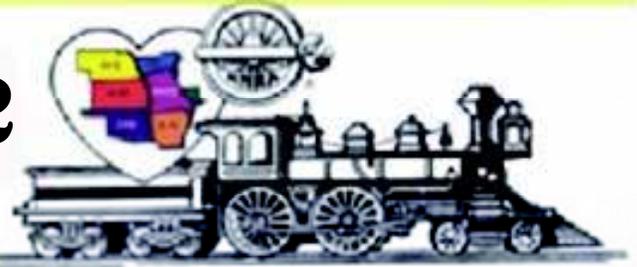


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**TURKEY CREEK DIVISION
NATIONAL MODEL RAILROAD ASSOCIATION**



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HAPPY HOLIDAYS

The Turkey Creek Holiday Party is upon us, it brings all of us together to share our memories with friends. The date is Tuesday December 13, 7:00 pm. The party is at Lake View Village, 9100 Park St, Lenexa, KS 66215. It is on the fifth floor in the “Tree Top Room” of the (6) building “Southridge” (yellow on the map). This is the one time when spouses and guests should be with us and just talk about the train family and our own families experiences over the last year and the past years. So, bring a food item (hors d’oeuvre, savory, sweet, or whatever) to share and have a good time eating and talking about anything that makes you and yours smile and feel good!



CLERK'S REPORT MAY 24, 2022

Miles Hale called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM on November 22. The minutes from the last meeting were printed in the last Lightning Slinger. No additions or corrections.

No Old Business.

New Business: Larry Alfred announced the dates for the 2023 MCoR Regional Convention would be July 27 to 29, 2023. No contract for the hotel has been signed as of now but it should be very soon. The program for the convention is to be: Registration on Thursday, Clinics on Thursday night, all activities on Friday and Saturday, and the Banquet Saturday night. Lots of helpers will be needed.

Larry Diehl announced he has been contacted by the sons of Larry Moore about selling railroad items from Mr. Moore's collection. The majority of the items are "O" scale brass engines and cars, many painted for the Santa Fe. Larry Diehl will prepare a list of what is for sale after the first of the year. From a different estate he has American Flyer accessories and some HO items. These also will be listed.

Martin Wade will be the Lightning Slinger Editor with the release of the January 2023 issue. He has been very busy adding people not on the current NMRA list who wish to receive communications from the Turkey Creek Division. Martin also wants to link the Facebook, Turkey Creek Website, and Lightning Slinger to several social media outlets in an effort to reach more model railroaders of all ages.

The Division still needs a member to step up and support the Division by being the Superintendent for the group for 2023. Also we still need to elect a Division Representative for service to the Region Board of Directors. Bill Humenczuk will continue as the Pay Master and Steve McKee as the Clerk. Because of the lapse of the membership of Louis Seibel, a new membership chairman also needs to be appointed by the incoming Superintendent.

Clinics: Miles Hale brought samples of extruded urethane. It ranges in hardness from very soft (like Jello) to extremely hard (like a hard rubber tire). Different densities can simulate various surface textures and shapes for modeling.

John Fales presented a clinic on the B&O Museum in Baltimore, MD, his home town. The building was built in 1844 as the Mount Clare Station, which served primarily passenger trains. The facility has also been used for storage but retained the 60' turntable inside the building. The whole building/roundhouse has been restored including the turntable and the numerous pieces of equipment used in the area of the railroad.

Thank you John for an excellent clinic and a great presentation!

Submitted by Fran Hale



HOLIDAY THOUGHTS

All of us bring our own memories of the past year to this holiday season. But we all have times when we were together to make some of these mental images. Hopefully the joy of this season will keep us smiling and upbeat for the season and for the coming year.

Our common bond of loving the rails of our youth and of the tracks we lay on our railroads binds us together and makes for a feeling of comradery. Friends with vastly different life experiences but linked by the ties we lay on our railroads.

May we all find a trail to follow that makes for many more happy train rides in this coming year.

Thank you for your support in this past year!

Miles Hale

