADS

Thursday, April 27 – Tulsa Garden Railroad Club, Freewill Baptist Church, 1190 N. Mingo Rd, Tulsa, 7:00. Information: info@tulsarailroadclub.org

Saturday, April 29 – Wichita Area Garden Railway Society, at member's layout, (time?). Information: Nancy Martin, nanmartin@att.net

HISTORICAL CLUBS

Thursday, April 6 – Round Table, Paul & Jack's Tavern, 1808 Clay St., N. Kansas City, MO, 6:00. Program: DP-44 Video – Bob Jeffries. Information: Robert Walz,

rmwalz@sprintmail.com

Monday, April 10 – Amtrak Task Force, Emporia Main Street office, 12 E. 5th, 4:00. Information: Rev. Andrew McHenry, pastorandres70@yahoo.com

Wednesday, April 12 – Heart of the Heartlands, Webb Center, Carona, 7:00

Every Tuesday – Join with a group at Spangle's, K-15 & Pawnee, 10:00, to rail-fan

SHOWS and CONVENTIONS 2017

Thursday-Sunday, May 18-21 – Mid-Continent MCoR Thousand Lakes Regional Convention, Quality Inn, Ames, IA



Saturday-Sunday, June 3-4 – Center of the Nation Model Railroad Expo, Sunflower Bldg, Kansas State Fairgrounds, Hutchinson, Sat. 9:00-4:00, Sun. 9:00-2:00. Information: Don Phillips, dphillips31@cox.net

Saturday-Sunday, June 10-11 – Trainfest 2017, Oakwood Mall, 4125 W. Owen K. Garriott, Enid, OK (HiWay

Wednesday-Sunday, June 21-25 – Santa Fe Railway Historical & Modeling Society Convention, Hyatt Regency, Tulsa, OK; 3 excursion trips planned. Vendor tables – Matt Martin, mmartin104@gmail.com. Information:

www.afrhms.org

Saturday-Sunday, July 1-2 – Spring Creek Train Show & Open House, 304 E. Bryson, Deshler, NE, Sat. 9:00-5:00, Sun. 10:00-4:00. Adult \$6.00, 12 & under free. Special clinics. Information: 402-365-7628 or

www.springcreekmodeltrains.com

June 23 & 24, 2017 St. Louis Railroad Prototype Modelers Meet

(Note this event will be Earlier than previous years Gateway Convention Center, One Gateway Drive, Collinsville, IL 62234 Contact information: <http://icg.home.mindspring.com/rpm/stlrpm.htm>

July 1 & 2 Train Show & Open House, 2017 Stop in and say WOW! Spring Creek Model Trains, 304 E Bryson Ave, Deshler, Nebraska one of the largest model train inventories in the country, is hosting their 2nd Train Show & Open House. Show location 4th & Race St. Hours 9-5 Sat, 10-4 Sun. Admission \$6.00, 12 and under FREE. Special guest clinics: Pelle Soeberg, Denmark, Doug Geiger, CO., Chris Brimley, UT. Manufacturers: Scale Trains, Athearn, Intermountain, and Rapido. Check out all the details on our

website www.springcreekmodeltrains.com 402-365-7628

Monday-Saturday, July 10-15 – National Garden Railway Convention, Renaissance Hotel & Convention Center, Tulsa, OK. Information: www.thinktulsa17.com

Saturday, July 29, 2017 Turkey Creek Division is going to host a NMRA, train show and swap meet. Located at the Shawnee Mission North High School, Cafeteria, 7401 Johnson Drive, Overland Park, Kansas 66202. The show is open to all NMRA members and the public. The hours will be open 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Vendors will have access to set up Friday afternoon/evening. We anticipate having six (6) clinics, a model and photo contest with NMRA judging available, a special contest youth award, door prizes, “food & drink” being coffee, donuts, soda and sandwiches (with profits going to Johnson County Feed the Need), 80 to 90 swap tables for vendors and individuals and operating model railroad displays. Contest results with awards at 2:00 p.m. The event will close with home layout tours from 3:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. You must keep and wear your registration badge to enter private homes. We hope to have a fun day for all! Sincerely, Larry Alfred, MMR, Chairman captlalfred@gmail.com Home phone 913-782-6584

Wednesday-Saturday, August 30-September 2 – National Narrow Gauge Convention, Marriott Denver Tech Center Hotel, Denver, CO. Information: www.37nngc.com/index e-mail taceys@gpcom.net phone 308-386-2489

Saturday, November 4, 2017 Gateway Division, NMRA, Fall event:

9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday (home layout tours start at 4 p.m.) Trinity Lutheran Church, West St. Louis County

More information: <http://www.gatewaynrmra.org/st-louis-train-show/>

October 21st 2017 ALL ABOARD!!! The Silver Rails Model Train show is ready to “Highball” into its 8th year. This year will bring the same good food for

Breakfast, Lunch, and the return of our great vendors and friends. The show is located at the Silver Rails Event Center (204 East Moore Street) in downtown La Plata, MO. Tables are \$15.00 each with discounted per table rates available for larger booths. Show hours are from 9 am to 3 pm, Saturday, October 21st. The Depot Inn is our local hotel. The room rate is \$89.00. If you make reservations with them just let them know you want the "Train Show" rate. We are looking forward to seeing everyone again. tart saving now so you can buy more trains. Admission will be \$3.00. Children 8 and under will be free with adult. For more information please contact Bob Cox 660-287-1714. The American Passenger Rail Heritage Foundation (APRHF) is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization whose mission is to preserve and promote the role that passenger rail played in the building of this nation via local exhibits and educational programs on the internet and select passenger trains.

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