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- Division Schedule -

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January 3 & 4 2004 GATS - Indianapolis

January 25, 2004 (Sunday) - Noblesville IN

Hamilton County 4H Expo Center, 2003 Pleasant Street

Dealer Show & Meet - 10AM to 4 PM

CID Annual Auction - 2PM to 4PM - get those auction items ready!

Layouts, Clinics and Contests: Photo and Model,

Popular Vote Contests:

Favorite Train & Favorite Passenger Car

For more information or tables: Larry Gilbert at 765-779-4039

March 28, 2004 (Sunday) - Danville, IN

4H Building, Hendricks County Fairgrounds

Dealer Show & Meet - 10 AM to 3 PM -

CID Annual Meeting - 10:30 AM

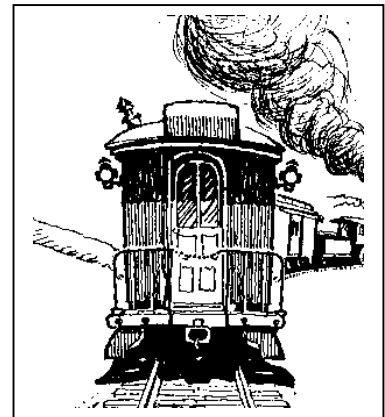
Layouts, Clinics and Contests: Photo and Model,

Popular Vote Contests: Favorite Train & Favorite Reefer (Refrigerator) Car

Admission - \$3.00 per person (children 12 & under free with an adult)

For more information or tables call: Frank Hermanek at 317-487-6517

Summer Activity - TBA



Extra Board

Robert Kanter's Greenwood Train Shows

February 14, 2004 and April 10, 2004

From 10am-4pm

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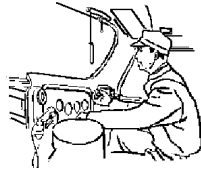
For more information contact: Reid Kahrs, 262-628-8489 email: rkahrs@charter.net

or visit: <http://www.wisedivision.org/milwaukee-express/>

Attention Clubs - Notices of club open houses will be included in the Division calendar upon notification in writing. Deadlines for each Spike are six weeks prior to each Division meet. Send info to Roger Hensley (see page 2). Include club name, address, date and time of function. Also include name, address and phone number of sponsor or contact.

Super Sez

by Larry Gilbert



Well the joy of the Christmas season has passed and I hope everyone had a Blessed and Merry Christmas. I also hope Santa filled your stockings with all sorts of train related goodies. I made most of our gifts this year as I have a lot of new wood working tools to play with.

This cold weather season we all should be able to work on our railroads or rolling stock or whatever we need to. I am going to finish the ballasting of my track before the end of January I hope. This is the hardest part of building a layout for me. I do not like to do the ballasting at all. I can never get it to look right in my eyes. I have had some help recently from Matt Hewitt and Roger Hensley that has made it easier for me to get near the results I want but it is still not an easy job.

I have been corresponding with Mike Brestal for the last several weeks. Mike is the MCR Trustee and seems like a very nice guy. He has invited me to one of his upcoming Division meets and I think I will go and see how another Division operates. I do know from talking with Mike that they do it completely different than we do. If we all did the same thing it would make for a very plain world to live in.

I hope to see all of you at one of our Division functions this year. COME ON DOWN (aka price is right) and enjoy the fellowship and friendship of a bunch of fellow model railroaders and enhance the Greatest Hobby in the World.

*Your CID Super
Larry*

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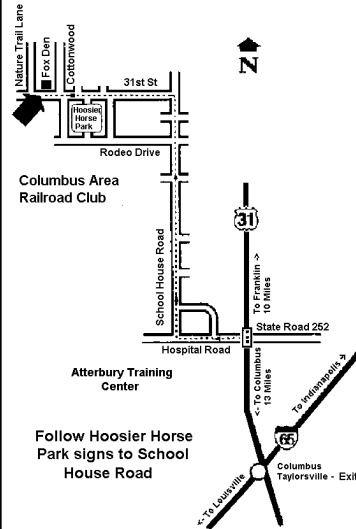


COLUMBUS AREA RAILROAD CLUB, INC.

The Columbus Area Railroad Club is dedicated to serving all those interested in the preservation of railroad history through the use of modeling, photography, artifact preservation, and railfanning.

Regular monthly meetings are the first Thursday at 7 p.m.

Memberships are available.



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Second Saturday of
the month

Noon to 4:00 p.m.
Free admission

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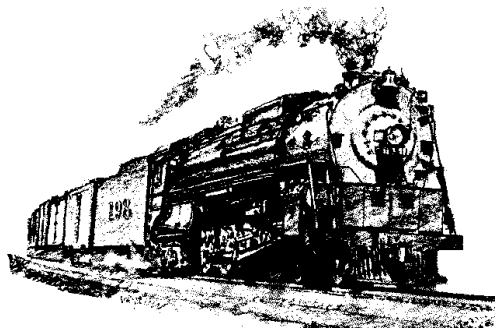
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Model Railroad Show and Meet

Sunday - January 25, 2004

!! - Annual Division Auction - !!

Location: 4-H Exhibition Center
Hamilton County 4-H Grounds
2003 Pleasant Street, Noblesville IN

Time: 10 AM to 4 PM Auction - 2 PM to 4 PM

Admission: \$3.00 per person.
Children 12 and under FREE with paying Adult

Dealer Tables - Operating Layouts - 2 Clinics - Contests - Door Prize

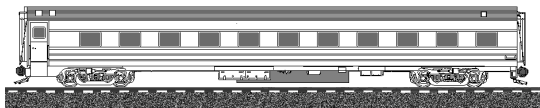
Dealer Tables \$10.50 each [6 foot] - Set Up 8:00 AM to 10:00 AM

Contact: Larry Gilbert at (765) 779-4039 or Frank Hermanek at (317) 487-6517

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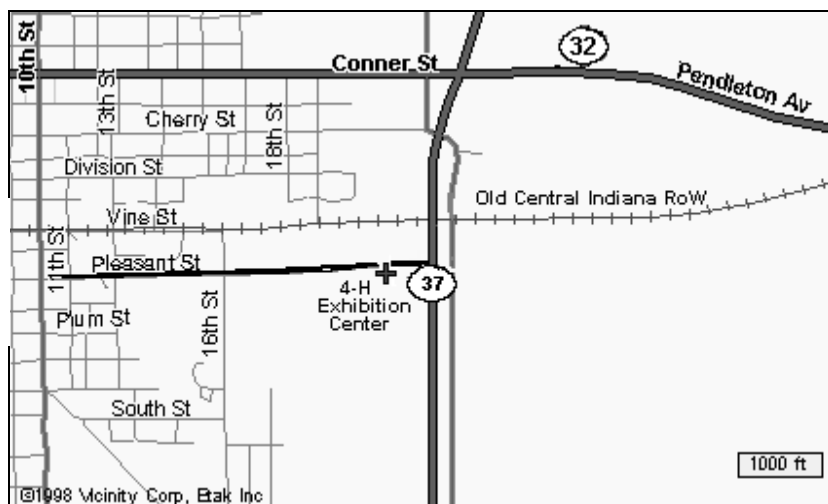
Photo and Slide Judging
Model Judging & Displays

- Popular Vote Contests -
Favorite Passenger Equip.
& Favorite Train



**Door Prize Drawings good at
any dealer present on this
day only**

Next CID Meet is March 28, 2004 at
Danville Indiana





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Kids In Trains Report
By **Bob Morrison**

The 10 participants at Pike were:

Emma Black	- 7	Emily Koval	- 9
Kyle Black	- 5	Andy Krueger	- 8
Johnathan Estrada	- 13	Eric Krueger	- 5
Derek Hopper	- 10	Riley Walker	- 3
Jalen K. Johnson	- 4	Eddie Wayson	- 9

The train set for the **KIT** drawing to be held at the Bedford Meet next September was put on display.



Pike Model Judging Report
By **Tom Cain**

Favorite Train Contest (Popular Vote)

Roger Hensley and Tom Cain each brought their, "Favorite Trains," to the Pike meet. Roger brought his East Central Indiana Passenger Excursion Train. It was pulled by an F3 A and B unit combination in the ECI paint scheme. The train included the ECI head end car and executive ECI passenger car along with a Santa Fe and a Burlington Passenger Car. You can visit Roger's ECI railroad at: http://cid.railfan.net/eci_new.html

Tom Cain brought a representation of the Santa Fe Super "C" freight train which was advertised in 1968 as the, "World's Fastest Freight Train." This was a short version of the inaugural run and included a single SFDP-45 locomotive, a passenger car for the railroad executives and three flat cars with trailers and a caboose. The first run of the Super "C" traveled the 2,202 miles from Chicago to Los Angeles in 34 hours and 35 minutes.

And The Year Was 19 _ _

The year for last issue's article on the demise of the division's mimeograph machine and the Chattanooga Choo-Choo days at Washington Square Mall was 1982.

And, speaking of Chattanooga, I was reading in an old Spike about when Indianapolis was selected as the location for N.M.R.A. Headquarters. Other cities that were considered included Milwaukee, which is where the N.M.R.A. was founded; Chattanooga because of that city's Chattanooga Choo-Choo complex; Chicago; Ashland Ohio; and Omaha.

The Spike reported Indianapolis won out because of geographical advantages as well as being a nice place to raise a family. The article stated a search was underway for a site of about 1¼ to 2 acres located between light commercial and residential areas. Anyone finding such a site was asked to call Frank Hughes. For those of you who don't know Frank, he is an MMR, a former Superintendent of CID, and at the time was Executive VP of the N.M.R.A.

Frank, I know you are out there – what happened? I believe I know, but a brief summary might be nice. I've seen your railroad and if your writing skills are only one tenth as good as you model, then you could write a heck of a summary for us who are interested.

So, other than Frank, would any of you have guessed the year was 19 - - ?

Al Kohut

Summer Activity 2003 Report

The summer activity was held in conjunction with Division 8 at the John Hay Museum in the reconstructed Monon depot in Salem, Indiana.

Too far to travel? That's what I kept telling myself, it's a hundred (105 actually) miles away, and besides I'd already been there plus I had eight turnouts to install. Why go to an activity that's two hours away just to spend time eating dogs and burgers with people I didn't know? Debbie, my wife, said "go – have fun".

Well the reasons turned out to be many. First of all Bill Myers, our AP Chairman, rode with me and I got
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European Rail Roads of Today

By
Mike Nicoletti

European Railroads were considered to be "World Class" in price/fares, scheduling, departure times and arrival times, speed, and comfort. This "World Class" Railroad system is only matched today by Japans National Railroad (JNR). With the Creation of the EU (European Union), rail transportation regulations has been standardized though out the EEC (European Economic Community) Example: Track Gauge has been standardized to 1435mm in most cases and electric power distribution (15k volts, 16.7 Hz.)

The Wind of Change

Europeans are becoming more and more affluent. It's becoming routine to find two cars sitting in the driveway and also find that the husband and wife both work. Europeans are spending more of their free time traveling and using their cars and less time using trains, also those people arriving from Eastern Europe, want a car, it is a status symbol for them. This has also caused a stain on the Railroad infrastructure and usage.

In the 80's and 90's, Train passenger service miles were on the increase. This has now changed as we move into the new century. Passenger miles are on the decline. In some areas, like Germany, Switzerland, some trains leave the station only half full.

Another contributing factor is a three- fold increase in Air Travel. More people are flying. Freight Service is on the increase. More and more goods are being sent between the former Eastern block countries and with-in the EEC. There are no longer customs or trade barriers to slow or prevent the movement of goods and Freight between countries i.e. "The United States of Europe". What happened in the United States post WWII until the early 60's is now happening in Europe. The quick transition from Passenger Service to Freight has begun. More companies are moving or out sourcing their manufacturing to the former Eastern Block countries where the labor is cheaper. Whole new rail lines are being laid. (Note most of Eastern Europe ran on narrower tracks.)

Countries that are seeing this change first are Germany, Switzerland, Austria, and Belgium. Italy, Spain, Portugal are a little behind. It will be interesting to see how Europe deals with this issue over the next 10 to 20 years.

One final note, Rail travel is still very inexpensive. A ten-day, five countries "EuroRail Pass" that allows unlimited travel and stops, costs about \$500. Touring Europe can be fun and inexpensive.



(Summer Activity Continued)

to know him a little better. Hey two hours down and two hours back just talking trains with Bill - well, the trip was worth it just for that alone.

Division 8 really knows how to put one on. Must have been a hundred people there (one per mile?), and the weather was beautiful both inside and out. The grills were out with the sun, heat and humidity whereas the serving line, picnic tables and crowd were inside the air-conditioned depot. The ladies brought all kinds of pies, brownies and other treats to go with the other dishes they brought to go with the burgers, brats, and dawgs. The kids were well behaved and someone even brought their pet dog who seemed to take it all in stride. Why even the adults behaved – I didn't see one person touch the models on the extensive layout in the basement. I came real close taking pictures though.

And, speaking of the layout, it's a diamond in the rough, the third reason for making the trip worthwhile.

Four trains running with computer control and DCC helping to avoid cornfield meets Lots of potential there and, as Steve Studley surely observed, no hand laid track even though Salem is south of Indy – imagine that. Perhaps there is hope for my layout yet.

Several CID members were at the picnic among them our past Super - Bill Litkenhous, another Past Super and MMR - Frank Hughes, our newest CID Trainmaster - Matt Hewitt, Steve and Penny Studley, and as mentioned earlier Bill Myers – CID Trainmaster and the Midwest Region AP chairman, as well as Cecil Smith who was the primary force behind construction of the Depot. Apologies to anyone I missed. Oh, by the way, a reporter from the local paper interviewed Matt and Frank. Perhaps Cecil can send us a copy of whatever comes from the interview (probably something about trains - am I psychic or what?).

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(Summer Activity Continued)

I met Dean and Bob and John and, and (never did get the dog's name – but I'm sure he liked trains) even more reasons to have gone. I took pictures too – maybe they'll be on the web.

Finally I would be remiss if I didn't mention the fine job Cecil Smith and the museum staff and the Division 8 did with coordinating everything. Gift shop was open, trains were running (thank you John), drinks and conversations were flowing.

Once again, I was wrong (are you listening dear) it wasn't too far and I'll go again next year (Bill's turn to drive).

Al Kohut

Middletown Library Presentation

On December 11th, Mike Nicoletti, Keith Gamble and Roger Hensley gave a model railroad presentation to a group of 50 or 51 interested people at the Middletown IN library. Library staff had visited the CID web site and contacted Matt Hewitt asking that we do something for them during the month of December. Hensley put a display in their large showcase and Hewitt put in his HO scenery module while Keith Gamble furnished an N scale module/portable layout to remain the entire month.

The presentation consisted of a Power Point presentation with Hensley, Nicoletti and Gamble furnishing commentary on train history to now and creating model railroads ranging from simple boards to layouts representing researched background.

Pike Ads

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See the Pike Ad

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January Auction Items to date

For the first time, I've had a chance to look over a number of the auction items beforehand and have compiled a list of those that I know about. Most of these will be combined into lots of similar items. As always, there will be things brought in almost right up to the start of the auction, and we need those items in order to make the auction a success again this year. In the meantime, here are the things that I know about at this moment.

Reference Books and Materials:

The Remarkable GG1, Zimmerman
Pennsy Steam & Semaphores, Westing
Pennsy Diesels 1924 – 1968, Douglas & Weiglin
Many Faces of the Pennsy K-4, N. J. International
Broadway Limited. Osenbau, & Gallo

Pennsy Power, Stauffer
PRR Power III 1847-1968, Stauffer
Pennsy Diesel Years Vols 1 thru 6, Yanosey

PRR Color Guide to Frt & Psgr Equipment, Morning Sun
PRR Color Guide to Frt & Psgr Equip Vol 3, Morning Sun
57 Plans PRR MofW, 1967
PRR Standard RR of the World Vol 1, Plant & Yanosey
PRR Historical Collection 1939-1989, RR Museum of PA
PRR Book of Rules, Oct 1956

PRR's Elmira Branch, Caloroso
PRR in South Jersey
PRR West Chester Branch
PRR The High Line, Army/Navy Trains
PRR Rolling Stock (plans) 1860-1968 Vol 1 Diners, PC
Railroader

The Keystone,

PRR Tech & Hist Soc from early 60s to late 90s

Modern Railroads

Nov 1956 "the modern PRR, new type of Pace Setter"
Nov 1959 reprint "The "new" Norfolk and Western"

Locomotive & Railway Preservation

July/August 1987 (PRR)

Penn Central Equipment Painting Plans – Part 1
A Sampling of Penn Central, Taylor
Riding the Pennsy to Ruin, Wall Street Journal
Cabooses of the New Haven - NYC RRs, N. J. International
Cabins, Crummies & Hacks, Henderson
Last Steam Railroad in America, Link

Diesel Locomotive Rosters – 1973
Baldwin Diesel Locomotives, Dolzall(s)
Car Names, Numbers & Consists, Wayner, 1972
The Streamliner Era, Reed
Decade of the Trains, the 1940s, Ball & Frimbo
Locomotives in my Life, Wood
Indiana Railroad Depots, Parker

Civil War Railroads, Abdill
In the Traces (Art), Rose
Otto Perry, Master RR Photographer, Albi & Jones
Horseshoe Curve 125 years
The Great Locomotive Chase
The Lincoln Train is coming, Wesolowski
Mr. Lincoln's Military Railroads, Meredith(s)

The Long Island Railroad in Early Photographs, Ron Ziel
Ramble into the past. East Broad Top
East Broad Top, Rainey & Kyper
1964 Official Guide of the Railways (ORER), original
GN Historical Society, 2003 newsletter
Monon Route, Hilton
Monon, the Hoosier Line, Dolzall(s)
The Hoosier Line Vol 10 #2
Rock Island Vol 1 1948-1964, Stagner

Nickel Plate Road Magazine, NPHTS
Winter/Spring 1988, Summer 1993, Summer 1999,
Spring 2000, Winter 2000, Fall 2001
Reflections, the Nickel Plate Years 1881-1981, NPHTS
Early Magazine Reprints, NPHTS
Depots of the Nickel Plate Road, Harvey
Nickel Plate Road, Hampton
Nickel Plate Road Diesel Locomotives, Holland

Magazines, Commercial:

Live Steam, May 1974 to June 1975
Mainline Modeler, 2003 3 issues
Model Railroader, 2003 12 issues
NMRA Bulletin/Scale Rails, 2003 (11 as they skipped one)
Prototype Modeler, Nov/Dec 1988
Passenger Train Journal
July 1977, June 1988, Jan 1992
Railmodel Journal, 2003 12 issues
Railpace, March 1988, November 1996
Railroad, August 1957, April 1976
Railfan & Railroad, Oct 2002
Railroad Model Craftsman, 2003 12 issues
Rails Northeast, July 1982, Dec 1982, April 1983, Sept 1983,
Dec 1983, Jan/Feb 1984
Trains, Feb 1962, Mar 1964, Feb 1979, Apr 1980, Sept 1972
Dream Trains, the Streamliners 1946-1956,
Classic Trains, I like Trains 1940-1954, Morgan,
2003, 5 issues

Modeling:

Atlas Wiring Your Layout
Scenery for Model Railroaders, Bill McClanahan, 1994
Pennsy Middle division in HO Scale
MR – Visit this Pennsy empire – April 2002
MR – Geep Roundup, December 2002
N-Scale Jan/Feb 1995
N-Scale Mar/Apr 1995

Tools:

45° needle nose pliers
Hot glue gun, new
Small power Planer for the hobbyist woodworker, runs great.

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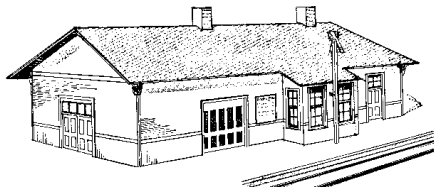
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The Depot



Short Notes

I'll make it short this time as I really want to get the Auction list in. The auction allows you to pick some neat stuff at a price you are comfortable with. It helps keep your division running and supporting programs like **KIT** and the no charge Model Railroad Month Meet in November. We couldn't do it without you and your contributions of auction items and support of the annual auction.

You may have noticed a number of Pennsy items. A long time modeler and his wife are moving into an RV and leaving the state to travel. He just doesn't have room to keep everything he has collected, and donated a large number of reference materials to the auction! So, bring in those donated items and join the fun at the auction at the Noblesville Meet

Lastly, I want to remind you of the upcoming election and pass along some information. Several years ago, we had some confusion in Trainmaster terms due to several resignations within a couple of years. We are supposed to elect 3 Trainmasters each year and not the 4 and 2 that we have been electing. This year, one of the elected Trainmasters will only serve 1 year to bring the Board election cycle back into balance.

(Action Items continued)

Videos:

Strasburg Railroad, 1989
PRR Glory, Herron

Modeling Materials

N scale:

Precision Scale tie plates, insulated rail joiners, rail joiners, end of track bumpers w/lights

HO Scale:

Locomotives:

AHM (Rivarossi) 4-6-0 Casey Jones (Deep Flanges)
Atheam U30C undec
Atheam U30C Union Pacific
Atheam U30C L&N
Atheam U33C undec
IHC NKP 2-8-2 Mikado
Mantua PRR 4-4-2 Atlantic
Rolling Stock
Atheam NYC caboose, #1268

Bowser PRR N-5c Caboose, Buy War Bonds
MDC 50' Plug Door Box Discoverail; '92 convention
MDC/Roundhouse RI 30" caboose, # 03462

Misc Modeling

Vollmer #3760 City Hall (european) - HO
miscellaneous scale tools - HO
Box of misc "stuff", car bodies, steam loco parts, etc.-HO
AMI Instant Roadbed, new, never opened
Delta Connection paint, Denim Blue, unopened
Miscellaneous decals

Misc

Five (5) AMTRAK Empire Builder wine glasses
Corgi PRR Stores Dept truck
Ertl 1930 Delivery Truck, PRR
I Love Trains tag
Incline Railway cup
Kitmaster Early American General plastic loco kit
Maple Leaf 2003 NMRA Convention Timetable and patch
Not My Job plaque
Parts cabinet, 27 drawers
PRR, Gone But Not Forgotten patch
PRR, 10 8x10 Photos
PRR, assorted small photographs, power & structures
Spike w/train
Walthers EMD patch
Wrought iron door stop, black steam engine

Misc Books

Fontaine Fox's Toonerville Trolley, Galewitz & Winslow
This is not the Honeymoon I anticipated, Hafer - 2
The Mousketeers' Train Ride, Disney 1977
People who Move the Nation, Merritt UTU

Calendars:

1994 sealed/unopened "Those Magnificent Trains"
2004 NMRA Calendar

Collector items:

NYC stock certificates (1) 10 shares and (1) 100 shares
PRR Letter on Frankton Station closing
Announcing The New Organization of the PRR
PRR Menu, The Afternoon Congressional (Apr 1952)
PRR Menu, Broadway Limited (Apr 1953)
PRR Digital Watch
PRR #2 Lead Pencils, 1 dozen
Book of the Pageant, RRs on Parade, 1939 World's Fair
Take the Pennsy to the Fair, 1961 World's Fair brochure
How Truman Writes Those Letters, Collier's, Feb 24, 1951
Yellow Globe PRR Handlan Lantern - 5/5/25 (Reserve)

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