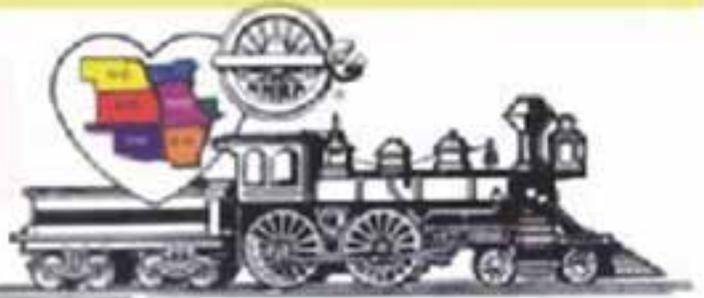


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MAY 2022

**TURKEY CREEK DIVISION
NATIONAL MODEL RAILROAD ASSOCIATION**



SERVING NMRA MEMBERS SINCE 1985

LIVE CLINIC **10 FACTORS THAT IMPACT** **COLLECTION DISPERSAL**

Dr. Novella Perrin, Ph.D, Retired Assistant Provost for Research and Dean of the Graduate School at the University of Central Missouri in Warrensburg, was also a professor of sociology and the Director of the UCM Gerontology Institute. She is a consultant and author of numerous books and articles as well as a frequent presenter at local, state and national meetings on aging related issues. Her most current research focuses on behavioral management of Alzheimer's Disease, nurse aide retention, rural aging, elder abuse and aging in place. Dr. Perrin also is active in numerous professional and service organizations.

Dr. Perrin will speak to all members and their wives about the journey we are on. Where and what are we bound for in the coming years? How should we prepare for the next step in our journey through life? Our bodies and needs are changing and we should be aware of what is coming. Dr. Perrin has seen thousands of men and women making the trek into the future of their lives. Come and talk with her about the course you are on and what you may be able to expect going into the unknown ahead. The more we know the better we can move forward and be positive.

This meeting is for members and any family that would like to attend, we encourage you to come and be involved.

Control, Left Click on the following link to open up the Zoom Turkey Creek Division meeting.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/jc/join/85080194385?wpk=wcpk18a74100da4aa526b3528b3c813a748e>

When the new screen opens, click on the "Open URL:Zoom Launcher" button in the popup box. After a short wait, that should connect you to our meeting. We usually begin to allow people in about 6:30pm.

If that does not work, just open www.Zoom.us. Click on "Join a Meeting" at the top of the page and type in the Meeting ID of 850 8019 4385. Click Join. Then click on the "Open URL:Zoom Launcher" button in the popup box. After a short wait you will be asked for the passcode, enter 03 and click on join meeting.

CLERK REPORT

APRIL 26, 2022

Ron called the meeting to order at 7pm. We had 18 people in person and 9 on Zoom for 27 total. Bill Humenezuk gave the treasures report and we are in good shape as usual. A detailed report is available if anybody would like it contact Bill.

Larry Diehl gave us an update on the August train show. He has about 30 tables sold so far and more people have not committed yet. So don't wait too late to commit to your tables. Jack Ferris was in charge of the venders but unfortunately Jack passed away unexpectedly about 2 weeks ago. So if you have questions about tables contact Larry Diehl. He is also looking for somebody to take over that job unless somebody has stepped up already. It's not a hard job and you can earn volunteer points doing it. Its just busy when venders come in and want to know where their tables are. So far Dan Wiltshire has been doing a great job of getting some really nice door prizes. Missy and Mindy are taking care of food and beverages and knowing them it will be very nice. Both are great cooks. We have 6 layouts on tour so far and each has appeared in the slinger so far or will be before the show.

Larry Alfred said that about 23 people have signed up for the June Make and Take. Larry Diehl will do a power point next month on some helpful tips on putting a Banta kit together. Alfred also said that you can use your Make and Take model for the square footer challenge if it fits in a sq. ft.

Wayne Wesolowski put on a great clinic showing the many things

he has learned in his 61 years of modeling. He had some really great ideas to help modelers. I took a few photos of the screen so I wouldn't forgot some of what was new to me. One that caught my eye I want to try is cooking corrugated material coated in olive oil. That I've never heard of before but will experiment with now. It was an hour of great how to methods to make better and faster models. Maybe he can come back and do the clinic on castings in the future.

That's it for this meeting, Steve.

LAST TRAIN RIDE



Jack Ferris

John A. "Jack" Ferris of Overland Park, KS passed away on April 14, 2022. He was born on October 15, 1937, in Chicago, IL and was raised primarily in Farmington, Iowa. He completed his formal education at St. Ambrose College in Davenport, Iowa and worked as an accountant at many firms across the country before retiring from Sprint. After retirement, he used his accounting skills to assist several non-profit organizations in the Kansas City area.

He met his wife Catherine "Cathy" Burt while they were both singing in the chorus of their joint-college musicals. Cathy was at Marycrest (women), and Jack was at St. Ambrose (men). They were married on September 10, 1960, in Downers Grove, IL and spent their lives together happily for nearly 62 years.

Jack was also an award-winning model railroader, spending countless hours building O-Scale model trains. He was a member of the Turkey Creek Division of the National Model Railroad Association and was very active in building display models shown publicly across the metro area.



**Deborah Gerson
Lindenbaum**

Debbie was the wife of Kerry Lindenbaum a former Superintendent of the Turkey Creek Division. She and Kerry were married for 37 wonderful years. Her friends and family will miss her welcoming smile and her glow that made everyone who met her feel like a friend.



Bernard Bruce McLean, Col.USAF Ret

He was born on June 30, 1932, in Teaneck, New Jersey. Bruce began his military career in the Navy Reserve as a seaman, but he was intrigued with the idea of flying and joined the Air Force Aviation Cadet Program in 1954 to become a pilot. In 1966 Bruce served in Southeast Asia and flew 210 combat hours before returning to Eglin AFB where he transitioned to the C-130H Hercules. In 1956 while stationed at Dreux Air Force Base, France he met and married Joan Blalock of Ocala, Florida,

an elementary school teacher at the base school for dependent children. Anyone who knew Bruce, knew of his love of trains. Beginning in his teens, he read books and magazines about railroads. He continued this interest throughout his adult life. He often patiently waited for a train to come by so he could photograph it and family vacations often included driving out of the way to find an obscure engine. He collected railroad memorabilia and enjoyed the camaraderie of attending rail enthusiast meetings. Thanks for your service to your country and the hobby.

Turkey Creek Division Financial Statements				
Quarter Ended March 31, 2022				
Balance Sheet				
Assets				
Petty Cash				30.00
Postage				11.02
Undeposited Funds				40.50
Commerce Bank Checking Account				3,651.62
Total Cash			3,733.14	
Fidelity Government Money Market Capital Reserves				452.36
Franklin Income Fund Class C				27,738.99
Total Investments			28,191.35	
NMRA Heart of America Development Fund				15,000.00
Total Loans			15,000.00	
Total Assets			46,924.49	
Liabilities and Net Worth				
Accounts Payable - Banta Modelworks (paid 4/7/22)				1,338.50
Accounts Payable - Turkey Creek Members				56.72
Total Accounts Payable			1,395.22	
Total Liabilities			1,395.22	
Net Worth			45,529.27	
Total Liabilities and Net Worth			46,924.49	
Income Statement				
Revenue				
Make and Take Kit Revenue				766.75
2022 Train Show Revenue				378.00
Donation				3.00
Franklin Income Fund Dividends				273.08
Total Revenue			1,420.83	
Expenses				
Administrative and Investment Expenses				212.56
Make and Take Kit Expenses				1,358.21
2022 Train Show Expenses				244.95
Rent				150.00
Total Expenses			1,965.72	
Net Income (Loss)			(544.89)	
Annualized Return on the Franklin Income Fund for the First Quarter of 2022				3.95%

FINANCIAL REPORT

To the Turkey Creek Division Leadership and members.

Attached is the Turkey Creek Financial Statement for the first quarter of 2022. It shows us in good financial condition. I'm not concerned about the loss for the quarter since we always have beginning of the year expenses that don't recur in later quarters. We subsidized the

Make and Take activity by \$590 which also will not recur. Our mutual fund did not change in value for the quarter (I wish mine had done as well) while providing an annualized cash return of almost four percent. I will have copies of this statement at our April 26 meeting and will answer any questions that you or members have.

Larry Diehl told me that the Lenexa Community Center wants

the rest of the payment (\$1,667.50) for the August meet. This means that we will need to cash in some of our investment to cover the payment. Again, this is not a problem since it is mostly a cash flow situation. I know that Larry has one check which can be deposited and hopefully more will be received before I redeem some of the investment in early May.

Bill Humenczuk, Paymaster

2022 TURKEY CREEK MODELING

BY LARRY ALFRED, MMR

Here we go again and again! For the 19th Annual TCD Modeling Challenge, the theme continues with the challenge of the Square Footer! So, again this year, you may build and enter anything, yes.... that's anything...as long as it fits on a 12" x 12" (or less) base. With the 2021 return of the square footer theme, we had 17 entries into the challenge and another 6 models were there for display only. All models were terrific and showed the creativity that the square footer challenge was established to encourage! As an additional incentive to participate, two \$25.00 gift certificates were presented by a drawing of those members bringing entries. This will continue with the 2022 challenge.

I hope that you will see this event for the "Challenge" that it was always intended to be and build something and participate! The 2022 Challenge is currently scheduled for the October Turkey Creek Division meeting. There is plenty of time to prepare an entry, so please get to it! In addition to the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place awards, we will present awards for whimsy (Red Bull

Award) and special effects. There is also an award for the best use of a TCD Make-and-Take model.

With the 2022 Modeling Challenge, we are introducing an additional wrinkle! This will be a new extra award for the best "Business Card Challenge." A standard business card measures 2" x 3 1/2". So, with this challenge, you can build anything you want on a base of that size. You may feel that this is impossible... however, it's not. And, that is the challenge! One example would be a railroad bridge surveyor and a second is a back-woods mine train. It is possible! I really don't remember where these suggestions came from, but, my apologies to the modelers involved and be assured they are not used in any way for a profit motive. This addition will probably favor the smaller scales, but, not necessarily. Have fun with this!

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."

For fun, I have included the original notice of the Modeling Challenge from 2004...the information is still appropriate.

DIORAMA CONTEST (FROM 2004)

BY RUSTY RAILS

So, what can you build on a one square foot base? That's your challenge for the first annual Turkey Creek Division Modeling Challenge! In G scale, you could fit a RGS 50,000-gallon water tank in one square foot and not much more. In Z scale, you could probably model the Kansas City West Bottoms. In HO, you'll be somewhere in between.

There is no restriction on how high your scene can go, so you could model a mountain or a twelve-story building. If you're into Colorado mining, you could put an ore mill on a mountain side with tracks at the bottom for cars to pick up the refined ore. If coastal railroading is your bag, then a pier scene may be for you. Another thought might be a scene with an overpass with a train on the lower and upper levels.

If you're into city scenes, you could model the backside of some trackside tenements with Mrs. McGurty waving at the engineer while she's hanging out laundry. Another scene that would be interesting would be a station with passengers waiting for a train or perhaps boarding a passenger train.

There is no restriction on the diorama except that the base cannot

exceed one square foot – that's 12" by 12" maximum size. Can it be smaller? Sure. If you already have a base you want to use and it's 12" X 12" or less in size, that's fine. If you have a base that's 16" X 8", that's NOT FINE.

Do you have to have a train on the diorama? Nope. It's up to you what to include. The judging will be by popular vote, so crowd appeal will be the rule. There will be three

places awarded for this challenge. So, if you're entering a diorama, start thinking about your model now. There is plenty of time, but don't put it off. This will be a fun event!

Ok...final plea...please participate!! It is lots of fun!

MIKE FYTEN'S KAW VALLEY RAILROAD "S" SCALE

30 years of development of one of the premiere layouts. The railroad is set in the Kansas City area and does a great job of showing the railroad that ran through this area. Come take a journey through our region.



Turkey Creek Division
Annual Train Show
August 6, 2022
Lenexa Community Center
13420 Oak Street
Lenexa, Kansas 66215
(about Pflumm & 93rd St)



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

Attendees \$10.00 at door ... NMRA members \$9.00 at door
Children 12 and under attend free with accompanying adult

Clinics Start at 8:30 – 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 a \$25.00 gift voucher, up to a maximum of 3 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 75 tables from area dealers, local hobbyists and other railroad groups.

Food and Refreshments – will be available at nominal cost.

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Turkey Creek Division Annual Train Show 2022
Vendor and Individual Registration Form

Individual or Vendor Name(s) for badges: _____

Address: _____

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

E-Mail: _____

Address: _____

Individual Advance Registration \$8.00 _____ (NMRA members \$7.00 _____)
enclosed enclosed

Eight Ft. Space \$28.00 No. of Spaces/Tables: _____ Total Amount: \$ _____

Vendor Registration: Check # _____ Electrical: (very limited)

Set up from 3:00pm to 6:30 pm on August 5th, must be out by 5pm on August 6th.

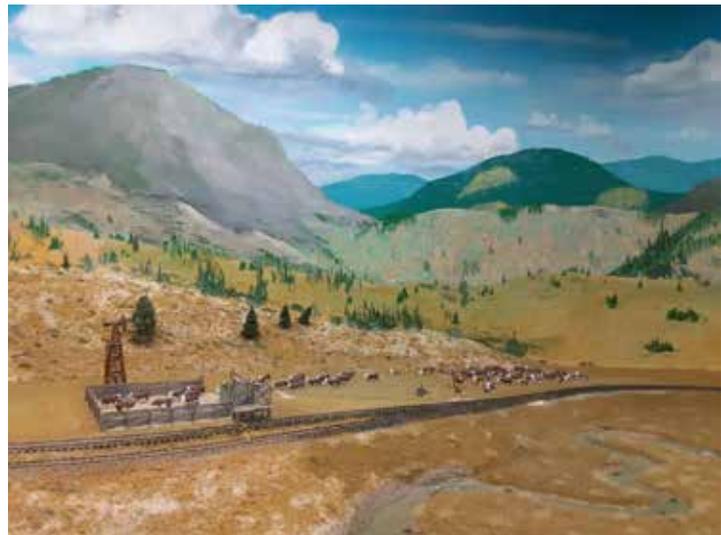
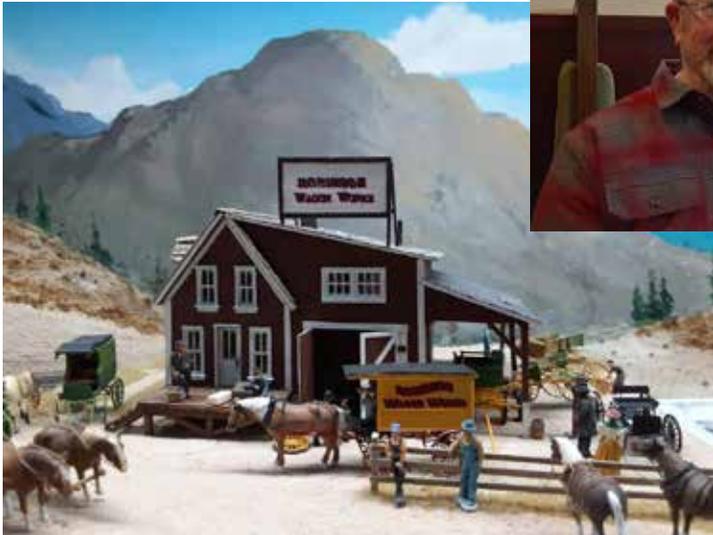
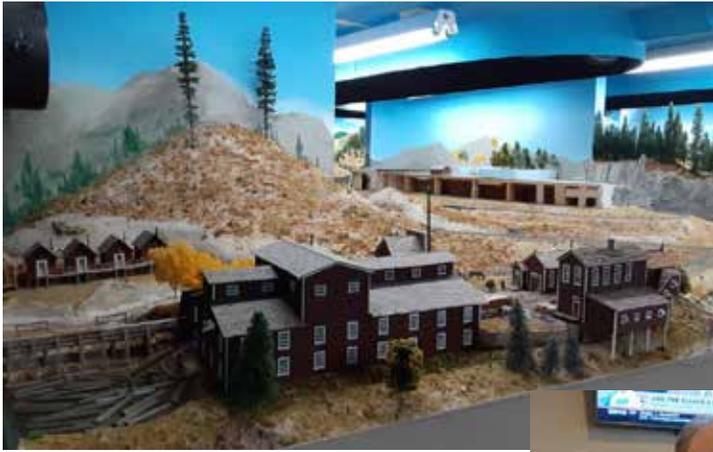
One table = 1 registration ... 2 or more tables = 2 registrations

Make checks payable to "Turkey Creek Division"

Mail to: Turkey Creek Show, c/o Larry Diehl, 7008 Millridge Street, Shawnee, Kansas 66218.

For more information contact: John Fales, (913) 782-2207 Leave a message for call back , Bill Humenczuk, 8624 W. 116th Street, Overland Park, Kansas 66210, or Larry Diehl, ldiehl066@gmail.com – 816-804-0152.

RAY BROWN'S DENVER & RIO GRANDE IN "HON3"



6 Layouts will be featured during the Turkey Creek Train Show this year. All of them have made a lot of progress with COVID confinement. You will want to see as many of these fine layouts as possible. Don't forget to have a great time at the show. Bring a model, sell some of your extra train items, and above all meet with old friends and some that will be new friends!