



The Trainwire.



Off the Mainline...

by: Kirk Pohto

I hope everyone had a safe and happy holiday season full of friends, family, great food, and lots of trains! The HO Modular Group completed two more exciting set-ups this Christmas season. The Lake Metroparks Country Lights Festival at Farmpark was another success. The

crowds were large and the interest was high throughout the event. Rick Montgomery and I were able to represent the Division when the Mentor Rotary Club visited with a group of special needs kids. We had a great time running trains for them! Being able to enjoy running the trains and seeing kids' eyes light up really makes you remember why this hobby is so great. It doesn't have to be all about the latest-and-greatest DCC locomotive or prototype-specific train. The simplest enjoyment can come from just watching the kids smile as a train makes its way around the layout. The Rotarians and Lake Metroparks staff made sure they thanked us for being there. We both look forward to being there next year!

Later the next day we took down our display so LENS could set up their N-scale layout. We headed over to Mentor City Hall for two weeks and had another successful run. Attendance was good and the trains ran well. These two set ups kept the Modular Group busy as the year wound down. Like our other set-ups throughout the year, they're great ways for Division 5 to promote itself and the hobby. Thank you to the Modular Group for your continued hard work to make sure the Division puts its best foot forward whenever we set up the modules! As 2007 drew to a close, the Board finalized the 2008 budget. We've also worked out our program and Bring-n-Brag schedule for the coming year. So when we're back at Hambden for our

monthly meeting on January 4th, we'll be ready to roll into 2008 with a full head of steam.

See you down the line in January!



Kirk D. Pohto – Superintendent
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"The Western Reserve Division"

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Local Railroads From Atlas.

Article By:
Kirk Pohto

Looking through the Atlas website I noticed they have a couple of products they're releasing in new road names that should appeal to northeast Ohioans. Announced back in June as part of their Trainman line, the Evans 52' gondola just hit stores last month painted for the Newburgh and South Shore. The car is offered in road numbers 130346 and 130349 (SKU# 20000098A and 20000099A).

As the gons were arriving in stores, Atlas announced they would offer their popular Alco C424 painted for Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad's #4241 (SKU# 10000225). Look for this special release in May 2008.

http://www.atlastrainman.com/Images/HOFreight/HO%20Gondolas/0507/20000098a_TQ.jpg

http://www.atlasrr.com/Images/HOLocomotives/hoc4245/1107/CVSR_C424.jpg

UPCOMING DIVISION 5 MEETINGS

Division 5 monthly meetings normally start at 7:30

There is no meeting in December.

2008

January 4

Location: Hambden Town Hall
 Program: **DCC**
 Bring & Brag: Snow Theme

February 1

Location: Hambden Town Hall
 Program:
 Bring & Brag: Favorite Fallen Flag

SCHEDULED EVENTS

HO Module Setup **Dec 15-31**
 Mentor City Hall
 Mentor, Ohio

2008

Division 5 BOD Meeting	Jan 21
LENS Module Setup	Feb 2& 3
Geneva State Lodge	
Division 5 BOD Meeting	Feb 18
Railfest	March 15-16
Lakeland Community College Kirtland, Ohio	

The Western Reserve Model Railroad Museum
 7471 Tyler Blvd. Unit "L"
 Mentor, Ohio 44060

Hours

Tuesday	5:00 PM - 9:00 PM
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Division 5 Promotional day – “Promo Day”

By: Bruce Lutheran

Saturday November 3rd was promo day for division 5. It was held at the train museum on Tyler blvd in Mentor. Thank you Rick M. and the entire museum staff for helping. I had set-up advertisements in the News Herald, AAA and the Mentor channel. Many of the attendees said they had seen it in one of those places. (I got around 80 phone calls to my home, as the reporter put my phone number in the paper) We did have several people from the west and south side also attend, so the flyers helped get the word out also. Thank you to everyone who

set flyers out at local businesses. We had around 900 people attend this year. Tom C. and Len K. helped get the “guests” signed in. Alice A, Dot H. and my wife also helped with sign-ins, directions and overall good will. The place was packed from 15 mins before we opened until 5:00. Everyone who attended said they had a great time. Many people enjoyed the donuts, chips, cookies and pop that was provided. We handed out about 6 applications for membership, so we will see if we get any new members? The raffle for the kids was very well received also, with handing out raffle

tickets to all kids and calling out names every 15 mins. I gave away a box of 24 crayons and a coloring book to each winner. We placed the winning ticket number on the board at the entrance and everybody checked it out on the way out. One kid checked the board every 15 mins for 2 hours straight. As he walked out, he knew he did not win, I gave him a prize and the look on his face was that as if I had given him a “gold bar”. Another little girl won the “grand prize” of a \$5 gift certificate (donated by Dick Roth). Rich K. was there with his grandson, who was checking out the winners board like

clockwork. I noticed this several times and asked him what his number was? He told me it was 2008. Shortly afterwards, the next winner was announced over the loudspeaker – “2008”. The look on his face was worth it! The balloons I got to be used to help people find the place and locate the various high points in the museum helped out (the pulling contest, the mystery item and the clinics). At the end of the day, the balloons were taken down and given to the “non winners” as they walked out. I put out Bonnie’s bosses “mystery item” with a sign to give as much detail as possible to use as a tie-breaker, and it was a

good thing I did, as several people came close on the answer. I had 15 people enter the contest and a \$5 gift certificate (donated by Dick Roth) was given as the prize. Every area in the museum was packed with visitors, young and old alike. The pulling contests that Charlie (O gauge) and “Big-Mike” (HO gauge) ran went well, as we had several “winners” in several categories. Tom P. and Jim W. worked the O scale and S scale center section, while Frank R. handled the Trolley

area. “Big Mike” and Ray G. had a couple of helpers with the HO scale. Floyd R. and his wife Sharon floated the entire areas. The Clinics, on the other hand, were not as well received. Dale S. (ballasting), Alan A. (locomotive kit-bashing) and Tom P. (making trees with natural materials) did put them on, but they were not attended by the public well. A special thank you to Mike B. for helping call out their starting times. My feeling is that they were too specific in na-

ture for the general public. Harley S. did hold an open house from 6-9 and as I was told, (thank you Don B.) several people came out to visit. I think having it at a time after the official days activities were over was a good idea. I am sure Harley was tired, as he was at the Lakeland show all day prior to it. I know Don B. and Dale S. helped him out as a minimum. I provided food to all who helped work that day. Jim W. provided his “world famous chili” and I got hot

dogs for all. It was all gone by the end of the day! I think that the following event near the end of the day tells a lot – There was a little boy, around 4 yrs old, screaming his head off, with big tears rolling down his face, “ I don’t want to go, I don’t want to go, don’t make me leave the trains”. I think we have a future member joining! It was a very successful day and the hobby was promoted well!

Again, Thank you to all who helped!!!!

Railfanning the LA&L Railroad.

By: Ken Stroebel

This month I thought I'd share a trip I made this fall up to the Rochester area. While Rochester has some interesting railroading, with CSXT being the primary Class 1 railroad present, I was more interested in pursuing some of the short lines in the area, particularly the Livonia, Avon & Lakeville Railroad (LA&L). Approximately 90 percent of the LA&L's traffic consists of inbound corn syrup destined to Sweeteners Plus, Inc., and ADM Corn Processing in Lakeville, NY, while the remaining business is based on inbound fertilizer and chemical loads along with outbound grain and wood products.

The LA&L connects with CSXT at Genesee Junction in Henrietta, NY, just a short distance southeast of Rochester and just north of Interstate 90. Genesee Junction is also the interchange with the Rochester and Southern Railroad (R&S) and the R&S's Brooks Avenue Yard (providing haulage rights to the NS interchange in Silver Springs), and with the Rochester and Genesee Valley Railroad Museum in Industry. A quick trip to the R&S yard didn't yield any satisfying results, so I opted to head south even though it was getting a little dark with the approaching winter days, and follow the LA&L tracks towards their home base in Lakeville, NY.

My initial stopping point was the small town of Avon, which is home to several storage tracks, the vintage 1876 Erie depot that is now privately owned and an old grain mill. Unfortunately, there were no cars parked in the small yard this day, so after a couple of quick photos of the depot and the grain mill I was back in the car and headed south to Lakeville.

LA&L's Northern Division operates in New York's Livingston and Monroe Counties south of Rochester. The Southern Division operates in Steuben County west of Corning. The affiliated The Ontario Central Railroad, which is part of the railroad's family, serves Ontario County southeast of Roches-

ter. The LA&L can trace its roots back to the Erie-Lackawanna Railroad, which abandoned part of its Rochester Branch in 1964 (Lakeville to Livonia). As a result of this decision, a group of investors purchased the line. After the reorganization of the six major eastern railroads and formation of Conrail, the LA&L's only interchange point became Avon, NY. Further changes were still to come to the LA&L with the next few years later, as the Livonia to Lakeville line would be abandoned in 1981. After the abandonment, the LA&L built a team-track in Lakeville to better serve its customers, which was followed shortly by the construction of

a yard in Lakeville to handle the growing amount of traffic. By 1990, an engine shop and office building were added. When Conrail decided to sell off its less profitable smaller lines by 1995, the LA&L purchased the Mortimer Secondary and the Rochester Industrial Track to expand. The expansion allowed the LA&L to service customers in Avon and Henrietta. In October 1998, the LA&L purchased a controlling share of the Ontario Central, a 14 mile shortline between Victor and Shortsville. In 2001, the LA&L begins operations on the ex-Erie Lackawanna mainline between Hornell, NY and

Corry, PA as the Western New York & Pennsylvania Railroad. By the end of 2005, the WNYP leased more trackage from Norfolk Southern and the line extended south through Meadville to Oil City, PA.

Lakeville is about 7 to 8 miles a few miles southeast of Avon. Approaching Lakeville, the scanner began to pick up some communications, and I knew that the LA&L must be finishing up their switching duties for the day. A quick stop at the office to register and obtain permission to tour the Yard was given by the staff, where I learned that S2 switcher engine 72 was working to move some cars into the

Sweeteners Plus factory just east of the yard. I was fortunate enough to catch several switch moves, before the Alco returned to the engine house until next days work.

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Railfanning the LA&L Railroad cont....

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The LA&L is primarily an Alco powered railway, so anyone looking to get their fix of the classic smoking Alco engine will want to check the yard out. The LA&L rosters an S2 (#72) built in 1941, an RS-1 (#20) built in 1949, two S1s (#4 and 5), one C-420 (#420), seven C-424s (#421, 422, 423, 424, 426, 427, 428), four of which are of the C-424m rebuilt variant, one C-425 (#425), four C-430s (#430, 431, 432, 433), one C-630 (#630), one M-630 (#631), and an RS-36 (#418), all in the classic black and yellow paint scheme. The railroad also has an EMD SW-9 switcher.



With switching duties done, there were several old Alco's and a few pieces of rolling stock on the engine house track just north of the building that needed to be checked out. The Lakeville Yard is home to several ex-Green Bay and

Western C-424 power on the dead line, consisting of ex-GBW 319, ex-GBW 320, and ex-GBW 321. Also present is MOW equipment (LA&L 4400) and the 4410, a snow plow. With the fall light getting low in the sky, it was

time to head back and catch the LA&L another day. So if you ever find yourself in western New York, take some time to visit the LA&L and railfan some of the Alco's before they disappear.



Division 5 Elections For Term 2008 – 2010

We need people to volunteer to be on the Division 5 2008 Nominating Committee. We normally try to get one person from each of the three counties that the Division covers: Ashtabula, Lake, and Geauga. Contact Kirk Pohto if you are willing to help out.

Nominations for Division 5 offices may be made by a petition signed by two members and the nominee and submitted to the Nominating Committee. The signatures must be legible and the member's NMRA membership number and their membership expiration date must appear with the signature. The petition shall state for what office the candidate is seeking nomination. No candidate can be nomi-

nated for more than one office in an election.

If there is anyone you would like to nominate for one of the Division 5 elected positions, please contact one of the nominating committee members once the committee is formed or Kirk Pohto until then.

Per our new Division 5 Regulations that we adopted, the Division 5 elected positions are:

- Superintendent
- Assistant Superintendent
- Treasurer

These positions are for a two year term running from June 1, 2008 to June 1, 2010.

The nominating committee is responsible for putting together a slate of candidates for the three Division 5 offices. The Nominating Committee will present its list of nominees at the January 4, 2008 Division 5 meeting. Nominations from the floor will be accepted during the February meeting. Nominations from the floor must have at least a motion and be seconded as well as have the nominee's permission. Nominees cannot nominate themselves.

By mid-February, candidates should submit a short biographical write-up about themselves to the Trainwire editor and explain why they would like to hold the office they are

running for. The write-ups will be in the March Trainwire.

Mail-in ballots will be sent to all Division 5 members by normal US Mail at the end of February. The ballots will be due by the April 4, 2008 Division 5 meeting. Results will be announced in the May Trainwire.

Division 5 Officer Duties

(as described in the Division 5 Regulations)

The duties of the Superintendent are:

Preside at all Division 5, Board of Directors, and Executive Committee meetings.

Serve or appoint a proxy as the

Division representative on the Region Board of Directors.

Assign the Assistant Superintendent suitable duties and keep him/her informed of Division 5 business.

Appoint chairpersons of committees required to accomplish the stated purposes of the Division.

Cooperate with other Divisions in every way possible.

The duties of the Assistant Superintendent are:

Assist the Superintendent in any way possible.

Assume the functions of the office of Superintendent during

the absence of the Superintendent.

The duties of the Treasurer are:

Pay expenses incurred by the Division as authorized by the Superintendent or Assistant Superintendent.

Keep records of all receipts and disbursements.

Pay approved bills as they are due.

Deposit all Division 5 funds in an insured financial institution approved by the Directors.

Render a full financial report at each meeting.

Businesses Accepting Division 5 Certificates

The businesses listed below are currently accepting Division 5's award certificates:



Stewart's Hobbies & Collector's Toys
Hobby Town USA
Train Specialty Company
Village Train Shop

Willoughby, OH
Mentor, OH
Chardon, OH
Perry, OH



Please support these dealers!

Division 5 BOD Meeting Notes

October 5th, 2007

December 17, 2007 – 7:00 PM – Lake Farm Park

Attending: Kirk Pohto, Rick Montgomery, Lenny Kessler, Al Cap, Wayne Lette, Bonnie Lette, Matt Kross

Reviewed up coming events and dates for the Trainwire to publish.

- ✦ Looked over the new module blueprint; discussed where NMRA Standard modules would fit into the new layout.
It is being based on the 1986 Conrail Track Plan with some liberties.

- ✦ Reviewed the budget

- Rick M motioned to accept the budget as is
- Wayne L 2nd
Motion carried

Loser Raffle Names and a report about the Christmas Party to be submitted by Matt & Bonnie

Budget to be published in the Trainwire – Bonnie to submit

- ✦ Discussed the upcoming election

- Teller – Dennis Lloyd
Nominating Committee – Kirk is going to head the committee to get the volunteers needed to nominate candidates for the up coming election.

Rick to give Bonnie a copy of the Museum's 501c3 paperwork

- ✦ Discussed the convention

- Nothing further has been checked into
- It has been confirmed that the Region wants us to do a convention in 2011
- A Convention committee will need to be formed
- A proposal is needed to be prepared to submit to the Region
Other options and possible locations were discussed

Meeting was adjourned

2008 Division 5 General Operating Budget

December 17, 2007 approved by the BOD

RULE: 2008 Expenses are not to exceed 2007 Income

2007 Income:

Railfest 2007	10,000
Christmas Party Ticket Sales	297
Raffle Ticket Sales	406
Picnic & Hall Refund	165
Interest	1,538
Modular Layout Donations/Payments	50
Convention Account Closeout	1,650
Coompany Store Sales	1,113
Total 2007 Income:	15,220

2008 Budget Categories

	Details
Trainwire mailed approx. 135 copies	4,000
Meeting Hall (12 x \$25)	300
Meeting Refreshments	575
Special Events ⇨⇨	700
Christmas Party– Caterer, program, decorations	750
Certificates ⇨⇨	2,330
Modular Layout ⇨⇨	3,200
Travel– Division Business	400
Clinics—Clinicians & speakers	100
Tours / Trips	300
Boy Scout Railroading Merit Badge	300
Model Railroading Promo Day ⇨⇨	600
Publicity and Promotion ⇨⇨	430
Miscellaneous ⇨⇨	975
Website & Domain Name Registration	130
Special Projects (cars, Structures)	—
Total Budgeted Expenses:	1,5090
Savings (left over added to out Savings)	130
Total Expenses + Savings:	15,220

Category Details

Special Events

Division Picnic	300
Donation to Lake Shore Steamers	200
Miscellaneous events	200

Certificates

Bring & Brag entries	700
Clinic Presenters	180
Meeting raffles	350
Annual losers raffle @ Christmas party	680
Trainwire articles	420

Modular Layout

Storage	1,500
New Modules	1,500
Maintenance on existing modules	200
Upgrades to existing modules	—

Model Railroading Promotional Day

Fliers	100
Refreshments	200
Prizes	200
Hall Rental / donations	100

Publicity and Promotion

Division 5 Brochure Updates	—
Division 5 Business Cards	—
Signs	100
Miscellaneous promotions	30
New Member subsidy program	300
Future Projects	—

Miscellaneous

Special mailings– event reminders, ballots	150
Company Store items (cars, structures, etc.)	25
Organization Dues (NOARS)	25
Miscellaneous (Nametags, etc.)	475
Postage and Supplies	200
Award Plaques for Achievement Program	100

The 2007 Christmas Party.

Close to 50 Div 5 members and their guests attended the Division 5 Christmas party at Carl's Overlook Restaurant in Ashtabula, Ohio on December 7, 2007. The weather wasn't too bad, just cold. We had about 22 gifts entered for the Chinese Gift Exchange. There was a bit of gift swapping during the exchange, with Al Cap being the one that got his gift taken away the most. We held our annual Loser's Raffle where we take all the losing raffle tickets from our monthly meetings throughout the past 11 months and draw names for some nice prizes.



The list of winners for this year's Losers Raffle is as follows:

1. Bill Smith
 2. Ron Sieloff
 3. Dave Barnes
 4. Larry Novak
 5. Gary Shaffer
 6. Matt Kross
 7. Kirk Pohto
 8. Frank Russell
 9. Bill Berger
 10. Frank Louder
 11. Mike Buehner
 12. Jim Wendorf
 13. Bob Cook
 14. Tom Carr
- Bob Palmer



We had a very nice program about the Nickel Plate #765 Berkshire steam locomotive, its restoration and various excursions. The speaker was Rich Melvin. It was a very well done presentation that made it interesting for everyone in attendance. More about the 765 can be found at the Fort Wayne (Indiana) Historical Society website: www.765.org.

Thank you to Harley Smith and Dale Smith for coordinating the event.



Modeling Resolutions.

Article by:
Ken Stroebel

I recently was re-reading one of Andy Rooney's books and came across one of his articles he authored about new year's resolutions. He states his various intentions for the coming year, which I found quite humorous and interesting. Well, as the end of another modeling year approaches, I thought it might be fun to share some resolutions I've come to with respect to my model railroad and this hobby we share. So with no disrespect to Andy's ideas:

1. I really should clean up my workbench. While I like to
2. Only start a project when another project has been

keep the work area fairly tidy, I've let the area go far too long without a good cleaning. I should do a better job of making sure extra parts go into the extra parts drawer or bin, and not into the back of my work area. After all, I spent a lot of time labeling all of those parts bins into neatly organized and categorized drawers. Maybe I'd be able to find that horn for a CP SD40-2 if it was really in my SD40-2 parts drawer.

moved into the completion area and is ready to run on the layout. How many of us can look at our workbench and identify more than 5 active projects? More than 10 projects in various stages of building? Right now I'm embarrassed to say that I have two scratch-built projects in various stages of construction, two engines in disassembly (and looking for their respective couplers), one hopper in for a coupler repair, one semi-complete decaling project (a truck still waiting for some detail parts to be painted), several

vehicles in for wheel repair, and a new kit that I picked up on a trip waiting to be built. OK, I guess I'm in the greater than 5 projects but less than 10...I must be OK and total chaos hasn't been reached.

3. Finish parts of the layout that I started two years ago when we held the MCR convention. In my haste to get the layout into decent shape for visitors, I only partially ballasted some track in areas and have never gotten back to that area. For some reason, starting to build four new modu-

lar sections and add onto the layout was calling me more than laying ballast. So maybe I'll take another look at my unfinished layout projects and set an order in which to finish them. Well maybe. I think I'll start those right after I scratch build that grain elevator that I drew the plans for last year.

4. Finish wiring the layout for DCC. Another project that I started with good intentions, but didn't quite get around to finishing. Oh, I got the power station wired into the main bus, actually installed a coupler of decoders into engines, and installed throttle controls in each of my major switch-

ing areas, but I never got around to running the wires from the power station controller to the throttle controls. So instead of running DCC, I've been dragging out the DC controller every time I've done some run sessions.

5. Keep working on the background scenery around the layout. While I got all of the sky areas painted, I became very tired of trying to paint realistic clouds and trees on the background. It didn't take but a few clouds and several misshapen trees to confirm my thoughts that I have no artistic talent when it comes to drawing or paint-

ing something other than a solid colored background. Maybe I should have stuck to stick figures and basic shapes like I was taught in elementary school art class. So any budding artists out there, I have a lot of background that needs to be painted.

Well there you have a few of my model railroading resolutions for the coming year. Maybe you have others. I think that I just need to quit my job and devote more time to this hobby, and maybe then I'll be able to make some more progress. Either that or have another convention. It seems like I got a lot of work done when I had a deadline. Happy 2008.

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January Division 5 Meeting

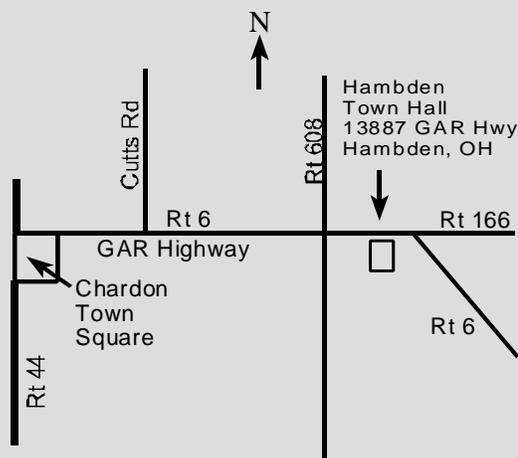
January 4th, 2008.

Location: **Hambden Town Hall**
13887 GAR Highway (Route 6)
Chardon, Ohio

Located on Rt. 6 between the intersection of Rt. 608 and Rt. 166 next to Hambden Elementary School east of Chardon.

Program: **DCC**Bring & Brag Theme: **Snow Theme**

*Reminder: Bring & Brag entries **DO NOT** have to adhere to the Bring & Brag theme for the evening. The themes are meant to add some variety to the types of model work shown and to encourage members to work on something they may not have tried otherwise. The themes are not meant to discourage you from bringing in other model work that you have completed in the last 6 months. By all means, bring it in and show it off!*



Map to Hambden Town Hall

February Trainwire
Deadline January 20th.

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