

# **A SUPPLEMENT TO THE TRAIN ORDER**

## **SUPPLEMENT #2**

### **Express 2014 Convention Report By: Fred Lux**

Because of file size constraints, this issue of the Train Order is being sent in three sections.

The Editor



## Convention Planning Committee Meeting

Sunday, October 6, 2013 @ John Gardner's house

Present: Fred Lux, John Gardner, Paul Marsden, Jerry Sahagian, Phil Kauffman, Jim Treadaway, Jeff Schumaker (I think I got everyone)

Fred reported on Steve Kellogg's email. Steve mailed out a few door prize requests before his computer died. He expects to be up and running again by the end of October.

We have been given table space at the 2013 Troy convention to promote the 2014 convention in Toledo. A design for the display on the table was discussed in great detail.

John Gardner is going to blow up two copies of the first four pages of the long registration form and have them laminated. These will be taped to the table for people to look at.

Jim Treadaway is going to send Bill Jacob and Ray Huber a list of layouts confirmed for either Ops sessions or layout tours (or both) so they can check their photo archives for pictures. Fred is going to put together a slide show to showcase open layouts. (Doesn't matter if the pictures are current.) The slide show will run on the Division One laptop.

Jim Treadaway is going to prepare a list of layouts currently scheduled for tours and/or ops, along with a brief description. This list will be available at the Division Table.

It the general consensus of the committee that fliers did not need to be handed out since a short registration form was being included in each attendee packet.

Jeff Schumaker is going to prepare a list of confirmed modular layouts. On site op sessions on the Free-Mo layout and on Time-Saver layouts will be promoted.

Dave McMullian will be asked to provide as much information as possible on confirmed clinics for the convention.

The table needs to be staffed from 9 AM – 5 PM Friday, Nov, 1, and Saturday, Nov. 2. Fred noted that John Roth volunteered to work a shift on Saturday. Fred indicated he would work the Friday morning shift. (An email to all Division One members was sent out Monday morning soliciting help. So far there have only been three replies – all regrets.)

John Gardner is going to have stuff for Troy ready to hand off in a couple of weeks. He is going to be out of town during the Troy convention.

Paul discussed the progress on the convention web site. He is in dire need of photos to add to the site before he can do much more. (Again it was suggested to contact Bill Jacob and Ray Huber.) Paul is ready to start work on the electronic registration page and to start testing it out with Jerry. Paul indicated there would be a link to the 2014 convention web site from the Division One home page. Access to the electronic registration page would be from the convention home page. Paul assured

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Fred that registration information would be available in Excel format for setting up the nametag printing and tracking sales and dispersing of convention merchandise.  
(I received the following email from Paul Tuesday morning, Oct. 8.

yesterday I got a phone call from England, a phone call no one likes getting, about the passing of my granddad. I will work on the web site as soon as I can.

I will keep the committee updated on the web site progress. I have sent my condolences to Paul.)

Fred asked if Division One had a banner. It was suggested that Chuck would know. It was also suggested that Chuck might still have the foam-core posters and tripods used at the Maumee Rec center train shows.

Information from the June 2, 2013 committee meeting showed layout tours running from 9 AM – 10 PM on Saturday. It was the consensus of the committee that the Saturday schedule should be changed to read “Noon – 11 PM” . Jim Treadaway stated that he was going to let the layout owners pick the time(s) they wanted to be open.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 PM.

