



THE CAR HOUSE

May 18, 2000

**THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF DIVISION 8
NORTH CENTRAL REGION - NATIONAL MODEL RAILROAD ASSOCIATION
May 2000 MEETING MINUTES**

Superintendent **John Ainslie** called the May 18, 2000 meeting of Division 8, North Central Region of the National Model Railroad Association to order at 7:09 PM. The meeting was held at Troy Christian Chapel.

VISITORS

Eric Peterson, son of Bill Peterson, and HO modelers **Russ Hjelmberg** and **John Harrington** were guests of the division this month.

SHOW AND TELL

This month's Show & Tell theme was something foreign to your prototype. We had a large amount of rolling stock from various U.S. and Canadian roads that were geographically removed from their owners primary modeling interest, as well as some European and Japanese prototype steam, diesel, and electric locomotives, trolleys, and some freight cars.

MINUTES APPROVED

The April minutes were approved unanimously.

PAYMASTER'S REPORT

Gene Kome, Paymaster, reported the following balances:

Checking: \$651.17

Savings and C.D.: \$3,800.17

Gene announced that the \$50.00 donation to the Kalmbach Memorial library at the NMRA national headquarters had been received and the NMRA had sent a condolence letter acknowledging the gift to Irv's family.

TRUSTEE'S REPORT

Jim Zinser reminded everyone that his or her photo contributions to the 2001 NMRA calendar can be made before June 30th. Events for the calendar must be submitted by July 30th. **Jim** also announced that **Dave Thornton** is officially the NCR Trustee.

DV8 WEBSITE

The division 8 website has a new address at one of the many free webspace providers, http://members.tripod.com/ncr_division8. New webmaster, **Curt Danielewicz**, will be adding some photos from last year's division outing at **Bill Hayes'** within the next month, if you have any model or prototype photos you would like to contribute to the division photo pages please contact him via e-mail or at the division meetings.



CLINIC

Dave Regitgo presented four trays of slides from last years NMRA guided tour to Europe. The tour group traveled by rail through Austria, Italy, and Switzerland. **Dave** had some beautiful slides of the Matterhorn and of many historical buildings in these countries.

HINTS & TIPS

- A Plymouth industrial switcher was spotted near the Gibraltar Trade Center in Mount Clemens recently. The locomotive appears to need a new radiator.
- Another Plymouth is the switch engine for a paper mill in Manistee, which is between Ludington and Frankfort, on the Lake Michigan coast.
- A historical marker is located in Saint Clair Shores, at 10 Mile Road and Jefferson Avenue, commemorating the interurban line that ran along the shore.

CLUB NEWS

None

UPCOMING CLINICS AND SUBJECTS FOR SHOW & TELL

- June 2000 Clinic– Traction in Farmington with Brian Golden.
- Show & Tell – Traction or current modeling project.

SCHEDULE

The next Division 8 meeting will be held at 7 PM on Thursday, June 15, 2000 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.

WEBSITES

- NMRA:
www.nmra.org
- North Central Region: The *HOTBOX*:
www.detnews.com/metro/hobbies/hotbox/
- Division 8 Online:
members.tripod.com/ncr_division8
- Gratiot Valley Railroad Club:
www.michvhf.com/~gvrr/
- Society of N Scalers:
members.xoom.com/sonsrom
- Stoney Creek Model R.R. Club:
www.metronet.lib.mi.us/ROCH/scmrrc
- Curt Danielewicz, Division 8 Scribe:
www.tir.com/~curtd

The meeting was adjourned at 8:54PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Curt Danielewicz, Secretary