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- Division Schedule -

April 10, 2005 (Sunday) - Danville IN

4H Building, Hendricks County Fairgrounds

Dealer Show & Meet - 10 AM to 3 PM -

CID Annual Meeting - 10:30 AM

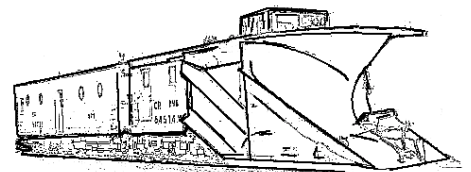
Layouts, Clinics and Contests: Photo and Model,

Popular Vote: Favorite Train & Favorite Maintenance of Way

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

For more information or tables call:

Frank Hermanek at 317-487-6517



May 7, 2005 (Saturday) - Donated Equipment Sale - Noblesville (See page 7)

Hamilton County 4H Expo Center, 2003 Pleasant Street (older building)

NMRA Members Only - 10 AM to 12 Noon (MUST show membership card)

Open to the Public - - - 12 Noon to 4 PM

Free Admission - Cash or Check ONLY! No credit Cards!

May 15, 2005 (Sunday) - 116th Street Layout Tour - Indy (See page 7)

NMRA Members and Invited guests only please

July 22-24 Fortville - McCordsville - - By Air, By Rail Festival (Details to Come)

September 24, 2005 (Saturday) - Bedford IN

November 12, 2005 (Saturday) - Carmel IN

Extra Board

Robert Kanter's Greenwood Train Shows

Greenwood KofC 695 Pushville Rd., Greenwood IN

June 18, 2005, September 17, 2005, & November 19, 2005

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April 22-24, 2005 Madison WI

Lake Junction 2005 - NMRA Midwest Region Convention

Quality Inn & Suites, Madison WI

For More Information: 2005 Lake Junction Registrar, 5667 Concord Drive, Fitchburg WI 53575-1906

June 11-12, 2005 (Saturday-Sunday) Indianapolis IN

Allegheny & Western Model RR Club Open House

3139 Allison Ave., Indianapolis 46224

11am-5pm, admission: free {donations accepted}

Contact: Bill Moore 3139 Allison Ave. Indpls., Ind., {317} 997-7964

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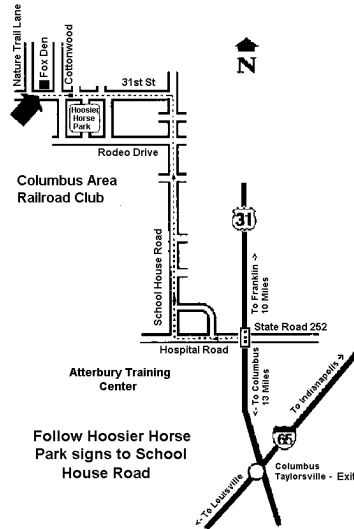


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The Columbus Area Railroad Club is dedicated to serving all those interested in the preservation of railroad history through the use of modeling, photography, artifact preservation, and railfanning.

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

Memberships are available.



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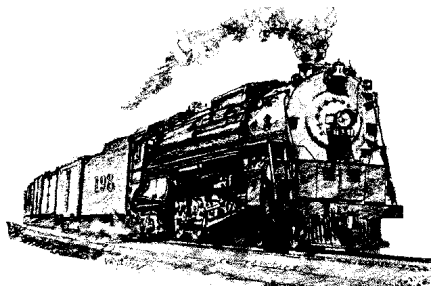
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Model Railroad Show and Meet Sunday - April 10, 2005

Location: 4-H Building - Hendricks County Fairgrounds
Old U.S. 36 Danville, IN

Time: 10 AM to 3 PM

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

Dealer Tables - Operating Layouts - Contests - Door Prizes

**Dealer Tables \$12 ea [8 foot] & \$10.00 ea [6 foot]- Set Up 8:00 AM to 10:00 AM
Contact: Frank Hermanek at (317) 487-6517**

Activity Schedule:

10:30 - CID Annual Meeting & State of the Division Report

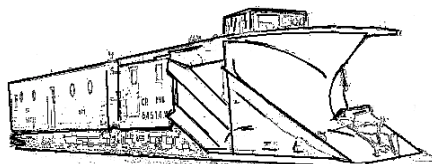
Scheduled Clinics:

KIT (Kids In Trains) plus 2 scenery modeling Clinics

Notice: The CID KIT (Kids In Trains) Clinic will be the first clinic. This is a young modeler's 'Make and Take' Clinic where the young modeler assembles a simple kit with the aid of N.M.R.A. members. The CID will furnish both the kit and the tools and the completed kit is theirs to take home.

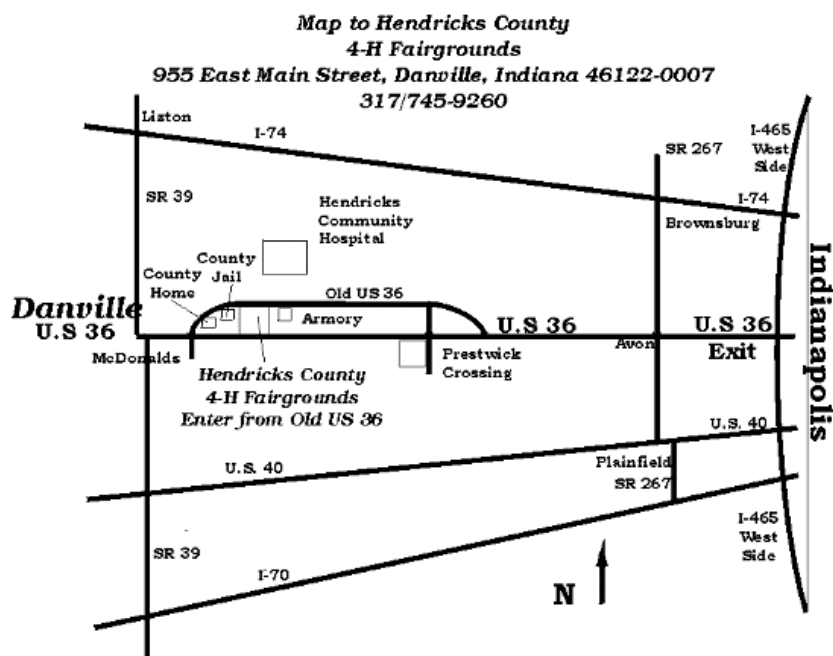
Photo, Slide & Model Judging & Displays - All categories

Popular Vote Contests
Favorite Train
Favorite
Maintenance of Way



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Next CID Meet:
September 24, 2005 at Bedford IN





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**Noblesville Meet
By Bob Morrison**

The Noblesville Meet was another great day for the KIT Program as we set a record in working with 24 children during the meet. This is double the number of kids a usually work with during the KIT Clinic and we worked an hour past the posted 2 hours we normally hold KIT just to get to everyone on the list. A number of the parents I spoke with said they had come as a result of learning about KIT during our Model Railroad Month Special Event at the Carmel Library. The KIT Project for this meet was building a freight car and we had 20 young men and 4 young ladies participant in Sunday's program. Al Kohut and first time KIT Volunteer Steve Johnson and myself while worn out had a great time with all the kids. The Noblesville KIT Kids were:

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|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Zack Adams Age 11 | Tim Lamar Age 9 |
| Alex Brinkman Age 5 | Stanley Mattingly Age 8 |
| Charlie Cummings Age 8 | Thomas Needhams Age 10 |
| Joe Cummings Age 6 | Andrew Phillips Age 7 |
| Gabriel Diederich Age 6 | Travis Reed Age 6 |
| Luke Elsbury Age 5 | Tyler Reeder Age 11 |
| Tiffany Fisher Age 10 | Kyle Rose Age 6 |
| Elliot Herron Age 9 | Dianna Rubon Age 8 |
| Natalie Herron Age 7 | Britta Seland Age 5 |
| Joshua Higgins Age 8 | Caleb Seland Age 7 |
| Eric Krueger Age 7 | Justin Ventura Age 7 |
| Andrew Krueger Age 9 | Jacob Wright Age 9 |

*Bob Morrison
KIT Program Manager*

Notice:

The 2005 NMRA National Convention will be held in Cincinnati OH July 3 to 9, 2005 with the National Train Show® to follow.

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Noblesville Model Judging Report

Favorite Train Contest (Popular Vote)

- 1st Jim Canter** – Indianapolis
Monon Passenger Train – O
F7 AA with three cars.
- 2nd tie Bill Litkenhous** – Bedford
L & N Passenger Train – HO
L&N K5 Pacific & 10 Passenger Cars.
- 2nd tie Keith Gamble** – Noblesville
Narrow Gauge Coal Mining Train - On30
- 3rd tie Bill Myers** – Noblesville
DeWitt Clinton Passenger Train. - HO
- 3rd tie Francis Parker** – Muncie
SR&RL Engine, Caboose & Snow Plow - On2

Favorite Off-Line Structure (Popular Vote)

- 1st Matt Hewitt** – Anderson
Henry's Drive-In – HO
- 2nd tie Larry Gilbert** – Markleville
CEE World Headquarters - N
- 2nd tie Brad Philbrick** – Fishers
Builder's Supply - N

(Continued on Page 5)

Scheduled Board Meeting Dates:

May 1, Jun 26, Oct 30 & Dec 11

at the

Fall Creek Township Hall – Fishers, IN

116th Street and Brook School Road

Look for the old schoolhouse on the corner

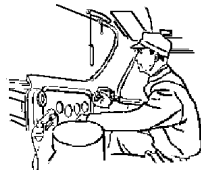
Meetings start at 1:00 PM

CID members are welcome.

Board members can confirm location and date.

Super Sez

by Larry Gilbert



The Latest Thoughts

Spring is just around the corner so for a lot of us our model railroads will not be as worked on as they have in the cold days of winter (of course mine has not been worked on to much anyhow).

I have had several responses to my call for help in my last column. Thank you all who have responded, now I know the Ambassador program will work I need to get a committee formed to develop it into a workable program. This is going to be a slow process but anytime you do something the right way it evolves slowly and takes time to develop. I have the names of the volunteers which I should back up so if the computer crashes all will not be lost, I am not good at remembering stuff like I used to be able to do must be old timers syndrome.

Your BoD is looking at a few different things to do for our summer activity and as soon as we get one nailed down we will get the information to you. We also are going to have a sale of some donated items (mostly HO I think) on May 7th so look for more info on this event. There is a lot of interesting items that will be in this sale, too bad it will not be in the size that the Cee Line can use (N-Scale). Oh well, you can't win 'em all.

You are reading this column before our Danville show so come over to the Hendricks County 4H fair grounds and see what the Central Indiana Division MWR/NMRA is all about. This is the show/meet where we have our annual Division Meeting so come out and support your Division and we would love to meet you .

*Your CID Super
Larry*

Could you give a Clinic?

You have special techniques, talents, skills or knowledge! There is something that you know well that you can share with other modelers! We'd like you to think about giving a clinic at a Meet. We can help.

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Noblesville Report (continued)

1/2" Scale Structure

Gold Frank Hermanek – Indianapolis
End of Track Bumper - 100pts

O Proto 48 - Freight Car

Gold Jim Canter – Indianapolis
PFE Wood Reefer - 95pts

Gold Jim Canter – Indianapolis
NKP 2 bay Hopper - 90pts

On3 Freight Car

Gold Allan Lewis - City N/A
C & S Stock Car - 90pts

Gold Allan Lewis – City N/A
DRGW Stock Car - 95pts

On30 Freight Car

Silver Keith Gamble - Noblesville
Narrow Gauge Mining Car - 80pts

Off Line Structures - N Scale

Gold Matt Hewitt – Anderson
Henry's Drive-In - 110pts

Silver Brad Philbrick – Fishers
Bartlett Builders Supply - 85pts

Noblesville Photo Judging Report

Prototype Color Slide

Bronze Paul Brown - Indianapolis
BNSF at Wilburn IL - 69pts
Pigs & Pumpkins Westward Ho!

Color Photo, Model

Bronze Matt Hewitt – Anderson
Henry's Drive-In - 62pts
1956 Drive-In w/roller skates & Hot Rods

Color Photo, Prototype

Bronze Allan Lewis - City N/A
Rio Grande Protoype - 64pts
DRGW F7 #5771

**Railway & Locomotive Historical Society
2005 ANNUAL MEETING**

The 2005 Annual Meeting will be held in Indianapolis, Indiana May 19-22. The Board of Directors meeting will be at 2:00PM on Thursday, May 19. On Friday, a trip is being planned on the Whitewater Valley Railroad between Connersville and Metamora. On Saturday, the Indiana Rail Road will host a trip between Indianapolis and Bloomfield, Indiana, which will include the famous Richland Creek Viaduct (also known as the Tulip Trestle), 2,295 feet long and 157 feet high. There will be a banquet dinner Saturday evening. The annual R&LHS business meeting will be held after breakfast on Sunday, May 22.

The headquarters hotel will be the Crowne Plaza Indianapolis Union Station. A block of rooms has been reserved with rooms situated in one-half of a heavyweight Pullman are available at slightly higher rates. Reservations may be made at 317-631-2221. Be sure to mention R&LHS when making reservations. The all-inclusive registration cost for the meeting, including all events, will be \$200. Separate rates for individual events TBA. Recommended reading: Railroads of Indiana by Richard S. Simons and Francis H. Parker, published by Indiana University Press.

Chuck Macklin

For Details, visit:

<http://www.rrhistorical-2.com/rlhs/>

Here are the Pike Ads appearing on page 6

Naptown and White River

Imperial Valley Railroad

Shadowton Ridge North

The CEE Line Railroad

Sugar Creek Railroad

Carbon Creek Railroad

Santa Fe All the Way

Sale of Donated Items

The **Central Indiana Division** of the **Midwest Region** of the **NMRA** has been the fortunate recipient of a large donation of model railroad rolling stock, building materials and tools. This donation is going to be liquidated on Saturday, May 7th at the 4-H grounds in Noblesville. The proceeds will be distributed to both the **WISE Division of the Midwest Region** and the **Central Indiana Division**. The donor of the items is Neal Thomsen and the good news is that he is still among the living but choosing to do other things. Our thanks to him for his generosity and for thinking of the local part of the **NMRA**. Just as a side note we have a Neal Thompson and this Neal Thomsen in our midst just to help clarify who is who.

The sale will be at the 4-H facility in Noblesville. We will be in a different building from the one that we use for our January meets, but there will be adequate signs to help you find us. The sale starts at 10:00 for members of the **CID**. We will be asking **CID** members to identify themselves with their **NMRA** cards. The sale will open to the general public at 12:00 noon. **CID** members are being notified of the sale through the *Rusty Spike* and a follow-up mailing. The general public will be notified of the sale in fliers sent to hobby shops, but with opening time of 12:00 Noon. This will be a one day sale with all sales final. We will accept cash and personal checks. We will not be accepting credit cards.

Now for the important part, what is in the sale! Currently everything is in a 6 foot by 10 foot storage facility and it completely fills that space. Here is a sampling of items for sale:

200 plus, Freight Cars,
 some are kits and some are ready to run
1000 plus, Detail parts, both Details West,
 Detail Associates and others
100's of painted figures
100's of painted animals
200 plus pieces of Atlas code 100 flex track
50 plus buildings
Scenery materials to build trees
Rock molds
Bridge piers and abutments
Bridges
Craftsman kits
Paint booth
Paint compressor
Several paint airbrushes
Half dozen Mantua, MDC Shay, and IHC locomotives,
 some RTR, some kits
Some Soundtrax system components
Some bench tools and Optivisor

Aluminum display shelving to mount on a wall.

Most rolling stock is HO, but there are some very nice O scale wooden freight cars without trucks.

All in all we have a 9 page list of what has been donated so there is a lot to this sale. More information will follow.

Tom Cain

LAYOUT TOUR OF INDIANAPOLIS SUBURBAN NORTHEAST

(116th Street Tour)

By Brad Philbrick

Sunday, May 15 is a day to enjoy camaraderie and sharing in our hobby while visiting six model railroads in the northeast quadrant of Indianapolis. The tour shall begin at 11:00 AM and will go to 4:30 PM. Upon completion of the tour, a gathering shall take place to chat about our experiences over food and beverage. The restaurant at this time is yet to be determined as one is considering many possibilities.

This spring tour will feature six layouts. A brief description of each layout to be visited is as follows:

Matt Hewitt's **Shadowton Ridge**; a great scenic HO layout set in the mid 50's in the mountains of West Virginia.

Keith Gamble's **Carbon Creek**, a detailed HO layout of Appalachia with many industries with interesting structures.

Warner Clark's **Maumee Basin Lines**; is composed of three parts of the Nickel Plate, the DT & I, and The Ohio & Morenci Railroad over Northern Ohio.

Tom Fitzsimmon's **Red Mountain Northern Railroad**; is a HOn3 scenic line set in the late 1800's of the San Juans in Southwestern Colorado.

Mike Nicoletti's **Baltimore & Ohio** railroad; a great HO layout modeling the B & O, C & O, and the Western Maryland set in the 50's and early 60's utilizing DCC and KAM Layout commander.

Brad Philbrick's "**High-Dry**"; and N scale layout of the Illinois Central running across Southern Indiana that interchanges with the Monon in Bloomington.

**Tour Maps will be available
from 10:45 AM to 2 PM
at the Fall Creek Township Hall – Fishers, IN
116th Street and Brook School Road
(At old schoolhouse on the southwest corner)
(Map on Page 9)**

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Northern Illinois & Southern Indiana

East Central Indiana

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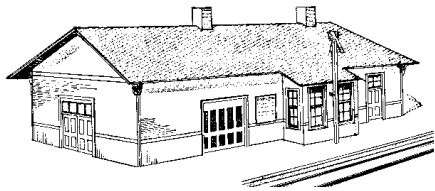
Owen Thuriee & Weystead

En-Zee-Oh Lines

The Tinker Mountain Railroad

Midland & Great Western

The Depot



Summer Activity

You say you're tired of the same old, same old for our summer activity? Picnics just don't enthral you? You don't want to ride one of the museum lines? Well, have we got a deal for you and the entire family!!

By Air, By Rail Festival Sponsored by the Fortville and McCordsville Chamber of Commerce

We (CID) have been invited to participate in the **By Air, By Rail Festival**. This is a Golden Opportunity to let our headlight shine and to expose many people who are not Model Railroaders to the **World's Greatest Hobby**.

The festival begins on Friday July 22 running through Sunday July 24 anyone can go anytime and the best part is, it's free.

Here are the preliminary plans. The **CID** booth will be manned on Friday to answer questions and promote the hobby and **NMRA** just like at any of our meets. Friday evening around 5 there will be a demo of Ultralite Flight.

Saturday and Sunday, the **CID** will be involved with layouts and judging. We will need several operating Model Railroad layouts and would hope that they can be staffed throughout the entire event. During the entire weekend, we should have information available on "How to Do" layouts, electrical, scenery, digital engine control, computers in Model railroading, structure building, etc.

Saturday, the festival opens at 6 AM with a mass Balloon launch. Pancakes at 7 AM (Lion's club), Vendor booths open at 9 AM. Train photo judging at 11 AM, Train presentation(s) on Fortville/McCordsville area's railroads and model presentations and clinics including power point. Best of show train display at 3 PM and of course layouts operating all day. Saturday evening at 5 PM there is a Pork Chop dinner at Methodist Church

Also on Saturday there will be a Auto Show (antiques ?). Balloon rides auctioned off, etc., etc. Something for everyone - even the non-railroaders in our families as

Craft booths will be open all day (on Friday as well as Sunday). Sunday sees Lego Competition as an event. Then we have Jr. Train Competition (12 and under). The Adult competition on Saturday. There will also be a balloon Hare and Fox race, and it goes on and on. Sometime in late March, things should be firmed up.

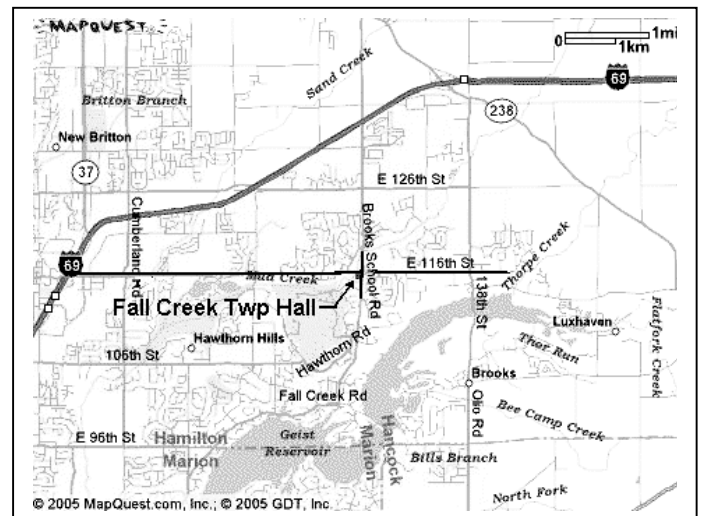
What we (**CID**) have to do now is line up layouts, judges, volunteers to man the **CID** booth Friday, Saturday and Sunday. We need layouts, Volunteers, and Presentations. We can have as much room as we require. We've initially asked for 2000 sq. ft, but we can get more. We need judges to judge layout contests, display contests etc. Also other creative ideas that would highlight the "**The Worlds Greatest Hobby**".

Who should you contact to help? Mike Nicoletti, Al Kohut, Bill Myers or any of the board members on Pg. 2.

There will be much more to come.

Roger

With the Summer 2005 issue, I will have been Editor of the **Rusty Spike** for 10 years. I don't say that to get an Atta Boy, just to announce that I am looking for new blood to work with the **Spike**. Have I gotten stale? I'd bet on it, so, it's time to see what the future can bring!



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