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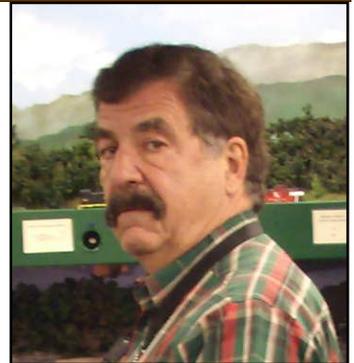
## Ted Nemeth Passes.

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**D**ivision 5 member Ted Nemeth, age 68, of North Kingsville, passed away on Tuesday, September 8, 2009 in Harrisburg, Pa. He was an active member of the Ashtabula round robin train group, and also of the Pennsylvania RR Historical Society. In addition to model railroading and railfanning, he was a history buff, a birdwatcher and a crossword puzzle enthusiast. He was a graduate of the University of Pittsburgh with a B.S. degree in Chemistry and retired as a chemist from MFG Corporation in Ashtabula. He

served in the U.S. Air Force. Surviving are his wife of 47 years, Patricia (nee Knight); two daughters, Kelly Hines of North Kingsville and Michelle Groeger and her husband Kriss of Chesterton, Indiana; three grandchildren, Julie Rose Hines, Annabel Lee Groeger and Oliver Morris Groeger; his sister, Nancy Nemeth, of Mechanicsburg, Pa., and many other relatives and friends. Memorial services were held on Saturday, September 12, 2009 at Saybrook United Methodist Church in Ashtabula. Contributions in his memory can be made to Say-



**Ted Nemeth**  
 1940 - 2009

brook United Methodist Church, 7900 S. Depot Rd., Ashtabula, OH 44004.

## The Middlefield Model Railroad

**H**as closed its doors as of September 1, 2009. All items removed from the layout and items pertaining to the Club will be sold on a first come first served basis on Saturday October 11, 2009 . The time will be from 10:00 A.M. to 4 P.M. The Club is located on Route 608 just South of the center of town Rt. 87. Look for the old freight station behind the red caboose. The layout and sale is in the basement of the station (Ice Cream Depot)

Any questions, please call Betty Roose at 440-632-0459.

## UPCOMING DIVISION 5 MEETINGS

Division 5 monthly meetings normally start at 7:30 PM.

### October

Location: Hambden Town Hall

Program: TBA

Bring & Brag: Flat cars with loads

### November

Location: Hambden Town Hall

Program: TBA

Bring & Brag: Railroad Promotion

### December

Location: Hambden Town Hall

Program: TBA

Bring & Brag: TBA

### The Western Reserve Model Railroad Museum

7471 Tyler Blvd. Unit "L"

Mentor, Ohio 44060

### Fall Hours

Monday thru Thursday 3:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Friday — Closed

Saturday 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Sunday Noon - 5:00 PM

Contact Rick @ 440-251-0350 for more information.

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## SCHEDULED EVENTS

<b>Division 4 Carnival Train Show</b>	<b>October 3 &amp; 4</b>
Cuyahoga County Fairgrounds Berea, Ohio	
<b>MCR BOD Meeting</b>	<b>October 11</b>
Columbus, Ohio	
<b>Division 5 Convention Meeting</b>	<b>October 12</b>
Dale Smith's House	
<b>"Hobo Stew Dinner"</b>	<b>October 17</b>
Penitentiary Glen Trains run from 11am-5pm Dinner will be served @ 5pm	
<b>Division 5 BOD Meeting</b>	<b>October 19</b>
Hambden, Ohio @7:30 PM	
<b>Division 1 Swap Meet</b>	<b>November 1</b>
Akron, Ohio 11am-4pm	
<b>Promotional Day</b>	<b>November 7</b>
Mentor Headlands 10am to 3pm	
<b><u>2010</u></b>	
<b>Division 5 Holiday Party</b>	<b>January 9</b>
Hambden Hall Hambden, Ohio	

# Division 5 Minutes

September 4, 2009

- Wayne Lovercheck from Erie, PA who models in HO was a guest
- **Trainwire Notification**
  - o There were some problems with the link because the notice was sent out HTML vs. Plain Text – Matt is aware that there was a problem
- Al passed around a signup sheet for how you wanted to receive the King Pin in the future and is going to forward to Dick Briggs
- **Heart of Willoughby**
  - o Attendance was down (in part it could be because of the Lake County Fair)
  - o Activities improved over last year
  - o The crowds were intermittent when the Trolley came around
  - o Al was not pleased with the turn out at the Friday night setup, there were only a few people that showed and those are not normally with the module group
  - o Tear Down was not much better
  - o The modules that we will be setting up at Farm Park (the setup that was at Willoughby) are now stored at Farm Park. These will be setup for the Country Lights in December and Railroads in the Park in May.
  - o The remaining modules are in Dale Smith's garage. If you are interested in the yard modules or the other modules you are to submit a sealed bid or e-mail bid to the officers by the October meeting. The bids will be opened and the winner will follow Dale to his house to remove the modules. The money will be donated to the Division
- **Middlefield Railroad Club** (Middlefield Historical Society) closed their doors as of September 1<sup>st</sup>. Don Thomas gave us a notice that they will be having a sale of all the contents on 9/16/09 at 7:30 pm on a first come basis.
- **Congratulations** Dick Roth for being voted the new President of the Niagara Frontier Region
- Division 4 Carnival will be October 3-4. We will have a table for our Company Store and flyers for Promo Day & Railfest. We need people to man the table
- **Hobo Dinner** – Live Steamers October 17<sup>th</sup> at Penitentiary Glen. There was a signup sheet at the meeting and will be at the October meeting.
- **Mike Buehner** reported on the shirt and hat order forms
  - o He had some samples to view
  - o It has been decided that the Division will pay \$7.00 of the \$12.50 embroidery cost of the division logo. Name is included in the prices
  - o We are offering Denim, Sweatshirts, Polo shirts and hats
  - o There are no minimum or no maximum order required
  - o Order forms were available at the meeting and they will be available on our website
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# Division 5 Minutes cont.....

August 7, 2009

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- **Name Tags** – in the future without any notice, if you are wearing your division name tag you will be eligible for an extra raffle ticket
- **Convention** – next committee meeting will be 9/12 at 1PM at Dale Smith's house. Everyone is welcome
- **Promo Day** – Plans are coming along. We now have train table sections available to demonstrate with. Help is needed for the day. Watch for the article in the October Trainwire. If interested in helping please contact Bruce Lutheran or Dale Smith
- **Meeting Programs** – need volunteers and ideas – please get your suggestions to one of the BOD members
- **Owosso, MI Steam Show** (last weekend in July) it was reported that it is not a rip off event, it is well supported by all the vendors and city businesses. There were live steam and G-Scale models (Jon Jaros & Paul Emch participated with the live steam layout). Doran Station was interesting. A few members chased the 765 & 4449. There were crowds of railfans.
- **NY & Lake Erie excursion train** in Gowanda, NY will not be running till further notice, they might be up and running in 2010. There was \$1.5 million in damage from rain/flood/washouts. They have 800' of good track-age.
- **Division 4** has canceled the Cass, WV trip because they were not able to fill the bus.
- **Mickey Mouse Train** came through the area but nobody had any further information
- **Scale Show** – Bob Frieden will pay half if we can get the price down at Lakeland for the 2010 Promotional Day. Bob will take care of all the mailing and advertising by putting 3 lines of information on his postcard schedule that he mails out every year.
- **Bill Brodie**, AP Coordinator presented the following awards (Congratulations)
  - o Association Official – Al Cap
  - o Association Volunteer – Bonnie Lette
  - o Association Volunteer – Wayne Lette
- **Bob Frieden** would like to have an "All Scale Show" at Lakeland College in December (the week before Christmas – 19<sup>th</sup> or 20<sup>th</sup>). He requested the approval for him to hold this new show. Division 5 to have compt tables in the lobby for promoting Division 5 and the NMRA.
  - o Dale Smith motioned to support Bob Frieden's All Scale Show
  - o Rob Bowers 2<sup>nd</sup>
  - o There were no objections
- **Holiday Party** will be January 9, 2010 at the Hambden Town Hall. The speaker for the evening will be Bob Weinheimer of Charleston, WV to talk about their Region Convention in 2010.
- **Bring N Brag**
  - o Bill Berger
  - o Skip Gidding
  - o Bill Brodie
- There was no program for the evening due to technical difficulties.

# Bulleting Board.

## BOD September Minutes

Will be posted in the November issue of the Trainwire.

## HELP WANTED

**No experience necessary.**

Division 4 Train Show Saturday & Sunday, October 3 & 4 at Berea Fairgrounds.

Your help is requested in manning our Division 5 table, please call me @ 440-357-8890 to sign up.

## Excess Division Modules

After a short discussion at the Sept. Meeting it was decided to put the excess Division Modules up for a sealed bid. There are a total of 14 Modules, 8 - individual scene Modules and 6 - yard

Modules ( two (2) of the yard Modules have structural damage and will need to be rebuilt before they could be used).

### Bids will be accepted as follows;

**Bid #1** - Bid per Module for Individual Scene Modules up to eight (8).

**Bid #2** - Bid on all six Yard Modules for one Money.

Modules are currently stored at Dale Smith's Garage. If anyone would like to view them prior to making a bid, Please contact Dale at 440-286-4932 before 10:00PM daily. Anyone wishing to bid on the Modules shall submit their written sealed Bid on or before Oct. 2, 2009 at 7:30PM.

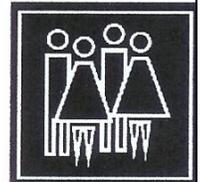
Bids will be opened at that time. If you are bidding on the Modules you should come prepared to take the Modules that night unless prior arrangements have been made.

If no bids are received they will be disposed of at that time.



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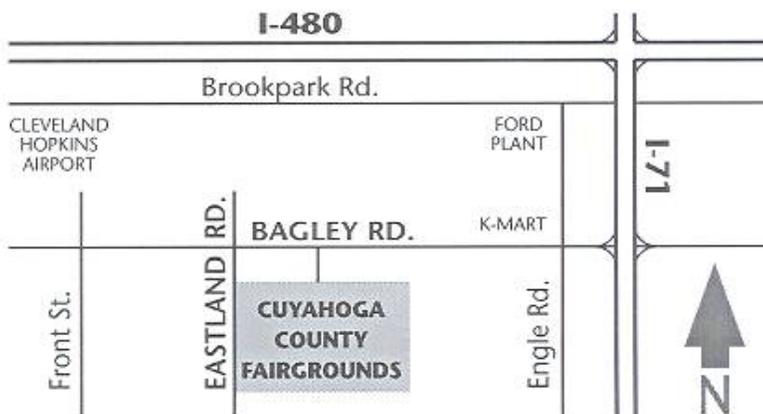
Admission \$6.00  
 Under 16 Free with Adult  
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Contact: Tom Beitler  
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# DIVISION 1 RAILROAD FLEA MARKET

## SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2009

### 11 AM - 4 PM



**THE AKRON YACHT CLUB**  
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This flea market is designed as a place for the average model railroader to sell or trade his railroad items. It is not intended to be a place to find the newest and latest items as offered by hobby shop dealers. Dealers whose merchandise is older equipment, i.e. used, consignment or close-outs, are welcome.

**All model railroaders are welcome to sell and buy.**

Members from Divisions 1, 4 & 5 are especially urged to participate.

*A donation of \$2 per attendee is requested.*

A concession area will be available.

Tables (@6 feet) are \$10 each.

Contact: Bob Ashley, Jr.  
 3656 Shikellamy Dr.  
 Akron, OH 44319-3742

330-645-6175 evenings

[tubtoy3656@aol.com](mailto:tubtoy3656@aol.com)

The number of tables available is limited, so request your tables early. Setup starts at 9 am.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

email: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of tables: \_\_\_\_\_ x \$10 = \_\_\_\_\_

Payable to: Division 1 - MCR - NMRA



**Sat & Sun March 20th & 21st  
10am to 4 pm**

Lakeland Community College  
Kirtland, Ohio

State Rt. 306 at Interstate 90 - Exit 193  
(N.E. Ohio)

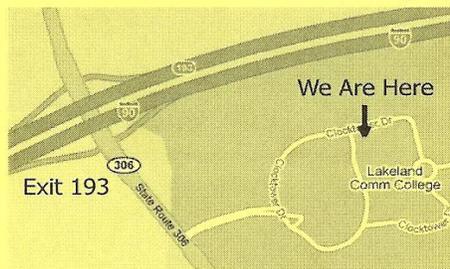
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**For Information:**

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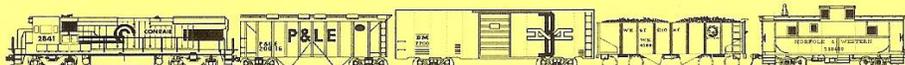
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**October Division 5 Meeting**

October 2, 2009.

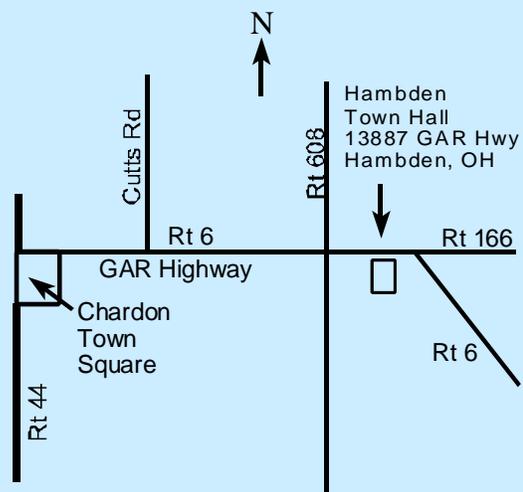
Division 5 monthly meetings normally start at 7:30 PM.

**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:** TBA**Bring & Brag:** Flat cars with loads

*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

**November Trainwire Deadline**  
**October 20th.**

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