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- Division Schedule -

**November 12, 2005 (Saturday) - Carmel IN** (see page 3)

**Carmel Clay Public Library, 55 4th Ave S.E.**

**Hours:** 10AM until 2PM - - **Admission is FREE !**

Operating Layouts, Displays, Clinics, Favorite Train Contest, and Videos

**Clinics:** Hobby for a Lifetime - 10:30AM, On-going Scenery-Construction

**For more information call:** Charles Malinowski at 317-566-1748

**GTE (Formerly GATS) show - January 7 and 8, 2006 - Indianapolis IN**

**January 29, 2006 - Noblesville Meet and Auction- 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!

**For more information or tables:** Tom Cain at 317-475-7834

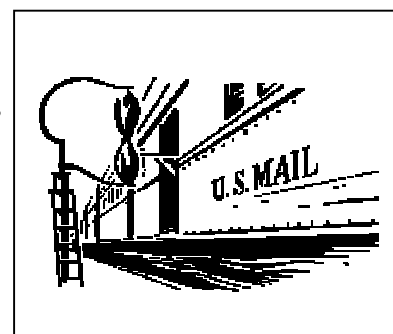
**April 23, 2006 - Danville Meet and Annual Meeting - Danville IN**

4H Building, Hendricks County Fairgrounds

Dealer Show & Meet - 10AM to 3PM

CID Annual Meeting - 10:30AM

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



**Extra Board**

**November 19, 2005 - Greenwood IN**

**Robert Kanter's Greenwood Train Shows**

Greenwood KofC 695 Pushville Rd.

- Hours 10AM to 3PM - Tables are \$15

- Admission is \$3.00 - 12 and under free w/pd adult.

**Contact:** Bob Kanter at 8209 Parsley Ln.,

Indianapolis, IN 46237

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**November 5, 2005 (Saturday) - Carmel IN**

**Indianapolis S Show - 2nd Annual All S scale Model Railroad Show Meet**

- Carmel Lions Clubhouse, 141 East Main Street,

- (5 Miles north of Indianapolis / I-465)

- Dealer Tables - Clinics - Contests - Door Prizes -

**Hours:** 10AM to 3PM (Show open to the Public)

**Admission:** \$5.00 - 15 and under free w/paid adult

**Dealer Tables:** \$10.00 Each (8 Foot)

- Set-up 7:00AM to 10:00AM (**Space is Limited**)

**For information: Contact:** Charles Malinowski

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**November 12, 2005 (Saturday) - Anderson IN**

**Anderson Train Show**

- National Guard Armory SR 9 north of 3rd Street

- Hours: 10AM - 3PM

- Adults \$3.00 - under 12 free w/paid adult

**Contact:** Sanford & Son Train Yard,

Suite G, 941 Golfview Dr.

Carmel IN 46032

**Ph:** 317-846-6651

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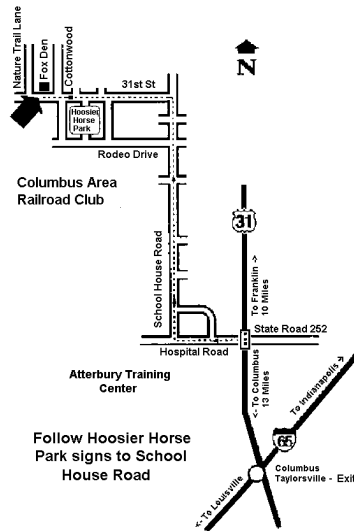


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Regular monthly meetings are the first Thursday at 7 p.m.

Memberships are available.



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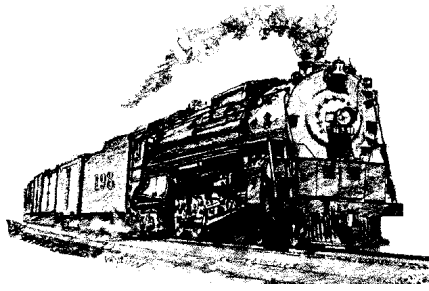
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# Central Indiana Division of the National Model Railroad Association presents the

## Model Railroad Month 'Model Railroad Meet' Saturday – November 12, 2005

**Location:** Carmel Clay Public Library  
55 4th Ave S.E., Carmel, IN 46032

**Time:** 10AM until 2PM

**Admission:** FREE

**What:** Operating Layouts, Clinics, and Displays

*Free!*  
**Train Set  
Given a way!!**

- Want to learn more about what we believe is the World's Greatest Hobby?
- Would you like to learn about KIT, our Kids In Trains 'Make and Take' clinic that we run at most of our Meets where the kids get to put together simple models with the help of a volunteer?
- Then come out to the Carmel Clay Public Library, see operating trains, take part in the clinics and talk model railroading with the model railroaders that you'll meet there!
- Already a model railroader? Come, join the fun sharing our hobby. Bring something to display & show!
- A Train Set will be given away FREE. The Train Set drawing will be open to any child that comes to the Carmel event age 5 and above. They need not be present to win.

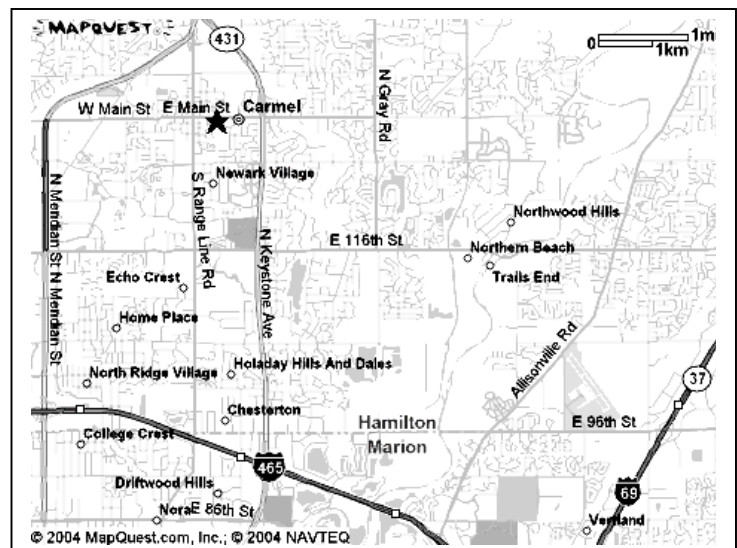
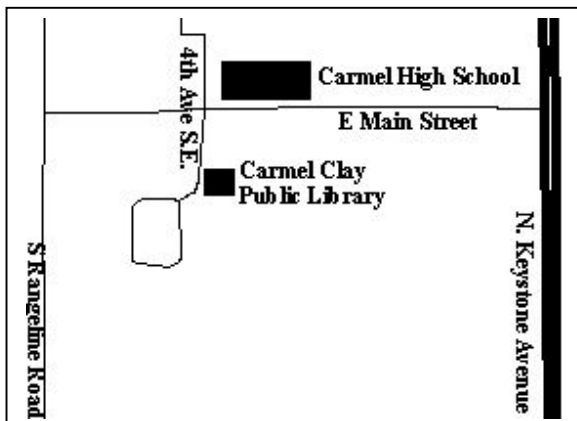
### Scheduled Activities

- Layouts, Displays and Favorite Train Contest
- On-going Scenery-layout construction
- Hobby for a Lifetime – 10:30
- Videos
- Bring and Brag/ Show and Tell

### For more information call:

Charles Malinowski 317-566-1748  
or visit: <http://cid.railfan.net/> for driving directions to the Carmel Clay Library

Next Show & Meet: January 29, 2006  
Hamilton County 4H Expo Center  
Noblesville IN - 10AM to 4 PM





**Notice:** The **CID KIT (Kids In Trains) Clinic** is the first clinic at Meets. It is the young modeler's 'Make and Take' Clinic where young modelers assemble a simple kit with the aid of **N.M.R.A.** members. The **CID** furnishes the kit and tools and the completed kit is theirs to take home.

**Bedford Meet  
By Bob Morrison**

The Bedford Meet marked the beginning of the Fifth year of the Kids In Trains program for the CID. The new year starts out with the addition of Charles Malinowski as Co-Chair for the KIT Program. Charles ran things for me at Danville last April and has been kind enough to jump in and become a regular part of the team.

We had 7 participants for KIT and today's project was to build a hopper car. The Bedford KIT kids were:

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|------------------------|--------------------|
| Gavin Abel Age 12      | Jake Ketcham Age 5 |
| Wyatt Campbell Age 9   | Sammy Mathis Age 6 |
| Jacob Dominique Age 6  | Zach Simanic Age 8 |
| Dietrich Hartzog Age 7 |                    |

Thank You to Charles and Al Kohut for their help with the kids and also thanks to Brian Lemmons for his donation of 13 car kits to the KIT Program.

Also, we announced the winner for the KIT Train set for our 2004 - 2005 KIT Participants. This past year's winner was Jacob Wright. Jacob was at KIT participant at Noblesville this past January. Congratulation Jacob.

The KIT project for the Noblesville meet in January will be structure kits.

*Bob Morrison*  
KIT Program Co-Chair

**Bedford Model Judging Report  
By Tom Cain**

**Favorite Refer Contest (Popular Vote)**

- 1st**    **Bob Morrison** – Columbus  
Rock Island Iced Refer – S  
Nicely weathered.
- Entry** **Frank Hermanek** - Indianapolis  
Maine Shellfish Iced Refer - HO  
Lots of Character in unusual paint scheme

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**Favorite Refer (continued)**

- Entry** **Tom Cain** - Indianapolis  
Santa Fe Iced Refer - HO  
CB&T kit with added parts

**Favorite Train (Popular Vote)**

- 1st**    **Tom Cain** – Indianapolis  
Santa Fe Reefer Train w/steam Berkshire loco  
and caboose - HO
- Entry** **Jim Craig** – N/A  
B&O local w/boxcars & caboose - HO
- Entry** **Bill Litkenhous** – Bedford  
L&N Troop Train w/Mikado loco. - HO

**Motive Power, Diesel**

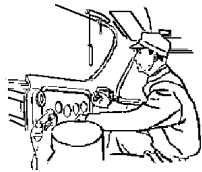
- Bronze** **Paul Henderson** – N/A  
Indiana Railroad #43 - 60pts  
BLI SD40-2 hand painted & decaled
- Bronze** **Paul Henderson** – N/A  
CSX #5573 Atlas Dash 8-40B - 73pts  
Hand painted & decaled. Added ditch lights &  
Strobe. Paul's new to CID judging and brought in  
some very nice models.

**Structures, On-Line**

- Silver** **Frank Hermanek** – Indianapolis  
All wood freight loading ramp - 78pts  
100% scratchbuilt Team Track ramp from wood  
stock Realistic finish, well constructed.
- Gold**    **Frank Hermanek** – Indianapolis  
20 tier Retaining Wall - 87.5pts  
Excellent example of a retaining wall. Displayed  
in scenery 100% scratchbuilt.
- Gold**    **Frank Hermanek** – Indianapolis  
Industrial Pillar Crane & Loading Dock - 100pts  
Scratchbuild dock with Alexander Scale Models  
Craftsman dock crane. Detailed parts & work.  
Included a photo of the exact crane. Frank is a  
regular entrant in CID model judging events.

## Super Sez

by Larry Gilbert



### Carmel Fun

When you are reading this it will be less than two months till Christmas. Where has this year gone, seems like only yesterday I was digging my Bermuda shorts out of the bottom of my closet. We now have our fall modeling season under way. The Bedford Meet is history and now we are heading to the Carmel Public Library for our Model Railroad Month meet. I hope to see you there, the library is handing out fliers so we should have a whole bunch of youngsters of all ages on hand. This is a fun meet to attend all fun and very little work so we can all visit all day, talk trains, watch model trains run and just sit back and enjoy everything.

With the new NMRA national guidelines we are under new management. Well, not new management but new rules and regulations. The new structure setup looks to be working very well, a less top heavy Organization should function much better but I am sure there are still a few bugs to be worked out. We are in the process of restructuring our Division rules and regulations and they will be ready for a vote at the Danville Meet. Be prepared to come to Danville and vote on them and while there you can get a fix for your model railroading needs .

*Your CID Super  
Larry*

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### Hobby Do's and Don'ts By Tom Cain

I enjoy model railroading in many ways but always with enthusiasm and a passion. I enjoy the modeling of trains, I enjoy seeing real trains in action and I enjoy reading about trains, in books, magazines and on the Internet. I know that many of you also share this passion for trains. We all take our trains very seriously and just as we take pride in our trains we also can be sensitive in what others might have to say about our hobby or about what we have accomplished. Recently, I observed a fellow in an Internet chat group ask for advice on how to fix a problem following a mistake he made. Instead of help, what he got was a verbal tongue lashing for making such a stupid mistake. I'm guessing that everyone who laid into him had made a similar mistake and it was just an opportunity to sound like they knew better. I'm going to suggest some do's and don'ts for us when we interact with our train friends.

#### When you are on the Internet:

**Don't:** "You knucklehead, you should never....."

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**Do:** "What I have tried is....." or, "I have seen some of my friends try this solution..."

**Don't:** "Why are you asking us this? Go buy the book on this subject!"

**Do:** "I just saw a similar project at this website....."

#### On a layout tour:

**Don't:** "You should have done....."

**Do:** "That is a neat idea, I would have never thought of doing that."

**Don't:** "No one does their layouts like this anymore."

**Do:** "What I wanted to accomplish on my layout was....."

If you can't think of anything that you like, say, "Thanks for inviting us to see your layout." Of course I will suggest that everyone should be saying that anyway to every host.

Remember each individual's layout is a major accomplishment and the result of many hours of work. We all might have different goals or objectives that we are trying to accomplish in the building of our layouts.

#### At the Hobby Shop

**Don't:** "I just bought the same locomotive on ebay for....."

**Do:** "Boy, I'm glad that you can order that special part that I need to finish one of my projects."

If you have other do's and don'ts send them to our Rusty Spike editor.

*Thomas Cain*

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### Bedford Photo Judging Report

By Mike Nicoletti

#### Color Print, Prototype

**Bronze Robert Byrd – N/A**

"Bump on my Nose" - 40pts

CSX Q686 at Bell crossing Vincennes IN.

**Bronze Robert Byrd – N/A**

"Just off the Assembly Line" - 58pts

CSX Q648 NB at old Terre Haute Rd  
Vincennes IN.

**Bronze Robert Byrd – N/A**

"BNSF Rainbow" - 45pts

CSX 687 in a Washington IN siding.

## **Katrina Donation Made by CID**

**By Tom Cain**

The Board of the Central Indiana Division proposed and approved a \$1,000 donation to the victims of the Katrina Hurricane disaster. Half of this amount was sent the American Red Cross and half was sent to the Salvation Army. Although the CID has its goal as the promotion of model railroading, it seemed appropriate to share its resources in this manner at this time.

Individual members of the CID are also encouraged to assist in whatever way they can. The financial resources of the CID are sound and this expenditure will not jeopardize any current or proposed activities of the CID.

*Tom Cain*

## **Columbus Area Railroad Club Meet**

**By Tom Cain**

I was at the Columbus Indiana Model Railroad Club meet on September 10, and want to say that they have a great show with a lot to share with their club building holding HO, N, S, and Garden Railway layouts. What a set up.

*Tom Cain*

**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**



**Here are the Pike Ads appearing on page 8**

**Northern Illinois & Southern Indiana**

**East Central Indiana**

**Buttercup Valley & Denver**

**Center Point Line**

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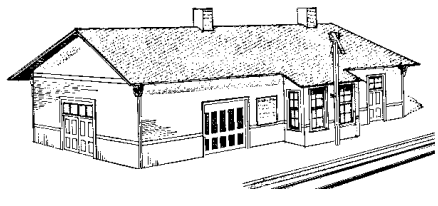
**Owen Thuriee & Weystead**

**En-Zee-Oh Lines**

**The Tinker Mountain Railroad**

**Midland & Great Western**

## The Depot



### Road Trip

Saturday of Labor Day Weekend, I accompanied Matt Hewitt to Kokomo where he was to give a Clinic/Class for the Midwestern Model Railroad Club at **The Train Exchange** hobby shop. It was a beautiful day for the trip and, of course, we managed to make a wrong turn but still arrived in plenty of time to set up and look over the shop before the start time. I did notice a large number of Athearn boxes on the shelves and will say that it was great seeing them.

Having been requested by the club to give a clinic on layouts and scenery, Matt was ready with something for both the novice and more advanced modeler. From taping the floor to get an idea of the overall layout to using large pieces of box cardboard to make templates of the track layout, before building framework, Matt covered many basics. After all, there is nothing worse than suddenly finding your turnout over a support when you're ready to install those Torty Slo-mo switch machines. Basic scenery techniques covered tools (don't borrow the spouse's blender), leaves, dirt, purchased products and more.

Then came the break and another chance to get out of the back room and into the store, look around and socialize a little. The second half saw Matt coloring foliage and planting it on the rock surface of his module. That was followed with trees and brush. If you thought that everyone was asleep during his presentation, wrong. The 16 club members present were on their feet to get a better view of his techniques and results. It was a great time! Matt had planned for an hour and a half presentation, but it ran to two and a half hours, WOW! And no one was complaining or leaving early!

Afterward, we were treated to supper at the local Golden Corral, something that we hadn't expected, where we spend a pleasant time talking hobby and trains to the three club members who were our hosts.

(Photos of the session may be found on the CID web site in the 2005-2006 photo album.)

*Roger*

## PULLING TEETH

By Bill Myers

CID Achievement Program Manager

I know how a dentist feels when he needs to extract teeth. He has to beg, coerce, plead and threaten to get participation. That is about what it is like being Achievement Program Manager for the Central Indiana Division. I am amazed at how many people with layouts, either completed, or near completion, want to share them with others, but don't want recognition through the Achievement Program for their efforts.

I am amazed also to see how many super layouts don't have a Golden Spike Certificate hanging over them. I am also amazed at seeing buildings, track work, total layouts that have never been judged for scenery and other Achievement Program categories. I was not surprised this summer when National dropped our layouts from the tour because of a lack of participation. You know why? Only one or two of the layouts had ever been publicized nationally, or even in the region, by photos, articles, or participation the national AP program.

Like the dentist, I have pleaded, coerced, everything but threatened, but our participation in the CID is about the lowest in the region, and yet, we have some terrific examples of excellent model railroading. We have people developing and presenting excellent clinics, but they never document them and apply them toward achievement program certificates. How do you think some of the nationally known clinicians get to be nationally known? They aren't any better than you are, except for a couple of things, they toot their own horns. How do certain layouts become nationally recognized? Not through newspapers or local or national TV, they write articles, take pictures, and submit them.

If we are really thinking about having a national convention here in the future, now is the time to have your layouts and efforts recognized and touted nationally. Let's get with it, you are good, I know it, you know it, and I will help you do something about it. Quit fighting the dentist!

*Bill Myers*

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