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DIVISION 5 — MID CENTRAL REGION — NMRA



THIS MONTH:

Friday March 3

Division Meeting
Hambden Town Hall
7:30 PM

Saturday March 18

Sunday March 19

Railfest
Lakeland CC
10am— 4pm

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Super Reflections March 2023

Railfest 2023 Is Just Weeks Away!

Railfest 2023 will be here before you know it. Make sure you can be available March 16 through 19, 2023 to help with Railfest. This is a big show and it takes a lot of people and hours to put it on. If you can recruit some friends and family members to help, that would be great! This is your show that funds your Division so plan to contribute some effort. There is now an online signup sheet for Railfest jobs for Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. This can be found on the Division 5 website in the members only section. You can also manually sign up for Railfest jobs at the March meeting or by contacting Jim Wendorf. There are still lots of time slots open that we need to fill.

Should We Change The Meeting Day/Time?

Please provide your input to the Division 5 survey regarding whether we should change the day/time of our monthly membership meeting. We currently meet on the first Friday of every month at 7:30pm. There are some members that have difficulty driving at night and would like to have

the meeting during daylight hours on the weekend. The survey is a way for members to indicate whether they are open to a different day/time for the monthly meeting.

Pizza At March Meeting!

Our refreshments at the March meeting will include pizza. Because of this, it is important that everyone use the meeting RSVP feature on the Division 5 website to let us know who is coming so we know how much pizza to order.

My Past Month Modeling Work

Another month has gone by and it was another month when I didn't get anything done on my layout. It is a bit frustrating but, due to state of my wife's Alzheimers, I have to keep an eye on her 24/7 which makes it difficult getting things done.

Join us in-person at our March membership meeting on Friday, March 3, 2023. Come for the pizza and program, then sign up for a job at Railfest! See you down the line.

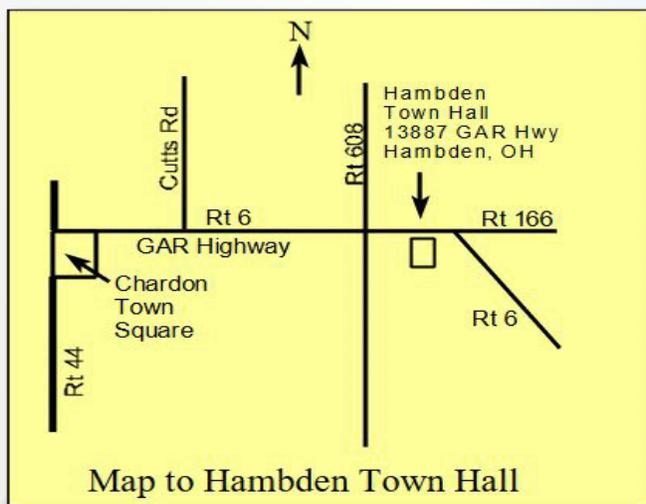
Matt

MEETINGS & EVENTS

UPCOMING DIVISION 5 MEETINGS

(DIVISION 5 MEETINGS START AT 7:30)

<u>MARCH 3, 2023</u>	DIVISION MEETING
LOCATION:	HAMB DEN TOWN HALL 13887 GAR HIGHWAY
PROGRAM:	ANDY YEDLICK RAILFANNING PHOTOS
BRING & BRAG:	ANYTHING GOES
<u>APRIL 7, 2023</u>	DIVISION MEETING
LOCATION:	HAMB DEN TOWN HALL 13887 GAR HIGHWAY
PROGRAM:	DENNIS LLOYD DECALING
BRING & BRAG:	MODEL FROM A KIT
<u>APRIL 10, 2023</u>	BOD MEETING VIRTUAL VIA ZOOM



Map to Hambden Town Hall

UPCOMING Events

(GO TO WWW.CLEVESHOWS.COM FOR A COMPLETE LIST OF SHOWS)

March 4

Independence Train Show - KD Trains LLC
The Independence High School Fieldhouse
6001 Archwood Rd. Independence, OH 44131
10 am - 3 pm Adm. \$7.00
Phone: 216-642-0692

March 5

Erie Model Train Show
Rainbow Gardens - Waldameer Park, PA
10 am to 4 pm Adm. \$5.00
Phone: 724-992-2035

March 5

Akron Train & Toy Show
48 East Bath Road at State Road
Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio 44223
9:00 am - 4 pm Adm. \$4.00
Phone: 330-724-5253

March 18-19

Div. 5 Railfest - Model Railroad Show
Lakeland Community College
7700 Clocktower Dr., Kirtland, Ohio 44094
10 am to 4 pm Adm. \$8.00
Phone Jim at: 440-357-8890

March 18

Div. 5 Railfest - Dinner
Painesville Railroad Museum
475 Railroad Street, Painesville, Ohio 44077
5:30 pm Adm. \$24.00
Phone Tom at 216-470-5780

March 25

Train Collectors Association
5615 Chevrolet Blvd., Parma, Ohio 44130
10 am to 3 pm Adm. \$6.00
Phone: 330-273-6404

April 2

Medina Train and Toy Show
Medina Fairgrounds, Medina, Ohio 44256
9 am to 3 pm Adm. \$6.00

MINUTES

Division 5 Membership Meeting Minutes

February 3, 2023

The February 3, 2023, membership meeting was held at Hambden Township Hall. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by Superintendent Matt Kross. 23 members and 3 guests were present.

Welcomed visitors Nathan, Dennis, and Dale. Dale has visited with us a number of times and has decided to join the NMRA.

A stack of Railfest 2023 flyers were available for members to take and pass out.

Our webmaster has created an online sign-up sheet for Railfest jobs so that everyone that has internet access can mark the days, times, and jobs that they can help at Railfest. Instructions were sent out in an e-mail to all members that we have valid e-mail addresses for. In addition, the job sign-up sheets were available at the meeting for people to manually add their names to. These sheets will also be available at the March meeting. This is a big show and it takes a lot of people and hours to put it on. If you can recruit some friends and family members to help, that would be great!

Survey created on Division 5 website for member input regarding whether we should change the day/time of our monthly membership meeting. We currently meet on the first Friday of every month at 7:30pm. There are some members that can't drive at night and would like to have the meeting during daylight hours on the weekend. The survey is a way for members to indicate whether they are open to considering a different day/time for the monthly meeting. A web link was provided in an e-mail to all members with internet access that allows each person to provide their input. For those that do not have e-mail and internet access, a paper survey will be mailed to them. The survey will be open until the Sunday after our April 2023 meeting. **Note that nothing will be happening soon regarding this.** This is just a survey to get the general desires of the membership. The Division 5 BOD will review the survey inputs, decide whether there is enough desire to consider changing the meeting day/time, and then have the entire membership vote on the proposed change.

There will be a Railfest Dinner at the Painesville Depot the Saturday evening of Railfest. A flyer for that event will be in the March Trainwire.

If you want to sell items at the Division 5 Sales Table at Railfest, you must fill out the form that lists all the items that you are selling. The form was in the February Trainwire and will be in the March Trainwire. It is also available on the Division 5 website. We will try to have some paper copies of the form at the March meeting. There are instructions on the back of the form that you must follow.

Division 5 members were invited to participate in Division 4's annual auction next week.

Early registration has ended for the MCR 2023 convention in Pittsburgh this May.

Next Division 5 BOD meeting will be Monday, February 13, 2023 at 7:30pm online. A Zoom meeting link will be e-mailed to all Division 5 members.

The Mid Central Region is looking for a Region Contest Chairman. Dave Neff indicated that they may have a candidate for this position. However, if you are interested, please contact Dave Neff.

Members should have received an e-mail from the NMRA about voting in the Central District Director election.

MINUTES

Members should have received an e-mail about connecting to the new NMRA Interchange web app that will provide an electronic way to communicate with other NMRA members. Please go through the process to get yourself setup and take a look at the new software app. We need to see how we can best make use of this for our Division.

Looking for meeting programs starting with the May meeting.

Developing a Division 5 continuity plan. What happens if a key person in the Division is suddenly not able to fulfill their duties? Need to get backup people for each Division 5 job and develop instructions on how to do each job. The Division 5 BOD will be looking at what we will do about this.

The Treasurer reported that the 2022 tax reporting forms are in process of being

Items for the Good Of The Order:

- o Division 5 members were invited to participate in Division 4's annual auction next week.
- o Dave Hanna reports that he is now cancer free!

Bring & Brag: Theme – Gondola Loads

Dennis Lloyd

Matt Kross

Bill Berger

Dave Metzger

Dave Neff

Rich Kacprzak

Dennis Saueters (Div 1)

Program: Dennis Lloyd did a presentation on various types of prototype gondola loads.

Submitted by Matt Kross – Div 5 Clerk

BOD Meeting 13 February 2023

A Division 5 BOD meeting was held on February 13, 2023. The meeting was held online using Zoom. In attendance were Matt Kross, Bonnie Lette, Wayne Lette, Linda Kacprzak, Dennis Lloyd, Chuck Limbert, Bryan Persing, and Ted Wiese.

We have had a few people use the online Railfest job sign-up. A few people signed up at the February meeting. We still have a lot of jobs and time slots to fill. Need to encourage members to recruit family and friends to help at Railfest.

We need a coordinator for the NMRA table at Railfest. Matt Kross is ordering promotional materials from NMRA headquarters. Linda Kacprzak will bring one of her micro layouts to display at the table. We need to decide what signs we want to put up for the table.

Division 5 will once again offer a subsidy for NMRA memberships if they sign up at Railfest and reside in our Division 5 area (Lake, Geauga, Ashtabula counties). This year we will provide \$9.95 towards a \$19.95 Rail Pass membership and \$15 towards a full \$68 NMRA membership but only if the person will be a member of Division 5.

Gary Shaffer has volunteered to coordinate the Division 5 sales table at Railfest.

MINUTES

The Region is encouraging Divisions to develop what they call a Continuity Plan. This covers how we would handle a situation when a key person is unable to carry out their job. It is suggested that we have a backup person for every position within the division. Also needed are instructions for each position with information such as passwords, account numbers, etc. We will start looking at getting some backup people for our various positions. We need to look at a place to store various electronic documents and files so that important information is backed up. The Webmaster will look at using storage space on our web server for this purpose.

Dennis Lloyd has volunteered to be the Promo Day 2023 coordinator. Linda Kacprzak volunteered to assist with the event. We are proceeding with holding Promo Day 2023 at the Thompson Library in Thompson, Ohio on a Saturday from 10am to 3pm sometime in October. We will look at the various Saturdays in October to see what works the best. We will contact the Thompson Library to see what information they need and when for their publicity. We will also need to work with the library to determine what spaces we will be able to use. A flyer will need to be created and have available for Railfest. We will need to start contacting past presenters to see who would be willing to present this year.

We have meeting programs and Bring & Brag themes through May 2023.

Survey has been created to get feedback from the membership as to whether they are interested and willing to change the monthly membership meeting day/time. 19 people have responded so far out of about 60 members. The survey will be open until April 9th. The results so far indicate that most people are willing to consider an alternate day/time but the overall preference is to keep it on the first Friday of the month. We will continue to encourage more members to provide their input.

We have used all our Division Layout Tour yard signs. The BOD authorized the Superintendent to go ahead and order more of these signs. It was suggested that we add the Division website to the sign.

We will have pizza at the March membership meeting. Need to encourage members to use the meeting RSVP feature on the Division website for this meeting so that we know how much pizza to order.

It was suggested that we offer to provide rides to the monthly meeting for those members that are unable to drive at night. We will put this in the Trainwire with the Superintendent being the contact. If someone needs a ride, the Superintendent will see if he can find someone that can pick that member up.

We will decide at the April BOD meeting where and when the June 2 membership meeting will be since this will be the same weekend as the Railroads In Parks at Lake Farmpark.

The next Div 5 BOD meeting will be on Monday, April 10, 2023 at 7:30pm online using Zoom. *(Note: Normally, BOD meetings are held on even numbered months from February to October and then in November and not in December.)*

Submitted by Matt Kross – Superintendent / temporary Div 5 Clerk

RAILFEST

Railfest 2023 will be here before you know it. We will be needing lots of help! We will have a volunteer sign-up sheet at the Division 5 meetings and during Railfest setup.

Plan To Help The Division With Its Only Major Fund Raiser

Railfest Tasks

Thursday March 16 (approx. 2 pm to 6 pm - show setup only, no dealers)

- Set up tables in proper positions
- Cover the tables
- Put out chairs
- Deliver show materials

Friday March 17 (10 am to 7 pm)

- Adjust table positions as needed
- Man the doors for security and assistance while vendors set-up
- Help vendors unload vehicles
- Setup the Division flea market tables and Division display items
- Put up signs

Saturday March 18 (7 am - 10 am - dealer and display set-up; show 10 am – 4 pm)

- Man the doors for security and assistance while vendors set-up
 - Man the entrance desk: collect admission fee and make change
 - Put wrist straps on show attendees as they come in the gate
 - Run the PA system - make announcements
 - Collect and count money
 - Assist vendors and guests with questions
 - Provide general overall security
 - Man the Division flea market table - especially those selling items
 - Man the Raffle and Door Prize tables
- BUY LOT'S OF GOOD STUFF!**

Sunday March 19 (8 am - 6 pm; show 10 am – 4 pm) (Must be out by 6 pm)

- Same show items as on Saturday
- Buy more good stuff!
- Remove covering from tables
- Clean up trash
- Provide security while vendors load their vehicles
- Assist vendors with carrying merchandise to their vehicles
- Take down displays and signs



Volunteers especially needed for tear down: 4pm to 7pm



RAILFEST 2023



Saturday and Sunday

March 18 & 19, 2023

10 am to 4 pm

Buy – Sell – Trade

Located at:

Lakeland Community College

7700 Clocktower Dr.

Kirtland, Ohio 44094

State Rt. 306 at Interstate 90 – exit 193



Operating Layouts

N Scale Layouts
(LENS & BRNS)

O Gauge layout
(Lake Mod Squad)

**S Scale & American
Flyer**
(Cuyahoga Valley S Gauge
Association)

Lionel O Gauge
LGB G Gauge

Live Steam Display
(Lake Shore Live Steam)

Admission \$8.00

Two Day Pass \$13.00
Family (couples) \$13.00
Family (max) \$15.00
(2 Adults with Children under 16)

Food Service Available at reasonable prices

Features

- Dealers
- RR Flea market
- Exhibitors
- Operating Layouts
- Test Track
- Video Tapes
- Historical Displays
- Train Ride Info
- Test Track Available
- ATM

For Information Write:

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PO Box 5081
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Phone: (216) 470- 5780

Email: railfest@mcr5.org



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RAILFEST 2023 DINNER

9th Annual Railfest Dinner ☘ March 18, 2023

Will be held at Painesville Railroad Museum (aka Painesville Depot)
475 Railroad Street, Painesville, Ohio 44077
Eleven miles east of College.

Have Dinner in a Historic Train Station!



Time:

Saturday evening, 5:30 pm, March 18, 2023

Price:

24.00 per person

SPEAKER & SUBJECT

TBA

RESERVATION DEADLINE

March 14, 2023

DINNER MENU

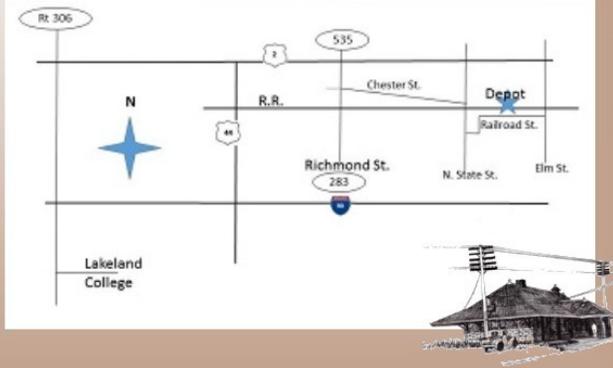
- Tossed Green Salad
- Italian and Ranch Dressing on the side
- Chicken
- Corn Beef and Cabbage
- Red Skin Potatoes
- Rigatoni

Beverages Stations:

- Pots of Coffee - Pots of Decaf Coffee
- Soft Drinks, Coffee Condiments: Creamer, Sugar, Sweeteners

Direction to Painesville Depot

Exit College, turn right (North) onto Rt. 306
 North on Rt 306 to OH Rt 2 (2 miles)
 East on Rt. 2 (8 miles) to OH 535 / OH 283 (exit 223)
 South on OH 283 for 200 feet, left turn (east onto Chester St.)
 East on Chester St (0.7 miles) to North State Street
 South on North State Street (under RR bridge) to Railroad Street.
 East on Railroad Street to Depot.



Please retain this part for your information

This Dinner is open to any one that is interested in model railroading or trains in general.

Cut and Return

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Please mail back with Separate Check for the Buffet by March 14, 2023.
 (Check will be held & deposited March 20, 2023)
 Make Checks payable to: **Railfest**

Please return this part only

Print your name: _____ Amount Enclosed _____ Check # _____

Please list and Print all Attending

Mail to:

Tom Pescha
 3942 E, 364th St.
 Willoughby, Ohio 44094

Name: _____

Name: _____

Name: _____

Name: _____

Return this part

ANNOUNCEMENTS

March Trainwire Items

March Meeting: March 3, 2023 – 7:30pm – In-person meeting at Hambden Town Hall
 Bring ‘n’ Brag: Theme: Anything Goes
 Program: Andy Yedlick – Railfanning Photos – FP&E

April Meeting: April 7, 2023 – 7:30pm – In-person meeting at Hambden Town Hall
 Bring ‘n’ Brag: Theme: Model From A Kit
 Program: Dennis Lloyd - Decaling

May Meeting: May 5, 2023 – 7:30pm – In-person meeting at Hambden Town Hall
 Bring ‘n’ Brag: Theme: Something Scratchbuilt
 Program: Mike Carovac – Scratchbuilding Fences & Walls

Promo Day 2023

Dennis Lloyd has volunteered to be the Promo Day 2023 Coordinator. **Thank you, Dennis!** We are proceeding with holding Promo Day 2023 at the Thompson Library in Thompson, Ohio on one of the Saturdays in October from 10am to 3pm. Please consider doing a presentation on some modeling skill.

Survey Regarding Changing Our Meeting Day/Time In Progress

NOTE: This is only a survey to get your feelings towards changing the MCR Division 5 monthly membership meeting day and time. Before any change would be made, the BOD would discuss this thoroughly, considering input from the membership (such as the results of this survey), and any actual change would require a full membership vote. It would most likely be quite a few months before we would be ready to have the membership vote on any change.

Background: There have been informal discussions over the last few months about changing the day and time of the our monthly membership meeting to something other than a Friday evening. There are members that can't, or do not like to, drive at night and would like to have meetings during daylight hours. This is only a survey to determine the general membership feeling towards this topic.

Pros: More older members may be able to attend meetings in-person. It is often easier to drive during daylight hours, especially during storms. Would be able to hold meetings at libraries for morning and afternoon meetings. Weekends might make it easier for those that have to work late during the week. We are one of the few divisions within our region that meet in the evening.

Cons: Probably will have to find a new meeting location because Hambden Town Hall generally is not available on Saturdays and Sundays due to other events. We have been meeting on Friday evenings for a very long time and everyone is used to it.

A web link was provided in an e-mail to all members with internet access that allows each person to provide their input electronically on the Division 5 website. For those that do not have e-mail and internet access, a paper survey will be mailed to them. The survey will be open until April 9, 2023.

Please provide your input!

Pizza At March Meeting

Come for the pizza and program, then sign up for a job at Railfest. Please use the meeting RSVP feature on the Division 5 website to let us know if you are coming or not so we know how much pizza and soft drinks to have on hand.

Do You Need A Ride To A Meeting?

If you would like to attend Division 5 meetings but need a ride, please contact Superintendent Matt Kross at 440-668-9462 or super@mcr5.org. We will see if we can find someone to pick you up. We would really like to see everybody at our monthly membership meetings.

Need Coordinator For NMRA Recruitment Table At Railfest

We will have an NMRA information/recruitment table at Railfest. We need someone to be the coordinator of this table. Tasks would include determining what information to have at the table, develop signage to put up, and get people to man the table during Railfest hours. Please contact Matt Kross at 440-668-9462 or super@mcr5.org if you are willing to do this.

Discounted NMRA Memberships At Railfest

Do you know someone that has been thinking about joining the NMRA? Have them come to Railfest and sign up. Division 5 will once again offer a subsidy for **new** NMRA memberships if the person signs up at Railfest and resides in our Division 5 area (Lake, Geauga, or Ashtabula counties). This year we will provide \$9.95 towards a \$19.95 Rail Pass membership and \$15 towards a full \$68 NMRA membership, but only if the person will be a member of Division 5. Note that normal Rail Pass restrictions still apply.

Selling Items At The Division 5 Sales Table At Railfest

All Division 5 members are welcome to put items for sale on the Division 5 sales table at Railfest. **However, there are some rules to follow.**

You **MUST** fill out the Division 5 Railfest Fleamarket Table Items form. This form is available on the Division 5 website. We will also have paper copies at the February and March meetings. A copy of the form is included in this Trainwire. Use as many copies of the form as needed to list **ALL** the items you are selling. Each item on the table must have a sticker that contains the member's initials and a sequence number corresponding to the items on the form. Multiple items, bagged or boxed, are only counted as one item if they are being sold as a set.

Please keep prices in even dollar increments (\$1, \$2, \$3, etc.) if at all possible. This makes it a lot easier for the people manning the table to make change and handle the money.

Also, **you need to provide a Business Size envelope** to put the money in from the sales of your items. Mark your name clearly on the envelope. You also need to put some money in the envelope to allow the people manning the table to use for making change. We would like at least ten \$1 bills in the envelope. Please mark on the envelope the amount of money you provided for making change.

The full set of rules are listed on the back of the form.

Gary Shaffer has volunteered to be the coordinator for the Sales Table. If you have any questions, please contact Gary at 440-224-1884.

Railfest Job Sign-Up

Our webmaster has created an online sign-up sheet for Railfest jobs so that everyone that has internet access can mark the days, times, and jobs that they can help at Railfest. Instructions were sent out in an e-mail to all members that we have valid e-mail addresses for. The job sign-up sheets will be available at the March meeting for people to manually add their names to. This is a big show and it takes a lot of people and hours to put it on. If you can recruit some friends and family members to help, that would be great! If you have questions about what has to be done for the various jobs, please contact Jim Wendorf or Matt Kross. The list of Railfest tasks are shown elsewhere in this Trainwire. For those people that have mobility problems, we do have jobs where you can sit the entire time, so please join in with helping.

Jim Kinkoph



James “Jim” Kinkoph, age 87, of Geneva, passed away Monday, January 9, 2023. He was born in Cleveland on May 1, 1935. He was one of a group of founding members of Division 5, Midcentral Region, of the National Model Railroad Association and built several home layouts in HO and O scale inspired by the Pennsylvania Railroad. The photo is of his last layout, taken in 2013. He also liked riding trains and was an avid supporter of the Northern Ohio Railway Museum, and the East Broad Top Railroad.

Jim was a polio survivor, which he caught during his teenage years. He persevered through the illness and recovered, but wore leg braces for most of his life. He graduated from Madison High School in 1954 and went on to Fenn College, where he studied Chemistry. He worked at Diamond Shamrock as a lab technician, and retired after 30 years of service. He loved dogs and had at least one until he moved from his home and into a nursing home. Jim had many hobbies which included: metalworking, woodworking, jigsaw puzzles, and trains. He enjoyed model railroading and often attended model railroad flea markets and steam-powered tractor shows.



He was preceded in death by his parents; grandparents; brother, Lawrence “Larry” Kinkoph; and his aunt, Lucille Zakreski. Services were private.

BUSINESSES ACCEPTING DIVISION 5 CERTIFICATES

Stewart’s Hobbies & Collector’s Toys	Willoughby, Ohio
Hobby Town USA	Mentor, Ohio
Toy-N-Hobby Headquarters	Madison, Ohio
The Painesville Railroad Museum	Painesville, Ohio



PLEASE SUPPORT THESE DEALERS!

ARTICLES

Assistant Super Comments

Yes, it has been a while since I wrote anything for the Trainwire but at the last meeting there were some items that were asked that I might be able to answer.

During the Bring-n-Brag portion of the meeting Dennis Lloyd was talking about how he made his scrap loads for his Gondolas using the plastic rings off of milk jugs and pop bottles. A question was asked as to what kind of glue he used to hold these items to his loads; he basically stated that he used a lot of scenic cement.

As we all know there are a lot of different types of plastics use in today's society, styrene is just one of them and is common among modelers. The plastic used for bottle caps is a high density polypropylene or HDPE. The plastic used for the bottles is polypropylene terephthalate or PET. Side note, I would really like to know who names things like this and why.

When making my loads for my gondolas I to cut up pieces of HDPE to use and instantly found out that styrene glues had little or no effect on holding these pieces to the other pieces. I tried using super glues, epoxy glues and even Pliobond 25. Although I did have some success with some epoxy glues and

the Pliobond 25, the disadvantages outweighed the advantages.

The biggest disadvantages were that of the mess and smell especially the Pliobond 25.

So, what does one do?

You contact the maker of glues for an answer. Loctite turned me on to one of their products called Plastic Bonder. This is a two part system which uses an activator and a glue to create a strong bond between plastics. It even works when trying to put two different types plastic together like HDPE and PET or HDPE and styrene. The only disadvantage I have found is like any other type of "super glue" it has a shelf life after being opened. This product is sold at most hardware stores and is reasonably priced. Give it a try!

~Mike Carovac



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BRING & BRAG



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Chuck Limbert	440-357-1864	BOD@mcr5.org
Linda Kacprzak	440-286-9690	BOD@mcr5.org

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Program, Bring & Brag	Mike Carovac	440-497-8536

WANTED

The Trainwire is always looking for an interesting article. If you have taken a trip lately, seen something interesting trackside, have a particular viewpoint on a railroad subject or just want to participate in the members profile; then we want to hear from you. Everyone wants to be kept current on division information, but we all enjoy an interesting article written by a member of this organization. So take your pictures and write your article and send them to the Editor by email.

NOTICE

I work on the Trainwire throughout the month and publish it around the 20th. If you absolutely need something in the next Trainwire issue please send it as soon as possible or let me know to hold space for you. Many times space allotted for certain items may already be spoken for. However, if you send items in early I can rearrange the format. Also when items are submitted I will inform you that I received them and when to look for them in the Trainwire.

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DIVISION 5 MEMBERSHIP (55)

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