

## TC-NMRA 2025Mtgs

May 25th Show and Tell You Santa Fe in WWII Bob Walz

#### June Special Dates

**Op Sessions & Layout Tours** Watch for details and signup: Dale Phetteplace

Jul 22nd

Tree Scenery Hands-on Alan Meinhold Prototype Track Arrangement Doug Bakus

**Mtg Time:** 7:00 to 8:45pm

#### Location:

<u>Conference Room</u> <u>Eastside Terrace Bldg.</u> <u>Lakeview Village Campus</u>

<u>NMRA National Conv</u> Jul 14 & 19 Novi Michigan

MCoR Regional Conv Aug 22 & 23 Holiday Inn Lenexa

TC Model Train Show & Swap Aug 23rd: Shawnee Civic Center

#### <u>RR Community</u>

(see flyers at end of newsletter) May 10th National Train Day: Missouri Model RR Museum Jun 24-29: National N Scale Conv. Sheraton Overland Park, KS

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## **Turkey Creek Division**



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Mid-Continent Region, NMRA

"For all gauges and all ages"

## **Division Meeting May 27th, 7pm**

(Location: Lakeview Village Campus)

#### Clinic: Santa Fe in WWII

**Bob Walz** will be sharing some history on the Santa Fe in World War II. This clinic examines how the Santa Fe responded to the unprecedented challenges posed by World War II. The clinic describes the great increase in the number of military bases, and military production facilities served by the Santa Fe. It then examines the personnel, equipment and infrastructure challenges and the Santa Fe response. Finally, it looks at the Santa Fe response in terms of passenger, freight and military train operations. It concludes that the Santa Fe helped win World War II by providing timely transportation services to a greatly expanded customer base. History is one of the most fascinating parts of our hobby and always helps us when replicating in our modeled empires. Can't wait to hear this one.

#### Clinic: Show & Tell

It's your opportunity to share your latest project. Doesn't matter if it's finished or not or if you have a question on how to move forward it's a great chance to ask. Let's have fun and see what's being created in our Division!

Come Join the fun!

Mtg Location: Lakeview Village Campus

See last page for details

#### Superintendent Report: Martin Wade

Distraction, Motivation or both aka Planes(?), Trains, and Automobiles (plus boats). I have always wanted to get an Electric RC Airplane, but Lora says I have no time. Well, she's right so I don't have one, yet. But I do have a 69 Dodge Charger and recently I've spent quite a bit of time working on it. It's been fun and I made quite a bit of progress. Like trains, the to-do list is long and it's never done. But it did distract me from my model train layout. Then there was the fishing boat with a new trolling motor installation, cover upgrade, and a stupid accelerator pump leaking gas on the outside of the engine. More distraction. But with all that behind me (sort of), I do find I am even more motivated to get back on the layout. So maybe distraction is motivation and not all bad???



Speaking of layouts, it was fun to go to the 2nd Layout Tour on April 26th and see 3 very diverse layouts. Thanks to Phil Stock, Bill Scheerer, and Dan Wiltshire for sharing their railroad empires. It was a lot of fun. Which is a great lead into the Op Sessions and layout tours for our June meeting. We will announce the locations/timing at May's meeting so be ready to sign up to get "on track"

Don't forget your Show and Tell for the May meeting and learn about WWII operations from Bob Walz. It should be another great time.

Hope your distractions are also your motivation to get working on your railroad empire soon! Martin

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#### **Turkey Creek Division**

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#### Clerk Report: Missy Levy reporting for John Fales

The Turkey Creek April meeting was held at our usual location on Tuesday April 22. Martin Wade was out sick so Gary Davidson stepped in and called the meeting to order and reviewed business that members should be aware of. The three Saturday Layout tours were mentioned and at the time of this printing, were held on April 26th.

Mark Sisk presented a clinic titled, "Creating Water Effects.". This clinic took us through a step by step process of how to create water and the tricks of the trade to make water on your layout realistic.

After a brief break, our second clinic presentation was given by Dale Phetteplace who spoke about "Diesel Upgrade," Again, this was a great presentation and very informative. We are fortunate to have incredible modelers share their expertise with all of us.

Don't forget that next month is Show N Tell month. Make sure to bring something that you are creating. The meeting date is May 27 at our usual location at the Lakeview Eastside Terr Conference room.

See you then! Missy

## Meeting Highlights April 22, 2025



*Mark* takes on a step by step journey on how to create wonderful scenery by including a water effect that is realistic.

Clinic: Creating Water Effects By Mark Sisk

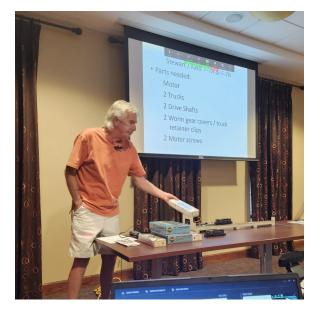


Step 1—Forming the River Shape Step 2 and 3—Sealing the River Bottom Step 4—Adding Color and Detail Step 5—Preparing for Water Step 6—Adding Water Details



## Meeting Highlights April 22, 2025 con't

Clinic: Deisel Upgrade By Dale Phetteplace



Like Mark, **Dale** takes us on the how to upgrading your Deisel... what to do and what to avoid. Another very informative clinic packed with tips.





#### Exploring the Keokuk & St Joseph Railroad – O Scale 3-rail at Dan & Jayne Wiltshire's home.

Moving people and freight between 1970-1990, this freelance single-track railroad roughly follows the old Hannibal-St Joseph right-of-way across northern Missouri. One feature is a 1/3 scale length (8') span over the Grand River west of Chillicothe. Another feature is Disneyland-Marceline, which meets the requirement for a Disney play area negotiated as part of the model railroad's "land lease" of the basement.









For O scale in a tight area: The 34" diameter curves are negotiated by 3-rail Lionel trains, and transitions between the two main levels are accomplished by behind-the-scenes along-the-wall 3% grades.

The 6'x23' + 8'x9' layout is under construction, with the lower level operational and some scenery. Starting in the St Joseph Industrial Park and continuing through Chillicothe to Marceline is about 140' of continuous run.





#### Exploring the Baltimore and Ohio, Monongah Division at Bill Scheerer's home.

The Monongah Division of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad is located in my finished walkout basement. It represents operations between Cumberland, MD on the East and Parkersburg, WV on the West, with Grafton, WV being the center of activity between the two. I did not attempt to recreate the prototype but rather to model the essence of the B&O in this part of the world. The Monongah Division is set in the 1950's, steam diesel transition era, with a + 240' single track main line and a + 40' branch line to Kingwood, West Virginia. The layout is operated point-to -point with the end points being a common staging yard. Additional staging occurs on the Cowen Subdivision and the Fairmont Subdivision.







The overall design is two level track plan with one helix hidden under mountains, visually transitioned into the scenery. The upper level has no visible means of support. Pushers and Helpers are used between Grafton and Cumberland. The bench work is constructed as "stand alone", meaning it is an around-the-wall and peninsula layout, all free from the walls and ceiling for easy removal in the future if it becomes necessary.



#### Exploring the Baltimore and Ohio, Monongah Division at Bill Scheerer's home. Cont'...

Scenery is approximately 40% complete. The railroad is signaled with the B&O's unique approach lighted Color Position Light Signals (CPL) and the layout's 12 Controlled Points are operated from a reproduction GRS control machine built with parts from the D&RGW's Winter Park to Yarmony, CO machine.















#### Exploring the C&S Cottonwood Subdivision at Phil Stock's home.

The Cottonwood Subdivision of the C&S is in one of the semi-finished basement rooms. It follows the fictitious story of the C&S having found an alternative route from Leadville to Gunnison over the continental divide. This allows for both C&S and D&RGW traffic. It will primarily be a showcase of C&S equipment in On30 gauge. This scale/gauge allows me to customize/create equipment that has not been produced.

The layout is in an area approximately 15' by 16' in an 'F' design. The layout will be modeled in the late teens to early twenties. No towns have been named yet. Areas of interest like towns, canyons and mining have been designed.

The track plan is defined for continuous running and limited operations due to the size. The main town is at 44" from the floor. Minimum mainline radius is 24". No engines are larger than 2-8-0. Traffic will begin and end in a small town with a yard and engine facilities and proceed around the layout to industries like mining and livestock customers. Most areas will represent notable areas along the C&S right-of-way. There is no scenery yet. The track plan is in its final phase with elevations being defined. The current plan is to build turnouts using Fast-Trak templates and Micro Engineering flex-track. There is no wiring in place yet. Control will be DCC using MRC wireless control with future update to JMRI.



**Regional Events** 



## **Regional Events**

Mark Your Calendar	focus on the KCS System, IERN BELLE" passenger <i>Hosted by</i> <b>Turkey Creek Div</b> <b>August 22nd &amp; 23</b> <i>To be held at</i> <b>Holiday Inn &amp; S</b>	Turkey Creek Division Igust 22nd & 23rd, 2025 To be held at Holiday Inn & Suites 8787 Reeder Streeat		
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Send Completed Registration Form to: Larry Diehl 7008 Millridge Street Shawnee, Kansas 66218 Idiehl066@gmail.com for any additional information call (816)804-0152 MAKE HOTEL RESERVATIONS WITH HOTEL OR CLICK LINK BELOW Holiday Inn & Suites 8787 Reeder Street Overland Park, Kansas 66214 (913)888-8440 Rate: \$99.00 (includes breakfast) Ask for MCoR/NMRA group rate www.holidayinn.com/overland-parkw

#### **Division Events**

# Train Show and Swap Meet

SHAWNEE CIVIC CENTER 13817 Johnson Dr #3802, Shawnee, KS 66216 August 23rd 8:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.





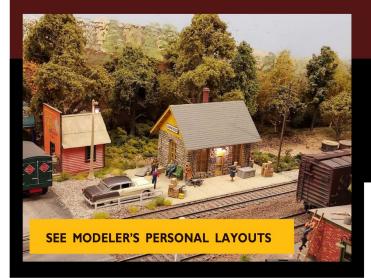
Home Layout Tours: See the personal layouts of local train Modelers in a variety of scales and completion.

**Clinics:** Get tips and tricks from some of the best modelers in the area

**Vendor Tables:** See how easy it is to get started on your own layout or diorama

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#### **Division Events**



## NATIONAL MODEL RAILROAD ASSOCIATION 2025 National Convention

# STATION No. VI

Hosted by: the NORTH CENTRAL REGION

# July 14-19, 2025

Open to ALL model railroaders! You do not have to be an NMRA member to attend! **REGISTRATION IS OPEN!!** 

Our location – Sheraton Detroit-Novi, MI A suburban location with FREE parking!

#### **CONVENTION GOALS and HIGHLIGHTS -**

Our main objectives are to provide events of value, items attendees will see as worth their money, all at the lowest possible cost. \*\* We will honor the traditions of past conventions but at lower cost and with greater flexibility. \*\* This convention will be shorter, starting at 1 PM on Monday and continuing through Saturday afternoon with a banquet Saturday evening. \*\* Note that registration includes all layout visits and operating sessions, and all activities at the hotel except Modeling with the Masters, and admittance to the National Train Show. \*\* We will support all the traditional activities of the SIG's. \*\* The National Contest will be fully supported. The contest will be in a prominent room and will be run by the National Contest team. There will be space for model displays, modular layouts and other functions. Those putting their models on display will have the option of entering the People's Choice Contest. \*\* We will have several prototype tours which may include a Ford plant tour and a cruise on the Detroit River with an emphasis on the industrial aspects of the waterfront. \*\* We expect to have at least 90 clinics. The clinics will be varied, and each will be given twice. \*\* We expect to have at least 60 layouts open for visit. Most layouts will be at least 900 sq. ft. in size running to over 3,000 sq. ft. in one or more cases. All layout visits and op sessions will be self-guided so you may take your time.

## https://nmra2025.com/





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## Turkey Creek Call Board (Calendar)

<u>Please update your calendars.</u> We have locked in the Division Meeting dates and most all of the meeting clinics & Events. *Don't miss the best time to TALK TRAINS!!!* 

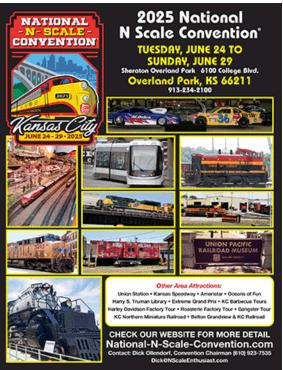
#### **RESERVE THE DATE:** Aug 23rd TC Division Meet @ Shawnee Civic Center

Date	Event	Time	Location	Торіс	Clinician
Jan 28th	Division Mtg	7 -8:45 pm	Lakeview Eastside Terr	Turkey Creek 2025 Making Trees	Martin Wade Ray Brown
Feb 25th	Division Mtg	7 -8:45 pm	Lakeview Eastside Terr	Show N Tell Signaling for Model Railroads, The Basics	YOU Bill Scheerer
Mar 25th	Division Mtg	7 -8:45 pm	Midwest Mod- el RR Museum	Museum Tour Harvey Girls	Dale Shipman Karen Merideth
Apr 22nd	Division Mtg	7 -8:45 pm	Lakeview Eastside Terr	Diesel Upgrade Creating Water Effects	Dale Phetteplace Marc Sisk
May 27th	Division Mtg	7 -8:45 pm	Lakeview Eastside Terr	Show N Tell Santa Fe in WWII	YOU Bob Walz
Jun 24th	Layout Tour Operations	6:30-8:45	ТВА	Layout Tour and Operations	3-5 Hosts
Jul 22nd	Division Mtg	7 -8:45 pm	Lakeview Eastside Terr	HANDS ON Scenery Prototype Track Arrangement	Alan Meinhold Doug Bakus
Aug 23rd	Annual TC Division Meet	8am-5pm	Shawnee Civic Center	TC Division Meet with Vendors, Clinics, Contest, Layouts	All Members
Aug 26th	Division Mtg			NO MEETING due to Division Meet on August 23rd	
Sept 23rd	Division Mtg	7 -8:45 pm	Lakeview Eastside Terr	Div Meet Winners Circle Proto Trackwork	Meet Winners Douglas De Berg
Oct 28th	Division Mtg	7 -8:45 pm	Lakeview Eastside Terr	Modeling Challenge	MAKE IT & BRING IT
Nov 25th	Division Mtg	7 -8:45 pm	Lakeview Eastside Terr	Election Modeling Military Traffic 2nd clinic	Martin Wade Bob Walz Open
Dec 16th 1 wk early	Division Mtg	7 -8:45 pm	Lakeview Tree Top Room	Holiday Social	EVERYONE

#### **RailRoad Community News:**

## **Online Registration is now open**

# *If you would like to have your club presentive at this years convention SIGN UPS CLOSE JANUARY 31*



Sheraton Overland Park Hotel 6100 College Boulevard Overland Park, Kansas 66211

**DIRECT LINK TO THE HOTEL** 

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Clinics Cordinator - Tim Nixon



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Located between Cookingham Drive and MO Highway 92 816-308-8349 boeci.ret@gmail.com

Shinohara New in-box Code 100 – NS: #6 Single Crossover –Right Hand (2) #6 Single Crossover – Left Hand (2) 9 ½ degree Crossing – Left Hand (3) 9 ½ degree Crossing – Right Hand (3) #8 Right Hand Turnout #6 Left Hand Turnout (1) #6 Left Hand Turnout (1) #4 Right Hand Turnout (2)

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Assortment of Atlas Snap Track and Peco Code 83 Turnouts

Atlas Code 100 NS Flex Tack - Nearly full box



Bachmann E-Z Track – Package of 5 – 18 degree curved track E-Z Track – 17 loose pieces – 18 degree curved track E-Z Track – 2 loose 9" straight Midwest Products Cork Roadbed 8 pieces N scale Full box HO scale Train Spotter Infrared Sensors – CKT-IRSENSE-RA (4)

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#### Walthers 933-3187 – Concrete Curbs and Sidewalks (2) 933-3102 – Overhead Traveling Crane 933-3188 – Wood Station Shed & Platform 933-3168 – Oil Storage Tank Minitronics PBD-2 – Power Distribution Block Broadway Imports Sidekick – HO – DC DC Master Analog Control Module American Limited Snyder Fuel Cranes - #5200 (2)

Scenic Items A.I.M Products – 105-400 –Random Stone Abutment Wings Woodland Scenics: Concrete Culverts - C1262 Retaining Walls – C1258 (2) Concrete Tunnel Portal – C1252 Smooth-It Road System – ST1452 Walthers: Double Track Truss Bridge Abutment Wings – 933-1042 Double Track Truss Bridge Pier – 933-1041 Double Track Truss Bridge Abutment – 933-1040 (4)



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42" x 38" x 4"
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67" wide x 36" tall



Helix Kit – Manufactured by Affordable Model Railroads Three loops – 13.5" high. Double-track 27" and 30" radius curves.



#### **Turkey Creek Lightning Slinger**

Our Lightning Slinger is published monthly and is a great place to learn and share information. The "value" of this newsletter lies solely in the contributions each of you offer to our Division. This newsletter has a great sampling of Events, Models, Layouts, and Bio's. Please find your "Track" to add to our "Layout" and send your ideas and articles to the Editor. <u>Editor.TurkeyCreekNMRA <at> qmail.com</u>

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NMRA Beginners Guide



## Our Meeting Location is at the Lakeview Village Senior Community. The meeting will be located in the Conference Room of the Eastside Terrace Building. Parking and Main Entrance are shown below.

Mapping Address: 9000 Park St., Lenexa, KS 66215 Click for Google Maps

