

# The Kingpin



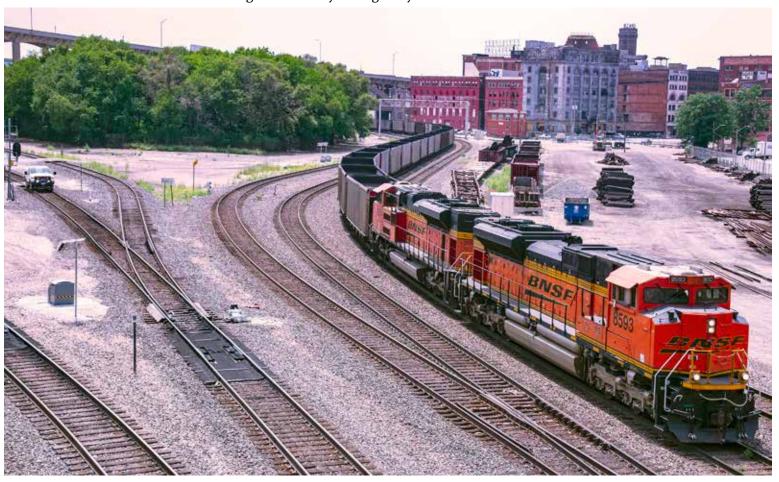
# Newsletter of the Mid Central Region National Model Railroad Association January 2019

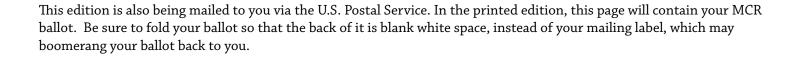
This issue is also being mailed, as required by our by-laws. The mailed issue will contain your MCR ballot.

#### In this issue:

- •Information for the Mid Central Region's 2019 Convention and Registration Form
- •Election Information (ballot is in the mailed edition only).

A coal train snakes through Kansas City during last year's National convention





### Candidate Statements

#### **President**

I would be honored to serve another term as Mid Central Region President. In my first term as MCR President a number of positive things have happened. Division 12 was created and is now thriving. T-Trak has taken off and will be in full force at the upcoming convention. The Facebook presence of all Divisions has increased and the MCR page makes an effort to share all the events of the Region via its page. Achievement Program activity is high with several new Master Model Railroaders in the past two years. Finally, I have been able to visit over half of the Regions Divisions in the past two years. Visiting the remaining Division will be a priority for me if reelected.

Robert M. Weinheimer MMR

### **Vice President**

#### Hello

I am an active model railroader in N Scale since 1967. My first contact with the NMRA began with the 1975 convention and a visit to Allen McClelland's V & O, which inspired me greatly. Although I have been a member of NMRA for many years (how long??), travel for work precluded me from being active in the Division structure for all but the past 20 years.

I served as Clinic Chairman for the Regional Meet in 2009 in Geneva, then became the Clinic Chairman for our National Convention in Cleveland in 2014, getting to know many members in our Mid Central Region and beyond. During this time, I also served as Assistant Supt. of Division 5, and then later two terms as Supt. ending this June.

When members of the Niagara Frontier Region wished to change their Regional affiliation, I supported their transfer to our Division, then initiated and spearheaded the formation of the new Division 12 as a better solution geographically to accommodate them and others from the former Allegany Highlands Division.

As your would-be Vice President of the MCR, I will strive with enthusiasm, energy, and conscientiousness to assist the President in supporting and nurturing participation, membership retention, growth, and prosperity in all twelve divisions.

Dave Neff

### Secretary

I first joined the NMRA in 1982 and have been a member continuously since 1990. I model in HO Scale and am interested in anything with a flanged wheel. I've served as MCR Division 9 Clerk and Treasurer for the past 13 years, as Mid Central Region Treasurer for four years and as Mid Central Region Treasurer for the past two years. I've been an active member in numerous railroad preservation efforts over the years including the B&O Railroad Museum and the West Virginia Central Railroad. I'm the author of two books on diesel locomotive history covering Chessie and C&O and served as the motive power editor for the C&O Historical Society magazine. Professionally I am a CPA with a practice in Huntington WV and a tenured Professor of Accounting at Mountwest Community & Technical College (formerly Marshall University Community & Technical College.)

Jerry Doyle

#### **Treasurer**

My name is boB, and I am pleased to serve the region as your Treasurer these past two years. A member of the NMRA since 1977, I live in Treasure Lake, DuBois, PA. I model the PRR around Harrisburg circa 1965 in N scale. My interests include steel mill modeling, layout design and operations, and I'm active in several organizations and SIGs that support my take on this hobby.

NMRA conventions on a national and regional level are a mainstay for me over the past 40 years. I wear several hats for my local division, including past super, present treasurer, publisher, membership and mall show chair. Thriving on concocting new plans for the Allegheny Plateau Division, or new concepts for the PRR Susquehanna Div. in N scale, I enjoy pushing our hobby forward and

sharing our progress with others. Helping the Mid Central Region continue doing the same is my reason for seeking reelection.

The Rev. Robert McKay, IV NMRA #4397

Editor's note: boB isn't a misprint, it's the way Rev McKay keeps from being confused with other Bobs. Jerry Doyle's bio is exclusive to this emailed edition.



# THE BULLET

# Mid Central Region Convention May 2 - 5, 2019





Division 1, Mid Central Region, National Model Railroad Association cordially invites you to attend The Bullet 2019, in Boardman, Ohio May 2-5, 2019. The convention is located in the Holiday Inn Boardman at 7410 South Avenue, Youngstown, Ohio 44512. The newly renovated hotel is where we will welcome all of you to Northeast Ohio. The hotel staff and management are eager to host our convention and in a friendly gesture they recently dropped their room cost to \$114.99 from \$119.99. You must call the hotel directly at 330-726-1611 and give them the discount code "MCR-NMRA." Neither the national Holiday Inn reservation site, nor their national 800 number will be able to provide this room discount. Your convention badge also provides you a 10% savings on your meals in hotel's restaurant for the run of the convention (note that adult beverages are not included in that discount).

The convention runs from Thursday, May 2 through Sunday, May 5, 2019. Registration and check-in opens at 11:00 AM Thursday and runs through Saturday morning. The convention promises to offer a full range of model railroading activities you've come to expect at MCR conventions, including clinics, contests, prototype and non-rail tours, self-guided layout tours, operating sessions, non-rail events, a banquet, and more! All convention activities, other than tours and op sessions, will be conveniently located on the same floor in the convention wing of our hotel.

We took our convention name, the Bullet 2019, from the Akron, Canton & Youngstown's train number 95. This was a mixed westbound train that ran between Akron and Delphos, Ohio that came to be known as the Delphos Bullet. The train was comprised of around forty freight cars with a forty passenger RPO-combination baggage car tacked onto the end. The 165-mile run took nearly eight hours to complete and it averaged a mind-numbing speed of 23.5 miles an hour. The passengers and crew of the Delphos Bullet often developed strong friendships that lasted for years. Eventually, the Bullet fell victim to changing times and AC&Y train number 95 had its last run on July 20, 1951. Please take a look at the following pages and we hope you catch a ride on The Bullet 2019 in Boardman, Ohio.

Steve Zapytowski, MMR and Jim DiPaola Convention Co-Chairs



#### **Convention Hotel**

The Holiday Inn Boardman has recently completed a stunning guest room renovation. The hotel features 158 beautifully designed rooms with a modern feel, along with the popular TJ's Restaurant & Lounge, 10,000 square foot conference center and the largest indoor pool in the area. The renovated suites are the largest

# Free Parking!

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and nicest in the area, featuring a modern contemporary look, 65" screen TVs, full size refrigerators & more.

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There is plenty of **free parking** at the hotel located just south of Youngstown, Ohio. It is convenient to: Mill Creek Park, Covelli Center, Stambaugh Auditorium, Butler Art Museum, DeYor Performing Arts Center, Boardman Performing Arts Center, Hollywood Gaming, OH WOW Children's Center, Youngstown Museum of Industry and Labor, and numerous great golf courses.

### **Registration and Website Information**

Included for your convenience is a separate registration form listing all Extra Fare activities and fees. Please complete the form and send it with your check, money order, or use your credit card (No cash please) to: Division 1, MCR, NMRA. You may also pay with credit card. Mail your registration form to: Randy Dettmer, 290 West Prospect St., Hudson, OH 44236-2240. Registrations received on or before January 31, 2019 receive a \$5 discount on the primary registration fee. Do not mail registrations after April 15, 2017. Instead, please wait to register at the convention.

Please see the convention web site (https://www.div1-mcr-nmra.org/the-acy-bullet-2019) for refund and other Convention policies. The web site will provide you with up-to-date scheduling and expanded details of convention activities. All registrants will receive confirmation by email after your registration is processed. Funds for sold out or canceled events will be refunded. A registration form is at the end of the electronic version of the Kingpin.

#### STATEMENT OF POLICY FOR CONVENTION REFUNDS

The Bullet Convention will generally not make refunds, other than as explained below, except in unusual situations. Individual requests will be considered on their merits, after the convention's finances have been settled.

- -Any refund granted will be paid by check, mailed to the registrant's home address after the convention is over. No immediate refunds will be made.
- -No refund will be granted on unused Banquet Tickets unless a registration refund is also granted.
- -No refund will be granted if the registrant misses the bus for an extra fare event.
- -If an extra fare event is canceled, then a refund will be made as explained above.
- -Any tour is subject to cancellation if there is a lack of participation.
- -If an extra fare tour is already filled to capacity when the registration is processed, then there will be a numbered ticket stapled to a refund request form enclosed with the registration package.

The registrant will have the option at registration to either:

- A. Complete the form and return it to registration with the ticket still attached, in which case a refund will be made as explained above, or
- B. Hold the ticket and form and become a standby for the tour.
- C. If the registrant holds the standby ticket, he (or she) must be at the tour loading spot at least ten minutes before schedule bus departure time and inform the bus loading supervisor that they are a standby. At five minutes before departure, any empty seats will be filled by standbys in numerical order. Those who held regular tickets for the tour and arrive later than five minutes before departure will only be accommodated if there are still empty seats available when they arrive. The bus will depart on time, and the bus supervisor will collect any remaining standby tickets, with the still attached refund form filled out. A refund for the standby will be made as explained above. This is the only time that those tickets may be turned back in for a refund. They will not be accepted at a later time. If you aren't there when the bus departs, you will not get a refund.

# **Clinic Presenters and Topics**

A detailed list of clinics (rail and non-rail) will be included in the timetable for the convention. It will be available as a printed timetable for convention attendees and online on both the convention website and Facebook page shortly before the convention.

Among the rail clinics to be presented at this year's convention:

Clinicians Clinic Titles

Donald Bonk "Why Not a Pulp and Paper Mill"

"Where is Aultman Ohio"

Bruce DeMaeyer "Building Serious Mountain Scenery"

"How to Get Started in T-TRAK"

Sam Eisele "It's All in The Details"
Trish & Sam Eisele "Hobo Homemade Soups"
George Pandelios "Modeling Weirton Steel"

Sam Swanson "Delving into Detailing"

Bob Weinheimer "Evolution of an Operating Scheme"

Steve Zapytowski, MMR "MCR Model Contest Administration Clinic"

"How to Prepare and Present a Clinic"

"Judging the Mid-Central Region Model Contest"

"Benchwork: Expanding the Empire"



We need you to present a clinic at The Bullet 2019 Convention.

Contact Jim DiPaola with your clinic ideas! Chief1RTFD@aol.com

#### The Bullet 2019 Convention Shirts



The official Bullet Convention shirts are available in men's and women's longor short sleeve versions. These Port Authority 45/55 Cotton/Polyester wrinkle resistant shirts come inyour choice of black or steel grey. They come monogrammed with your name. They must be ordered by 4/1/19 in order to pick up shirts at the Company Store. After 4/1/19, add \$8.00 for shipping to your address after the convention. See registration form for pricing and sizes.



# Extra Fare Clinic One

# Gary Kohler presents "Modeling with the Manufacturer"

Date: Friday, May 3, 2019 Time: 9:30 AM – 12:00 PM

Price: \$30.00, Limit 24 participants

Build a laser cut B & O oil house and learn model building techniques directly from the man who manufactures many structures and car kits. Gary Kohler of Portland Locomotive Works will assist you as you build your own laser cut kit. Order the kit in one of three scales: HO, S or O. The kit comes with a tube of the adhesive Gary uses to put his kits together.

Tools required: single edged razor blade, fine sand paper or emery board and a cutting surface.

Specify your desired scale on the convention registration form. There is a maximum of 24 seats available for this fun and hands on clinic, so sign up soon!

Cost is \$30.00 per person.

Must sign up for this extra fare clinic by February 28, 2019

# Extra Fare Clinic Two

# Chefs Sam and Trish Eisele present "Hobo Homemade Soups"



Date: Thursday, May 2, 2019 Time: 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Price: \$8.00, Limit 30 participants

Join Sam and Trish in the Bluffton Room as they prepare three bountiful soups for you to sample. The recipes will be provided so you can make these delicious soups at home. There is a maximum of 30 seats available for this extra fare clinic. Sign up soon!

Cost is \$8.00 per person.

# Extra Fare Clinic Three

# "Ladies Luncheon" with a special presentation, "Essential Oils"

Date: Saturday, May 4, 2019, Bluffton Room, Holiday Inn Boardman (Convention Hotel)

Time: Noon - 1:30 PM

Price: \$21.00, Limit 30 participants

The Essential Oils program at the ladies' luncheon is being given by Jen Pravlik. Attendees can learn how Essential Oils can enhance your health and life. Buffet: assorted wraps - hams & cheese, roasted vegetables and hummus, garden salad with house dressing, pasta salad, fresh fruit, assorted cookies and brownies trayed for desert. Served with coffee, decaf, tea, and iced tea.

# Tour 1 - Cherry Valley Coke Ovens

Date: Thursday, May 2, 2019 Time: 1:45 PM – 4:30 PM

Price: \$30.00



The Cherry Valley Coke Ovens consist of 200 coke ovens built by the Leetonia Iron and Coal Company around 1866, near Leetonia, Ohio. The function of the "beehive" coke ovens was to purify coal and turn it into coke. The coke was burned in furnaces that produced iron and steel. The site, also known as Cherry Valley Coke

Ovens Arboretum, was placed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1993. An Ohio Historical Marker was added in 1999. Outside of the Connellsville Coke District in Pennsylvania, this site rep- resents one of the largest remaining sites of intact beehive coke ovens in North America.





# Tour 2 - Brilex Industries Inc., Struthers Metal Services, Inc.

Date: Friday, May 3, 2019 Time: 8:15 AM – 11:30 AM

Price: \$35.00; Limit 47 participants

**Brilex Industries Inc.** specializes in custom, build to print, full-service manufacturing including fabrication, machining, assembly, rolling and repair and rebuild through a professional project manufacturing approach. Brilex has become a preferred one stop shop to many original equipment manufacturers and end users in a diverse mix of industries such as:

-Power Generation -Power Distribution

-Metals -Heavy Equipment/Heavy Industry

-Defense -Oil & Gas -Nuclear -Plastics

-Rubber/Tire -Wood <u>Download Waiver of liability form here</u>



**Struthers Metal Service, Inc. (SMS)** is a family owned business with a combined experience of over 80 years in the custom shearing industry. The business opened in 1981 in Struthers, Ohio with one shear in a 3,000 square foot building. The business outgrew the building, so in 1984 SMS purchased the old Allied Metals building in Niles, Ohio. In 1995 a new facility was built in Youngstown, Ohio. This building started out with 18,000 square feet and two



years later 3,000 square feet was added to house a state-of-the-art shot blasting machine and several shears. SMS specializes in shearing and shot blasting and utilizes a 20-ton overhead crane. They also produce titanium coated steel products for other

industries.

Brilex and SMS restrictions: Must wear their own

hard sole shoes (no tennis shoes), long sleeve shirt and provide your own hard hat, safety glasses and ear plugs. Must sign attached Liability of Waiver. Not handicapped accessible and all attendees must be able to walk and stay with tour guide at all times. NO PHOTOS

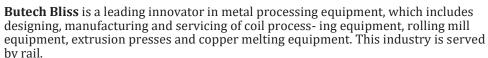


Date: Friday, May 3, 2019 Time: 1:00 PM - 2:45 PM

Price: \$45.00

Limit 20 participants





Butech Bliss restrictions: Must wear their own hard sole shoes (no tennis shoes), long sleeve shirt, provide your own hard hat, safety glasses and ear plugs. Must sign attached Liability of Waiver. Not handicapped accessible and all attendees must be able to walk and stay with tour guide at all times.NO PHOTOS



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# Tour 4 - Mahoning Valley Railroad Heritage Association, Youngstown Steel Heritage, Youngstown Historical Center for Labor and Industry

Date: Saturday, May 4, 2019 Time: 8:10 PM – 3:15 PM

Price: \$40.00 (includes pizza lunch)

Limit 55 participants

D HERITAGE

**Mahoning Valley Railroad Heritage Association** was formed in 1985 to preserve the railroading history and heritage of the Mahoning Valley in Ohio, which includes the

Youngstown/Warren metropolitan area. Since the steel industry was a major industry in the

area, steel industry railroading is a major focus of the association. As a result, the MVRHA has the largest collection of steel industry rail equipment in the United States. The mission of the MVRHA is to obtain, restore and display equipment of the



railroads that serve or served the Mahoning Valley, with a special emphasis on the unique equipment used in the steel industry.

 $\textbf{The Youngstown Steel Heritage Museum} \ encompasses \ a \ collection \ of \ over \ 500 \ tons \ of \ historic \ steel$ 



YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO

making equipment and machinery. The centerpiece is a 260-ton rolling mill steam engine, built in Youngstown in 1913. Spanning the Tod Engine is the oldest electric overhead crane in America, built in 1893 by Morgan Engineering. Outside is a 24" gauge steel mill railroad featuring an operational Jones & Laughlin Steel 0-4-0T. Other items such as a Kling type hot metal car, 200-ton teeming ladle and ingot mold round out the collection. Construction of the museum began in 2000. The first rails for the J&L Narrow Gauge Railroad were laid in 2015.





The Youngstown Historical Center of Industry and Labor located in Youngstown, Ohio, preserves the history of the steel industry that dominated the Youngstown area's economic life for much of the 20th century. The museum includes an "O" Gauge steel mill layout.



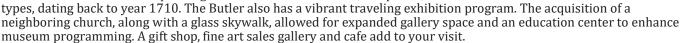
#### Tour 5 - The Butler Institute of American Art

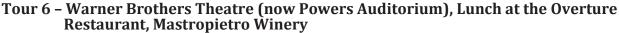
Date: Thursday, May 2, 2019 Time: 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM

Price: \$25.00

Limit 55 participants

Known worldwide as "America's Museum," The Butler Institute of American Art was the first museum in the country established to house artwork created solely by American artists. Its ever-expanding collection now exceeds 20,000 pieces, in all media





Date: Thursday, May 3, 2019 Time: 10:00 AM – 3:30 PM

Price: \$55.00, Limit 55 participants

The Warner Brothers Theatre was opened May 14, 1931 with George Arliss in "The Millionaire." It was equipped with a Wurlitzer organ which was opened by organist Edgar Lehn. Now named the Powers Auditorium it was built by the Warner Brothers who grew up in Youngstown and started their theater career here. Listed on the National Registry of Historic Places, the Symphony Center/Edward W. Powers Auditorium serves as a performing arts center and social center, with a seating capacity of 2,303 people. Receptions, seminars, theatrical attractions, local productions, lectures and other special community events take place year-round in this facility.

**Lunch at the Overture Restaurant** is a plated lunch: Salad Course - Garden salad with tomatoes, cucumbers and croutons with a balsamic vinaigrette dressing, Bread & butter Entrée - Sautéed chicken breast topped with roasted tomato and melted asiago cheese in a sherry basil wine sauce paired with roasted redskin potatoes and green beans.



**Mastropietro Winery is n**estled on 52 acres near Berlin Lake and Lake Milton and offers award-winning wines in a beautiful setting. Enjoy wine and appetizers in the Tuscan-style tasting room. The patio and one-acre lake provide a picturesque backdrop.

Wine and cheese tasting included.



# **Hospitality Suite**

The Hospitality Suite will be open in the Bluffton Room except when a clinic is not in session. Feel free to enjoy some refreshments and visit with friends.

# Layouts - Ops Sessions - "Run Your Own Train- Self-Guided Tours

The Bullet Convention 2019 is pleased to have numerous layouts that will be open for Operating Sessions and display on the Self-Guided Tour. The layouts featured range from Mike Farrow's N scale layout that was featured in Model Railroader magazine to Steve Zapytowski's, (MMR) HO/HOn3 layout with its award-winning scratch-built stamp mill. There's even an outdoor garden railroad on tour!



The Bullet Convention 2019 will also have train layouts on display and available for operation in the hotel. MCR Division 1 will have its NTRAK and HO modular lay- outs on display and operating. T-TRAK will make its debut on display, operating and being judged in its own category. There will also be a 3' x 6' N scale layout at the hotel.

# Op Sessions, OP (Thursday, May 2)

We are happy to announce that 26 operating slots are available on Thursday evening. You will need to report to the hotel ballroom and check in at 4:30 PM to arrange your own transportation. Carpooling is highly recommended. Op sessions traditionally start at 7:00 PM and end at 10:00 PM. More specific details will be available soon on the Bullet website. Don't wait to register as slots normally go fast.

- -Kanawha River Subdivision 6 operators. Larry Olsen (85 miles)
- -Penn Central, CR & Conrail 6 operators. Chip Syme (37 miles)
- -LS&MI RR 6 operators. Jim Peters (64 miles)
- -AC&Y West End 8 operators. Chris Lantz (51 miles)

Email Jim Peters to reserve your slot, jpeters711@yahoo.com.

#### Run-Your-Train Sessions, RYT (Thursday, May 2)

Three layouts will be available to run your trains! You will want to come to the hotel ballroom at 4:30 PM to arrange transportation. No reservations are needed for this group. More information will be available as it comes in, so be sure to check the Bullet website. **Note:** some layouts require bringing your own controller!

- -YRMA Club layouts (HO & O) (12 miles)
- -Norfolk & Western Pocahontas RR. (N) Mike Farrow. (49 miles)
- -Sebring HO Club Layout (26 miles)

# **Sunday Self-Guided Tour, SGT** (Sunday, May 5)

All the layouts above and nine more. Maps will be available to help you plan your return trip and tour!

#### Norfolk & Western Pocahontas Division

Owner: Mike Farrow

Scale: N

Visits: RYT and SGT



Mike Farrow's N Scale Pocahontas Division covers 28' x 34' of his basement.

The scenery on the main portion of the layout is 90% complete. The layout features a double mainline depicting the West Virginia coal hauler N&W in 1978 with general and mixed freight.

Mike's layout has been featured in Model Railroader and was the February 2014 picture for the NMRA calendar. This N scale empire was on the 2014 layout tour during the NMRA National Convention held in Cleveland.



# D H Rail, Inc.

Owner: David Hazlett

Scale: HO Visits: SGT



The D H Rail is a combination of the Gold & Silver Spike Railroad and the D H Rail, Inc. The G & SS was a short line operating somewhere in CB & Q, NP and GN territory. It was purchased by DH Rail, Inc. when DHR acquired lines from



the CB & Q, NP and GN, hence, the mixture of motive power. The time setting for this railroad is the early 1980's. Most of the motive power on the D H Rail consists of yard switchers from Alco, Baldwin, Fairbanks-Morse and EMD. Road trains usually have 3 locos doing the work. The coal train has 4 EMD locos to do its heavy work. All yard switchers are double loco consists. The layout is built for operation. Buildings abound, but scenery is lacking. Operation is by NCE, both tethered and radio. Many of the 100 switches are electrically operated. Most are also diode routed, which allows for easier route alignment.

# Pittsburgh, Youngstown & Ashtabula

Owner: Jim DiPaola

Scale: HO Visits: SGT



Jim's HO scale Pittsburg, Youngstown & Ashtabula basement layout measures 26' x 32' around the walls. Railroads modeled are the P & LE and Union RR. The area modeled is from Gateway Yard in Youngstown, OH to Pittsburgh, PA. The P & LE and Union Railroads serve two of the Davies Steel Mills and a large coal mine. The era is present day. Steel mill buildings from Dean Freytag's Davies Steel are featured on the layout. A working signal system complete with dispatcher's screen was recently installed. The layout is DCC.



# Little Scioto & Mingo Jct. RR

Owner: Jim Peters

Scale: HO

Visits: OP and SGT

The Little Scioto & Mingo Jct. RR serves as a bridge line that connects east to west via the Western Maryland Interchange and Detroit, Toledo and Ironton Interchange while serving south- east Ohio. You will see familiar SE towns, B & O, C & O, WM, Chessie, DT & I and LS & MJ motive power and markings. The walk-around design with large aisles and a small shelf affords





crews comfortable op sessions designed for smaller trains of six cars with challenging industrial switching. To avoid cornfield meets, Jim developed the dispatcher position using phones. This is a good position if standing long is difficult. If you are interested in design- ing a layout without control panels, come see Jim's LS & MJ RR.

#### **CSX Subdivision**

Owner: Rich Ramskugler Scale: HO Visits: SGT



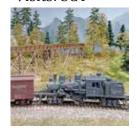
Rich's **CSX Subdivision** is a very large HO layout that is not running at the moment, but don't let that stop you from visiting. He has a tremendous amount of prototype industries and the history behind them. You will feel you are walking in a hobby shop with all the kits built and displayed!



# Tillamook and Astoria Railroad Company

Owner: Steve Zapytowski, MMR

Scale: HO/HOn3 Visits: SGT



Steve Zapytowski (MMR) models western Oregon in the time period of 1900 to 1910. His layout includes a mix of real towns with some "little known" (mythical) settings and both HO and HOn3 track work. The railroad's size is approximately twelve by twenty-five feet. Steve's BFDMC Stamp Mill 3 won first place for scratch-built structures at the NMRA National Convention in Kansas City. The layout also features touch screen control panels.



# Penn Central, CR and Conrail

Owner: Chip Syme

Scale: HO

Visits: OP and SGT

Chip's **Penn Central, CR & Con-rail** layout is 20' x 23' around the wall with two islands in the middle and a double deck with a helix. This freight, coal and ore carrier uses NCE DCC for control. Chip also has a real control stand from a GP18 which you can use to operate his railroad.





# Toledo, Hamilton & Western

Owner: Mike Bradley

Scale: HO Visits: SGT



The **TH & W** is set in the 1950 - 1970 era and patterned after the real-life TH & W. The main industry is paper and pulpwood along with small town

America industries such as a flour mill and a stone/sand company. If you love era specific MOW trucks and vehicles or need detailed information, Mike has done his research and the layout is loaded with examples.



# **Kanawha River Subdivision**

Owner: Larry Olsen

Scale: HO

Visits: OP and SGT

Larry has been working on the **Kanawha River Subdivision** for over 10 years. His layout depicts the Kanawha Valley of West Virginia in the 1950s. His layout is extremely detailed and the scenery is complete throughout.





# Youngstown Model Railroad Association

Owner: Club Layout Scale: HO & O Scale Visits: RYT and SGT



The **YMRA** has two very large fully completed layouts in HO and O scales. The HO layout, located in the basement, has industries, urban areas, mountains & rural settings. The urban area represents Youngstown in the late 1950s and is a reminder of the Golden Age of Steel. On the O gauge layout, steam is king and operated from a balcony overlooking the layout. There is much, much, much more!



# Cadiz and Ohio Railroad

Owner: Ott Gangl

Scale: HO Visits: SGT



Ott Gangl's **Cadiz & Ohio Railroad** is a double decker layout started in 1975 and now finished with scenery 100% complete. Ott fabricated his own under the track electronic uncoupling ramps and installed a full signaling system. Originally, he integrated his computer to control the layout with over sixty boards and a myriad of tiny holes, but a lightning strike helped the transition to Digitrax DCC. Ott is a recipient of the Golden Spike Award.

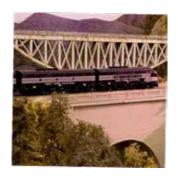


# **Sebring Model Railroad Club**

Owner: Club Layout Scale: HO

Visits: RYT and SGT

The **Sebring Model Railroad Club**, housed in a historic railroad station, is HO scale with 100% of the scenery finished. The layout represents the western Pennsylvania and eastern Ohio area during the steam to diesel transition era. It consists of two independent mainline railroads and one short line. Be sure to bring your camera as the Norfolk Southern mainline is just adjacent to the club.





### **Blackstone Railroad**

Owner: Chuck Rheutan Scale: HO & Garden RR

Visits: SGT



Chuck Rheutan's **Blackstone RR** is an indoor HO scale and outdoor garden railroad. The Blackstone Garden Railroad is located in Chuck's backyard woods and features a Pennsy F7 powered passenger train, and the New York Central and Blackstone Steam Locomotive. It runs over many bridges and literally

through a tree. It is CVP radio

controlled with spring turnouts that are aligned automatically. The DC HO layout is easy to view as it runs along the walls in two open rooms with a comfortable crew lounge in the middle. Two layouts in one location!



#### Williamson Railroad

Owner: Frank Williamson

Scale: 0 Visits: SGT

Frank's **Williamson Railroad** is a two-level layout with 100% scenery completion. It features the Chesapeake and Ohio and

Pennsylvania Railroads.





# Glennwood & Jamestown RR

Owner: Glenn Yoder

Scale: HO Visits: SGT

The **Glennwood & Jamestown RR** resides in Glenn's attic! The layout features a continuous running track plan, three times around the room, with a single-track mainline of about 140 feet. No specific location is modeled but the scenery represents Ohio, including rural, residential, industrial and city scenes. Most of the rolling stock is modern era with Norfolk Southern and Wheeling & Lake Erie locomotives dominating. The layout has code 100 flex track, is powered by standard DC and has scenery on about 80% of the layout.

# Akron, Canton & Youngstown West End

Owner: Chris Lantz Lantz Scale: HO Visits: OP and SGT

The **AC&Y West End** is two levels, with track, including turnouts and diamonds, hand laid code 70 mainline, code 55 on sidings and industrial spurs, two with code 40. Chris has regularly op sessions.

#### **Union Pacific Railroad**

Owner: Jim Pope

Scale: 0 Visits: SGT

Jim Pope, president of the Youngstown Model Railroad Association (YMRA), also has a 28' x 40' home layout. The **Union Pacific Railroad** is in HO scale.



# THE BULLET

MID CENTRAL REGION CONVENTION BOARDMAN, OHIO MAY 2 - 5, 2019



Hosted by: Division 1, Akron-Canton-Youngstown, MCR, NMRA

Mail registration to: Randy Dettmer

290 West Prospect St.

Hudson, OH 44236-2240

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| EARLY REGISTRATION FORM (SETS PRIORITY FOR TOURS, BANQUET, OPS SESSIONS)   |          |              |        |  |  |  |  |
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| Item REGISTRATIONS   |          |              |        |  |  |  |  |
| 771. D. 11. A.   | Quantity | Price        | Amount |  |  |  |  |
| Full Early Registration (through 01/31/2019)* regular rate \$90  | 9        | \$85         | \$     |  |  |  |  |
| Family Member (Partner or Teenager)  |          | \$25         | \$     |  |  |  |  |
| Family Member (Child 12 or Under)  |          | Free         | \$     |  |  |  |  |
| NMRA Full Membership with NMRA Magazine**  |          | \$75         | \$     |  |  |  |  |
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| NMRA RailPass Membership (9 months, with NMRA Magazine)***   |          | \$20         | \$     |  |  |  |  |
| *Primary Registrant must be an NMRA Registration & Membership Total (this page) member at time of convention   |          |              |        |  |  |  |  |
| **See nmra.org website for other classes of membership  Extra Fares Total (from next page)   |          |              |        |  |  |  |  |
| ***Eligible if never used RailPass before and not<br>a member for last 2 years - see NMRA.org  |          | <b>Total</b> | \$     |  |  |  |  |
| Names for Badges:  |          |              |        |  |  |  |  |
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| PAYMENT INFORMATION  |          |              |        |  |  |  |  |
| Make checks payable to: Division 1, MCR, NMRA Check #  |          |              |        |  |  |  |  |
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| Convention Hotel: Boardman Holiday Inn 7410 South Avenue Make your hotel reservation directly with the Boardman Holiday Inn. To receive the Convention |          |              |        |  |  |  |  |
| Youngstown, OH 44512 rate of \$119.99 per night, mention MCR-NMRA.   |          |              |        |  |  |  |  |
| Phone: (330) 726-1611 Reservations open June   | 1, 2018  |              |        |  |  |  |  |
| OFFICE USE ONLY: Date processed: Registration Number(s)  |          |              |        |  |  |  |  |

|  | EXTRA FARES  | I             |         |        |
|--|--|---------------|---------|--------|
| Date   | Tour   | Quantity      | Price   | Amount |
| May 2, 1:45 PM - 4:30 PM   | Tour 1 - Cherry Valley Coke Ovens (limit, 55 participants)   |               | \$30.00 | \$     |
| May 3, 8:15 AM - 11:30 AM  | Tour 2 - Brilex Industries, Struthers Metal Services (limit, 50 particpants)   |               | \$35.00 | \$     |
| May 3, 1:00 PM - 2:45 PM   | Tour 3 - Butech Bliss (limit, 20 participants)   |               | \$45.00 | \$     |
| May 4, 8:10 AM - 3:15 PM   | Tour 4 - Mahoning Valley Railroad Heritage Association, Youngstown Steel<br>Heritage (includes pizza lunch), Youngstown Historical Center for<br>Labor and Industry (limit, 55 participants)                                   |               | \$40.00 | \$     |
|  | NON-INDUSTRY TOURS   |               |         |        |
| May 2, 1:00 PM - 3:30 PM   | Tour 5 - The Butler Institute of American Art (limit, 55 participants)   |               | \$25.00 | \$     |
| May 3, 10:00 AM - 3:30 PM  | Tour 6 - Warner Brothers Theatre (now Powers Auditorium),<br>lunch at the Overture Restaurant, Mastropietro Winery (limit, 55 participants)  |               | \$55.00 | \$     |
|  | EXTRA FARES CLINICS  |               |         |        |
| May 3, 9:30 AM - 12 PM   | Clinic 1 - Modeling With the Manufacturer (limit, 24 participants)  Circle scale of kit desired: HO S O  |               | \$30.00 | \$     |
| May 2, 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM   | Clinic 2 - Hobo Homemade Soups (limit, 30 participants)  |               | \$8.00  | \$     |
| May 4, 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM  | Clinic 3 - Ladies Luncheon - Bluffton Room, Boardman Holiday Inn,<br>Presentation - "Essential Oils" (limit, 30 participants)  |               | \$21.00 | \$     |
|  | CONVENTION SHIRTS  |               |         |        |
| Black/Steel Grey - Long sleeve,<br>Men's Port Authority<br>45/55 Cotton/Polyester    | eve, (Small Med Large XL - 31.00) (2XL - 33.00) (3XL - 35.00) NAME FOR SHIRT   |               |         |        |
| Black/Steel Grey- Short sleeve,<br>Men's Port Authority<br>45/55 Cotton/Polyester    | (Small Med Large XL - 31.00) (2XL - 33.00) (3XL - 35.00) NAME FOR SHIRT (LT, XLT - 33.00) (2XLT - 35.00) (3XLT - 37.00) (Black or Grey)  |               |         |        |
| Black/Steel Grey - Long sleeve,<br>Women's Port Authority<br>45/55 Cotton/Polyester  | (Small Med Large XL - 31.00) (2XL - 33.00) (3XL - 35.00) NAME FOR SHIRT  (Black or Grey)   |               |         |        |
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|  | N CONVENTION SHIRTS: to pick up shirts at company store durin 19. After 4/1/19, add \$8.00 shipping to your address after convention   | g convention, | order   | \$     |
| ТН   | E BULLET HO CONVENTION CAR   |               |         |        |
| The Bullet HO Convention   | Car # 1, Custom Accurail 41 ft. steel gondola, black - Road # 1475   |               | \$21.00 | \$     |
| The Bullet HO Convention   | Car # 2, Custom Accurail 41 ft. steel gondola, black - Road # 1481   |               | \$21.00 | \$     |
| The Bullet HO Convention   | Car # 3, Custom Accurail 41 ft. steel gondola, black - Road # 1488   |               | \$21.00 | \$     |
| The Bullet HO Convention   | Car Set, All 3 road numbers (#1475, #1481, #1488)  |               | \$60.00 | \$     |
|  | CONVENTION BANQUET   |               |         |        |
| May 4, 6:00 PM   | Convention Banquet (Choose One)  Beef Tips Grilled Salmon Stuffed Chicken Breast Vegetarian, gluten free and vegan options available upon request.  Please note below any dietary restrictions for the banquet staff.  Chicken |               | \$35.00 | \$     |
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| Total Extra Fares - add to page one  |  |               |         |        |

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# **Upcoming Events**

Once again we point you in the direction of Division 11's listing:

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