



Editor's Model of the Month

Our September meeting generated 4 excellent Bring'n'Brag contest entries for the category of Vehicles. Neal Schorr's heavily weathered front-loader was this editor's pick for model of the month. This piece of heavy equipment works at the US Silica facility on the Middle Division.

Meeting Schedule

October 17, 2021 - Division 2 Meeting, 2:30pm
Schiappa Library, Steubenville, OH
Program: Bob DiBenedetto, "Operation Lifesaver"
Layout: Bob DiBenedetto, 11am-2pm (details page 6)

November 21, 2021 - Division 2 Meeting, 2:30pm
VFD Social Hall, New Eagle, PA
** Don't Forget the Swap-meet!! **
Layouts: Mid-Mon Valley Club, Jim Braum, Susan Werner
(details page 7)

January 16, 2022 - Division 2 Meeting, 2:30pm
Ohio Valley Lines Model RR Club, Ambridge, PA

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Bring'n'Brag

Jan	Anything goes
Feb	Motive Power: Diesel, Electric & Traction
Mar	Motive Power: Steam
Apr	Freight Cars
May	Quarantine Special: *Anything Goes*
Jun	Non-Revenue (incl. cabooses)
Aug	Passenger Cars
Sep	Vehicles
Oct	Structures
Nov	Prototype Photos

Submission Deadline for Nov. Flyer:
October 24, 2021

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From the Super's Desk

After more than a year of virtual meetings, we were able to again enjoy an in-person meeting in September. Neal Schorr gave an excellent presentation on how he came up with the scenes for his layout's backdrop. Neal and

Dennis Coglianese welcomed us to their interesting layouts. It is always great to see the work of fellow modelers, learning things and getting ideas. Thanks to everyone for wearing masks and maintaining social distancing so this day could be possible. We look forward to gathering in Steubenville on October 17.

October is filled with Festivals and Train shows. Searching Events on Google, I came up with several. One that is close to us is the Greene County Historical Society Harvest Festival in Waynesburg, PA, on October 9. The historical society is the home of the Waynesburg and Washington Narrow Gauge Railroad. This volunteer organization has built a new engine and coach shed and laid down new sleepers and gravel. Their big goal is to rebuild the coach and to get steam on #4 Mogul locomotive. See what you can find near you. With the coming of more comfortable temperatures, we should enjoy railroading in our area.

... Frank Benders

SAVE THE DATE

There is good news regarding the 2022 Jamboree!

We have secured the venue at Robert Morris University for April 23, 2022, so **please save the date!**

More information and details will be forthcoming in the next months as we proceed with the planning process. It is our sincere hope that no further pandemic restrictions will occur. We'll keep you posted via the Keystone Flyer and the Division 2 website.

Jamboree Committee:
Grier Kuehn, Jim Sacco, and Neal Schorr

ROOKIE ENGINEER at the throttle!

As mentioned last issue, regular editor Patrick Altdorfer is on vacation this month and he has bravely (or foolishly) placed this issue in my hands. I am grateful for his trust in this matter. Patrick will be back at his normal post next month. Please get any submissions to him by the 24th so he can include them in the November issue. Thank you!

George Pandelios
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Bring'n'Brag

Tracy Boyd/Richard Terek

September 2021

The subject of the September Bring 'N' Brag was vehicles, and we had four fantastic entries as well as one other model for show.

First Place was awarded to Neal Schorr. Neal submitted a heavily weathered O-scale front end loader. The loader sits at the sand processing plant on his layout. From the load of sand in the bucket to the sand in the tire treads, we can tell it is heavily used!

Second Place was awarded to Grier Kuhn. A few years back Grier snapped a photo of an old van he knew he would someday like to model. Although it's not an exact Chevy, Grier used an old Trident van that was reasonably close and a good starting point.

Grier then weathered the HO van using dull coat and weathering powders.

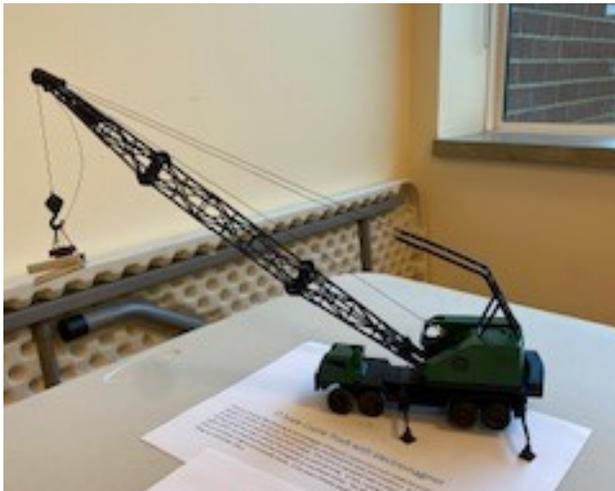


Third Place was a tie! George Pandelios presented an O-Scale P & H Crane Truck model kit from Lionel. The crane is also equipped with an electromagnet kit. George actually worked as a crane hook-up boy in the early 1970's attaching coils and electromagnets to overhead cranes. His crane is weathered in Weirton Steel green and grime.

Also in Third Place was Jimmy Braum's HO scale Wheeling and Lake Erie Track Car. Jim's prototype details show the company information on the side passenger door along with a scaled down PA License plate on the rear.



I do apologize to Dennis Lippert. Dennis brought a Conrail Caboose for display only. I regret I forgot to snap a photo.

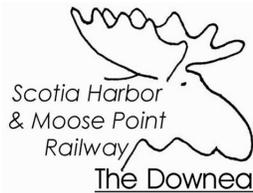


I look forward to meeting more members and seeing you all in my neck of the woods in October.



Name	pts	Name	pts
Grier Kuehn	20	Jim Ferguson	6
Neal Schorr	10	Arley Mitchell	2
Jimmy Braum	7	Bill DeFoe	2
	7	Jim Sacco	1

The November category is **Prototype Photographs**. Please bring your photos to the meeting and see Rich Terek and/or Tracy Boyd to enter your model. Remember: the entry deadline is AT LEAST one HALF HOUR before the meeting starts, e.g. no later than 2pm!



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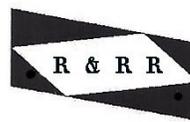


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September 19, 2021 Business Meeting

Superintendent Frank Benders opened the September general division meeting at 2:33 PM.

He thanked Neal Schorr and Marshall Township for the use of their Municipal Building meeting room.

Frank then reported on the passing of several Division members and associated family members. These were Earl F. Benteler (94) from the McKeesport Model Railroad Club, Raymond Yurkowski (Marge Meehan's son-in-law) in May, Henry Statkowski, and Phyllis Coulter, spouse of member Don Coulter.

Frank noted that he had received a very complimentary telephone call from Bruce DeMaeyer. The subject was the two wonderful articles in the *Keystone Flyer* - Jimmy Braum's piece on T-Trak and Dennis Cognialese's write up of his Pacific Central.

Pass the Hat: Jeff Gregg passed the hat.

New members and/or guests: Frank recognized Tom Businger, a transplanted HO modeler from Cleveland Division 4, as a new member. Gavin Thunberg, 15, was introduced as a guest by Terry Stuart. Welcome!

Dennis Vaccaro moved to accept the minutes of the August meeting as published in *Keystone Flyer* online. Steve Ross seconded the motion which was approved unanimously by acclamation.

Committee Reports:

Flyer: Patrick Altdorfer was not present. This month's substitute editor George Pandelios requested that all submissions be in to him by midnight September 26.

Treasurer: Jeff Gregg reported that the division is solvent.

Programs: Andy Blenko reported that the October meeting will be hosted by the ORNY Bunch and Bob DiBenedetto at Schiappa Library in Steubenville. The presentation will be on Operation Lifesaver. Jack Keen and Bob DiBenedetto will have their layouts open for viewing before the meeting.

Andy reminded everyone that Susan Werner and the Mid-Mon Valley Model Railroad Club will host the November meeting at New Eagle, PA. The program will be about new member Bruce Butt's efforts to develop and market electronic layout animations and controls. Jimmy Braum will have his layout, the Wheeling & Lake Erie in HO scale open for touring.

At request of Grier Kuehn and other members, we will again have the November Swap Meet at the meeting. This was very successful last time. The spacious firehall has many tables for use. Bring your unwanted train items and trade for others' items. Dead Presidents may also be accepted. Tables are free.

Andy also announced that January's meeting will be hosted by the Ohio Valley Lines at their club in Ambridge, PA. No further details are available at this time.

Company Store: Susan Werner reported that the physical store is open. She has 4 Shay books on order and as well as 2 others. Unfortunately, there was a production problem and they have been delayed. She is hoping they will arrive in time for the next meeting. The list of new books remains available and she is prepared to take new orders for them. Please check the division website for the list of new books.

Membership/Website: Tom Gaus was not present so there was no report.

Free-Mo: Patrick Altdorfer was not available. Jeff Gregg reported that he made a reservation for tables for the Division and for T-Trak at the November 6-7 Greenberg Show in Monroeville.

Bring-N-Brag: Tracy Boyd was present, and reported the results later in the meeting.

Video Library: Bud Brock was not present so there was no report.

Achievement Program: Dennis Vaccaro reported that several people have asked him questions about certificates and he is hoping to have 2-3 certificates submitted to Regional by November.

T-Trak: Richie Jodon was not present, but Jimmy Braum reported that the T-Trak group expects to be at the Greenberg Train Show on November 6-7 with their usual setup. If anyone is planning to come, please inform either Richie or Jimmy ahead of time. He also announced that the Regional head of T-Trak, Bruce DeMaeyer, is requesting an inventory of what module each T-Trak modeler has (straights, corners, double straights, etc.). Special notes such as restrictions, setup instructions, offset, power needs or the need for pickups should be included in your report to Jimmy or Richie. We would also like to know if you are planning to attend the Indy Junction 2022 convention with their T-Trak. Please e-mail your inventory and the other requested information to either Jimmy or Richie prior to October 1st.

CMR is currently unable to supply module kits, due to a shortage of good quality lumber from Russia, but are hoping to have stock by October. Jimmy noted that there were other companies producing the same kits, e.g., KATO/Woodland Scenics and Masterpiece Models. Dennis Vaccaro noted that Masterpiece's kits were not up to par because they are milled using a router vs laser cut.

MCR 2023 Convention: Keith DeVault reminded everyone that the MCR Convention is set for May 5-7, 2023 at the Double-Tree Hotel in Cranberry Township, PA. He will be e-mailing for volunteers and needs an IT guru to set up registration.

Old Business: Frank remarked on how nice it was to actually hold the picnic.

New Business: Frank reported that the Great Berea Train Show is a "go" and will be held on Saturday and Sunday, October 2-3 at the Cuyahoga



MEETING TIMETABLE

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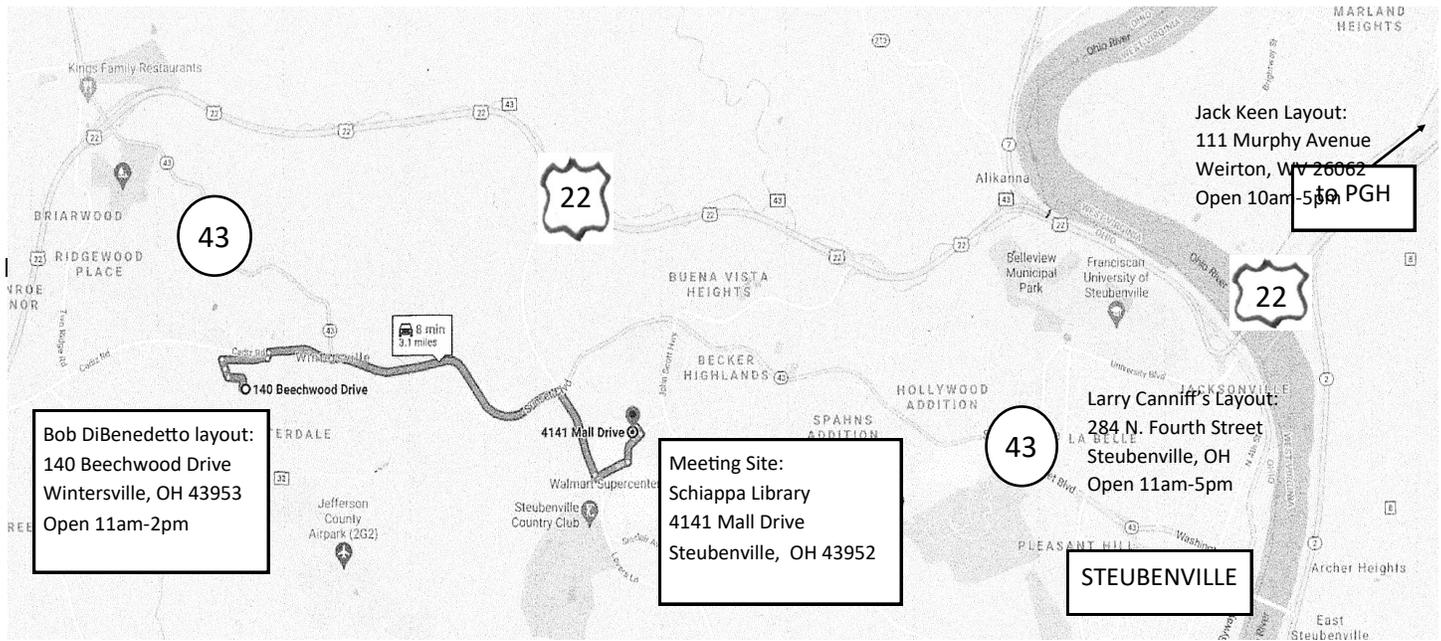
Our October meeting will be hosted at the Schiappa Library, a site which Bob DiBenedetto has again coordinated for us. We last met at this location in September 2019, and it was a good venue. After the meeting, Bob will present a talk on the railroad safety program "Operation Lifesaver." His layout will be open before the meeting, from 11am until 2pm. See the map below for general orientation, but (as always) use GPS for driving details and bear in mind that the drive time between Bob's layout and the meeting site is about 10 minutes.

3 Layouts Will Be Open for Touring:

11:00 AM—2:00 PM Bob DiBenedetto's Midwest Railroad modern switching layout. 140 Beechwood Drive, Wintersville, OH. Visitors are asked to please wear a mask.

10:00 AM—5:00 PM Jack Keen's HO scale B & O layout. 111 Murphy Avenue, Weirton, WV. There are no restrictions, but the layout is not handicap accessible. (304) 374-0781.

11:00 AM—5:00 PM Larry Canniff's G Scale indoor RR. 284 N. Fourth Street, Steubenville, OH. There are no restrictions and the layout is handicap accessible. Masks are optional. There are NO RESTROOMS available.



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New Business: Frank reported that the Great Berea Train Show is a "go" and will be held on Saturday and Sunday October 2-3 at the Cuyahoga County Fairgrounds, 19201 East Bagley Road, Middleburg Heights, OH.

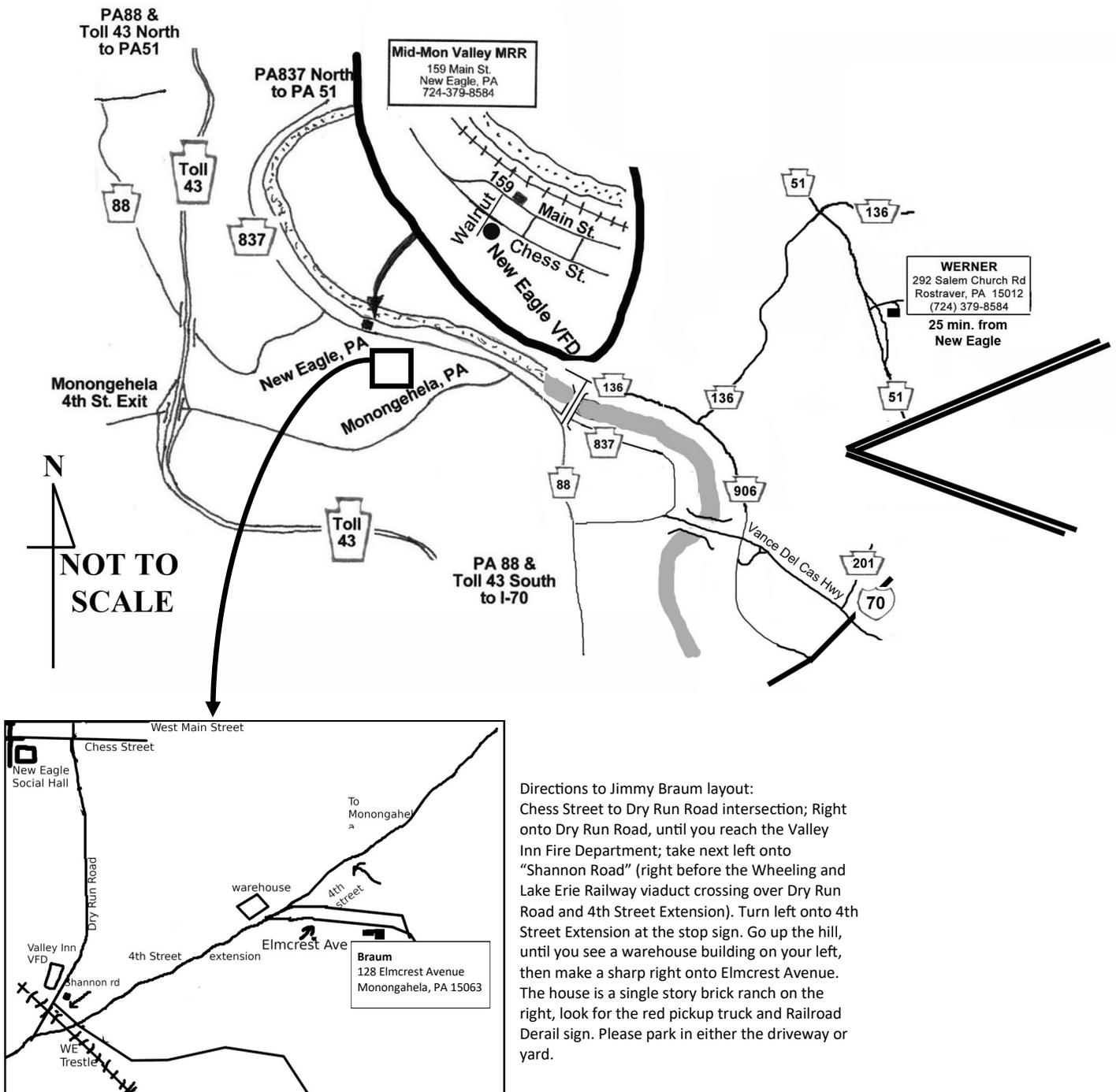
Concerns & Questions – Susan reported that she had been asked if the Division could conduct the monthly meeting using ZOOM as well as holding it in person. Dennis Vaccaro and Dennis Coglianesse both noted that would require 2 cameras (a larger, more expensive setup). Jeff and Frank stated that the Division needed to watch its funds pretty carefully as no revenue is incoming. They noted that this is not practical at this time.

For the Good of the Division: John Gallagher noted that Division member Pat Sullivan was in an auto accident and will be off his feet for 6-8 weeks recuperating. Grier reported that member Jim Sacco had undergone an operation to remove a kidney but was OK and expected to fully recover.

A motion to adjourn was made by Keith and seconded by Dennis Vaccaro. The meeting was adjourned at 3:05 PM.

November 21: New Eagle, PA | Program TBA

Our last meeting of 2021 will be hosted by the Mid-Mon Valley Model RR Club at the New Eagle VFW Social Hall (156 Chess Street, New Eagle, PA 15067), which Susan Werner has organized for us. The post-meeting program is yet to be determined. Layouts that will be open before the meeting include the Mid-Mon Valley Model RR Club (159 Main Street), as well as the home layouts of Susan (10am-1:30pm) and Jimmy Braum (11am-1:30pm).



Directions to Jimmy Braum layout:
 Chess Street to Dry Run Road intersection; Right onto Dry Run Road, until you reach the Valley Inn Fire Department; take next left onto "Shannon Road" (right before the Wheeling and Lake Erie Railway viaduct crossing over Dry Run Road and 4th Street Extension). Turn left onto 4th Street Extension at the stop sign. Go up the hill, until you see a warehouse building on your left, then make a sharp right onto Elmcrest Avenue. The house is a single story brick ranch on the right, look for the red pickup truck and Railroad Derail sign. Please park in either the driveway or yard.

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NEXT MEETING:
 Marshall Township Municipal Bldg., September 19

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