

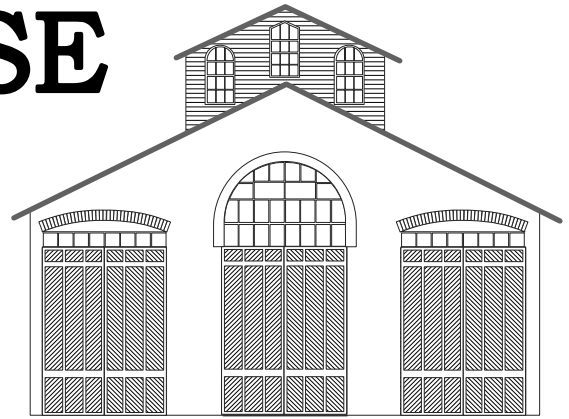
# THE CAR HOUSE

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## HOLIDAY EDITION OF THE CAR HOUSE

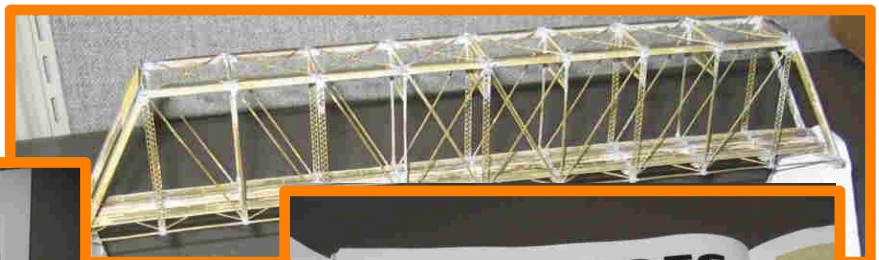
The December meeting featured member's favorite photos and slides.

**Call to Order** The regular meeting of Division 8 was called to order at 6:55 PM by guest toastmaster **Tim Fisher**. 30 members were present with no visitors this month. The minutes of the November meeting were approved as read. This was followed by a request for those who have not paid their 2007 dues to do so at the meeting. Lame duck treasurer **Marv Linke** was not present so no financial report was made. A number of interesting displays were offered, as well as several groups of slides and computer images featuring the GN, Western Maryland among others.

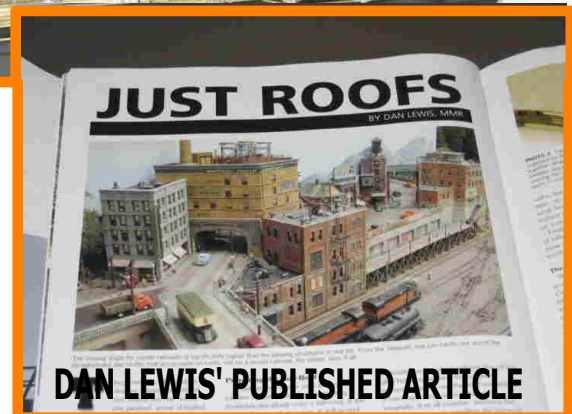
**No GLE convention report** was made, but the monthly meetings continue. In short, volunteer for a committee or working group and get involved if you have not already done so.

**Announcement** I confirmed on January 11 that the Madison Hts. Riders is indeed closing by the middle of February. They are closing out the stock at 20% discount. Many choice items have already sold out. The store has been in that location for 13 years and will be a loss for members living in the area. Even though the store is not close to my home, I still patronized the store several times a year. I feel bad, since this is an indicator of how difficult the hobby business is.

### STU SONTA'S Z SCALE TRUSS



### BILL GAWTHROP'S DISPLAY



### Upcoming Schedule

The next meeting of Division 8 of the NCR of the NMRA will be held at 7:00 PM on January 18, 2007 at the Troy Christian Chapel located at 400 E. Long Long Lake Road in Troy on the south side of the street between Livernois Road and Rochester Road. Bill Gawthrop will offer a program on the subject of **Virtual Model Railroading**.

**The Show and Tell for the meeting will be your favorite or oldest unbuilt kit. Be prepared to explain why. Or, as usual, a current project. Your secretary is overstepping his authority here, sorry.**

Respectfully Submitted,

**Saul Kalbfeld, Division 8, NCR-NMRA Secretary**