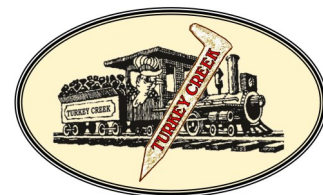


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October 2023



Turkey Creek Division of the



Mid-Continent Region, NMRA

“For all gauges and all ages”

TC-NMRA Mtgs

Oct 24th

TC Modeling Challenge

Nov 28th

3D Printing *John Fales*

MMRR Museum *Dale Shipman*

Dec 12th

TC Holiday Social

Mtg Time:

7:00 to 8:45pm

Location:

Conference Room

Eastside Terrace Bldg.

Lakeview Village Campus

RR Community

May 13th 2023—Jan 13th 2024

Summer: Trains Transportation
& Transformation of Johnson Co.

JOCO Arts & Heritage Center

8788 Metcalf Ave Library

Oct 14th & 15th Great Train Show

Kansas City, KS

Feb 3rd/4th Train Show

Wichita KS

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Division Meeting Oct 24th, 7pm

(Location: Lakeview Village Campus)

Turkey Creek Modeling Challenge

See page 4 for Modeling Challenge Details

EXTRA! EXTRA! It's time for the Annual Modeling Challenge. You have 2 weeks to finish that awesome "Square Footer" or "Business Card" diorama and "show your stuff". Really, no matter if you finished or not bring your model to show. And if it's not a Square Footer or Business Card but its ready to show we always have a "Display Only" table. Remember the "Challenge" is to make progress on our layouts so bring what you have. I also love the line by Ross Moody at our Narrow Gauge Meeting: he said tonight I have a "Show and Ask" as he was looking for feedback and advice. Now if that's not the perfect view of our NMRA Meeting, I don't know what is.

It should be great fun to see all the models so even if "Life" got in the way and you don't have a model to bring make sure you come and get "inspired"!

Come Join the fun!

Election Nominations will also be in this Meeting!

Mtg Location: Lakeview Village Campus

See last page for details

Superintendent Report: Missy Levy

October is a reminder for the autumn weather which brings out the "spirit" of the season. Not only does this month invigorate our taste-buds with seasonal flavors like pumpkin spice but it also throws in that "scare" factor toward the end of the month. No, I am not talking about Halloween although I am confident that we will see a fair share of couples going as "Kelce and Taylor" this year.

I am talking about the "scare" factor that I have how much time to complete my make and take. Yikes, I better get crack'n! I am hoping that your Make and Take entry will be completed and ready for the competition on Oct 24th.

Also, put on your thinking caps of who you would like for the upcoming positions for next year. We will be voting next month.

Keep Railroading... Missy

Election Nominations will continue in the Oct. Meeting!

Clerk: Steve McKee

Missy called the meeting to order at 7pm. Larry Diehl passed out name plaques to go on the Award plaques passed out at the region convention this summer. I got called away from the meeting just after that to do some NMRA judging on models that Cynthia Priest had built. She is an excellent modeler and had 3 engines to be judged. All three passed with the required 87 ½ points. She has been involved in the writing of several books on Diesel prototypes and knows more about those than most of us.

Ed Insert: Richie informed the members that he has an old and obsolete Projector that he would like to dispose of but wanted approval. A motion was made, seconded, and passed to dispose of the projector. It was also mentioned that we should consider getting a current model for our Division as we borrow for every event held.

Missy also reviewed the Positions available for 2024 and opened the floor for Nominations. Martin Wade was motioned and seconded as a nomination for Superintendent. It was noted that would open a needed "Appointed" position for Newsletter Editor. No other nominations were offered. Nominations will remain open in the October Meeting.

Mark Juett did a clinic on layout control and gave information on CMRI, JMRI, AND LCC buss options. Mark knows this stuff backwards and forwards and has done several articles on this along with clinics. Mark builds layouts for a living so he has to know this stuff. He helped me just before a convention with 2 weeks to spare when my entire layout died. Seems it was a ground wire from one power source to an-

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other that was the problem. The layout had been fine for 2 years and then all of a sudden it needed that wire connection. If Mark doesn't have the answer he knows where to go to get it.

Marty Vaughn was next and did his clinic on making people and the way he does it. He showed what you need and how to do it. So, if you need people for a special position and nobody out there makes it, you can make it yourself.

It does take some practice. My (Steve's) first attempt fell apart, but with extra practice I got better. With O scale people now costing \$6 to \$9 each it makes sense for me to start making my own. So as soon as I run out of store-bought ones or need a special one I'll start making them again. For now, I'm still making buildings. We had about 37 people attending tonight with about 5 on Zoom so it was well attended. Next month we will have the Modeling Challenge so get those models ready.

Paymaster: Bill Humenczuk

Turkey Creek Division finished the second quarter of 2023 in excellent financial condition. As of June 30, we had received more than \$3,000 of revenue for the convention but had almost no expenses. Our mutual fund investments had a \$200 loss in value which was more than offset by dividends and interest from the accounts. The annualized return on our investments during the second quarter was 2.4 percent. Detailed second quarter financial statements are available if any members would like to review them. Larry Diehl and Larry Alfred are finalizing the convention financials, and it appears that we will either have a small profit or a break even from the convention. Revenue exceeded projections in the areas of the auction and walk-in registrations. My thanks to all who helped with the convention; especially those who helped with registration. Bill

The following list shows our status for 2024 positions (Nominated and Appointed). Those showing Renew have indicated they are open to Nomination for 2024. Please note, you raise additional nominations as there is no limit to nominations per position. Neither "Open to Renew" nor current Nominations should be considered Automatically voted into position.

Turkey Creek 2024 Position/Nomination Status:

<i>Superintendent:</i>	<i>Nominated– Martin Wade</i>
<i>Paymaster:</i>	<i>Renew-Bill Humenczuk</i>
<i>Clerk:</i>	<i>Renew-Steve McKee</i>
<i>Division Director:</i>	<i>Renew-Ray Brown</i>

Appointed Positions/Status

<i>Editor Slinger:</i>	<i>Open (if Martin is voted in as Superintendent)</i>
<i>Webmaster:</i>	<i>Renew-Richie Kennedy</i>
<i>Member Chair:</i>	<i>Renew-Phil Stock</i>
<i>Achievement Chair:</i>	<i>Renew-Bill Scheerer</i>

2023 Turkey Creek Division Modeling Challenge

by Larry Alfred, MMR

This is a quick reminder of the Turkey Creek Division Modeling Challenge (20th annual), coming up on Tuesday, October 24th! I hope you have your entry(s) completed; however, almost two weeks left to complete that project you may have been working on! I'm still working on mine!!

Remember that the primary Modeling Challenge includes anything on a **square foot or less**. We have stayed with this theme for several years and I think everyone understands the requirements and the rules.

A reminder that only one square foot entry is allowed per person.

Based on a popular vote, awards will be presented for overall preference, as well as:

- Whimsy (Red Bull Award)
- Special Effects
- Best use of a Make and Take model.

This year we are again including an award for best entry on a standard business card (2"x3 1/2"). This has been titled the **Business Card Challenge**.

If you choose to enter a business card model, in addition to a square footer, you will be allowed both entries.

I hope that you will see this event for the "Challenge" that it was always intended to be and build something and participate!

Finally, let me emphasize here that the Modeling Challenge program was conceived to encourage everyone to participate in the enjoyment of building and displaying railroad models!! Please don't feel overwhelmed, intimidated, or...that you don't have time to join in. It is hoped that by participating you will feel a sense of "inclusion" ...that of being "one of the group."

I hope that you will attend the meeting and participate!!!

See you on the 24th!

Sept Meeting Highlights pictures submitted by Audrey Mennenga

New/Old Business & Clinics



Announcements!

Larry Diehl

***Name Plates for Convention
Model Awards***

Cynthia Priest recipient

Clinic 1

Advanced Control Accys

Mark Juett

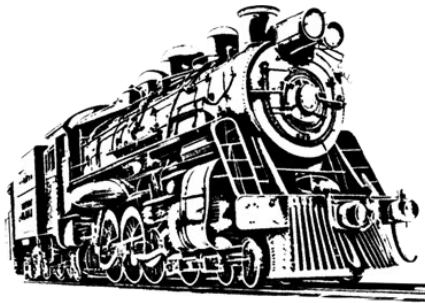


Clinic 2

Populating Your Layout

Marty Vaughn

Kansas City Flyer 2023



Show's Over! .. *MCoR to KC* in '23

It came roaring in... We spent a boat load of money ... so I know we had fun!

We had a busy convention. People were smiling!



The Contest Room was the "jewel" of the convention.



Best of Show
Cynthia Priest



"Business Card" Entries
Marty Vaughn

A Show of Creativity!



Saturday morning was a great Prototype Tour of Mid America Car Shop.

**GREAT TOUR ...
VERY INTERESTING!**



All in all, a real good convention and 3 days of fun!

Thank you all for attending, your host ...

Turkey Creek Division NMRA

Convention Committee

Larry Alfred, Chairman

Ray Brown

Bill Humenczuk

Margo Humenczuk

Dan Wiltshire

Ryan Moats

Paul Kotz

Whit Johnson

John Fales & Son

Richie Kennedy

Steve McKee Larry Diehl

Leslie Oldham

Marty Vaughn

Miles & Fran Hale

Richie Kennedy has also posted a very large collection of Photo's on flicker.com at:

2023 MCoR Convention Photos



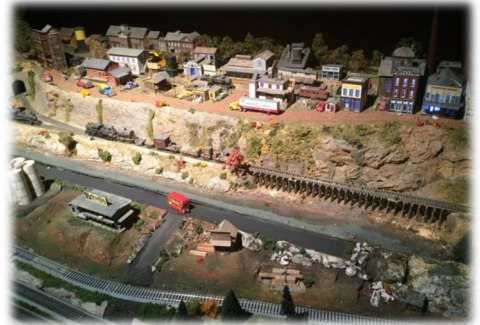
Jack Rosenfield

September 13, 1939—October 3, 2023

Overland Park, Kansas

[Jack Rosenfield Online Obituary](#)

We lost another long time member of our division as Jack Rosenfield passed away on October 3rd. Jack could be considered the face of our hobby as he volunteered at the Union Station Model Train Layout that has been viewed by thousands of visitors. In addition, his home layout was on tour in the 2018 Kansas City NMRA Convention.



At the Union Station layout he was part of the team that built and maintained the model railroad exhibits. I'm sure most all of us remember taking children and out of town guests to see the famous Station and the layout exhibits that took you back in time.

Jack was born in Brooklyn, New York and grew up in Port Chester, New York where he recreated memories on his home layout based on the New Haven Railroad in the Port Chester, New York.

Jack Rosenfield will be dearly missed by his model railroader friends. Our sympathies and condolences to his wife, Jean, family, and friends.

Current Planned Arrangements for Jack:

Saturday November 4th 2:00pm: Reception, Memorial Service and Life Celebration:
Old Mission Lodge #153 (Masonic Lodge)
5201 W 75th Street
Prairie Village, KS 66208

In lieu of flowers please donate to one of the originations near and dear to Jack:

The American Red Cross Disaster Action Team - www.redcross.org/donate

The Kansas City Symphony - www.kcsymphony.org

The Kansas City Ballet - www.kcballet.org



Turkey Creek Call Board (Calendar)

Please update your calendars. We have locked in the Division Meeting dates and will be filling in the Clinics & Topics over the next Month. ***Don't miss the best time to TALK TRAINS!!!***

RESERVE THE DATE July 27-29 MCoR Regional NMRA Conv. **HERE** in Overland Park, KS

Date	Event	Time	Location	Topic	Clinician
Jan 24th	Division Mtg	7 -8:45 pm	Lakeview Eastside Terr	CS&G History, Planning, & Building (Part 1)	Gary Davidson
Feb 28th	Division Mtg	7 -8:45 pm	Lakeview Eastside Terr	Master Model Railroader: Intro Mini Clinc: Tarpaper & Crossing Make & Take Introduction	Bill Scheerer Larry Diehl Miles Hale
Mar 28th	Division Mtg	7 -8:45 pm	Lakeview Eastside Terr	Building CTC Layout Panels Steel Casting Hvy Duty Flat Cars Make & Take: Final Selection	Stephen Priest Mike Brusky Miles Hale
Apr 25th	Division Mtg	7 -8:45 pm	Lakeview Eastside Terr	Operations: Ottawa Junction Making People	Chuck Hitchcock Marty Vaughn
May 23rd	Division Mtg	7 -8:45 pm	Lakeview Eastside Terr	M&T: Construction Tips	Miles Hale
Jun 27th	Division Mtg	7 -8:45 pm	Lakeview Eastside Terr	Mountain/Region Geology Making Kalin Steel Supply	Greg Ohlmacher Steve McKee
Jul 25th	No Division Mtg ---				
July 27-29th	MCoR Regional NMRA Convention		Holiday Inn Overland Park, KS	Region event with Clinics, Lay-outs and Modeling Contest	Larry Alfred
Aug 22nd	Division Mtg	7 -8:45 pm	Lakeview Eastside Terr	Layout Control: Direct & DCC Operations	Martin Wade Gary Hankins
Sept 26th	Division Mtg	7 -8:45 pm	Lakeview Eastside Terr	Layout Control: Advanced Making People	Mark Juett Marty Vaughn
Oct 24th	Division Mtg	7 -8:45 pm	Lakeview Eastside Terr	Modeling Challenge	Larry Alfred
Nov 28th	Division Mtg	7 -8:45 pm	Lakeview Eastside Terr	3D Printing MMRR Museum Update	John Fales Dale Shipman
Dec 12th	Division Mtg	7 -8:45 pm	Lakeview Tree Top Room	Holiday Social	

RailRoad Community Events

Great Train Show

Wyandotte County Fairgrounds
13700 Polfer Road, Kansas City, KS 66109
October 14-15, 2023
Saturday 10:00am-4:00pm / Sunday 10:00am-4:00pm



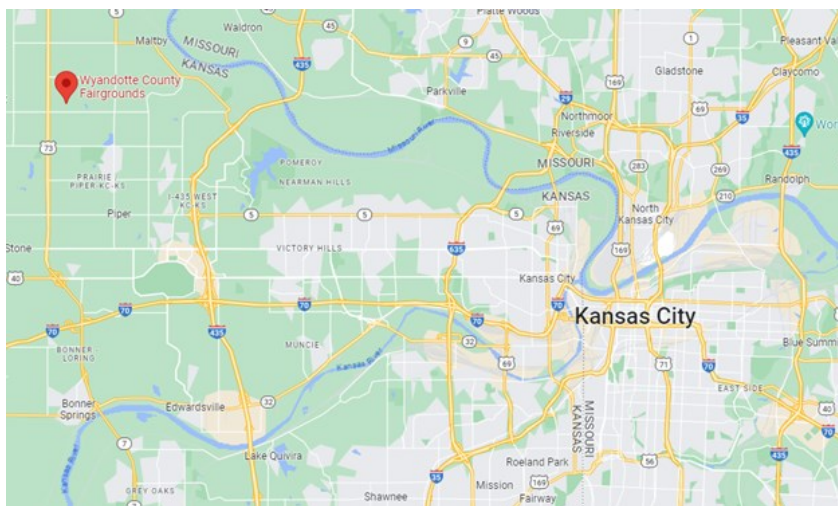
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- 150+ Tables of Trains for Sale
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- Operating Model Train Displays
- Free Workshops and Demonstrations
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- Free Door Prize Giveaways
- Free Parking
- Play area for kids with hands on trains to play with, train videos to watch and a Riding Train for Kids!!

Huge Operating Model Train Displays including:

- Heartland N-Trak of Greater Kansas City - 10' x 32' - N Scale
- Green Valley Baptist Model Railroad Club - 25' x 36' - HO Scale
- Kansas City T-Nuts - 8' x 24' - T-Trak
- Pyle, Kevin - 4' x 16' - O Gauge

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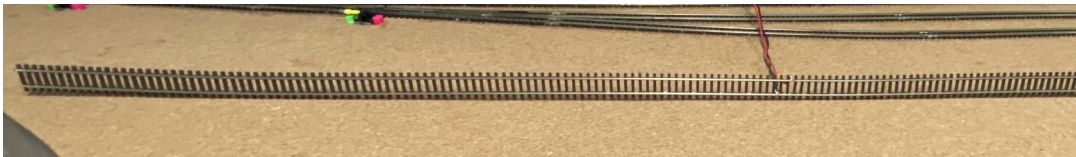
I am moving to Oregon so must liquidate my N-scale layout and equipment. The following items represent some of what I have to get rid of. I would love to send this a good home before I leave. If interested, please contact me at **785-323-7233**, or at joycove@wilsoncom.us

Thanks, Ray Brady

Track

Used

Approximately 1000 feet +/- of Peco Code 55 flex track, wooden ties. All pieces have #22 feeder wire attached to the bottom underside of the rail, color coded black and red. Must be removed from the layout.



New



38 pieces Peco code-55 wood ties; new, unused



30 pieces Peco code-55 Concrete ties; new unused



40 pieces Peco code-80 wood tied; new, unused

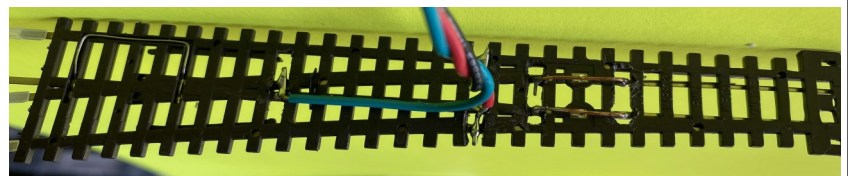
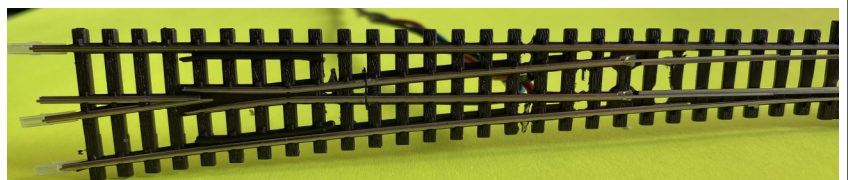
Switches

Approximately 22 Peco Insulfrog Code 55 medium switches

Approximately 200 Peco Insulfrog Code 55 Large Switches

All are wired to be DCC friendly as shown in the pictures. Frog polarity can be controlled with frog juicers, tortoise machine, etc.. Must be removed from the layout

Also, miscellaneous Code 80 Small, Medium, and Large Peco Switches



Misc Bridges



Caboose Industries 206S Ground Throws—Approx 200



Kato SD45 Engines



All engines are DCC
Road Numbers
6 9
3605 3621
3633

Overland 8500 HP Turbine



All Engines have Digitrax DCC Decoders
Road Numbers
No 2 No 3 No 5 No 6 No 8
No 20 No 26 No 27 No 28 No 30
No 20 for Parts

Kato SD40 / SD40-2 Engines



All Engines have either Digitrax or TCS Decoders

Road Numbers

2994 3008 3014 3017 3021 3024 3031
 3037 3038 3054 3066 3068 3082 3127
 3150 3220 3242 3379 3401 37694 2024
 4213

Intermountain SD40T-2



All Engines have Digitrax Decoders

UP

4047 4397 4479 4965
 49728615 8687 8795

D&RG

5354 5364 5367

SP

8517 9275 9594

Intermountain SD40T-2



None of These Engines have Decoders

UP

2911 4385 4483

8691 8737

D&RG

5342 5385

Want Ads: **BOXES AND PACKING MATERIAL**

WAIT!!!! DON'T THROW IT OUT!!!

I'm looking for small boxes (14 inches or less on any side) and bubble/peanut pack. With constant Amazon and On-line orders most of us receive tons of boxes. And then there's the guys who have been collecting and saving that stuff for years because nobody wants to see it end up in a landfill.

I am helping lots of local Railroaders sell off their stuff on Ebay. You can't believe how many small boxes I go through. If possible, they can just bring it to the next meeting and I will gladly pick them up. And future meetings too.

Thanks Steve McKee

PS. Although the previous add is G Scale most of my sales are in HO. So that would help you get an idea of size.



Turkey Creek Lightning Slinger

Our Lightning Slinger is published monthly and is a great place to learn and share information. The “value” of this newsletter lies solely in the contributions each of you offer to our Division. This newsletter has a great sampling of Events, Models, Layouts, and Bio’s. Please find your “Track” to add to our “Layout” and send your ideas and articles to the Editor. [Editor.TurkeyCreekNMRA <at> gmail.com](mailto:Editor.TurkeyCreekNMRA@gmail.com)

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NMRA Mid Continent Region Website:

www.MCoR-NMRA.org

NMRA Organization Website:

www.NMRA.org

More Information: *(use these links to get started in Model Railroading)*

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[NMRA Beginners Guide](#)



Our New Meeting Location is at the Lakeview Village Senior Community. The meeting will be located in the Conference Room of the Eastside Terrace Building. Parking and Main Entrance are shown below.

Mapping Address: [9000 Park St., Lenexa, KS 66215](https://www.google.com/maps/place/9000+Park+St,+Lenexa,+KS+66215) [Click for Google Maps](#)

