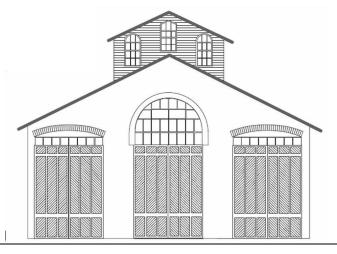






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THE NEWS

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2013 Convention News

Troy, MI: The committee for for the North Central Region Convention 2013, "North Central Crossing" is moving forward. Budgets are being finalized at this point. Immeditate actions in addition to the development of the budgets include:

- Finalizing the design for the Convention flyers
- Firming up the space requirements at the Troy Community Center.
- Finalizing clinicians



For detailed information about the Convention, go to:

www.ncr2013.ncr-nmra.org

Division 8 Roster

Troy, MI: Hardcopies of the 2012 roster of Division 8 members was available for pick-up at the meeting The roster will be distributed along with the October *Car House*.

Model of the Fourth Quarter 2012

Troy, MI: The Model of the Fourth Quarter Contest will feature another vehicle. This time the vehicle will be a piece of construction equipment.



Here are the rules:

- 1. The equipment may be scratch-built or kit-bashed.
- 2. The equipment may be in any scale.
- 3. The application of the [prototype] equipment may be on-road or off-road.
- 4. The equipment must be painted.

Suggestions for "extra" credit:

- Window glazing
- o Driver / occupants
- Weathering

Entries will be judged at the December 20, 2012 Division 8 meeting.

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Show & Tell

Figures or your favorite current project

Terry Bossick brought in a handbook for running an F7 or FP7 diesel

locomotive.



George Anderson offered numerous official forms used by the Copper Range Railroad of Houghton, Michigan.



John Gavasso offered a current project, a Pacific Fast Mail HO scale consolidation that he is remotoring. He originally purchased this locomotive for \$37.50.



Jim Sieradzinski displayed a 2-head signal in HO

scale and a timetable & rule book designed for Bill Hayes' 7 ½" gauge Michigan Central Railroad. This document is used at typical operating sessions.



Rad Jones brought in a unique tool, a lighted uncoupler tool. Rad made the tool using a Rix uncoupler to which he taped a pen light. In addition to aiding in uncoupling, the light is useful for reading car numbers during operating sessions.



John Kline brought in an HO scale outside-braced box car decorated for the Virginia & Ohio. This car was used as a Division 3 fund raiser.



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Phil Kenyon offered a 1901 book "Locomotives, Breakdowns & Operations.



Bill Gawthrop displayed "The Big Book of Operations" which was used as a guide for operating sessions at the Free-Mo set-up at the National Train Show in 2012 in Milwaukee. Bill also displayed a 1981 GTW timetable.



Jim Clements brought in a coal bunker in HO scale. Jim scratch-built this structure from a drawing by Harry Brunk.



Rick Ware displayed 1) a BASIC program for

timetable from 1988 Model Railroader, 2) a C&O/B&O Operating Rules Book of 1969, and 3) C&O/B&O Rules and Instructions for Train Handling, 1966.



Paul Runyon brought in a vintage 1970, HO scale Tyco F7 in Penn Central colors which he is going to convert to a Pennsy F7 with a Stewart F-series power chassis with decals and details.

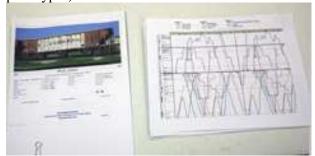


Ron King offered a one-card-for-every-train card. Listed on the front are the switches and on the back is every stop.



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Phil Doolittle displayed the paperwork for very large Free-Mo modular set-up in Denmark (US prototypes).



Included are a string chart, train list, layout plan. Phil was very happy to correspond with leaders of the group via emails. They answered all of his questions about the set-up and its operations.

Phil also brought in prototype photos of a rib-side covered hopper which he is using as a guide for weathering projects.

Larry Wolohon brought in 1) a Great Northern Empire Builder timetable, 2) operating agreement between Pennsylvania Railroad and Baltimore & Eastern, and 3) a Great Northern caboose with marker lights.



Please forward any and all erratta to Bill Gawthrop, Car House editor at wegawthrop@aol.com. Virtual tomatoes are also welcome..... it's part of our quality improvement.....

This Month's Clinic

Dan Lewis presented "Operations from the Viewpoint of the Host" as this month's clinc.



His views and experiences were quite enlightening.

Dan covered the various aspects of model railroad operations including:

- Towns, Yards and Stations
- Connecting to the larger world
- Industries
- Types of Trains
- Car Forwarding
- The Ops Jobs
- Balancing the Schedule
- What operators may take for granted (but you shouldn't)

Dan passed out a copy of his presentation on CD ROM for all who were interested.

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Hints

Phil Doolittle offered a new product for modelers' consideration. It's a spray can of lacquer-based paint made by Black. The paint comes in 400 ml cans with a large variety of colors. You can also get replaceable spray heads for the cans.

Green's Art Supply in downtown Rochester is a source of supply.

	Upcoming Events	November Clinic
Gibraltar 7 www.gvrr Nov. 10-1	1,23-24-25: Open House, Detroit iilroad Club , Holly, MI,	Dean Pryer will present "Restoring the Pere Marquette 1225."
Division 8 Board of Directors		Next Meeting's Show and Tell
Superintendent: John Jackson		The theme for the November Show & Tell is
Treasurer:	jdsmjackson@sbcglobal.net Paul Runyan prrdi61@sbcglobal.net	anything steam. Of course, you can bring in your favorite current project.
Secretary:	Bill Gawthrop	
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