

Train Order

Division One NCR

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Cab Signals
Fred E Lux,

At this point we are almost two thirds of the way through the year for Division. With the weather being frightful outside, a lot of modeling, or at least thinking about modeling, is being done.

At the last meeting not enough club members showed an interest in going to an Ops session at the Blissfield Model Railroad Club to make it happen. The board is looking to see if there is another layout in the Detroit area that would host a smaller group. One of the things we are running up against is the Southeast Michigan Op Till You Drop weekend in April. Most layout owners that would host us as a group are very involved in getting their layout ready for this weekend, when preregistered people will come in from all over the country for a three-day operations marathon.

Normally Steve Kellogg would thank last month's program presenter in his column. However, since Steve was the presenter, I will do this for him. People that I talked to felt that he did an excellent job with the first part of his presentation and are looking forward to the second part of the presentation this month.

Steve's layout is the featured layout this month. You will notice that he is open on Sunday, February 28. There will be more about Steve's layout later in the newsletter.

Jerry Sahagian has been in contact with The Andersons about a private tour of their freight car repair facility for Division One members. This tour will take place on a Friday or Saturday in April. We are attempting to schedule for the second weekend of

April, since Easter is the first weekend. The tour of the Andersons will be in addition to our normal club meeting.

See you all at the Division meeting on Friday, February 26

Minutes - JANUARY 22, 2010
Chuck Williams – Clerk

Location: Collingwood Presbyterian Church
Attendance: 26

Superintendent Fred Lux called the meeting to order at 7:31pm. There were no announcements.

Rip Track- Steve Kellogg had some cars and resistors, and Lou Glatzer had some tools available.

The minutes of December 2009 were approved.

The Treasurer's report was accepted.

Superintendent Lux talked about the layout tour of Jim Treadaway's layout on Saturday and Sunday following the division meeting. Jim Treaway also gave parking directions.

Mike Anteau's report on adding sound to our AV equipment roster was given by Superintendent Lux. After discussion it was decided to authorize Mike to purchase the equipment he had suggested.

Steve Glass reported on other items of AV equipment that the AV committee had looked at. A motion to purchase two photoflood lamps, reflectors and stands for \$75 was approved with one negative vote. A motion to purchase a spare lamp for the projector was

not approved. It was suggested that it be included in next year's budget.

The proposed ops session at the Blissfield Club was discussed. Although the group is OK with the idea, not enough interest was shown to schedule a visit this spring.

The business meeting adjourned at 7:56pm.

Show and Tell focused at MOW cars and railroad support structures.

The program featured a clinic by Steve Kellogg on constructing scenery began at 8:35 and ended at 9:45.

The meeting adjourned at 9:50pm.

Kellogg's Korner Steve Kellogg

I hope everyone got something from my scenery clinic last month. Part 2 this month will cover rock casting, coloration and basic ground cover.

This month's Show & Tell is Favorite Structure. A little change this month. Instead of any two-minute clinics, Ray Huber will be presenting a 5 to 10 minute PowerPoint presentation.

The layout of the month will be my layout. Those of you who last saw it at the last Division layout tour or at the Region Convention are in for a major surprise. It has doubled in size since the Division tour and downtown Coldwater is in and 99% complete and the large ADM complex is now 100% complete.

I will be open on Sunday from noon to 5 PM. I work Saturdays, which is why I was not able to see anyone else's layout so far.

One last thing, anyone want a fully scened hillside? After the conclusion of my clinic, you are welcome to have the rocky hillside built in my clinic. I have no use for it and I would rather not just toss it out.

Here's a question for the membership. Ford/Lincoln has a crossover called the MKT. I wonder, does the Union Pacific know about this? Does it come in colors other than red & white or

green & yellow?
Just wondering.
See everyone at the meeting.

Featured Layout – Coldwater Junction

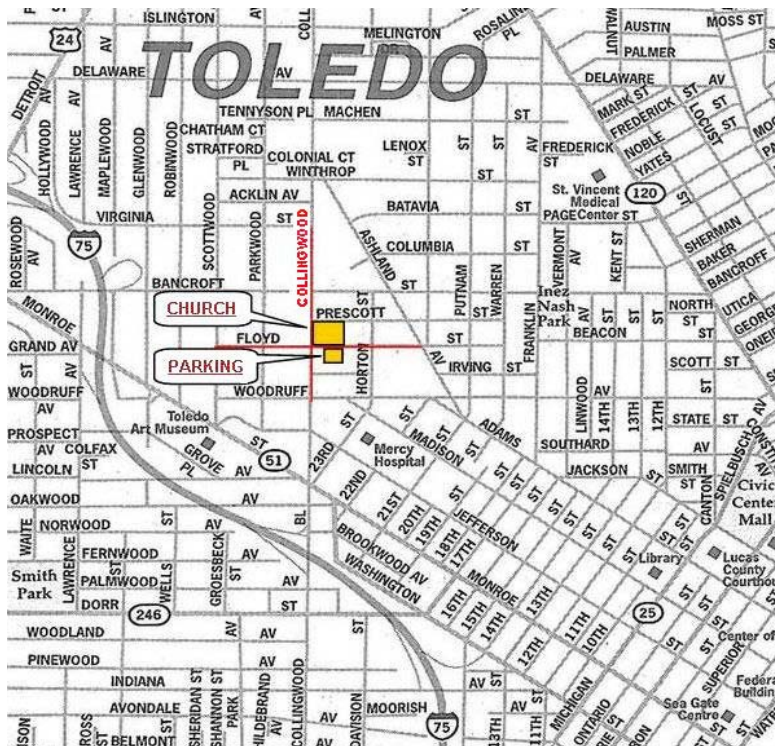
Steve Kellogg's Coldwater Junction is the featured layout for this month. Set in Kansas in the 1970's, Coldwater Junction is the start of three branch lines: ATSF, MKT, and the Rock Island. The ATSF and MKT cross the Coldwater River on a gauntlet track through a truss bridge. Parking is on the street. The layout is wheelchair and walker accessible. Steve's layout will be open for viewing Sunday afternoon from noon until 5 PM.



Next month David Miller's z-scale layout will be featured and open for viewing.

Next Meeting – Friday, February 26

Collingwood Presbyterian Church



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