



THE CAR HOUSE

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THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF DIVISION 8
NORTH CENTRAL REGION - NATIONAL MODEL RAILROAD ASSOCIATION
<http://www.division8-ncr-nmra.org>

Superintendent, **Fred Cosgrove**, called the meeting of Division 8 to order at 7:06 PM. The meeting was held at the Troy Christian Chapel with an unknown number of people in attendance.

Visitors

No visitors attended this month.

Show and Tell / Clinic Photos





Show and tell

The theme of this month was DCC accessory decoders and model railroad controls and we had a great turnout of DCC and vintage model train control items. The items included a model of the "General" and it really smokes, a Soo Line Mikado 2-8-2, a Pennsy 2-6-0 Brass with Belpaire firebox, Dearborn "78" convention car (by L. Lauer). Current projects included two rail Lionel revenue cars, gondola, tank, and box cars, an Algoma Central box car (considered by some to be of a foreign origin), a letter of invitation to a depot dedication in New York (Sal Kaulfield), union hall building with lots of advertising, crack and peel paper - inkjet printable self-sticking paper, book on B&O steam, 2-8-8-2 N & W USRA type, PCC bought at a flea market and modified, coal facility diorama in HO by Joel Goldberg, N scale building mock ups, Bachman C&S 4-4-0 and books on 2' Maine railroading.

Minutes Approval

The June meeting minutes were approved as written?

Paymaster's Report

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Old Business

None

New Business

None

Announcements

Vince Robinson (Div 8 member) reports he has volunteered to help with the train collection at the Detroit Historical Society and also a private collection that will eventually be available for public view.

Convention Updates

- **Joel Goldberg** asks for help with clinics for the 2005 NCR convention. The 2005 NCR convention is in need of volunteers.

Short report on convention display (2007) at PSX2004

- 90 pre-convention registrations
- Display was a big hit and "Best in Show"
- Milt Moore did a series of cartoons for the show

2,207 attendees at PSX2004

- Low attendance at the Train show
- Lots of garden layouts on tour

Trustee's Report

Long Range Plan did pass

There will be 9 trustees instead of 17 we have now.

The NMRA is in its second year of positive cash flow

There are many cases of companies unjustly claiming NMRA compliance; NMRA plans to crack down on this.

Hints and Tips

None

Clinic

Fred Cosgrove did a nice job on presenting steam railroading in Cuba. Fred made a videotape of his two weeks he spent 90 miles south of Florida. Steam equipment came from Russia, Yugoslavia, and Romania. Besides great shots of steam, Fred gave us some insight of the facilities available in Cuba. Passenger equipment consisted of cattle cars converted to handle two legged varieties of passengers.

Dan Lewis showed us slides of **Gene Kome's** layout. Very impressive.

Upcoming Clinic and Show & tell

The August clinic will be a slide show of PSX 2004 by **Larry Wolohon**. The show and tell subject will be anything from the northwest or current project.

Schedule

The next Division 8 meeting will be held at 7 PM on Thursday, August 19th, 2004 at the Troy Christian Chapel. The Troy Christian Chapel is located at 400 East Long Lake Road (south side) between Livernois Road and Rochester Road.

Website

Division 8 Online – <http://www.division8-ncr-nmra.org>

The meeting was adjourned at 9:46 PM

Respectfully submitted,

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