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## From the Superintendent's Desk

A very Happy and Healthy 2013 to you and your families! Your Division Board of Directors (BOD) is heavily involved in planning several events for this year. Although few firm dates are set at this time the following describes what we want to accomplish this year.

An early Feb meeting is planned with several members in what I'll call our Western Branch – the Johnstown, Altoona, and State College area. The purpose - meet several members who have expressed interest in holding more events in their area and selecting tentative dates and locations for the first event. If you are interested in participating in this planning meeting please drop me an email or call. Look for the results of that meeting in our March Sidetracks.

In the January–June time period we want to hold at least 2 events - one in what I'll call the Central Branch area of Harrisburg, York, Lancaster, Gettysburg and another in our Eastern Branch area that includes Reading, Allentown, Bethlehem, Easton, and Wilkes-Barre/Scranton. We are working on selecting a large meeting room that will allow us to host

multiple morning clinics in the Central Branch area followed by several afternoon club and home open houses. Where we really need help is building quality events in our Eastern Branch, so please offer some ideas and your willingness to help put together such a program. And please realize these areas are flexible - there is nothing wrong with holding events in each area if we have the local interest and members willing to make it happen.

In May you will receive your Sidetracks Division Directors voting issue. Per our by-laws, every odd year we elect 3 Directors. Now is the time to start seriously considering joining your management team and help shape your future programs. In the past it was stated that we, the BOD, conduct all our business via email and it was not necessary for BOD members to attend Division events. That statement no longer applies. First, we will hold at least 2 in-person BOD meetings each year and continue handling routine business by email. Second, all Division members, and

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## Schedules

### NMRA National Convention

Atlanta, GA  
July 14<sup>th</sup> to July 20<sup>th</sup>, 2013

### LSOP-5

October 4<sup>th</sup> to October 5<sup>th</sup>, 2013

### MER Convention

Rockville, MD  
October 10<sup>th</sup> to October 13<sup>th</sup>, 2013

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especially BOD members, should attend Division events. Also, starting with the new BOD elected in July, each BOD member will be assigned at least 1 additional duty; i.e. Committee Chairman, Event Manager, Special Project Chairman, etc. And finally, each BOD member will be expected to submit at least 2 Sidetracks articles each year with emphasis on those happenings in their assigned additional duty. So I ask each of you to seriously consider running for office. I've received lots of emails asking for more events throughout our 33-county territory so join us and help make it so. And this definitely applies to members in our outer areas – we need and welcome your participation, help, and ideas.

During the July–December period we will look at both tried and proven events as well as some new opportunities. For example, we will sponsor again this year those Sep Mainline Hobby Supply of Blue Ridge Summit layout open houses that are located in our Division territory. Also, start planning now to attend our reservations only October 4 & 5 LSOP 5 weekend operating extravaganza. As our LSOP-5 project manager Assistant Superintendent Wayne Betty stresses it's never too early to sign up for this event. Also this fall we have committed to sponsoring most all of the layout open houses scheduled during the Nov Model Railroad Month event that is managed by members Charles Kadyk and Jerry

Britton. Until this year those layouts were located pretty much east of US 222. However, if any you or other modeler friends would like to include your layout in this event please let me know by email or phone and I'll pass your desires to Charles and Jerry. National Model Railroad Month is a great time to share your craftsmanship with fellow modelers throughout our wide reaching territory.

Later this year will be a great opportunity for you, your family, and fellow modelers to attend any one of the many NMRA conventions held around the country. The 2 big ones, which are relatively close to our area, are the National NMRA Convention and Train Show scheduled for July 14-20, in Atlanta GA. Later in the fall our Mid-Eastern Region (MER) will host their Rockville Express Convention close by in Rockville, MD over the Columbus Day weekend, October 10-13. During my working years I traveled extensively and made it a point to attend many national, regional, and division conventions – they certainly made the rigors of travel more enjoyable and I made many new friends. Here's a suggestion - include a convention visit if one is near, enroute to or from, or where you and your family are heading on vacation. So how do you find out when and where all these great model railroad conventions are held? Simply go to [www.nmra.org/convention/regional.html](http://www.nmra.org/convention/regional.html). And if you attend consider taking several pictures and writing a Sidetracks article

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about your experiences. Model Railroad Conventions are great events, offer lots to do for family members, and like most every modeling event we attend we walk away with new techniques and friendships.

You will notice we've upgraded our Sidetracks format to a more modern and reader friendly newsletter style at the suggestion of several members. The new format was derived from that developed and used by our adjoining MER New Jersey Division. A special thanks goes to NMRA member Scott Seders who lives in Salisbury, MD for doing all the technical and computer magic necessary to make this new format work. We look forward to your comments and any additional suggestions for improvement.

Speaking of our new format you will also find a new section that highlights the modeling efforts of one of our members. Think about it – this is a newsletter for all our members so it makes sense to focus on individual modeling projects. Our first feature covers several models build by a new member, Joel Moore, who is a retired school teacher and long term member of the Ephrata, PA Short Line Model Railroad Club. Recently he was running his Virginia & Truckee Railroad passenger train on the club layout and Joel enthusiastically told me all about the work he did in building it and other models. He agreed to send several pictures and background information on each, and that is what launched this new feature. So here's a challenge – select your favorite model, take some pictures, and write a short article about your work. Now don't start thinking this would require extensive writing and photo skills – today's digital cameras produce great pictures and the writing can be as simple as a series of bullet items and we'll then work with you to complete the article. All types of models and scales are fair game – engines, cars, scenery, structures – whatever you are most proud of and would like to share with others is what counts. And who knows, this may be your first step in perusing an NMRA Achievement Program Certificate. This new section is not meant to limit other model railroading articles like we have presented in the past; on the contrary, it is just another way of bringing more member involvement into your newsletter. Bottom line – just share with the rest of us what you have accomplished.

Starting last July we began a membership expansion drive. With the great introductory RailPass program offered by the NMRA and our Mid-East Region prospective new members can join for a free 6-month trial period where they receive all membership benefits except holding office and voting. Those benefits include the National, Region, and Division magazine and newsletters, access to the Kalmbach Memorial Library (probably the world's largest railroad reference library), event and convention attendance, and the biggest benefit to my thinking is great fellowship with other model railroaders. At the end of that trial period National will contact the prospective member, send a membership package, and ask them to join. All it takes to join is completing the RailPass form at the end of this newsletter and giving it to any Division officer who will then process it into the system. I'm sure many of you have non-member model railroad friends, so why not tell them about the benefits of NMRA membership and suggest they take advantage of this no risk, no cost, 6-month trial membership program. Note – make sure they do not send the RailPass to the address on the form – it must be signed and forwarded by a Division officer to take advantage of the free program. How successful has our Division membership campaign been? Since last July we have welcomed aboard 14 new members!

Per our advertising policy, 2 advertisements are at the end of our newsletter. Please visit these fine retailers and let them know you saw their ads here and that their money was well spent. Their support helps us offset the costs of printing and mailing this newsletter, and any surplus goes into our general fund. Please support them as they help support us.

I look forward to meeting you at our many 2013 events. Happy Modeling to All!



## MER Convention in Suffolk, VA - October, 2012

Ron Parisi

Ron, who is a Division Director and also an accomplished harbor rail system modeler, has made several New York City railroad harbor tours. From those experiences he assumed the tour of the Norfolk Intermodal Terminal (NIT) during the convention would be conducted on a typical harbor tour boat. In spite of its proximity to the harbor Suffolk is obviously a place where the car is king, and so the tour group was carted around the facility in a comfortable mini bus. The tour bus took them to the tower building shown in the photo below where they were provided an excellent 10-story high and relatively unobstructed view of the entire port facility. Attendees were surprised that there were no restrictions on taking pictures – something railfans rarely hear in these days of heightened rail and port security. Although the day was plagued with considerable rain Ron's pictures captured well the extensive ship to rail operation. So follow along and enjoy a short photo tour, with brief captions, of the NIT facility.



*This view is facing east where we could see the entire yard. The yellow containers at the bottom of the photo are the port radiation detectors. The ACL ship at the dock was a standard 900 foot variety. The gantry cranes remove containers from the ship and place them on the dock next to the ship. Then straddle cranes pick the containers up for placement somewhere in the yard or directly on one of the trains being made up.*

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**Photo Left**

*The view looks north to the chassis storing and loading yard. A strange looking vehicle picks them up and stores them up right like the big ports that don't have room to store them properly on the ground. Different colors signify the various owning*



*I included this photo to show that we railfans will look at and climb aboard just about anything. This was some sort of Gen-X locomotive. Sure looks like the designer never heard of 'lines' where it was designed.*

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**Photo Left**

*Here we see the 12 track rail yard. The tracks in the foreground contain the cars that had their outbound containers removed earlier. The tracks in the distance contain trains that are being made up. Notice the 2 tracks that contain double stack cars. NS is quite proud that they have just completed an obstruction free corridor to Chicago. They can now hotshot a double stack train to Chicago in 18 hours.*

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The model contest at the convention was well attended with many fine models up for judging. Contest Chair Martin Brechbiel and his stellar group of judges worked tirelessly all day Sat. It was a great day for Ron, whose scratchbuilt NYC Gondola converted to 'Cement Service' – that is to carry 6 AC&F air activated canisters, won the Best of Show Award and the Bud Kaiser Award for the best weathered freight car. Winning this merit award will go towards his Cars AP effort. Following are two photos of the award winning model.



Both Ron and our Division Achievement Program Chairman, Bob Charles (MMR), took a more relaxed evening harbor tour on their own that included consuming a few dozen oysters and a few rounds of milk and cookies – hmm, maybe it wasn't milk. They thoroughly enjoyed the convention and plan to attend the Rockville Express MER convention in Rockville MD over the Columbus Day weekend, Oct 10-13, 2013.

This year's national NMRA convention will be held Jul 14-20, 2013, in Atlanta GA. All NMRA members and non-members are welcome and encouraged to attend these conventions – they are great modeling events, offer an opportunity to share this great hobby with other like enthusiasts, provide great family events, and this year both are reasonably close to PA.

## LSOP 4 Operations Report - October 5 & 6, 2012

LSOP 4 (Lehigh/Susquehanna OperationS weekend 4) took place on Friday evening, Saturday morning, and Saturday afternoon. Twenty-five guests gathered in 2 separate groups to operate 6 great model railroads – 3 in the Harrisburg/York area and 3 in the general Allentown area.

The Harrisburg area LSOP 4 program began Friday evening at Bob Martin's home in York. While getting acquainted and being briefed on the Central Penn Railroad (CPRR), the crew of 12 from 6 states munched on goodies prepared by Bob's wife Carole. Unlike many model railroads that copy real railroad practices, the CPRR is a fictional railroad. The PRR and WM have extensive trackage rights on the CPRR which allows Bob to create exactly what he wants without having to follow specific prototypical practices – in short, the CPRR is the prototype. The CPRR does not run a hard schedule of locals; instead, they are dispatched as required based on the minimum and/or maximum number of cars for destinations. Bridge trains and trains going to or from staging or to 1 of the 2 classification yards are scheduled as extras based on the traffic flow. This method allowed most crews to run both a local and a road job which provided operating variety. The crew ran 9 local turns, 4 bridge trains, 2 yard to yard transfers, and 5 road jobs to and from staging. Bob "guesstimates" approximately 225 cars were moved over the railroad during the session including 1 passenger train. All crewmembers reported they thoroughly enjoyed their experience and Bob's relaxed operating atmosphere. Like seasoned railroaders they enjoyed some after work munchies and then headed for their bunks and a short practice nap before reporting for their early Sat morning show at Jeff Warner's.

Bright and early Sat morning Jeff Warner and his wife Linda welcomed the crew to coffee and donuts, plus cookies throughout the operating session. Jeff conducted an overview of his layout with a tour to acquaint operators with the layout before operations began. Jeff's layout covers the South Central Pennsylvania region of the PRR, RDG, and WM railroads. After the layout tour the visiting crewmembers were broken down into areas that they had requested to operate. Several members of Jeff's regular crew were assigned to key positions to provide assistance. As the morning progressed visitors were given jobs held by

the regular members as they became proficient with the operation of the railroad. Many eagerly jumped at this opportunity and took over various yard lead positions and performed very well. After 4-hours of operations it was time to draw this morning session to a close. They thanked Jeff and Linda for their hospitality and proceeded to lunch at a nearby restaurant where the morning session was discussed. Following lunch the group headed north to Steven Mallery's home for the afternoon session.

Steven's NS Buffalo Line started also with a tour of the layout and a brief history of the Buffalo Line. Steven is a NS Dispatcher who used to dispatch the Buffalo Line which told the crew real NS procedures would be followed. The layout is a point-to-point railroad with Renovo being the largest yard. Operators were assigned trains that worked the various industries and traveled over the entire layout including those that battled the demanding Keating Summit hill. Helpers, both on the uphill as well as on downhill runs, kept their trains under control and from running away which can and has happened on the real railroad. Those crews that were not assigned trains were provided jobs as Yard Drill crews both in the Renovo Yard as well as the large Coal Yard. After approximately 4-hours of operation and running the full schedule the session came to a close.

In the eastern area of our Susquehanna Division another group of 13 eager operators from 6 states arrived in the Lehigh Valley region to operate on 3 prototype inspired layouts in the greater Allentown area. First up on Friday evening was Larry Reynolds' PRR Altoona area layout. The layout faithfully depicts the steam to diesel transition era of the mid 1950's. After a brief rules meeting everyone became immersed in intense train operations along the busy 4-track mainline between Harrisburg/Enola and Gallitzin. Double headed decapods, 4 unit diesel lash-ups, premier passenger trains, and a fully integrated signaled mainline all contributed to convey that "Pennsy Feeling" to the visiting crewmembers.

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Two dispatchers in a separate upstairs room kept trains moving through 4 interlocking plants and the massive yard at Altoona. Four operators manned Altoona yard, including a roundhouse foreman for the several required power changes. The constant parade of helper engines assisting freights up the hill toward Horseshoe Curve made for a very busy railroad. In addition to the numerous symbol freights, several coal trains and even a Truck Train made appearances. Veteran members of Larry's monthly crew helped oversee dispatching, yard, and road operations, and provided valuable insight to the guests. Approximately 30 trains, including 4 locals, were run during this 4-hour operating session.

Saturday morning the group ventured north of Allentown to a rural section of Lehigh County where they ran on the Lehigh Valley Railroad as modeled by Gale Smith. Gale chose to run his 1972 session using the colorful second generation diesel power that the LV was famous for. His other circa 1950 sessions strictly run first generation diesels and plenty of passenger traffic. The layout provides lots of traffic with over 40 trains run during the nearly 4 ½ hour session. Gale's impressive layout manages to include 3 manned yards and a lengthy double decked mainline between staging yards at Jersey City and Wilkes-Barre. After running for 3-hours, the crews took a planned break for a pleasurable lunch in Gale's mountaintop sunroom that overlooks the pastoral countryside. With more trains to run the group headed back to the basement to complete the schedule. In addition to the symbol freights, they operated several coal mine runs, a cement drill, and several trains that switched the numerous industries around Allentown. With all this traffic crews had to listen carefully to the verbal orders given by the dispatcher.

The group then traveled to Mertztown PA for the mid-afternoon session held at Jim Hertzog's Reading Railroad - Shamokin Division. Orientation was kept brief since the system of train orders and car forwarding was the same as used on the previous 2 layouts. Crews soon found themselves immersed in the anthracite region of PA, circa 1953. During the 4-hour session crews ran frequent symbol freights, 6 passenger runs, and a dozen mine runs. Two helper crews were kept busy working

out of Shamokin and Gordon. The layout features 3 manned yards along with 2 coal prep marshaling yards. The session ran non-stop for 4-hours with almost the entire schedule of 33 trains being completed. A central dispatcher guided movements along the double tracked mainline and through two single tracked tunnels. The exhausted, but thrilled group then traveled to a nearby Italian restaurant for a relaxing dinner situated along the Norfolk Southern (ex- RDG) mainline. NS did not disappoint as two trains made dinnertime appearances.

It's never too soon to begin preparing for our LSOP 5 event planned for Oct 4 & 5, 2013. Watch for upcoming scheduling procedures in future Sidetracks issues or contact Wayne Betty, our LSOP 5 event manager, at [wsb@susquehannamra.com](mailto:wsb@susquehannamra.com). The following 8 pictures show the action at 4 of the 6 layouts. For more information on several of the layouts operated during LSOP 4 check out: [www.pamodelrailroads.com](http://www.pamodelrailroads.com).

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## Bob Martin's CPRR



**Photo Left**

*Dispatcher David Baker giving train crew radio orders.*



**Photo Right**

*Crewmembers deep in operations.*

## Larry Reynolds' PRR



**Photo Left**

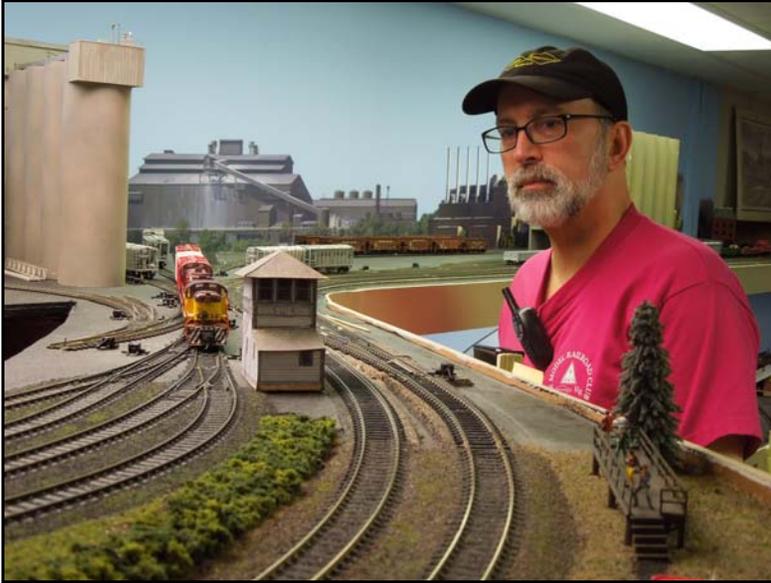
*Dave Hanna (OH) watches his train climb towards Horseshoe Curve.*



**Photo Right**

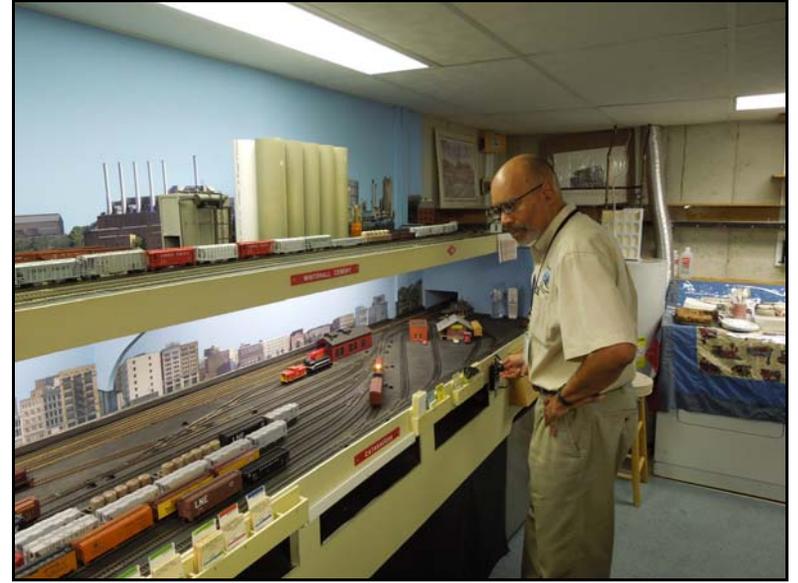
*Tom Lowry (MA) guides his eastbound train into Altoona.*

## Gale Smith's Lehigh Valley



**Photo Left**

Scott Dunlap working cement plant with RS-3's.



**Photo Right**

Yardmaster Doug Watts planning next Catasauqua Yard move.

## Jim Hertzog's Reading Railroad



**Photo Left**

*Dave Johnson (OH) running eastbound coal turn near Mount Carmel PA - lead engine is a Shamokin helper.*

**Photo Right**

*Multiple operators on Locust Summit Grade.*



## Division Sponsored Layout Open Houses

Bob Martin

Thanks to the efforts of member Charles Kadyk, 6 layouts were open for modeler visits on Nov 10. These were just 6 of the many layouts

Charles and member Jerry Britton arranged for visits during Nov which is designated National Model Railroading month. This fall your Susquehanna Division will be sponsoring most all of those open houses within our Division territory during National Model Railroading Month, so try to keep your Nov weekends open for some fantastic model railroad viewing.

Members Bob Martin and Jerry Britton put together a 10-man model railroad touring caravan for this event. At right is a picture of that motley gang of merry modelers. Our gaggle of 4 cars met for a great family style all-you-can-eat brunch at Haag's Hotel in Shartlesville, PA.



After topping off our tanks we then spent the rest of the afternoon and early evening wondering around central PA as we visited all 6 layouts.

The last of the tour group didn't arrive home until after 7 PM, but everyone had a great day of camaraderie and model railroading. The

layout owners and their home towns, in the order of our visits, were Joel Holubec's PRR - Schuylkill Division in Bernville, Charles Kadyk's PA & New England in Mohnton, Chris Saporito's PRR in Mohnton, Bob Bucklew's Quaker Valley in Reading, Guy Wilson's Northern Central - South Mt. Division in Stevens, and finally Dennis Blank's Birdsboro & Reading in Ronks.

Everyone thoroughly enjoyed the visits and learned several new modeling techniques. Hopefully many of you took advantage of this event. Again, we thank Charles Kadyk for all the work involved in preparing this event and especially each layout owner for opening their homes to us.

If you are interested in opening your layout for a Division visit event please let Superintendent Barry Schmitt know by phone or email.

## Guest Modeler Presentation – Virginia and Truckee RR Rolling Stock

Joel Moore



I've included a few pictures of one of my favorite modeling projects. In the photo above is a Virginia & Truckee Railroad (V&TRR) caboose that is 100% scratch built using scale lumber and an assortment of manufacturer parts. It is three layers thick with inside horizontal scribed walls on 3 X 3 framing and 1 X 4 vertical siding. The interior is complete and lighted with all the traditional old-time caboose furnishings; i.e. ladders, bunks, cupola seats, tools, etc, and of course trainmen figures. It also has full under body detail – the brake system, air-lines, truss rods on a set of scale 4 X 8 timbers, uncoupling levers, and air hoses on both ends. The roof is scribed wood on curve-shaped roof joists covered with fine-grade sandpaper roofing.

See photos on following pages.



V&TRR 425 is another scratch built freight car with the same level of both interior and exterior detailing.



Above is a diorama of Chamber's Crossing in Nevada – a dry river creek crossing that includes a scratch built bridge. The model is situated on a 1 X 4 foot frame, and the scenery is made from screen and plaster shell. The track is hand laid, and many scenic materials were used to depict local dry brush and grasses. Weeds were used to build the trees. The picture was taken outside on a fall day with the diorama mounted on saw horses and my 35mm Minolta camera mounted on a tripod. Painted and unpainted cotton was fashioned for the smoke and steam. The cars are AHM V&T Kimball coaches with scratch built bodies that include fully lighted and detailed interiors.



This picture is a locomotive which is a copy of V&TRR # 28 "Flanagan." It is a repainted and super detailed AHM Inyo modeled after the "Inyo" #22 of the V&TRR. The real #22 is currently preserved in the Southern California Railroad Museum. The original domes, bell, and stack were replaced with brass, and the back-head and cab were super detailed.

## To Model the Prototype or NOT!

**Please take note:** Our Division Achievement Program Chairman, Bob Charles (MMR), says he will not award any points for such prototype models!





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