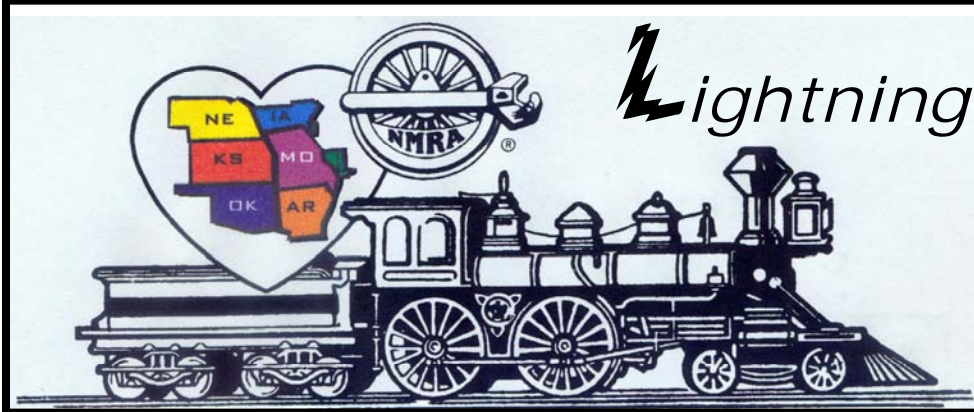


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Turkey Creek Division Meet March 26 7pm, 2013

Turkey Creek Division Meeting 7PM
In the Library
Clinic

Don Bell “On How to Make Steam Engines Run Better”
Shawnee Mission North High School
Johnson Drive and Metcalfe Ave
Overland Park, Kansas





Hell-O Ray Here,

Well, last months meeting and clinic went a little over our plans. Thursday's snow was OK! A nice prelude to our clinic. Sorry to say Tuesday's snow was more than was needed.

I hope the snow at least gave you sometime to get a project started, worked on or completed. I'm afraid I didn't fair as well. As I wrote last month, the trick is to get started. This week. I managed to get to the basement. I'm afraid I have some cleaning up to do before I can work much on the layout, but it is a start. When we have our meeting this month I would like to hear how you faired this month.

As for Ron's clinic, we have rescheduled it for August. At that time we will be wishing for cooler weather. Maybe Ron's clinic will get our minds on that.

Our clinic for this month is from Don Ball "Making Steam Locos Run Better." I, myself, have a lot of engines that I need to run better. Maybe you have one that you've put back because you didn't have the time or you aren't sure of what to do with it. Maybe you always wanted one of those engines, but you heard they where difficult to run, so you never bought it. Don, I'm sure will make you feel more at ease about working on one of these engines.

Sincerely,
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NMRA AP Group Rules and Regulations

The NMRA Achievement Program Yahoo Group is for those who are members of the NMRA and are working on their Achievement Program Certifications. Here you can get questions answered, find a mentor/coach, or get a kick in the pants to get you started. The group is about helping people.

We REQUIRE that you be an NMRA member and if you are signing up, please provide us your NMRA membership number. Not a member? Please join! www.nmra.org. While you are there, read the rules and regulations for the Achievement Program.

<http://www.nmra.org/education/achievement/>

90% of the questions that are being answered on the forum are in the regs.

Naturally things turn to the dark side from time to time, so here are some guidelines.

BEFORE YOU HIT SEND, ASK YOURSELF...

- Did I ask for help?
- Did I help someone?

If your message can't pass the test then you are probably talking about NMRA politics, whining, complaining or way off topic. Please be on your best behavior. This is a fun site and we would like to keep profanity and rudeness off the list. The moderator has an itchy trigger finger!

Topics that are allowed:

- AP Topics on any of the 11 possible AP Certificates
 - MMR questions
 - National/Regional/Divisional/International AP Chairman questions
 - Questions about contest rules
 - Questions about model research, assembly, et al.
- Questions about merit judging

Topics that are NOT allowed:

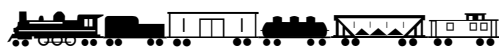
- NMRA politics
 - Recommendations for improving/modifying or changing AP guidelines (send those to the NMRA)
 - Politics in general
 - Religious topics
 - Off topic gags and jokes
- Accusations or criticism of any member

This is a PRIVATE group for friends that are working on their NMRA and Moderators are not required to warn members of being put on moderate status or suspension or removal of membership. While we are not an NMRA sanctioned group, we do follow NMRA rules and will act to promote the organization.

If you are moderated/banned from the group and you think it was done unfairly, you are welcomed to contact the list owner Scott Perry at scottgperry@comcast.net.

Please address questions to Scott Perry at scottgperry@comcast.net. We're glad to have you aboard!

Scott Perry
List Owner



NMRA Mid Continent Region Convention 2013



Hosted by
Turkey Creek Division
June 13-16, 2013

To be held at
Overland Park International Trade Center
6800 W 115th St.
Overland Park, KS

Registration Form

Name of Primary Registration: _____ NMRA #: _____

NMRA membership required to enter model contest.

Spouse's Name (if attending): _____

Names of other registrants: _____

(Spouse will receive a complimentary pass for admission to the train show and contest room. Extra fare participation must be purchased for each person attending these events.)

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

E-mail Address: _____ Phone: _____

Registration Fee (NMRA membership number required for reduced registration fee)

NMRA member - \$35.00 per person (\$45.00 after April 15th.)

Non-member - \$40.00 per person (\$50.00 after April 15th.)

Cost	# Tickets	Total Cost

Extra Fare Reservations:

Banquet - \$35.00 per person

Other extra fare tours are being developed and will be announced at a later date.

TOTAL REGISTRATION:		

Vendor Tables:

Train Show - Saturday June 16th and Sunday June 17th.

\$20.00 per table (\$25.00 after April 15th.)

# Tables	
VENDOR REGISTRATION	

<p>Send completed registration form to: Larry Alfred 14633 S. Chalet Drive Olathe, Kansas 66062 captlalfred@gmail.com For any additional information call 913-782-6584</p> <p>Make Checks payable to: Turkey Creek Division NMRA</p>	<p>MAKE HOTEL RESERVATIONS DIRECTLY TO EITHER HOTEL</p> <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%; border: none;"> <p>Hyatt Place 6801 W 112th St. Overland Park, KS 66211 913-451-2553 Ph Rate: \$99.00 (includes breakfast) Must make reservation by May 13 Call 1-800-233-1234 or visit www.hyattplaceoverlandparkmetcalf.com Ask for G-NMRA group rate</p> </td> <td style="width: 50%; border: none;"> <p>Courtyard Marriott Overland Park/Metcalf, S of College Blvd 11301 Metcalf Ave Overland Park, KS 66210 913-339-9900 Ph Rate: \$69.00 King, \$79.00 Queen-Queen Must make reservation by May 23 Ask for MCoR/NMRA group rate</p> </td> </tr> </table>	<p>Hyatt Place 6801 W 112th St. Overland Park, KS 66211 913-451-2553 Ph Rate: \$99.00 (includes breakfast) Must make reservation by May 13 Call 1-800-233-1234 or visit www.hyattplaceoverlandparkmetcalf.com Ask for G-NMRA group rate</p>	<p>Courtyard Marriott Overland Park/Metcalf, S of College Blvd 11301 Metcalf Ave Overland Park, KS 66210 913-339-9900 Ph Rate: \$69.00 King, \$79.00 Queen-Queen Must make reservation by May 23 Ask for MCoR/NMRA group rate</p>
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Eastern Jackson County Mainliners Model Railroad Club Train Show & Swap Meet

Saturday April 27, 2013 Hours 10 AM- 4 PM. Admission Adults \$4.00

Children 12 & under free with paid adult. \$1.00 off with Free canned or Box Food Item for Local Food Bank. Odessa Outlet Mall West Side at mile marker 37 I-70 west exit at Odessa South Outer Road .

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Rick Ryken rlyken@hotmail.com

Mike Corrie mgcorrie@yahoo.com



THE SWITCH LIST – MARCH 2013

*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

COWBOY LINE DIVISION (NORFOLK, NE) meets 3rd Thursday each month, 7:00 P.M. at Hy Vee East upstairs meeting room. Corner of 1st Street and Norfolk, Ave. Info: James B Van Dekden, Div. Dir. (genjvan@msn.com) (402) 833-5531 for more information.

***EASTERN IOWA DIVISION OPERATING SESSION WEEKEND**, April 5-7, 2013. Weekend activity schedule: Friday meet and greet with evening layout tours, Saturday chose from six home layouts to operate with both morning and afternoon sessions. Layouts are located in Cedar Rapids, Iowa City and Coralville, IA. Dinner Saturday evening is at Bartram, IA town hall next to the Union Pacific mainline with clinics and door prizes after dinner. Sunday choose from two different club operating sessions hosted by the Hawkeye Model Railroad Club in Coralville, IA or Midwest Trains in Bettendorf, IA. Advanced registration is required. Visit the EID web site for information on registration and scheduling. <https://sites.google.com/site/eid2013opsessionweekend/home>

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 Meetings are at 1:00 pm. For the full schedule check the MCoR website or email: garyonho@cox.net

KATE SHELLEY DIVISION meets the 4th Thursday of every month except Nov. which we meet the 3rd. Dec. we have no meetings. The Ames Public Library is being remodeled, so contact KSD officers per the NMRA website for latest meeting place. This arrangement is in effect until mid-summer 2014. 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.

Indian Nations Division, NMRA

4th Annual Layout Design and Operations Weekend
March 22-24, 2013 Tulsa, Oklahoma
Operating Sessions Friday night, Saturday night and Sunday morning (see web site for descriptions of the 11 available operating railroads). Clinics all day Saturday plus a layout design challenge. This year's presenters include Mike Porter, Robert Bornfleth, Barry Karlberg, Marc Monray, Steve Newton and Jim Senese.

Registration fee includes lunch and beverage.

For additional information visit:

ldopsigmeet.tulsanmra.org

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 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in members' homes on a rotating basis. Info: John O'Neill, MMR, Div. Dir., 308-384-5011 or jponeill@computer-concepts.com.

TURKEY CREEK DIVISION, NMRA, Meetings are held on the fourth Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. meetings will be at the Shawnee Mission North High School at Johnson Drive and Metcalf in the Library. Check the Division Timetable at <http://www.tc-nmra.org/TC-Calendar.html> for current information. Info: Louis Seibel, Division Director 913-393-3495 or 913-927-6850
l-seibel@comcast.net

WESTERN HERITAGE DIVISION (OMAHA, NE / COUNCIL BLUFFS, IA) meets second Saturday (except June and December) at noon in the Sump Library at 2nd & Washington Streets in Papillion (across from Runza). Visit www.whdmra.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) 7 layouts on display (2 -HO, 5-N) Operating sessions available Info: Robert Simmons, Division Director (620) 521-3591 or ras@odsgc.net

TRAIN SHOWS & MEETS

March 9, 2013-Boeing Employees' Railroad Swap Meet Vendor set up 8 am to 10 am tables \$15 each call or email for registration information. Doors open at 10am to 3pm \$3 admission. Greensfelder Recreation Complex, 550 Weidman, Rd. Ballwin, MO 63011, Contact: Wayne Schimmel, 733 Hwy Y, Winfield, MO 63390-2206, Phone: 636 -668-6313 Email: wmschimmel@gmail.com

March 16, 2013 - 35th ANNUAL OZARKS MODEL RAILROAD ASSOCIATION TRAIN AND SWAP MEET, REMINGTON'S 1655 W. Republic Road, Springfield, MO 65807. Time: 9:00am to 3:00pm. Operating display layouts from AR, KS, MO and OK, many interactive activities for kids including operating a locomotive simulator, hands on modeling tips, ride the Kiddie Train, meet representatives from many railroad manufacturers, get you old pre-1970 train appraised or a diagnosis on what it will take to make it run again. Clinics, door prizes, food, and many more activities to be announced as they become available. Table rental is \$25 each including city license and lunch. A 10% discount applies to vendors participating in the September 22, 2012 swap meet. For information on tables and special requests contact David Brashers, 1418 Rosewood, Republic, MO. 65738 or call 417-848-1739 or 417-848-1739 or email him at dbrashers69@yahoo.com. Registration is \$7, children under 12 free with paid admission. A portion of the proceeds will go to Crosslines, a local charity that helps those in need. For information contact Ron Williams MMR, 417-883-5350 or rwilliams3129@gmail.com.



March 30th, 2013 - THE JOPLIN MUSEUM COMPLEX'S TRAIN SHOW AND SWAP MEET will be held on Saturday, March 30th 2013, at the Joplin Museum Complex. The Museum Complex is located at 7th and Schifferdecker Streets in Schifferdecker Park. Hours will be from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Attractions to include several operating model railroad layouts along with over 65 tables of items for sale or trade. Admission: \$3.00, adults; children 12 and under admitted free with paid adult. All proceeds at the door go to benefit the Joplin Museum Complex. For more information, call Rick Gardner at (417) 673-4888; e-mail: rickgardner4449@gmail.com; or visit: www.tristatemodelrailroaders.com

April 5, 2013 – 18th Annual Arkansas Railroad Museum Railroadiana Show & Sale, 1700 Port Road, Pine Bluff, AR, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., adults \$5.00, children 6-12 \$2.00, children under 6 free with paying adult. Memorabilia, model trains, accessories, modular layouts, and more. Proceeds go to benefit the Cotton Belt Rail Historical Society, Inc. Contact the museum at 870-5635-8819, arkrrmus@yahoo.com, or www.arkansasrailroadmuseum.org.

***April 13-14 – 19th Annual Train Show Sponsored by the Nebraska West-Central Division of the National Model Railroad Association**, D&N Event Center, 501 East Walker Road, North Platte, NE. 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Saturday and 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Sunday. Admission \$3.00, children under 12 \$1.00, children under 5 free with paid adult admission. Train layouts, displays, vendor tables, (vendors tables \$12 each until April 1st. after April 1st they are \$20 each). Union Pacific tours will be available Saturday only as an extra fare item. Contact Gene Tacey, P. O. Box 485, Sutherland, NE 69165, 308-386-2489, taceys@gpcom.net for further information.

April 21-22, 2013 – Western Heritage Division Train Show, Burke High, 12200 Burke Street, Omaha, NE off of Dodge St. in Omaha, NE. 10am to 4pm General Admission: \$7 Per Adult, \$20 Family Pass, get \$1 off with a non-perishable food and \$1 off with NMRA Membership Card. We'll have operating model layouts in nearly every gauge, from tiny Z-scale to showy G-scale. Clinics will offer instruction on everything from scenery, kit-building to electronics. Bring your models and photos to enter into contests, complete with NMRA Achievement Program judging. Door prize drawings will be held every hour. Visit our vendors who offer everything from toys to railroad memorabilia. Rent a swap space for \$10.00 for an afternoon. Swap space includes one day's show admission and is available by advance reservation only. And we have almost twice the floor space as last year! Contact: Harvey Swanger Jr., E-mail Show@whdnmra.info, Phone: (402) 681-2700, Website: www.whd.mcor-nmra.org See www.whd.mcor-nmra.org for more information.

June 13-16, 2013 – TURKEY CREEK DIVISION OF THE MID-CONTINENT REGION OF THE NATIONAL MODEL RAILROAD ASSOCIATION REGIONAL CONVENTION. (Kansas City Metro Area) The convention will be held at the Overland Park International Trade Center, 6800 W 115th St., Overland Park, KS. Mid-Continent Regional Convention 2013
Hosted by Turkey Creek Division on June 13th to 16th
Clinics, model & photo contest, door prizes, layout tours, proto type tours, banquet on Saturday night, and train show. Train Show Saturday June 15th 9am to 5pm and Sunday June 16th 9am to 4pm, table rental \$20 per table until April 15 (\$25.00 after that) vendor set up Friday June 14th afternoon.

Registration Fee NMRA member \$35.00 per person (\$45.00 after April 15th), Non-member- \$40.00 per person (\$50.00 after April 15th), Banquet fee \$35.00 per person. (Spouse will receive a pass to the train show and contest room but must purchase banquet and any extra fare tour prices). (All rates include sales tax).

Convention hotels now include the following; both are adjacent to the Trade Center grounds:

Hyatt Place 6801 W 112th St. Overland Park, KS 66211

Phone: 913-451-2553 Fax: 913-451-3098

Rate: \$99.00 (includes breakfast) Must make reservation by 1pm on May 13th Reservations will be made via individual call-in to Phone: [1-800-233-1234](tel:1-800-233-1234) or by visiting www.hyattplaceoverlandparkmetcalf.com. Please use the following group code G-NMRA under CORPORATE/ GROUP #.

Courtyard Marriott Kansas City Overland Park/Metcalf, South of College Boulevard 11301 Metcalf Ave. Overland Park, KS 66210, Phone: 913-339-9900

Rate: \$69.00 King, \$79.00 Queen-Queen

Must make reservation by May 23 Ask for MCoR/NMRA group rate The extended hotel name applies because there is another Courtyard relatively nearby.

(All rates include sales tax).

Info: Larry Alfred MMR: captlafred@gmail.com, (home) 913-782-6584

Check the Turkey Creek Division web site at <http://www.tc-nmra.org> for additional information as it becomes available.

July 20, 2013 – Rail Fair, Copeland Park, Rose and Clinton Streets, La Crosse, WI

June 22, 2013 - MAINLINE TRAIN SHOW Saturday 9:00 to 4:00 80 tables of trains for sale plus operating layouts, Concessions, and Door Prizes. Adults \$5 Admissions 10 and under free. Washington County Fairgrounds 115 N Delaware, 4 miles north of Bartlesville 1 block west of HWY 75 Dewey OK 74029

More information Contact Kevin Keeler

Phone: 417-838-95615 Email: KLK@mchsi.com

October 19-20, 2013 –Western Kansas Train Show 6th Year of Show Saturday 9:00 to 5:00 Sunday 11:00 to 4:00 Buy and sell new and used model trains 100 tables of trains for sale plus large operating layout, food vendor on sight and door prizes!!!! Adults \$5 Admissions 12 and under free! Ellis Country Fairgrounds 1343 Fairground Rd. Exit 157 on I-70 hays, Kansas 67601

More information Contact Kevin Keeler

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2013 Clinics

- March 26
Making Steam Loc. Run Better
Don Ball
- April 23
Subject TBD
Larry Diehl
- May 28
Modeling Challenge Contest - ,No Clinic
- June 13 – 16
Regional Meet – No Clinic
- July 23
TBD Verification pending
- August 27
TBD
- September 24
Laser Kits – Design, Layout, and Cutting
Mike Fyten
- October 22
Make and Take
Fran and Miles Hale
- November 26
TBD
Pat Harriman
- December 17
Annual holiday party
Presentation by Ron Morse

Your NMRA membership entitles you to these benefits:

Kalmbach Memorial Library

One of the world's largest "railroads-only" libraries. Contains prototype and modeling books and magazines, out-of-production kit instructions, and more.

- www.nmra.org/library
- Call: 423-892-2846
- Fax: 423-899-4869

Email Brent Lambert: lib@hq.nmra.org

NMRA Online Archives

Over 10,000 photographs, slides, plans, drawings, erection elevations, paint schemes, and more, with additional scans being added all the time. High resolution files are available for download at a discount to members.

www.nmra.org, click "Online Archives" button

"Members-Only" website

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www.nmra.org, choose "online store", then "Members-Only Company Store"

Turkey Creek Division of the NMRA
Meetings and Events for 2013

Meetings are on the 4th Tuesday each month

● December 18th

