

Division One of the
North Central Region of the
National Model Railroad Assoc.



Our mission is to promote education and fellowship through the sharing of information and the promotion of the world's greatest hobby. — **Model Railroading.**



Railroad Item of the Month

Your photo can be here if you just send us one.



#464 getting ready to take on water from a former C&O water tank that was relocated to the Huckleberry Railroad at Crossroads Village near Flint, Michigan.

This Locomotive is a 2-8-2 outside frame narrow gauge engine designated as a K-27 type by the Denver & Rio Grande RR.

Photo by Dave McMullian, May 22, 2014



VIEW FROM THE CAB

Dear fellow members,

We are rapidly approaching the Division 1 kick-off meeting for the 2014-2015 season. The meeting will take place on Friday, September 26, at 7:30 PM at the Collingwood Presbyterian Church. As is our usual custom, we will focus our program on sharing what we did over the Summer relating to model railroading and/or railfanning. Please be prepared to show models, pictures, videos, or simply describe your activity. As always, we will have the A/V system set up to assist you.

We will also continue our three main member-sharing activities, plus we'll add a new one. Show-n-Tell will be for any model you want to bring, Tools-n-Techniques will be the forum for a product tips and modeling methods, and Pics-n-Flics will be your opportunity to plug a flash drive into the computer and show photos, graphics, or videos of a project. The fourth and newest activity is called "How Do You Do That?" Each month, we'll have a discussion on a practical topic that relates to all of us regardless of scale, era, or prototype. In September the topic will be **Couplers and Uncouplers**. This is a chance for you to contribute your experience or questions, and it's a great way for all of us to sharpen our skills by pooling our knowledge. Think about other topics you'd like to pursue and we will collect your ideas at the meeting, then schedule them for future meetings.

Guys, as you can see, the direction of Division 1 activities continues to focus on education: how can we work together to learn more about model railroading. You are not only the beneficiary of the efforts, but you are also the contributor. If everyone brings just one or two models or ideas to share, we will have to cut our meetings short to meet the curfew – a good problem! Please give some serious thought about what you can bring to the table and let's have some fun!

I'm looking forward to seeing all of you on September 26. As always, you can contact me anytime with questions and suggestions at davemcmullian@earthlink.net.

See ya on down the line,

Dave

From the Editor's Desk

A Division One Field Trip—May 2014

Ray Huber

What a grand day it was in Crossroads Village, located just outside of Flint, Michigan. Just walking the streets of the village was an experience that conjured up images of days gone by. I could see an easier way of life, a simpler way of life and yet, a harder way of life. After all, they did not have cell phones or TV's, or the Internet, or, or, or !!!!!

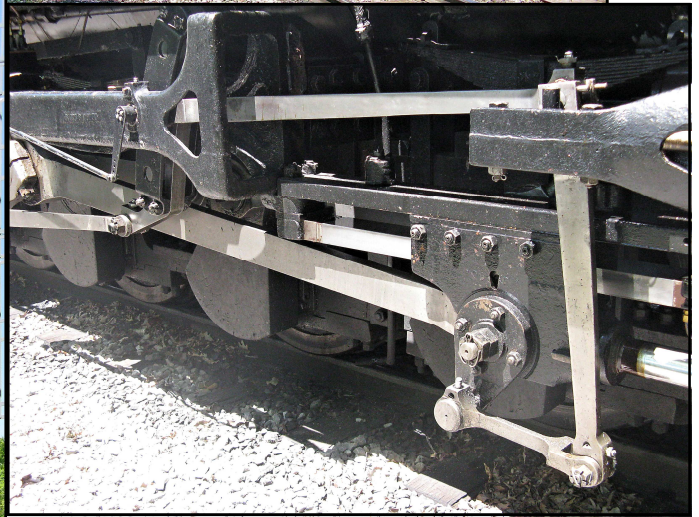
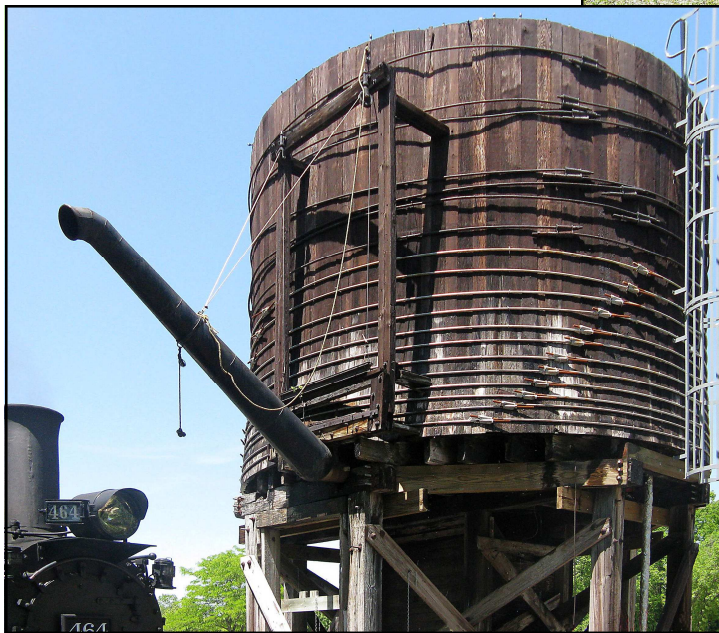


Now that we have seen the Village, it's time to head for the depot. And there, another step back in time. Vintage coaches and black smoke coming from

the stack of a vintage locomotive. And to think, this at one time was common place. Yet today, we drive miles just to see this wondrous thing that so many of us remember vividly. Still, there were kids and people there that have probably never seen nor understand what they are looking at. Time to move on!



Speaking of vintage locomotives, here are a couple of pictures of #464 as she was working around a curve and then, stopping for a well deserved drink of water. The old water tower came off the C&O that was once located somewhere in central Michigan. I remember seeing one similar to this one many years ago somewhere north of Flint - could have been near or in Clare, Michigan.



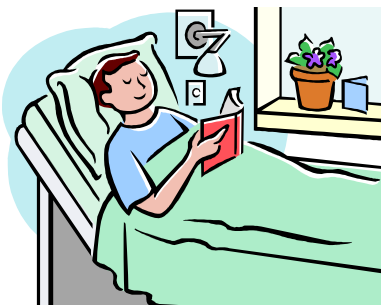
Photos by Ray Huber, May 22, 2014

OF SPECIAL NOTE

Yes I've been out of commission for the whole month of August! Two weeks in the hospital, two weeks at a rehab center, and now two more weeks at home before I even think of getting out on my own. It has been a long boring haul!

It all started two years ago with a hernia repair that appears to have gone bad. As a result, I ended up with a very serious infection, Just glad I'm able to sit here and write this note to all of you expressing my appreciation for your thoughts and concerns.

All that aside, I'm once again, looking for articles and pictures that can be posted in the Train Order. After all, you've had all summer to collect something of interest. Please share it with us and be ready to tell a story.



Ray Huber

This is what I did over the summer. That is, before my stay in the hospital.

Now, tell us what you did.



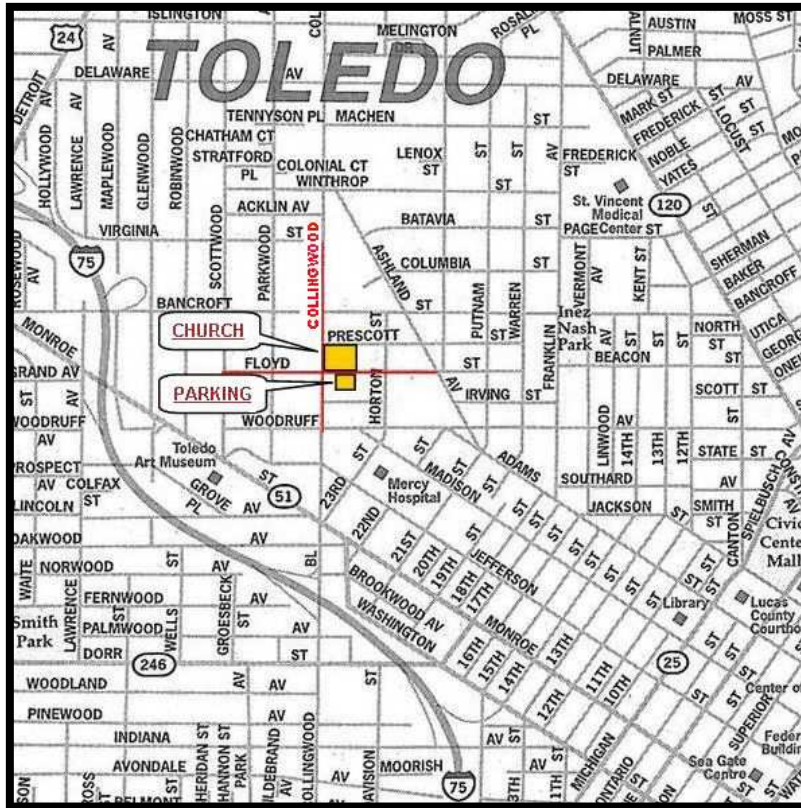
SONG BIRD SEED Co.



Simply some extra DPM parts I had laying around.

Photos by Ray Huber

We meet at the Collingwood Presbyterian Church located at 2108 Collingwood Blvd. at Floyd St. near downtown Toledo, Ohio. See the location map shown below. The doors open at **7:00 PM** and the meeting starts at **7:30 PM**.



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