

Division Meeting Schedule

June 26, 2011 (Fourth Sunday) - Mon Valley Railroad Club of WV, 128 Pleasant St., Morgantown, WV 26505
Layout open at time TBD.
Meeting: 2:30 PM
Program: TBD

August 21, 2011 - ANNUAL PICNIC

September 16, 2011 - Steubenville, OH Area Model Railroaders

Bring'n'Brag

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Model by Neal Schorr

Division 2 mourns the death of NMRA life member and former Keystone Division Superintendent John Weinhold. See "In Memorium," by Susan Werner, p. 4.

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From the Super's Desk



Last month I began to tell you about some of the things that transpired at the mid-winter NMRA BOD meeting. This month I will try to relate some of the more important points remaining.

The NMRA was founded to develop standards for model railroading. This has enabled us to interchange our equipment with not so much as a second thought. The work might seem to be finished, but there is always more to be done. New standards have been established to recognize the need for more clearances required by modern equipment such as double-stacks and the like. NMRANET standards have been adopted as well defining the physical layer of the layout control bus called NMRANET. The manufacturers have been waiting for the new standard so they can adopt it for their product line. These have been the diligent work of dedicated volunteers to benefit the rest of us in the hobby.

This year or next will be the 50th anniversary of the Achievement Program. While there will be a special celebration, I would like to encourage each of you to try to earn at least one AP certificate during this time. Wouldn't it be extra special to award a ton of AP certificates at our convention next April? Wouldn't it be even more special to have several MMR certificates awarded at that convention? There are several Division 2 members who are close to that milestone. Let's give them all the encouragement we can to complete the final steps to that goal.

On a completely different subject, I would like to let those of you who did not attend this year's Jamboree know that you have missed another wonderful experience. Division 2 is one of the few divisions that put on this kind of mini-convention. This event had everything: hands-on clinics, traditional clinics, contests, food, raffles, White Elephant sales, awards, more food, special speaker, and layout tours. I, personally, gained more from this year's Jamboree than a whole year's worth of model railroading magazines. We will not have a Jamboree next year (we will have a Regional Convention), so perhaps you will join us for the next Jamboree in 2013.

... *Susan Werner*

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Minutes From Last Meeting

Keith DeVault

Superintendent Susan Werner called the May 15, 2011 meeting to order at 2:35p.m. The meeting was held at the Scenic Express in Delmont, Pa. The attendance was 64 members, with no new members and two guests. They were Bob Weinheimer Superintendent of Division 9 and Frank Stingone, President of the P & LE Historical Society. Susan recognized our host Jim Elster owner of Scenic Express and Susan thanked him for opening up his business on Sunday to host the meeting and let everyone shop in his store. The pass the hat was used and everyone was thankful for the hat.

Minutes from the Jamboree Meeting were not taken, as the meeting lasted 7 minutes and no business was discussed. Susan made an announcement about the passing of Ken Hanawalt's wife Lee, and everyone passed his blessings onto Ken.

The Treasurer Mr. Volkwein gave his report that the division is solvent and is still waiting on bills to pay from the Jamboree.

Dick Flock presented his report on the company store, he does not have the store today, but has items for sale on 3 tables in the lobby from an estate of which the division will receive income from the profits. Please stop at the table to purchase anything you might need and also get in contact with Dick about any material you would like to purchase from the company store.

Tom Gaus was not present today so no report was given on membership and webmaster activities.

Bob Meier the Free Mo chairman thanked everyone who sold merchandise at the Jamboree, because the free mo group gets some of the profits to help out with their own projects. He also mentioned that the group will be set up at the Greenberg Show on July 16 and 17 which is at the Monroeville Convention Center. If you would like to volunteer to help out at the show, please get in touch with Bob.

Paul Gallick on Bring N Brag, he has 11 entries in the category of "Steam Power", please stop by and vote for your favorite one.

Bud Brock on the video library stated that if anyone needs a video, he has the library out in his van, and he is in the process of putting all the titles on a computer, which is a slow process.

Mike Hohn the assistant superintendent gave his report that the June meeting will be at the Mon Valley Railroad Club in Morgantown, with the layout opening at noon, the picnic will be held August 21st at the park in Leetsdale starting around noon also, and the September meeting will

be held in Steubenville, Ohio with our hosts having 6 layouts open for visiting. The Achievement Program has been delayed because of the storms in the Midwest which affected the NMRA national headquarters. John Gallagher head of the Education Program is still working on gathering a few more names for clinicians for the region. He picked up a few at last month's regional which was held at Geneva on the Lake.

Jim Sacco gave his report on the Jamboree that it was an excellent affair and his thanked everyone who volunteered to make this one another great success. He is also thankful their will not be one next year, so he can devote time to help make the Regional Convention, Highline to Pittsburgh a success, which will be held April 26 to April 29, 2012 in Greentree.

In old business Susan has directories of the membership at .50 each Susan handed out a few of the gift certificates from last year's winners on Bring N Brag, so they can be used today at Scenic Express.

In new business Susan told everyone about early registration for the Highline to Pittsburgh convention, and has the forms on the front table, so please stop after the meeting, fill out the paper and get registered. Susan mentioned that one of the prize winners from the Jamboree who was from Division 11 will be giving away a Youth in Model Railroad prize at the picnic in August, it will be a DCC starter train set.

A motion was made on the floor and seconded that the division write a check to NMRA for helping defray the cost of putting material on digital. After discussion it was tabled to the June meeting so the treasurer can get an up to date accounting after all the Jamboree expenses have been paid.

For the good of the division, Susan voiced our concerns to the tornado victims in the Midwest with the National Headquarters being hit also, along with Jenny Hendricks, COA of NMRA whose home was damaged.

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Bring'n'Brag

Paul Gallick

May's Bring 'n' Brag contest was held at the offices of Scenic Express in Delmont, PA. The theme this month was "Steam Power" and there were eleven entries.

First place went to Marge Meehan for her On30 Scale Climax Model 'A' logging engine. Her model was built from a Cache Creek Resin kit. She assembled the model using Zap-a-Gap, and painted it with acrylics.

Second place voting resulted in a tie between Bill DeFoe and John Ainsworth. Bill entered an HO model of a Missouri Pacific 4-8-2 Mountain. His model started as a USRA light Mountain by Akane. Major changes included a new cast pilot from Hallmark, a new pilot truck, Baldwin disc drivers, and trailing truck from Greenway Products, a new stack valve gear and tender from PFM, and finally a new cab built from a DJH kit. Scratchbuilt components included the drop coupler mechanism, pilot mounted windscreen, smoke box jacketing, running boards and turret cover. Bill painted the engine with Scalecoat and lettered it with Oddballs Decals.

John entered three HO scale scratchbuilt locomotives. His SLSF No. 4018 is built on a United 2-8-4 frame and

mechanism, but with scratchbuilt valve gear. His second SLSF engine No 712 was built on a completely hand made frame. Finally his PRR No. 8014 was built on a Gem 2-8-0 frame and drive mechanism.

Other entries for this month's contest included:

Tim Moffat entered a pair of engines including a Bowser kit of a PRR I1 and a Roundhouse kit of a East Broad Top 2-8-0.

Dennis Williams entered a HO Scale PRR S2 that he had custom painted.

Blaine Reynolds entered three Bowser Kits which he had built and super detailed. The included an E-6 4-4-2, a B6 0-6-6, and an I1, 2-10-0.

Dick Flock entered a PennLine kit he had built from the 1960's.

Neal Schorr entered a Lionel O Scale 0-6-0T which he had weathered with airbrush and chalks.

Keith DeVault entered a 2-6-2 he is building from a Roundhouse kit.

Charlie Hallman entered a Bachmann On30 2-4-4 Forney.

Bud Brock also brought in an Atlas N Scale two truck Shay for display.

Thanks to everyone who brought in models and voted. Next month's contest category is "Bridges." The standings are as follows:

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Bring'n'Brag Standings:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Points</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Points</u>
Marge Meehan	20	Dennis Williams	5
Neal Schorr	18	Tim Moffat	4
Bill DeFoe	11	Blaine Reynolds	4
Keith DeVault	6	Charlie Hallman	2
Dick Flock	6	Eric Hansmann	2
Steve Hertzner	6	Jim Kubanick	2
Robert Hickman	6	Georgeann Reid	2
John Ainsworth	5	Dennis Vaccaro	2
Jim Dodds	5		

In Memoriam

John Weinhold

It is with sadness that we note the passing of long-time model railroader and Life Member of the NMRA, John Weinhold. John passed away March 21, 2011 of natural causes in his apartment and funeral arrangements were made by a niece. John had served as Superintendent of the Keystone Division from May 1967 through April 1970 and edited the *Keystone Flyer* during that time. After his terms as Superintendent, he stayed on as Editor of the *Keystone Flyer* until April 1972. John loved to do research and compile the information into potential books. He was always writing something and was a font of information. His presence will be missed.

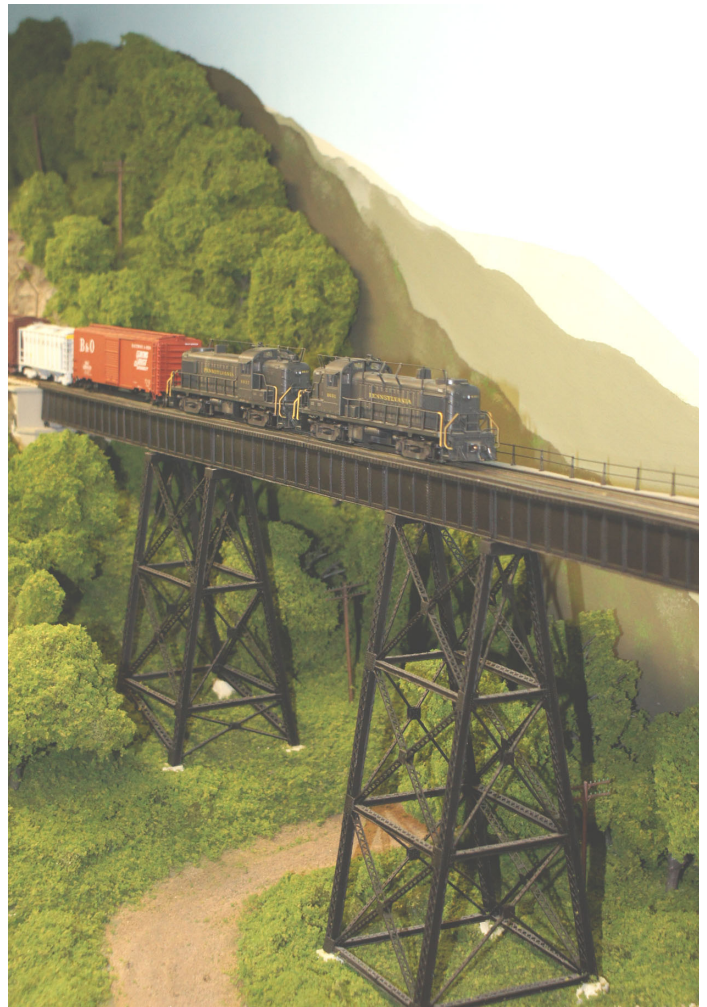
... "Minutes" (cont'd)

The Central Ohio Prototype Modelers meet will be held May 19 and 20 in Marion, Ohio

The Westmoreland County Historical Society will be having a trip to Horseshoe Curve on June 14th, please contact the society if interested in going.

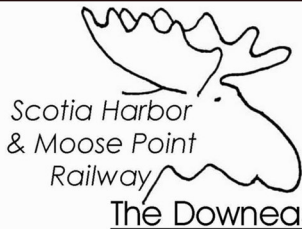
Today's Program will be Jim Elster owner of Scenic Express who will demo the static grass machine.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was approved at 3:25 p.m.



A pair of AS16m's (RS-3's on any other railroad) pulls a manifest freight across the viaduct, above, while a pair of Pennsy boxcars await unloading on Dan Adair's HO PRR Marietta Division, one of many layouts open to attendees at the PRR Technical & Historical Society's annual meeting in Columbus, OH last month.





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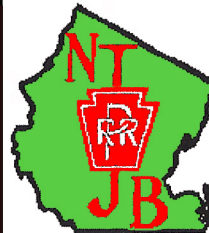
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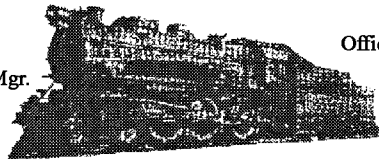
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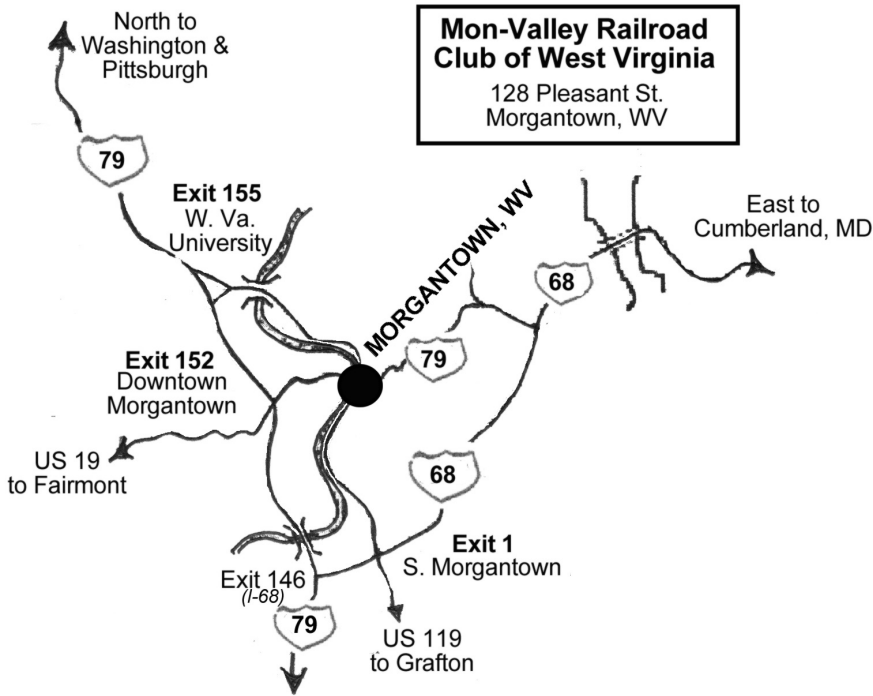
Excellent workmanship by Bill DeFoe (kit-bashed and beautifully painted 4-8-4, above) and by John Ainsworth (scratchbuilt steam locomotives, below) had to settle for sharing 2d Place in the June Bring'n'Brag voting.



Left and below, these scenes and more will greet Div. 2 members who attend the June 26 meeting hosted by the Mon Valley Railroad Club of West Virginia in Morgantown.

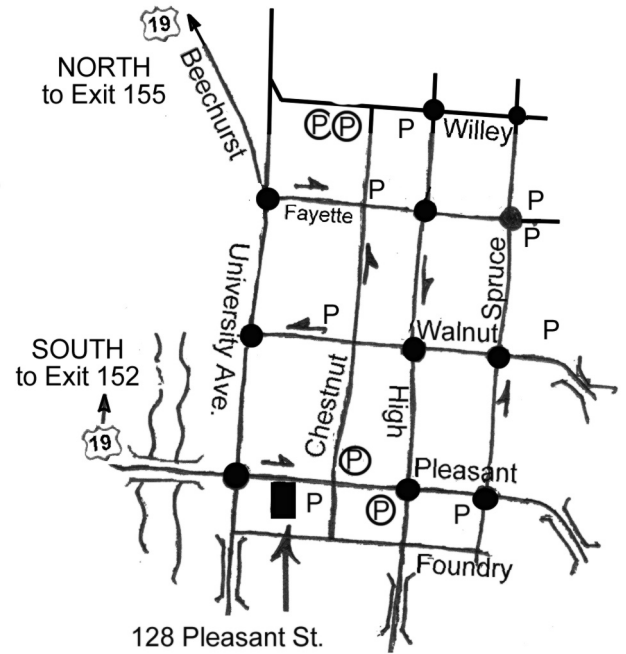


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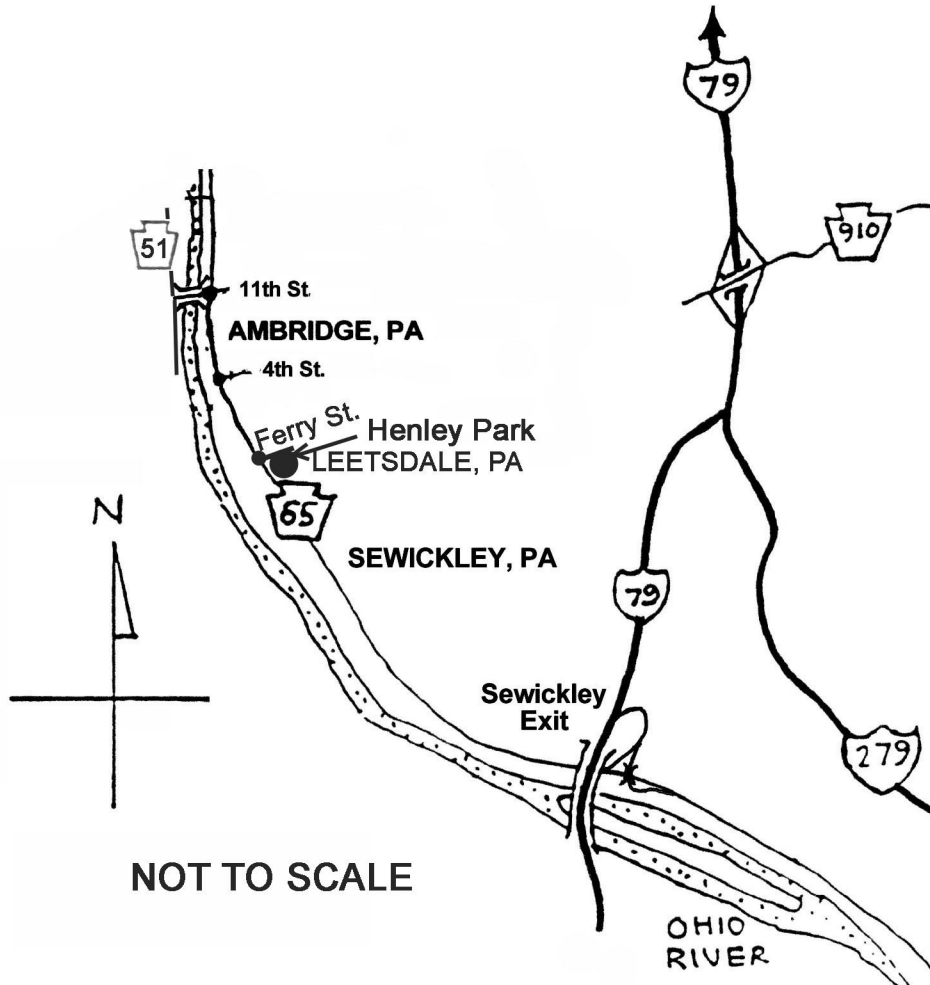


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