

# Susquehanna Sidetracks

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## Fall '96 Meet Wrap Up

by Wm. Terry Nesbit, Supt.

On the 16th of November, the Susquehanna Division 11 had 25 individuals attend the Fall Mini-Meet in York, PA at the Miniature Railroad Club of York. There was a frost in the early hours of the morning but the weather cooperated and warmed up to the mid-fifties by lunch time.

Four clinics were given at this mini-meet. They were given by Wm. Terry Nesbit on: the Board of Directors of the NMRA voting for the need for all members of the regions and divisions to be 100% members of the NMRA, Inc.; the progress of the All-Scale Modular Committee at their meetings in September and November; the changes to the division's charter, e.g. to bring it up to date with both the MER and the NMRA by-laws; and the Cub and Boy Scout Merit Badge program as presented by Alan Frame.

The Model Contest had six HO scale entries. One for Favorite Train and five for Merit Judging. Three were entered in the "Diesel and other" category: an SD-40 Western Maryland #7495, 72 points; a GP-35 Moose Valley #127, 72 points; and a PRR E8 #5700, 44 points. One entry in "Passenger Cars": a DW&L Combine, 51 points and one entry in "Structure": a coaling tower, 78 points.

Two cars were raffled off and Paul Tice, our Chief Clerk, garnered one of them. He donated the car back to the division. Thank you, Paul!

The Susquehanna Division 11 thanks the Miniature Railroad Club of York for permitting us to use their facilities for this mini-meet.

## The Great American Train Show

by Jim Atkinson

Harrisburg, December 14 and 15, 1996. The Susquehanna Division was well represented at the GATS. Our table was manned by Terry Nesbit, our Superintendent, and myself, Jim Atkinson, for the full two days of the show. We had assistance from John Long and David Bailey on Saturday and Jack Kennedy on Sunday. Gentleman, thank you for your help. We (cont'd page 3, GATS)

## Coming Events

**March 9, 1997:** York-Hanover Train Meet. Porters Fire Hall, Porters, PA, 9 am to 2 pm. Info: 717-632-3157

**April 6, 1997:** Annual Hanover, PA Train & Toy Show. Parkville Fire Hall, Route 94 (Baltimore Street, 1 block north of Hardee's), Hanover, PA. Doors open at 9am. Info: 717-235-5167

**May 10, 1997:** Susquehanna Division 11 Spring Mini-Meet. Lower Anthracite Model Railroad Club, 2nd floor of the Community Center, Shamokin, PA.

**May 23-25, 1997:** Mid-Eastern Region Spring Convention. Land O' Sky Railfest '97, Joint Southeastern/Mid-Eastern Convention, Asheville, NC.

**June 15, 1997:** York-Hanover Train Meet, Porters Fire Hall, Porters, PA, 9am to 2 pm. Info: 717-632-3157

**July 27 to August 2, 1997:** NMRA National Convention, Madison, WI.

**August 9, 1997:** Susquehanna Division 11 Summer Mini-Meet, Nittany Valley Model Railroad Club, Bellefonte, PA and the Clinton Central Model Railroad Club, Castanea, PA.

**September 14, 1997:** York-Hanover Train meet, Porters Fire Hall, Porters, PA, 9 am to 2pm. Info: 717-632-3157

**November 6-8, 1997:** Mid-Eastern Region Fall Convention, Paoli, PA

**November 22, 1997:** First Annual Susquehanna Division 11 Modular Meet, Zembo Temple, Harrisburg, PA.

**November 26, 1997:** Conewago Valley Model Railroad Club Annual Auction, New Oxford Fire Hall, New Oxford, PA 7 pm until ?

**December 7, 1997:** York-Hanover Train Meet, Porters Fire Hall, Porters, PA, 9 am to 2 pm. Info: 717-632-3157

**December 27, 1997:** Susquehanna Division 11 Modular Show, Hershey Medical Center's Children's Hospital Ward. (Open only to children at the hospital and members with modules to setup).

Do you have an event that you would like to have posted here? Just send a note to Don Yingling at least 90 days prior to the event for publication in Coming Events column. Don, Ed.

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## Super's Corner

1996 was the last gasp for several hobby shops within the Susquehanna Division's geographical area. Gone are several well known establishments: Paul's and Amro Ltd. of New Oxford, in business for over 40 years; The Crossing of Lancaster; Keystone Hobbies of Lemoyne, formerly known as Vince's Hobby Shop of Harrisburg for 37 years and Hobbies 2000, formerly of the Union Square Plaza on the east side of Harrisburg for 5 years.

Also gone is the model railroad layout which was located at Penn State University. This layout was last open to the public in October of 1996. The University is expanding the size of the building and the layout is now a memory captured in our hearts and minds or on film.

This issue of the *Susquehanna Sidetracks* contains a voting ballot for our divisional logo. Only Regular members of the division are eligible to vote on any Susquehanna Division matters. Subscribers will have a red line drawn through their voting ballot. This voids the ballot for voting on a divisional logo.

1997 will be a challenging year for the members of Susquehanna Division 11, MER, NMRA, Inc. We will be embarking on several new and unique programs designed to educate the members at large and the general public about the various aspects of model railroading.

Our division chairpersons will need volunteers to accomplish their educational efforts. Volunteers are needed who have skills to share and instruct others in their skill areas. Enclosed in this issue is a "Volunteer Skills Survey". I am asking all of my Regular members and Subscribers to, "Please take the time to fill out the survey and return it to the address listed." All surveys returned will be put into a pool for a drawing. The four (4) prizes are: (1 each) one year regular member dues paid to the NMRA and (3 each) White Rose coffee Cup/Hat combinations. Winners will be listed in the April issue of *Susquehanna Sidetracks*.

Watch out for those trains and have a rail fun day...

### Membership Thermometer

**Current Membership 1/20/97: 98**

#### New Members:

Andy Albright, Lancaster, PA

Richard Schetroma, Coal Township, PA

Gary E. Heiland, York, PA

Bernard G. Kebil, Littlestown, PA

Carl Romberger, Millersburg, PA

David Buchanan, Camp Hill, PA

#### Renewals:

Brian C. Brandt, Lancaster, PA

Bill Busch, Mount Joy, PA

Mike Caum, Schrewsbury, PA

Robert W. Charles, Camp Hill, PA

James Geltrude, Baltimore, MD

Robert Glatfelter, York, PA

Jeremy S. Griffith, Terre Hill, PA

Bruce Guinn, New Holland, PA

Brian Hollinger, New Holland, PA

Brian Kampschroer, Mechanicsburg, PA

Robert E. Keyser, Dauphin, PA

Paul Kimmey, Jr., Harrisburg, PA

Eric S. Kline, Lancaster, PA

Joseph Krepps, York, PA

## Editor's Notes

I am sitting here at the computer punching keys at 1 o'clock in the morning while the wind chill outside is a balmy minus 18 degrees. Yes, it is the middle of January of a new year. New horizons to look over and new Division 11 events to look forward to. Our dedicated crew is working on the module frames while other committees and the Executive board is figuring out the details for the charter changes and future mini-meets. The membership committee has come up with one incentive: for anyone renewing dues or paying them for the first time, you can receive either a White Rose '95 coffee mug or a White Rose '95 cap. The catch is that you have to pick it up at the next Division 11 event you attend. Of course this policy is in effect only while supplies last. When they are gone, "We ain't got no more." In other words, it's first come, first served.

On December 15, 1997, I manned the Division 11 table at the Pennsylvania Rails Train Show in York, PA. We sold 3 box car kits and one T-shirt and had many a conversation along the way. As I talked to people and explained to them what we are all about, along with the region and national, I know there were many facts I thought of after-the-fact and some people were informed of these while I forgot what facts I told others. I came up with an idea while sitting there: a special edition of the Sidetracks that explains all about the NMRA, MER and Division 11. It will be a handout at all the meets and shows we attend. It will also include the membership applications. So in the very near future I will be working on this project.

As you may have noticed by the banner at the top of page 1, I got a new toy from Santa, a color printer. So from time to time, as conditions permit, I might be able to slip in a little color.

Here on Heather Road, the York, Hanover, and Frederick Railroad move is well under way. The new room has the backdrop up but not painted. The old "layout" is almost down with only the staging yard and York yard still standing. Now I have to get that room emptied so I can get the stuff out of the garage in to that room. Pat and I hate scraping stuff off the windshields in the mornings. Hopefully by next issue the new benchwork will be up and I will still be trying to figure out what to do with all the stuff I got out of the other room. Argh! Sometimes I think that I could write a book!

Anyway... stay warm and have fun running those trains.

*Don, Editor*

## Changes to Susquehanna Division 11 Charter

*by Wm. Terry Nesbit, Superintendent*

Our Charter, which was drafted in September 1986, was recently found in October 1996, and published in the November 1996 *Susquehanna Sidetracks, Volume 4, Issue 4*, is in need of changes, additions and/or deletions in order to bring the Charter in line with the Mid-Eastern Region (MER) by-laws and/or the National Model Railroad Association (NMRA), Inc. by-laws. Both the MER and the NMRA have undergone significant changes over the course of the past 10 years. It is therefore necessary to change our Charter to reflect these changes. The following contains the suggested changes to our Charter. The changes are in bold type face.

At the Spring Mini-Meet in Shamokin, PA, the changes and amendments to the Charter will be voted upon by the Regular Members of the Susquehanna Division 11, MER, NMRA, Inc.

*(The Charter is printed on pages 5 through 8, Ed.)*

### GATS *(from page 1)*

distributed over 100 Division 11-MER-NMRA applications to interested parties and should secure some new members as a result. We sold a few box car kits as well but had poor results with the tee-shirts and mugs. Terry had some railroad lanterns there and they evoked many interesting comments and conversations.

The show itself was interesting with about 100 vendors selling a wide range of model railroad items in all scales plus prototype items, tee-shirts, model die cast, etc. as well. There were several notable modular layouts on Lionel, HO, and N scale that drew continuous large crowds. Quite a few historical societies were there too. It added up to an interesting show.

I enjoyed the time browsing the tables and having stimulating conversations with many people. In this hobby we get enjoyment from our individual modeling efforts but we can add so much to that from meeting and talking with other modelers.

I am glad I put in the two days at the train show for our division. Next time you should join us. I want to thank the GATS organization for the free table space as well.

### Thermometer, Renewals

John Long, Camp Hill, PA

Bob Martin, York, PA

Linn Moedinger, Strasburg, PA

Clarence Nissley, Palmyra, PA

Thomas A. Ryan, Jr., State College, PA

Gale W. Smith, Kempton, PA

William Standt, Wernersville, PA

Paul F. Tice, Thomasville, PA

William J. Trotman, Camp Hill, PA

Paul Vandermeer, Williamsport, PA

Fred Vealey, New Oxford, PA

Anthony S. Wasilewski, Elysburg, PA

David E. Weaver, New Holland, PA

## Nominations for a Director-at-Large

by Wm. Terry Nesbit, Superintendent

The Susquehanna Division 11 is in need of a Director-at-Large, starting in 1997. This elected position is for a three (3) year term. Directors-at-Large are described in the changes to our Charter found elsewhere in the issue of the *Susquehanna Sidetracks*.

Any current Regular Member, who has held and successfully completed an elected position at any one (1) of the following organizations may be nominated for a Director-at-Large of the Susquehanna Division 11: the NMRA, Inc.; the NMRA of Canada; any NMRA region; any NMRA division; any 100% NMRA registered model railroad club and/or Special Interest Group (SIG).

Your nomination should include two (2) shoulders-up photographs and a short biosketch, not to exceed 250 words, describing your background in the hobby of Model Railroading, previous office(s) held, and your feelings on how you believe you can be an asset to the Susquehanna Division 11. This biosketch will be published, along with your photo, in the April issue of the *Susquehanna Sidetracks*. Nominations must be postmarked by February 28, 1997. All nominations should be sent to: Director-at-Large, P.O. Box 3081, Shiremanstown, PA 17011-3081.

Election of this position shall take place in May 1997 at the Spring Mini-Meet held in Shamokin, PA.

## Model in a Minute

by Bob Glatfelter

Cars running up and down your streets are boring, so lets stop a few. Right out in the middle of one of your busy streets, lets open a manhole. The average manhole is 30" to 48" across. Most are 36". If you are model in HO you are in luck because manhole covers can be purchased by the half dozen at your hobby shop. Otherwise you must make your own. Metal knockouts from electrical boxes are good, or you can make them out of card stock, etc. I model in G Scale so I use 1" knockouts from electrical boxes and cut 1" conduit for access

rings.

Now comes the good part. After you have settled on a cover size, you need a hole. Using a drill of the proper size, drill a hole right there in the street were everybody can see it and where the most traffic can be stopped. Lay the cover near the hole, erect barricades, park a service truck and block traffic. It's amazing how much traffic you can block up with one cover.

If you want to spend some more time on this, you can add detail such as putting a ladder down the hole with a man on it. Use flags and/or lights and add detail in the hole. Building an underground viewing area is another one of the things you could add to the scene.

## SUSQUEHANNA DIVISION 11 1997 EVENT CALENDAR

**FEBRUARY 1: MODULAR CLINIC "A".** Base construction and quality control standards.

**Keystone Model Railroad Historical Society, Inc., 833 West Trindle Road, Mechanicsburg, PA. (717) 691-8033 10 am to 2 pm**

**MARCH 1: MODULAR CLINIC "B".** Basic electrical and trouble-free track work.

**Short Line Model Railroad Club, 11 South State Street, Rear, Ephrata, PA (Mr Linn Brune, 717-336-3832) 10 am to 2:30 pm**

**MARCH 15: MODULAR CONSTRUCTION DAY.** Cut all parts.

**Call All-Scale Module Chairperson.**

**MARCH 29: MODULAR CLINIC "C".** Basic scenery support, castings, and painting. Open home layouts after 2 pm, map at the clinic site.

**Conewago Valley Model Railroad Club, 200 Lincolnway West, New Oxford, PA, at the Western Maryland Station, 10 am to 2 pm.**

*(Cont'd on page 11)*

CHARTER FOR THE SUSQUEHANNA DIVISION #11  
OF THE  
MID-EASTERN REGION, NATIONAL MODEL RAILROAD ASSOCIATION, INC.

**ARTICLE I- Preamble:**

The Susquehanna Division #11 of the Mid-Eastern Region (MER) of the National Model Railroad Association, Inc. (NMRA), serves to promote the hobby of model railroading through educational, historical and social activities in accordance with the policies and actions of the MER, NMRA, Inc. The Susquehanna Division #11, shall include the area in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania bounded in the East by the Philadelphia Division, in the South by the South Mountain Division, in the West by the Mid-Central Region, in the North by the Niagara Frontier Region and the Northeast Region. (11/96)

**ARTICLE II - Membership:**

**Section 1:** Membership in the Susquehanna Division #11, shall be given upon receipt of a completed application containing their current MER and NMRA, Inc. membership numbers and yearly dues. Membership may be terminated upon written resignation, non-payment of dues, or by two-thirds vote of the entire membership. Membership is open to any person regardless of geographical location in two categories:

**Regular membership** ... Must be a member in good standing of both the MER and the NMRA, Inc.;

**Subscriber** ..... Open to any person or organization who does not choose or does not qualify for Regular membership. (11/96)

**Section 2:** A Regular member may vote and hold an elected office and/or be appointed to any Committee, and is entitled to other member benefits of the Susquehanna Division #11, MER, and NMRA, Inc. (11/96)

**Section 3:** The Susquehanna Division #11, does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, gender, national, or ethnic origin. (11/96)

**Section 4:** A Subscriber may neither vote nor hold an elected office or be appointed to any Committee. A Subscriber, is not a member of Susquehanna Division #11, MER, NMRA, Inc., a subscriber is only "subscribing" to the division's Newsletter titled "Susquehanna Sidetracks"; and are subject to a registration fee at each and/or every scheduled Susquehanna Division #11, divisional function(s). (11/96)

**ARTICLE III - Elected Officers:**

**Section 1: Officers:** There are three officers of the Susquehanna Division #11: Superintendent, Assistant Superintendent, and Chief Clerk. They shall be elected for two (2) year terms in the Spring of even-numbered years. The Superintendent will assume the duties of a President and the Chairman of the Board of Directors; the Assistant Superintendent will assume the duties of a vice-president and a Director; and the Chief Clerk will assume the duties of a Secretary-Treasurer and a Director. All officers must be members in good standing of the NMRA, Inc., the MER, and the Susquehanna Division #11. (11/96)

**Section 2: Directors at Large:** The Board of Directors of the Susquehanna Division #11, MER, NMRA, Inc. shall consist of the Superintendent, Assistant Superintendent, Chief Clerk, and no more than four (4) Directors at Large. Director's at Large, must be members in good standing of the NMRA, Inc., the MER, and the Susquehanna Division #11. These Directors shall be elected for three (3) year terms. One Director shall be elected each year, the election is to be held at the Spring meeting. Directors, must have satisfactorily completed an elected office position at any one (1) of the following: the NMRA, Inc.; the NMRA of Canada, Inc.; any NMRA Region; any NMRA Regional Division; and/or any 100% NMRA registered Model Railroad Club, or Special Interest Group (SIG). Directors shall assume whatever duties as may be assigned to each by the Superintendent; shall be responsible for the activities of the Standing Committees assigned to them by the Superintendent; and shall present a consolidated report of their activities in writing at the General Business meeting; and an annual written report of their activities is to be submitted to the Superintendent no later than the 15th of June of any given year. The Director(s) annual written report, shall become part of the Superintendent's annual fiscal report dated 30 June to the divisional members and to the Vice-President of the MER, NMRA, Inc. by 30 August of each year. (11/96)

**ARTICLE IV - Conduct and Practices:**

**Section 1:** There shall be one general business meeting each year in the Spring. Business shall be conducted in accordance with Robert's Rules of Order, the MER by-laws, this Charter and any by-laws adopted subsequent to this Charter. Each year, by the end of August, the Division Superintendent shall submit a written report on the state of the Susquehanna Division #11, to the vice-president of the MER, NMRA, Inc. and shall make the report available to all members in the division's Newsletter. (11/96)

**Section 2:** The officers, directors at large, and any committees they may appoint shall do their utmost to arrange and present to the members and the general public, programs and activities that foster the hobby of model railroading. They shall work cooperatively with other divisions of the MER, with the MER and the NMRA, Inc., including the model railroad clubs and/or other railroad related Special Interest Groups (SIG) in the geographical area of the Susquehanna Division #11 in planning model railroad activities. (11/96)

**Section 3:** The Division Board of Directors may establish dues to cover administrative expenses and member benefits, dues not to exceed one-half of the dues of the MER, NMRA, Inc. Subscribers and Regular members shall pay the same dues. (11/96)

**Section 4:** A nominal registration fee for all persons who are not members shall be collected for all divisional functions. This registration fee shall be in one (1) of two (2) formats:

A non-member, who is a Subscriber, shall pay a sum, not to exceed \$1.00.

A non-member, who is not a Subscriber, shall pay a sum equal to the current annual dues, plus a sum not to exceed \$1.00. (11/96)

**Section 5:** The Susquehanna Division #11, shall operate on a Fiscal year beginning on 1 July and ending on 30 June of any given year. (11/96)

**Section 6:** The Superintendent shall hold the collateral duties of Chairman of the Board of Directors, of the Susquehanna Division #11, MER, NMRA, Inc.; and either the Superintendent or their designated representative, holding a written proxy, shall attend at least one (1) MER Board meeting per fiscal year. (11/96)

**Section 7:** The Chief Clerk, who is both the Secretary and Treasurer, shall be Bonded, in regard to their activities as the divisional Treasurer. This Bond shall cover any and/or all properties and monies held, by the Treasurer, in trust for the members of Susquehanna Division #11. (11/96)

**Section 8:** The Board of Directors, five of whom shall constitute a quorum, shall hold the legal title of all property and monies of the Susquehanna Division #11, MER, NMRA, Inc., in trust for its members. They shall establish a yearly budget in concert with necessary committee chairpersons in order to direct the Treasurer's payments. There shall be at least three (3) Board of Directors meetings in any fiscal year. These director meetings, shall take place prior to any divisional meeting when any scheduled new and/or changes to any member benefits are to be discussed and/or regular member voting is to take place. (11/96)

**Section 9:** No officer, director at large, and/or committee person shall receive any compensation or gratuities for their services to or on behalf of the division activities. At the direction of the Board of Directors, reimbursement for incidentals, when incurred for "Official", Susquehanna Division #11 business may be authorized. (11/96)

**Section 10:** Nominations for an elected office position may be made by one (1) of two (2) methods: a written submission, including two (2) shoulders up photographs, from any regular member in good standing to the nominating committee; and/or by the nominating committee, made of three (3) regular member's in good standing of the Susquehanna Division #11, MER, NMRA, Inc., who are selected by the Board of Directors. Nominations are to be published in the division's Newsletter, at least four (4) months prior to the election, which includes a photograph of the individual and a short biosketch, not to exceed 250 words. (11/96)

**Section 11:** Voting shall be by secret ballot, of the Regular members present, in good standing with the Susquehanna Division #11, MER, and NMRA, Inc. A quorum shall consist of at least: the Superintendent or an individual holding a written proxy to be the Superintendent's designated representative and six (6) Regular members. Elected positions will be filled by a simple plurality vote. (11/96)

**Section 12:** This Charter may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the regular membership, at any scheduled divisional meeting. The amendment(s) to this Charter, must be published in the divisional Newsletter at least four (4) months prior to any vote. The amendment to take effect after approval by the MER, NMRA, Inc. (11/96)

Issued: 26 September 1986  
Proposed Revision: 20 November 1996  
Revised:

**Susquehanna Division #11, Logo Contest Voting Ballot**  
 by Wm. Terry Nesbit, Superintendent

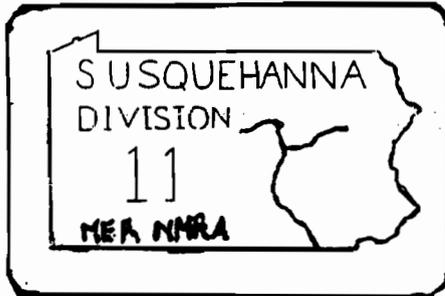
The following logo's were presented to the Susquehanna Division #11 in the Logo Contest which closed on 31 August 1996. These logo's were published in the November 1996 issue of the *Susquehanna Sidetracks*. Several of our member's have talked to your Superintendent, since their publishing, and have suggested an additional logo. This additional logo consists of using the design of logo #2 and its colors and adding the division outline and phrase "Serving the Susquehanna Valley, MER. NMRA" of logo #3. This logo will be known as #4, on this voting ballot. All Ballots must be post marked by 28 February 1997.

Logo #1:



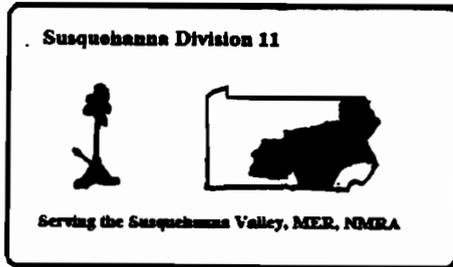
Lettring in Red; background White; circle, wheel, coupler in Blue.

Logo #2:



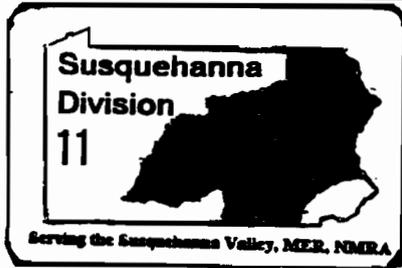
Lettring, river and outline of logo in Blue; background White; and outline of State in Red.

Logo #3:



Lettring and Division area in Blue; background Yellow; and Switch mast, outline of logo, outline of State in Red.

Logo #4:



Lettring, outline of logo, and Division area in Blue; background White; and outline of State in Red.

Vote for one: Logo #1 [ ] ; Logo #2 [ ] ; Logo #3 [ ] ; Logo #4 [ ] .

Results will be published in the April issue of "*Susquehanna Sidetracks*".  
 Mail to: Logo Contest, P.O. Box 3081, Shiremanstown, PA 17011-3081

**VOLUNTEER SKILLS SURVEY**

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**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_.

**Susquehanna Division #** \_\_\_\_\_ **MER #** \_\_\_\_\_ **NMRA #** \_\_\_\_\_.

**if you are a member of other railroad related organization(s) please list them:**

\_\_\_\_\_.

**My scale is: Z [ ] ; N [ ] ; HO [ ] ; HOn3 [ ] ; S [ ] ; Sn3 [ ] ; O [ ] ; On3 [ ] ; G [ ] ; other [ ] , please describe:**

**Check the block for the skills or knowledge's you have: Layout Design [ ] ; Layout Building [ ] ; I have a Computer [ ] ; I have access to a Computer [ ] ; I like to write articles of instruction [ ] ; I do not like to write articles [ ] ; I can follow plans and specifications [ ] ; I can read electrical schematics [ ] ; I know how to use wood working tools and power equipment [ ] ; I can cut wood accurately [ ] ; I can use a soldering iron [ ] ; I can see colors and color coded materials [ ] ; I like to work with my hands [ ] ; I like to build things [ ] ; I enjoy working with other adults [ ] ; I would like too help with a Cub Scout Achievement program [ ] ; I would like too help with a Boy Scout or Explorer Scout program [ ] ; I know how to use an airbrush [ ] ; I would like to know how to make rock castings [ ] ; I would like to know how to build wood structures [ ] ; I would like to know how to build plastic structures [ ] ; I would like to know how to kit bash wood or plastic models [ ] ; I know how to weather models in a prototypical fashion [ ] ; I am able to use chawks to proto typically weather motive power [ ] , rolling stock [ ] , structures [ ] , or scenery [ ] ; I am interested in building modules [ ] ; I know how to check my rolling stock and motive power to the NMRA operational standards [ ] ; I would like to be part of the All-Scale Modular Committee [ ] ; I would like to be part of the Quality Standards group who Certifies a completed Module, to the Susquehanna Division #11 Standards [ ] ; I would like to have and complete my own module [ ] ; I would like to attend Clinics on how to complete my module [ ] ; I think it is a good idea to have a contract between the member and the division in order to receive a free module base [ ] ; I think it is a good idea, for the division to give away module bases to Regular members [ ] ; I think the division should charge a fee for the modular bases, instead of having them as a member benefit [ ] ; I do not think it is a good idea to give away module bases to regular members as a member benefit [ ] ; I want to learn more about model railroading [ ] , please describe:**

\_\_\_\_\_.

**Send to: VS Survey, P.O. Box 3081, Shiremanstown, PA 17011-3081**

## Division 11 Events *(Cont'd from Page 4)*

**APRIL 19:** MODULAR CLINIC "D". Making ground foam scenery materials, water, and trees. OPEN HOME LAYOUTS IN LANCASTER AREA.

Call All-Scale Module Chairperson.

**APRIL 26:** MODULAR CONSTRUCTION DAY. Assembly of parts and wiring.

Call All-Scale Module Chairperson.

**MAY 10:** DIVISION 11 SPRING MINI-MEET AT SHAMOKIN, Lower Anthracite Model Railroad Club. 2nd floor of the Community Center. . Largest model railroad club in Pennsylvania, 3475 sq. ft., 100% scened. To be featured in a future issue of Model Railroader magazine. **DIRECTOR ELECTIONS, CLINICS, AND MODULAR CLINIC "E"**. Structure building and prototype weathering. 9 am to 3 pm.

**MAY 23-25:** MER SPRING '97 CONVENTION IN ASHEVILLE, NC.

**JUNE 28:** MODULAR CLINIC "F". Scenery and ballast application.

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**JULY 19:** MODULAR CLINIC "A" OR "B".

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**JULY 27 - AUG 2:** NMRA NATIONAL CONVENTION IN MADISON, WI.

**AUGUST 9:** DIVISION 11 SUMMER MINI-MEET AT BELLEFONTE AND AT LOCKHAVEN MODEL RAILROAD CLUBS. MODULAR CLINIC "C" AND "D". In the morning see the Nittany Valley Model Railroad Club in full operation and after lunch the meeting and clinics will be at the Clinton Central Model Railroad Club, inside a former New Central Railroad Station, located at 15 Logan Avenue, Castanea, PA. Modular Clinic, repeat of "C", basic scenery support, castings and painting and "D", making ground foam scenery materials, water and trees. **Bellefonte and Lockhaven, PA**

**SEPTEMBER 27:** MODULAR CLINIC "E" OR "F".

Ma & Pa Historical Preservation Society, Delta PA, 10 am to 2 pm.

**OCTOBER 25:** MODULAR CLINIC TO CHECK QUALITY STANDARDS OF ALL OPERATING EQUIPMENT AND INDIVIDUAL MODULES NOT CERTIFIED for the Division Module Show.

Call All-Scale Modular Chairperson.

**NOVEMBER 7-9:** MER FALL CONVENTION IN PAOLI, PA.

**NOVEMBER 22:** FIRST ANNUAL SUSQUEHANNA DIVISION 11 MODULAR MEET IN HARRISBURG AT THE ZEMBO TEMPLE. Open to the public for an entrance fee and no charge to Division 11 members. See various local modular layouts in operation. 9:30 am to 4 pm. (set-up time 6am to 9:30 am... take down time 4 pm to 6 pm)

**NOVEMBER 26:** CONEWAGO VALLEY MODEL RAILROAD CLUB AUCTION AT NEW OXFORD. The Division has a table and 2 or 3 volunteers are needed from 6:30pm to 11pm.

**DECEMBER 6:** MODULAR CONSTRUCTION DAY. Cut all parts

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**DECEMBER 14:** PENNSYLVANIA RAILS TRAIN SHOW AT THE YORK FAIR GROUNDS, MEMORIAL HALL. The Division has a table and 2 volunteers are needed to help out Don Yingling from 9am to 3pm.

**DECEMBER 27:** MODULAR SHOW AT THE HERSHEY MEDICAL CENTER'S CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL WARD. (Not open to the public or other division members, just children at the hospital).

# Susquehanna Division 11 Membership Application

*Mid-Eastern Region, National Model Railroad Association, Inc.*

The Susquehanna Division is located in the central portion of Pennsylvania. Counties covered are: Adams, Berks, Blair, Cambria, Carbon, Centre, Clinton, Columbia, Cumberland, Dauphin, Huntingdon, Juniata, Lackawanna, Lancaster, Lebanon, Lycoming, Lehigh, Luzerne, Lycoming, Mifflin, Monroe, Montour, Northumberland, Perry, Pike, Schuylkill, Sullivan, Susquehanna, Snyder, Union, Wayne, Wyoming, and York. Anyone interested in the hobby may become a member of the Division regardless of their place of residence. A **Regular Member** must be a member in good standing of both the MER and the NMRA and must provide the MER and NMRA membership numbers to Division 11 for verification. All others may become a **Subscriber** of the Division 11 newsletter only. Annual dues for the Susquehanna Division are **\$2.00** which includes the quarterly newsletter. Among the activities of the Division are the semi-annual mini-conventions held in the spring and fall. A quarterly newsletter, the *Susquehanna Sidetracks*, is published with the Division schedule of events and other model railroad news.

Type of application: New  Renewal  Change of Address

Primary Scale:  Layout?  Interests: Modules  Narrow Gauge  Traction  SIG

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ NMRA# \_\_\_\_\_ MER# \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: H (  ) \_\_\_\_\_ W (  ) \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail Addr: \_\_\_\_\_

Return completed application, with a check payable to: **Susquehanna Division**, 1709 West Market Street, York, PA 17404