

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

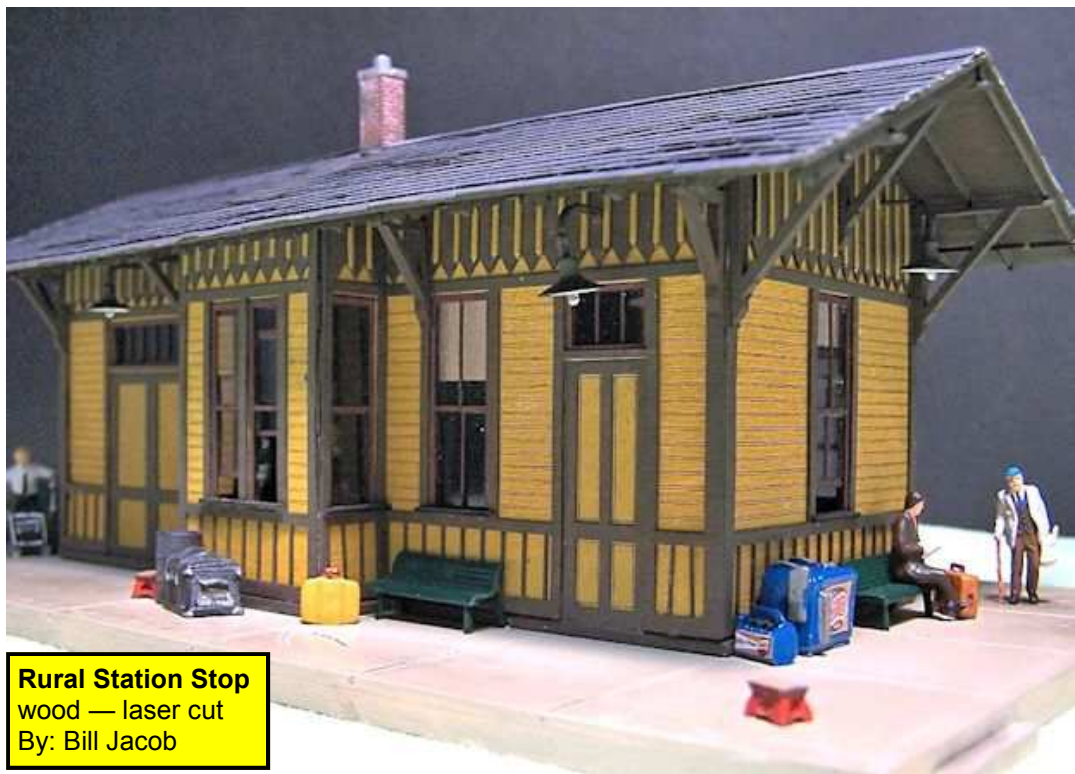


Our mission is to promote education and fellowship through the sharing of information and the promotion of the world's greatest hobby. — **Model Railroading.**



Model of the Month

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



Rural Station Stop
wood — laser cut
By: Bill Jacob

VIEW FROM THE CAB

It was great to see everyone at the September Division 1 meeting. We had a lot of business to work on, especially with the Spring convention coming up in April. However, I promise to keep the business meeting short at the October 25 meeting so we can just have fun with our programs. As we discussed in September, we will continue with Show-n-Tell as an open topic where you can bring any type of railroad model. What will be new and special about October's program is that Pics-n-Flics will be the feature program. For those of you who were not able to attend last month, Pics-n-Flics simply means you bring a flash drive with anything you want to share regarding modeling or railfanning. It can be a single layout picture or



shots of something too large to bring in. Or it can be photos or video clips of a special rail trip. This is the perfect format to share “what I did over the Summer”. We don't expect edited photos or fancy presentations, just something from a point-and-shoot digital camera that gets your point across. The key here is **PARTICIPATION!** This is something everyone can do, and should do. Imagine how interesting and educational it would be if we had 15, 20, even 25 brief onscreen presentations every meeting! This format offers us the ability to share things we have never been able to bring to the meeting, and if you give it just a little thought, I know you've got something(s) to contribute. Just remember the four examples we presented last meeting: weathering hoppers, a layout video of an automated car dump, a structure photo being improved through photo editing, and a plaster casting technique. But it's all up to YOU. Our Division meetings will only be as fun and interesting as you make them. The group is the sum of its parts, and the more you pitch in and participate, the better it will be for all of us. Let's do this!!

Remember also to bring useful Tools-n-Techniques you discover. There is no reason why we can't have a dozen of these nuggets at each meeting too. Check right now and make sure your calendar is marked for this month's meeting on October 25.

See ya on down the line,

Dave McMullian, Superintendent

From the Editor's desk

Here it is Halloween time and the Goblins are out in force. Don't believe in Goblins; just have your Railroad open for an Open House. Now if that doesn't make you a believer, I don't know what will!



We realize that the jury may still out relative to the new items presented at the September meeting, but do you have any thoughts? The Editor would like to know! To that end, we will publish a short questioner for your consideration. All it will take is to check **Yes** or **No** in the space provided. If you are interested in participating, check the appropriate box and bring it along to the October meeting.

What we hope to do is get an overall opinion from the membership about the content of our meetings. We claim education and fellowship as the main tenants of Division One—are we living up to that commitment?

There needs to be a reason to come to Division meetings or our attendance will drop. We've seen this in the past. There are those that will say, we've seen how to make a tree or lube a locomotive to often. The Editor says we have 70 plus members in Division One, therefore there are 70 plus ways to make a tree or lube a locomotive. That's called sharing and with sharing comes fellowship. If any one of you can walk away from a meeting with just one little "nugget", then the trip and our organization is worth while and the educational component fulfilled.

There is a real challenge out there for those of us that have seen more life than others and that is to try to bring new members on board. It can be done, but only if something is gained from the effort. If nothing else contact one of the 79 NMRA members in our area. However, be ready to answer the tough question, "what do I get out of it?" I heard it myself this past week! Do you have an answer?

Please help with the questioner so we can have some open discussion at our meeting.



Remember, discussion is educational and an opportunity to voice your opinion.

The Editor
Ray Huber

QUESTIONER FOR DIVISION ONE MEMBERS

1. Are you OK with Friday evening meetings?

YES _____ NO _____

2. Are you OK with the location?

YES _____ NO _____

3. Are you OK with Show & Tell?

YES _____ NO _____

4. Do you like the new Train Order?

YES _____ NO _____

5. Do you feel some business discussion
should be part of our meetings?

YES _____ NO _____

6. Would you like to see the Holiday
Party/Chinese Action continue?

YES _____ NO _____

7. Are you willing to contribute to
the TRAIN ORDER?

YES _____ NO _____

8. Do you have any kind of layout?

YES _____ NO _____

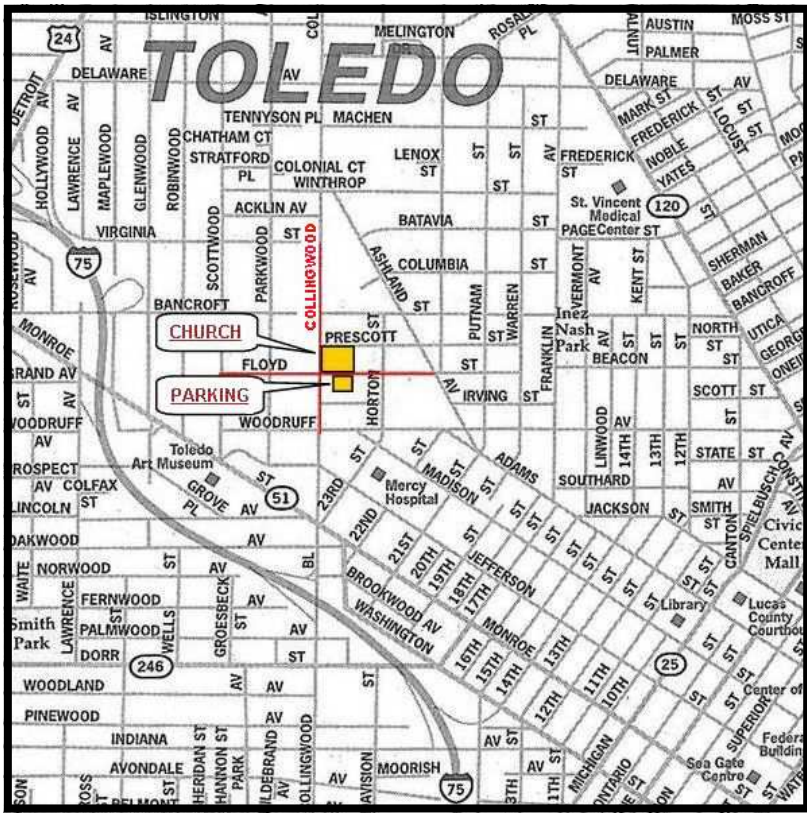
9. Would you like to see the Pics & Flicks
idea continued?

YES _____ NO _____

10. Do you feel our Audio/Visual
equipment is adequate?

YES _____ NO _____

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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