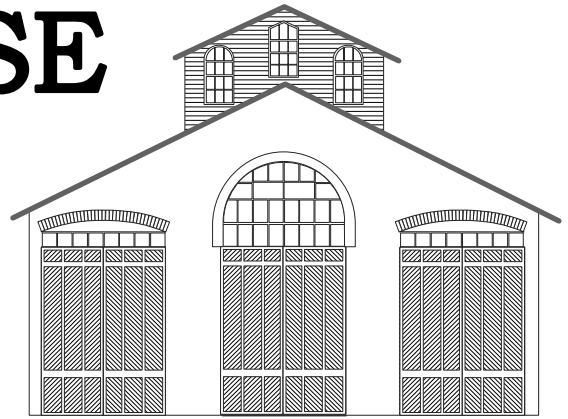
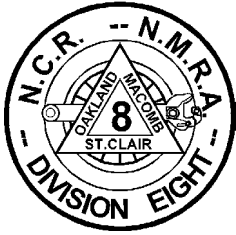


THE CAR HOUSE

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Call to Order

The regular meeting of Division 8 was called to order at 7:07 PM according to my watch synchronized with the standard clock of the main waiting room of the historic Michigan Central Depot.

Election Results

Allen Crowley is our new division director defeating **Joel Goldberg**, 17 to 12 votes. **President Jerry Shanek** will remain in office as will treasurer **John Jackson**. **Bill Gawthrop** will be taking over as division secretary beginning with the June, 2009 meeting. **Saul Kalbfeld** after two terms in that office will be stepping down. (Sec. Note: This is my last month of writing the Car House. I hope to have both informed and entertained the membership, in addition to the important function of providing a permanent record of our proceedings.)

Show and Tell

The May topic was the circus and circus trains, but we also had a variety of current projects shown. **Larry Wolohon** showed a GN HO scale boxcar in basic box car red, but was one of a series of test paint schemes that the railroad produced. **Jim Zinser's** current project is collecting all 50 state quarters, delayed at least a month by his donation to the division's quarter collection. **Rick Ware** showed a G Scale circus calliope. Someone commented they were really loud, and somewhat out of tune as I remember.



Dave Thornton offered an update of construction as the Detroit Model RR Club layout in Holly. The plan he brought in shows the track plan for the final phase of construction at the historic club. The plans include all the new benchwork as well as a bill of materials required. **Dan Lewis** showed off a truss bridge model in N Scale. **Doug Liefeld** brought in several vintage circus cars. **Doug Kass** brought in an article about a 1903 circus train wreck and commented on the circumstances that caused the wreck. **George Anderson** showed a number of photos of circus equipment including dog and pony show cars. **Phil Doolittle's** ongoing project is modeling scenes from Brampton, Ont. including a shoe factory and its Quonset hut annex.





Division 8 Business and Finances

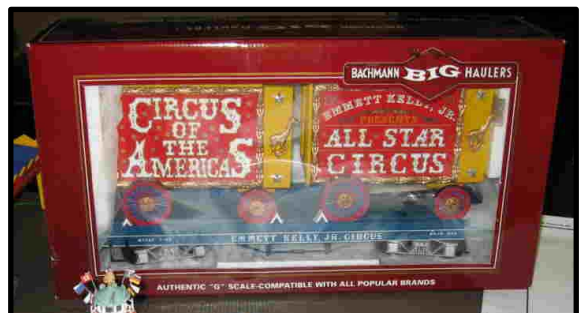
Division bean counter **John Jackson** reports our total assets are \$4172.04 including the checking account and two CD's which have rolled over several times. John reports that 15 members have not rejoined for 2009 and will be dropped from the roll.

The minutes from the April meeting were accepted without comments or corrections, at least none that I could hear in the two seconds allotted for comment.

Old Business

Marv Linke reports that the NCR grant committee is reviewing our high school library magazine proposal and considering the high level of support for the plan as originally offered by the division. In addition, **Dave Thornton** will try arrange subscriptions of **Scale Rails** to be added to the library placements.

**NEW DIVISION
DIRECTOR
ALLEN CROWLEY**



Upcoming Schedule

The next meeting of Division 8 of the NCR of the NMRA will be held at 7:00 PM on June 18, 2009 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.

The Show and Tell subject for the meeting will be anything related to the GTW or a current project.

The May, 2009 meeting was adjourned at 8:54 PM with a few members I guess, heading to the Troy Big Boy restaurant for a late snack.

Respectfully Submitted,
Saul Kalbfeld, Division 8, NCR-NMRA Secretary

To the right is the actual "Car House" which was the carpenter and paint shop for the FJ&G RR in Gloversville, NY. This is the last CH that I will be writing for the Division. Our new secretary Bill Gawthrop will be taking over with the June, 2009 issue.

