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*“Neither a wise man nor a brave man lies down on the tracks of history to wait for the train of the future to run over him.” — Dwight D. Eisenhower*

## COVER PHOTO:

Ahh spring! Can't you just smell it? Diesel exhaust notwithstanding...

Norfolk Southern pulling Union Pacific, near Daniel Boone section of Scott County, Virginia.

*From “Southern Visions” internet magazine.*



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## Superintendent's Report

*By James C. Cruthers*

Well it's officially Spring, at least that's what the calendar says, and I had an opportunity to get out and about today to enjoy the sunshine. As I told a coworker this past week, “I don't really care what the weather does now because Spring is so very close.”

I have always enjoyed Spring - watching for the first sign of grass starting to sprout and all that follows. Spring is a time of re-growth and signs of new things. It's very appropriate to discuss this in this edition of the Whistle because we have an exciting season of model railroading planned for you. Titletown Train Show in Green Bay is just around the corner on Saturday & Sunday, April 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup>, 2014. The Division continues to be a sponsor of this event and I hope to see many of you. Plan to attend the Division Spring meet that will be held in Waupaca, WI Saturday, May 10, 2014. There is a great deal of planning and work that goes into creating a successful meet and I hope to see you there. We also have a date set for the Fall meet that will be held in Marinette, WI so please mark Saturday, September 27, 2014. The planning committee continues to work on the details of the Regional Convention the Division is hosting in 2015 Spring is also the time when we hope all of you take the time to vote for your Division officers. Information is included in this edition of the Whistle to get to know them a bit better. Remember to put your NMRA membership number on the election ballot when you return them. Only those ballots with the NMRA membership number can be counted.

On a separate but related note. I recently had an opportunity to spend a couple of hours with a group of Model Railroad and Railfan enthusiasts. We had a chance to visit with

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## Why Join the NMRA?

*From the March NMRA InfoNet News, Joe Gelmini, Eastern District Director. Call this our "Elevator Speech"!*

We hear a lot about the benefits of being an NMRA member. Most people want to know "what's in it for me"? Why should I shell out \$44.00 or \$66.00 they ask. I think we are all aware of most of the tangible benefits:

- Access to the world-class Kalmbach Library
- Access to standards and recommended practices in all scales
- Ability to participate in the Achievement Program
- Ability to attend national and regional conventions
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- Subscription to a fine hobby magazine focused on NMRA members and activities.

These are all great. But, to me, the biggest benefit by far has been the fellowship and knowledge I've gained from getting together with people from around the world, or from around the corner, that share my love of model trains. Granted, I am fortunate to live in an area that is rich with model railroaders and to be a part of a very active NMRA division. But whether you live in a hot bed of activity or one where only a few folks reside, the first steps are up to you.

Steel City Superintendent John Stewart summed it up about as well as I've heard in a recent article he wrote for his division's newsletter. John offered the question "If you bought a ticket to a movie or play, would you decide not to attend the performance?" Of course you wouldn't. Why would you shell out your hard-earned money to buy a ticket to a show, movie, game, whatever, and then not attend? Makes no sense, does it? But in a way, that's exactly what folks are doing who pay for NMRA membership, and then don't attend or participate in any of the activities (the "show").

So go ahead and use the "ticket" you've paid for. Attend a convention, clinic, open house, op session or just a lunch with some like-minded modelers. I am confident you'll enjoy the show!

## Editor's Note

*By Todd M. Bushmaker*

They say that Wisconsin has four seasons: Almost Winter, Winter, Still Winter, and Road Construction. We're in the "Still Winter" season, perhaps moreso than in recent memory, so I think it's fair to say most of us are going a little stir crazy. With that in mind, we do have a few rites of Spring coming up to boost our spirits: Easter of course, the NFL draft, divisional and regional conventions, and a train show.

These pages are not an appropriate venue for the first two, though that doesn't make them any less important or anticipated! But before I get to the last three, I wanted to point out that this is the annual election issue for the Winnebago Division's Board of Directors. Please read the candidate bios contained within as these are the dedicated individuals who want to represent you to your fellow modelers. Look for your ballots to come via "snail mail" shortly.

Attached to this issue are registration forms for both the Spring Divisional Meet May 10th in Waupaca, and the "Rail Fun" Midwest Region Meet in Schaumburg IL later in May. On top of that are the 13th Annual Titledown Train Show at the end of April in Green Bay, and (thinking ahead to SUMMER already) June's Strawberry Fest in Waupaca. It's a veritable model railroading smorgasbord!

If you're interested in the behind-the-scenes machinations that happen to organize these amazing productions, as well as to see exactly what goes on the rest of the year in the Division, feel free to attend one of our Board of Director's meetings. They aren't just for directors and officers after all; you'd be surprised at how interesting (and fun!) the meetings can be. There's one coming up already April 12th in the Soo Line Historical & Technical Society's archives building just off Richmond Street in Appleton, and the summer meeting is usually held in a conference room at Strawberry Fest's train show. It takes a lot to put on great events in our Division and if you're so inclined, we can use your talents to that end.

Meanwhile as I write this, the Badgers are on their way to the Final Four and the Brewers' season is just beginning; maybe it's not such a long winter after all!

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# Annual Elections

**Time for the annual election of the Division's officers! All Division members will receive a ballot in the mail; you must be an NMRA member to vote. Candidate profiles are included here as a way to thank the people that are running.**

## Superintendent - James C. Cruthers

My name is James Cruthers and in this not the first time you've heard from me. I think one of the things I enjoy most about the Division is the camaraderie between members and an opportunity to learn from one another. I am fairly new to model railroading and have certainly learned much from many of you. If I had to choose only one aspect of model railroading to be interested in I believe it would be scenery. Within the Division I served four consecutive years as Chief Clerk, a single year on the Board of Directors and will soon complete my first year as Superintendent. I have taken an active role within the Division and would challenge each and every one of you to do the same. My partner and I live in the Village of Hilbert, Calumet County, WI. I am also very interested in genealogical and family history research and am an active member of the Konemic Lodge, #47 (Appleton) Independent Order of Odd Fellows (IOOF).

## Assistant Superintendent - Mike Wadinski

I am Mike Wadinski and I have been nominated to run for Assistant Superintendent of the Winnebagoland Division NMRA. Ever since I can remember model railroading has been a part of my life. My NMRA membership goes back to March of 2002 and have been on the division board since the spring of 2013. Some of you may know me as the guy with a prototype railroad slide presentations at some of the recent WLD meets. Experience includes being co-chair of the WLD 2012 fall meet in Wausau. I have been a member of the Wisconsin

Valley Model Railroad Club for over 30 years and currently am club secretary. Other organizations I belong to include the following railroad historical societies: CNWHS, GBWHS, MRHA, and SLHTS-DSS&A Division. I look forward to working with the WLD board and members in improving and maintaining the Winnebagoland division.

## Paymaster - Scott Payne

My name is Scott Payne, the current Paymaster of the Winnebagoland Division. I have been modeling off and on since the late 1970's after being inspired by the traveling Clinchfield N scale layout from Model Railroader magazine that visited my home town of Rockford Illinois. I currently model the CNW's Central Division in the 1970's. I have been attending WLD Board meetings since 2011 and was appointed to the Board in 2012. I was elected to the Paymaster position in the elections of May 2013. I volunteered to obtain a Wisconsin Seller's Permit for the Division and completed that in 2013. I have setup the WLD on the State's Department of Revenue website so our taxes and reporting can be done online. I have attended every Spring and Fall meet since 2010 and usually work the events at the registration table. I enjoy helping the Division and our members through being a Board member and the Paymaster. I would appreciate your vote so I can continue as the Paymaster of the WLD. Thank you.

## Chief Clerk - Vern Ehlke

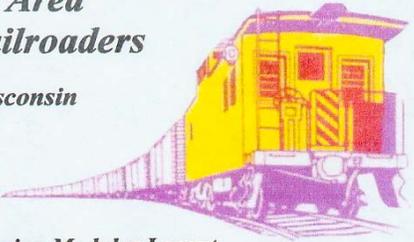
I have been a member of the NMRA since 1996. I have been on the NMRA WLD board of directors for the past four years. Previous to being on the board, I was more of a 'lone wolf' modeler, being acquainted with only a very limited number of people in the hobby. Since being on the board, I've had the pleasure of getting to know a number of the people that I would see at the various train meets and layout tours.

I have had an interest in model railroading and trains since I was very young. Like many people introduced to the hobby at a young age, I started with Lionel trains and later switched to HO. The toy-like proportions of the Lionel didn't fit well with my sense of scale. Today I continue to model in HO scale, focusing primarily on the Soo Line in the 1990's. Additionally, I share an interest in G-scale with my wife and we hope to someday have a small garden layout.

I enjoy how multifaceted model railroading is as a hobby, with aspects that range from history to carpentry, electronics to model building. My favorite aspect of the hobby is operations, encompassing both the fellowship and interaction with other people who share similar interests, and the challenges of running a miniature transportation system in the manner that the layout owner envisioned. Every layout is a bit different, representing the unique interests of the builder.

I look forward to continuing to serve on the board and would ask for your vote as Chief Clerk for the Winnebagoland Division.

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# Our Day on the PRR's "Middle Division": July 27, 1953

By B.S. Reiter

## **Continued from last month...**

As I was sitting there eating my last sandwich, an eastbound freight passed in front of us. I probably should have shot that one, but I was too hungry. I finished my last bite and grabbed my camera because a westbound oil can (tank) train was blowing for a crossing to the south of us. That big Y-3 looked so powerful and elegant as it passed under the Hwy. 35 overpass. I could hear Donnie and Richie clicking away as the cabin from that eastbound rolled by. Our next destination was the Denholm Coal Wharf, but not until I took my last photo at the Mifflin depot. There was a passenger train stopped at the station heading west, while a K-4 with a Harrisburg bound varnish was passing by in front of it. Peach Ridge rounded out the horizon on the other side of the river.

In our eyes, the Denholm Coal Wharf was a magnificent and marvelous railroad facility. There weren't many dull moments here, as many of the trains had to stop for coal and water. Richie's Uncle Jimmy worked the dayshift, so we knew that we would pretty much have the run of the facility as long as we were careful. We checked in at the Yardmasters office and found Uncle Jimmy doing some paperwork. He asked if we had heard the news yet, the Korean War was over as of today and his two sons Chris and Bob were coming home! It was July 27<sup>th</sup>, 1953 and Richie's cousins had made it through the fighting, what a day this was turning out to be! There were several trains using the wharf, and I wanted to get more of an overall photo so we climbed up the ridge to the west of it and I took two more pictures just as a slight cloud cover diffused my sunlight. It was getting time to leave for the trackpans at Hawstone, but I still needed a shot from the ground. Walking down that hill was sure easier than going up and it was worth it; there she was, a beautiful, shiny, M-1 taking on coal. What a picture!

Getting back onto Rte. 333, it wasn't long before we were at Hawstone. We couldn't stay long as the day was getting shorter and we still had places to go, so we decided that one photo would have to do. We were standing across from the Hawstone Refractory, where they make firebrick, when the all too familiar whistle of a K-4 echoed off the bluffs that framed the Juniata River valley. We knew that this westbound would probably be scooping water here, so we had to shoot and duck. Donny was too slow and got soaked from head to foot! It was a good thing that he still had his uniform with from the filling station and boy did he look out of place after he had changed, we just laughed.

Richie suggested that we drive to Burnham to see the Standard Steel Mill after our stop at Lewistown, this sounded ok to us as I had never been there before. We

arrived at the Lewistown station just in time to see our only double-header of the day whiz by. Our next stop was the yard, where we caught a pair of Fairbanks-Morse C-Liners waiting for their assignment and a small Baldwin switcher. Donnie yelled that they were turning something on the turntable at the roundhouse! We hurried over there and saw an L-1 being turned. We just couldn't believe all of the action that we had been seeing today.

With only a couple of hours of sunlight left, we headed up to Burnham on Rte. 322. Burnham is on the old Milroy Branch, which branches off of the Sunbury and Lewistown Branch out of Lewistown. There it was, Standard Steel, and there was some railroad action worth shooting. A small Baldwin VO-1000 was making up it's train and was about an hour away from heading down to Lewistown. Donnie was getting hungry and we hadn't eaten in awhile either, so we left the little train behind and headed back to Lewistown. By the time we got back, the sun was low on the horizon. We hadn't taken pictures of any trains on any of those famous stone arch bridges, which are very familiar here, so we chose to forgo our appetites for awhile and head out a mile and a half to the Granville Bridge.

We knew that this would be the end of our glorious day, our recording of history was coming to an end. The last gasp of sunlight was giving up it's ghost as two Pennsy trains met each other on the bridge. After taking our last shot, we just stood there and listened. The sounds of the trains passing gave way to the wind rustling through the trees, the chirping of the crickets, and the sound of the passing "River of Sorrows" as the Juniata was known. This was it, we were done.

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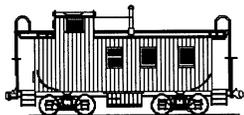
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We got back into the car and stopped at Red's Diner for a cheeseburger, fries, and an ice cold Pepsi Cola and reminisced about what we had done and what we had seen. The night air had chilled and the stars were twinkling above as we got back to the car. It seemed as if the man-in-the-moon was smiling down at us. We looked at each other and just smiled back. The drive back to Port Royal was anticlimactic at best; talk was at a bare minimum. Donnie was snoring in the back seat still dressed in his filling station uniform, Richie and I just stared at the road ahead.

A couple of weeks later, I was off to Law School. I lost touch with Donnie and Richie after they enlisted in the Army and were sent overseas. My mom gave me one of her shoeboxes to store those pictures in and while most of the pictures turned out pretty well, some didn't, but I kept them all anyway. Someday I'll pull that shoebox out and look at them again, but right now there's this pretty little tow headed gal with the bluest eyes named Jenny.....

### Postlude

.....Finding that old shoebox full of those old photos certainly was a fortunate circumstance of providence that smiled down upon me that day. This old man, now in his golden years, has recovered but an instant of his youth. It was a period in time during my life when all was new and exciting and the world was MY oyster. I have fared well in my travels through this life, I wonder how Donnie and Richie are doing. I think I'll look them up and if I find them, suggest that we sit back and crack open an ice cold bottle of Pepsi Cola, catch up on each others lives, and reminisce about our day on the Pennsy's Middle Division.



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## NMRA News

The NMRA Board of Directors held its Winter meeting in Las Vegas, NV on February 14, 15 and 16, 2014. Here are some highlights from the board meeting (not official).

- **New Europe Region approved** – the BOD unanimously approved a contingency motion to accept a new Europe Region into the NMRA. Some of the names needed on a petition were not yet received and/or verified by headquarters at the time of the motion, hence the contingency. When it's official, the new region will have over 100 members from the outset. Atlantic District (AD) Director Kathy Millat worked alongside former AD Director Nobby Clarke to bring this to fruition.
- **Video recording/streaming policy** – The issue of commercial companies recording and/or streaming clinics at NMRA National Conventions was discussed at the Atlanta Board meeting in 2013. At that time a special committee was appointed to investigate alternatives to a temporary policy that had been put into place for that convention. The committee could not agree on a new policy, so at this Winter meeting the Board agreed to adopt the temporary policy as permanent.
- **New Marketing Director** – Marketing Director Page Martin was promoted to Vice President of Marketing, and introduced the new Marketing Director, John Parrish,
- **NMRA in the black for 2013** – Chief Financial Officer Frank Koch reported that the NMRA ended last year with a surplus of over \$240,000. He also reported that the NMRA headquarters building sold for almost \$900,000 – a sum that was higher than comparable properties in the area. The deal was a win/win for both the NMRA and the Tennessee Valley Railroad Museum, who would have had to build a new building to accommodate their operations.
- **California State Railroad Museum Display** – Paperwork is continuing on this initiative, which has raised over \$600,000 to date. Currently approvals are being slowed down by governmental entities within the CSRM. The board would like to remind members to please send in their pledges for contributions if they haven't done so.

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# Superintendent's Report

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one another while we took a good look at the host's layout while trains were being run. Later in the evening we viewed a presentation of photos the host had taken on some of his railfan journeys as well as photos that two other guests brought with them. This camaraderie is one of the aspects of this hobby that I truly enjoy and that separates it from other hobbies and organizations I have been a part of over the years. Get involved in the Division. It is so much easier to get the work done when it is shared by many. If any of you are interested in taking an active role with the Board please contact me – I am sure we can help you find something to match your interests!

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# NMRA News

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- **Kansas City approved for the 2018 NMRA convention** – Stephen Priest, *NMRA Magazine* editor and current RAC Director, gave the BOD an impressive presentation pitching Kansas City, MO as the location for the 2018 NMRA convention. The BOD approved the site.
- **Redesigned website nearing completion** – IT director Ben Sevier reported that the completely revamped NMRA website is nearing completion and will hopefully be ready to go live sometime this summer.
- **L-Gauge standards not approved** – The BOD did not approve proposed standards for L-Gauge (aka "Lego"). The BOD issued this statement regarding the decision: "The BOD agreed that L-Gauge, as it is called by its fans, is an exciting pathway to scale model railroading and a real asset at the NTS and other train shows. Youngsters especially are enthralled and the skill involved can be amazing. We hope to see an enhanced presence of L-Gauge in the NMRA as a SIG. As for adopting an L-Gauge standard, we could not because we do not control the standard already established and patented by the major maker of L-Gauge trains. In other words, there was nothing to set. When we set a standard, it is available for any manufacturer to use but where the sole standard is someone else's and patented, it is not available for use without permission from the patent holder. We have not adopted a standard without the right for free use of it. So we could act on the request from the L-Gauge community.
- **Self-certification program ratified** – The BOD ratified a self certification program for standards and conformance, as proposed by the S&C Department Di Voss.

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May 15-18	2014 "Rail Fun" Midwest Region Convention - Schaumburg, IL. Visit <a href="http://www.foxvalleydivision.org/railfun2014/welcome.html">www.foxvalleydivision.org/railfun2014/welcome.html</a>
May 15-18	2014 CNWHS Convention - La Crosse. Visit <a href="http://www.cnwhs.org">www.cnwhs.org</a>
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# 2014 NMRA WinnebagoLand Division Spring Meet



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## CLINICS and PRESENTERS:

The Frugal Modeler By: Roger Hildebrandt  
Evolution of a Layout By: Pat Lyons  
Making Rubber Molds By: Gordy Sauve

## ONGOING DEMONSTRATION TABLES:

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**MEET & LUNCHEON:** Waupaca Rec. Center  
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*(Corner of School St. And Badger in Waupaca.)*

**ADMISSION:** Meet Only (At The Door) = \$5.00  
Pre-Registered Luncheon Only = \$12.00  
Pre-Registered Meet and Luncheon= \$17.00

**SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:** Registration 8:00 - 12:00  
Swap Tables and Displays 8:00 - 12:00  
Model/Photo Contest 9:00 - 11:30  
Clinics and Demonstrations 9:00-12:00  
Luncheon and NMRA Meeting of Membership 12:15-1:30  
Home Layout Tours: 2:00-6:00  
Home Layout Operating Sessions 7:00 - ??

## "GENERAL PUBLIC IS WELCOME TO ATTEND"

Pre-Registration Form (REQUIRED for Luncheon). Must be received by 5-1-14

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ ST. \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_ e-mail \_\_\_\_\_

# \$5.00 (Meet only) \_\_\_\_\_

# Luncheon x \$12.00 \_\_\_\_\_

# Meet and Luncheon x \$17.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Swap Table Needed? @ \$5.00 ea. = \_\_\_\_\_

Wish to Participate in OP Session? (Check Box)

Limited space available. Early registration encouraged. First Come/First Served.

Total Enclosed = \_\_\_\_\_

### RETURN THIS FORM AND PAYMENT TO:

Lynn Jasch, WLD Registrar  
1850 Adler Way  
Green Bay, WI. 54303

**PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE  
TO: WINNEBAGOLAND DIVISION**

# RailFun 2014 Preview

- *A model railroading extravaganza May 15-18 in Schaumburg, IL!*
- Headquarters: Best Western Plus, Schaumburg
- **\$45.00 member registration fee if registered by May 2nd**
- Go to: <http://foxvalleydivision.org/railfun2014/welcome.html> for full details and tons of layout photos!

*Here's just some of what will be at RailFun 2014!*



The Reid brothers' famous N scale Cumberland Valley is one of 30 superb Chicagoland layouts on RailFun Layout Tours.



Illinois Railway Museum is opening up its shops for us in one of 2 terrific Prototype Tours for RailFun attendees.



Mike Ritschdorff's huge HO scale N&W layout will be hosting one of RailFun's 12 great Op Sessions.



Jim Osborn's beautiful HO CNW Western Division will host both an Op Session and a Layout Tour at RailFun.



Pete Walton's large Great Midwest HO layout is a scenery and structure lovers delight. It will be on a Friday night RailFun Layout Tour.



*I'm Al and he's Winfred.  
We'll see you at RailFun  
2014, yessiree!*

MMR and rail historian David Crement will be giving one of the 21 excellent Clinics at RailFun 2014. David's clinic is on the East Broad Top Railroad with prototype and model slides from his 31 years of documenting, and modeling this historic railroad in On3.



**Midwest Region Convention  
Schaumburg, Illinois  
May 15, 16, 17 & 18, 2014**

**Sponsored by the Fox Valley Division**

### Registration Form

*Complete this form, print it & mail it to the Registrar together with your payment*

Name:		NMRA #:
Names of Companion/Family Member(s):		
Street (Mailing) Address:		Division: Region:
City:	State:	Zip:
Phone:	E-Mail Address:	
Primary Scale (Check One): Z ___ N ___ HO ___ S ___ O ___ G ___ Other ___		
Primary Gauge (Check One): Standard ___ Narrow: n2 ___ n3 ___ n30 ___ nOther ___		

### Registration Fees

<i>Pre-Convention (See Note)</i>	<i>On-Site (May 15, 16, 17 &amp; 18, 2014)</i>	<i>Amount</i>
Member ___ x \$45.00	Member ___ x \$55.00	
Non-Member ___ x \$55.00	Non-Member ___ x \$65.00	
Companion/Family Mbr(s) ___ x \$20.00	Companion/Family Mbr(s) ___ x \$25.00	
<i>Note: Pre-Convention Registrations must be received by the Registrar on or before May 2, 2014</i>		<i>Sub-Total</i>

### Prototype Tours

	<i>Amount</i>
<b>Illinois Railway Museum Behind the Scenes Tour</b> <i>Friday, May 16th, 1:00 pm – 5:00 pm.</i> <i>Leave hotel at 12:00 noon. Drive yourself or car pool.</i>	Number ___ x \$7.00
<b>Kloke Locomotive Works</b> <i>Friday, May 16th, 10:00 am – 11:30 am.</i> <i>Leave hotel at 9:00 am. Drive yourself or car pool.</i>	Number ___

### Extra Fare "Hands-On" Clinics

	<i>Amount</i>
<b>Airbrush Workshop by Alan Houtz</b> <i>Saturday, May 17th, 8:30 am – 9:30 am</i> <i>Limit: 20 Participants</i>	Number ___ x \$5.00
<b>Airbrush Workshop by Alan Houtz</b> <i>Saturday, May 17th, 9:45 am – 10:45 am</i> <i>Limit: 20 Participants</i>	Number ___ x \$5.00

## Extra Fare "Hands-On" Clinics (Continued)

<b>Scratch Building Trees</b> by Fred Henize Saturday, May 17th, 11:00 am – 12:00 pm Limit: 20 Participants	Number _____ x \$5.00	Amount	
<b>Kitbash an Accurail Reefer</b> by Tyrone Johnson Friday, May 16th, 7:00 pm – 9:15 pm Limit: 20 Participants	Number _____ x \$5.00	Amount	
The kitbashing clinic requires certain tools that you must bring. See <a href="http://www.foxvalleydivision.org/railfun2014/clinics2014.html">http://www.foxvalleydivision.org/railfun2014/clinics2014.html</a> for a list of the required tools.			
While the extra fare "hands-on" clinics do not conflict with each other, they are scheduled opposite other clinics. See <a href="http://www.foxvalleydivision.org/railfun2014/schedule2014.html">http://www.foxvalleydivision.org/railfun2014/schedule2014.html</a> for the scheduling of other clinics/clinicians.			
Do NOT remit payment for these clinics with your registration form. If your registration for one or more of these clinics is accepted, you will be notified. The clinic fee(s) will be collected when you pick up your registration packet at the convention.			

## Model & Photo Contests

I plan to enter the following contests. Please check applicable categories. Judged models <i>cannot</i> be entered in popular vote contests and vice versa. See <a href="http://www.foxvalleydivision.org/railfun2014/contestinfo2014.html">http://www.foxvalleydivision.org/railfun2014/contestinfo2014.html</a> for contest rules and entry forms.			
Judged Model Contest		Popular Vote Model Contest	
Judged Photo Contest		Popular Vote Photo Contest	

## Operating Sessions

I plan to participate in the following operating sessions. Please check each day as applicable.			
Thursday		Friday	
Scale Preference (Check One): HO _____ HOn3 _____ O _____ No Preference _____		I would like to operate with:	

## Total Fees NOT Including "Hands On" Clinics

Total Enclosed	Amount
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Special Requests:

Make check payable to <b>Fox Valley Division NMRA</b> . Mail your check and registration form to: <b>RailFun 2014</b> <b>Bert Lattan, Registrar</b> <b>145 Heathrow Ct</b> <b>Lake Bluff, IL 60044-1922</b> for receipt on or before May 2, 2014.  Questions about registration? E-Mail: <a href="mailto:nswnmra@comcast.net">nswnmra@comcast.net</a> Phone: (847) 295-7959	Hotel Information:  <b>Best Western Plus Schaumburg</b> <b>1725 East Algonquin Road</b> <b>Schaumburg, IL 60173</b> <b>(847) 397-1500</b>  The convention room rate is \$ 89.99 per night plus tax. Discounted convention rate room reservations must be made by directly calling the local hotel telephone number indicated above by May 2, 2014. Use the reservation code RAILFUN 2014 – NMRA.
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*Mail pages 1 & 2 with your check or money order. Keep pages 3 & 4 with your copy of your registration.*

## **RAILFUN 2014 TERMS & CONDITIONS**

The Fox Valley Division of the Midwest Region of the National Model Railroad Association is hosting RailFun 2014, the Midwest Region's 2014 Spring Convention. RailFun 2014 is hereinafter referred to as the "convention" and the organizing group is referred to as the "convention committee".

By registering and paying registration fees for the convention all attendees, guests, and visitors agree to the following terms and conditions:

### **1. Payment of Fees:**

- a. Cash, check or money order will be accepted during ***on-site*** registration. **CREDIT/DEBIT CARDS NOT ACCEPTED.**
- b. All ***pre-convention*** registration fees must be paid by check or money order. **CREDIT/DEBIT CARDS NOT ACCEPTED. DO NOT MAIL CASH!**
  - i. All *pre-convention* registration forms must be received by the registrar by May 2, 2014. Do not mail any registrations after April 25, 2014.
  - ii. Except as otherwise provided by the registration form, full payment of all fees must accompany the registration form. Please, do not staple your check or money order to the registration form.
  - iii. A registration acknowledgement will be sent to the registrant by electronic or regular mail within ten (10) business days of receiving a registration form. The registrar is not responsible for any lost or delayed applications.
  - iv. Checks returned for insufficient funds will not be resubmitted for payment and will be returned to the registrant and the registration will be cancelled. Any further *pre-convention* registration must be paid by money order.

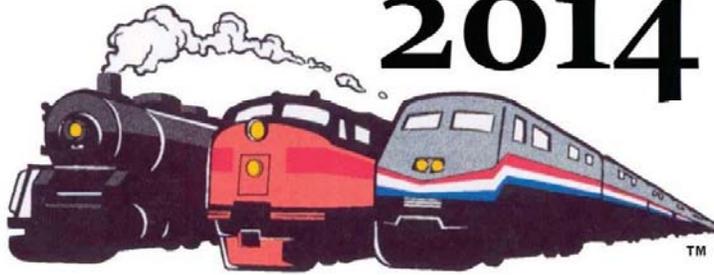
### **2. Cancellation of Registration & Refunds:** The following policy governs cancellations and refunds:

- a. All cancellation requests must be submitted by electronic or regular mail to the registrar. The registrar will provide notification of an accepted request within five (5) business days. Any requests to other convention committee members will not be considered valid and will be ignored.
- b. If a registrant elects to cancel his or her registration on or before April 18, 2014, a 100% refund of registration fees will be made.

- c. If a registrant elects to cancel his or her registration on or before May 2, 2014, a 50% refund of registration fees will be made.
  - d. If the registrant elects to cancel his or her registration after May 2, 2014, no refund of registration fees will be made.
  - e. On a case by case basis, other refund amounts may be made at the discretion of the convention committee.
  - f. The convention committee reserves the right to cancel any registration at any time and shall refund the full amount of the registration fee to the registrant. Registrants who fail to attend the event without making prior arrangements will not receive refunds.
  - g. Unless otherwise notified by the convention committee, refunds will be processed within three weeks after the convention.
3. **Hotel & Transportation:** All registrants are responsible for their own hotel reservations and transportation to, from and during the convention.
4. **Convention Program:** The convention committee reserves the right to make any changes to the convention program at any time and as necessary.
5. **Prototype Tours:** These tours may be cancelled or substituted at any time without notice. Any applicable advance payment tour fees of a cancelled tour will be refunded to the registrant within three weeks after the end of the convention.
6. **Non NMRA Members:** Registration as a non-member will not enroll the registrant as an NMRA member.
7. **Release of Liability:** All attendees agree to hold harmless in any capacity or measure the Fox Valley Division of the Midwest Region of the National Model Railroad Association for any and all damages while attending the convention.
8. **Limitation of Liability:** IN NO CASE, EVENT, CONDITION, OR CIRCUMSTANCE SHALL THE LIABILITY OF THE NATIONAL MODEL RAILROAD ASSOCIATION, OR THE MIDWEST REGION, OR THE FOX VALLEY DIVISION, OR THE MEMBERS THEREOF EXCEED THE AMOUNTS ACTUALLY PAID BY AND/OR DUE FROM THE REGISTRANT OR THE REGISTRANT'S COMPANION/FAMILY MEMBER(S). IN NO EVENT SHALL THE NATIONAL MODEL RAILROAD ASSOCIATION, OR THE MIDWEST REGION, OR THE FOX VALLEY DIVISION, OR THE MEMBERS THEREOF BE LIABLE TO ANYONE FOR ANY INDIRECT, PUNITIVE, SPECIAL, EXEMPLARY, INCIDENTAL, CONSEQUENTIAL OR OTHER DAMAGES OF ANY TYPE OR KIND (INCLUDING LOSS OF DATA, REVENUE, PROFITS, USE OR OTHER ECONOMIC ADVANTAGE) ARISING OUT OF, OR IN ANY WAY CONNECTED WITH THE CONVENTION, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO THE USE OR INABILITY TO ATTEND THE CONVENTION, EVEN IF THE PARTY FROM WHICH DAMAGES ARE BEING SOUGHT HAS BEEN PREVIOUSLY ADVISED OF THE POSSIBILITY OF SUCH DAMAGES.

TITLETOWN TRAIN SHOW™

2014



April 26th & 27th, 2014

Saturday: 9 am - 5 pm

Sunday: 10 am - 4 pm

Shopko Hall

(Brown County Veterans Memorial Complex)

1901 S. Oneida St., Green Bay, WI

Admission:

Adults \$7 | Seniors (65+) \$6 | Children 6-12 \$1

*Dozens of Vendors*

*Incredible Door Prizes*

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*Free Train Ride*

*Operating Layouts in many scales*

*Model kits, DCC, toys, books, videos, antiques, etc.*

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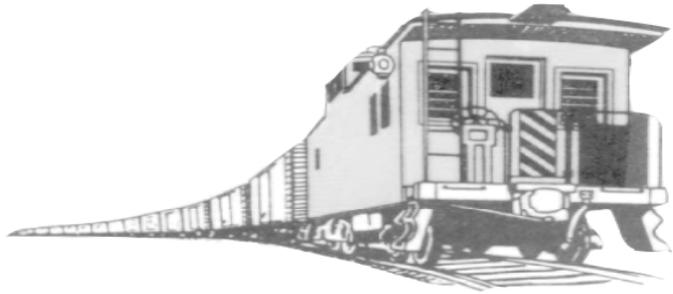
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Railroaders  
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**STRAWBERRY FEST - TRAIN SHOW & MODEL CONTEST**

*In conjunction with the Waupaca Historical Society and Waupaca Area Chamber of Commerce*

**Saturday, June 21 - 10 AM to 5 PM - Sunday, June 22 - 10 AM to 3 PM**

Waupaca Recreation Center, three blocks east of downtown at the intersection of School, State & Badger St

**Two Gyms – Of Railroading & Family Fun**

**Plus + The Demonstration Derby.** A continuous two-day opportunity to demonstrate your skills and/or watch other modelers work on a variety of projects: trains, cars, trucks, boats, buildings, scenery, trees and more. *Special Guests, Mark Lasee & Fred Furkus, both masterful modelers of highly detailed structures, sideline details and trains will be demonstrating their techniques and answering your questions.*

- **OPERATING MODEL RAILROAD LAYOUTS** including a Lego Layout
- **MODEL CONTEST (SATURDAY)** (trains, cars, trucks, ships, buildings, scenery) – Categories: Adult & junior (Rules at [www.wamrltd.com](http://www.wamrltd.com))
- **HOBBY SHOP DEALERS AND VENDORS**
- **SWAP MEET** (hobbyist sale tables)
- **KIDS RACE TRAINS WITH YOUR FRIENDS**
- **KIDS SWITCH TRAINS WITH CONDUCTOR CARLSON**
- **THOMAS THE TANK ENGINE** and **CHUGGINGTON STATION FRIENDS** (Hands-on kids's Layout)
- **WAUPACA RAILROAD DEPOT OPEN HOUSE**
- **GREAT FOOD & STRAWBERRY SHORT CAKE**



**Saturday only 10 AM to 5 PM! Historic Soo Line Railroad Depot** – continuing to be restored will be open for visitors. North on State St, right on Mill St, and then left on Oak St just passed the railroad bridge on your left.

For show information see our website: [www.wamrltd.com](http://www.wamrltd.com) or call -

- Train Show & tables call Dennis Cook (715) 824-2045 or email [Dennis@DFCook.com](mailto:Dennis@DFCook.com)
- Model Contest: Dennis (above) or Eugene Much (920) 596-3484
- Chamber of Commerce: call (715) 258-7343 or [www.WaupacaEvents.com](http://www.WaupacaEvents.com)

