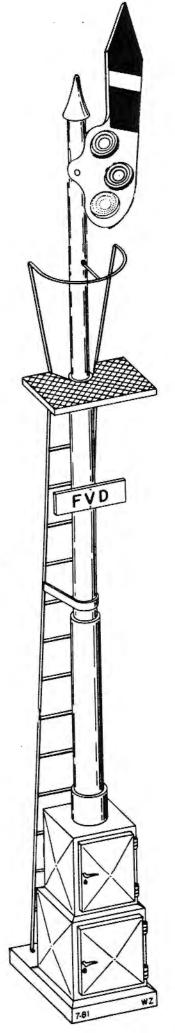
Fox Valley Division - National Model Railroad Association



## SEMAPHORE

## Achievement and Contest Programs



May, 15, 1983

THE SIGNAL INDICATION ON THE SEMAPHORE IS TO PROCEDE

## "PROTO-PHOTO" CONTEST

AS THE SUMMER APPROACHES MANY OF US PUT MODEL RAILROADING ON THE BACK BURNER AND TURN TO INTERESTS MORE SUITED TO THE OUTOOORS. MANY OF US USE THE SUMMER TO SHOOT PHOTOS OF RAILROADS AND RAILROAD SCENES. WITH THIS IN MIND THE DIVISION CONTEST COMMITTEE HAS DECIDED THAT OUR FIRST CONTEST IN SEPTEMBER WILL BE A "PROTO PHOTO" CONTEST. THE PHOTO ENTRIES MAY BE IN FOUR CATEGORIES INCLUDING MOTIVE POWER, ROLLING STOCK, STRUCTURES, AND SCENERY (RIGHT OF WAY). THE PHOTOS MAY BE IN BLACK AND WHITE OR COLOR. THEY MUST BE PRINTS OF A MINIMUM SIZE OF 5"X7" OR A MAXIMUM OF 8 "X 10". EACH MEMBER MAY HAVE TWO ENTRIES PER "CATEGORY" BUT NO MORE THAN THREE TOTAL ENTRIES.

JUDGING WILL AGAIN BE BY POPULAR VOTE, BUT THIS YEAR INSTEAD OF VOTING FOR ONE WINNER EACH VOTER WILL VOTE FOR FIRST AND SECOND IN EACH CATEGORY. WE FEEL THAT THIS WILL IMPROVE THE OPPORTUNITY FOR ALL ENTRANTS TO HAVE A SHOT AT WINNING AN AWARD.

REMEMBER, THAT YOU DON'T HAVE TO TRAVEL TO NORTH PLATTE OR HORSESHOE CURVE TO GET A GOOD PHOTO. CHICAGO IS THE BIGGEST RAIL CENTER IN THE NATION AND THERE ARE PLENTY OF INTERESTING THINGS NEARBY. TO HELP YOU PICK LOCATIONS WE HAVE AVAILABLE THE RAIL FACILITES LISTING PUBLISHED IN ISSUE 64 OF EXTRA 2200 SOUTH (1978). THIS WILL HELP YOU WITH THE CHICAGO AREA BUT DON'T FEEL THAT YOU HAVE TO RESTRICT YOURSELF. ANY RAILROAD SCENE (TRAIN OR NO TRAIN) COULD BE A WINNER!

## ACHIEVEMENT AND CONTEST PROGRAM 1983-84

SEPTEMBER - "PROTO-PHOTO" CONTEST

FOUR CATEGORIES- MOTIVE POWER, ROLLING STOCK, STRUCTURES, AND SCENERY. BLACK AND WHITE OR COLOR 5"X7" OR 8"X10" Two ENTRIES PER CATEGORYOR THREE TOTAL ENTRIES.

OCTOBER - MOTIVE POWER, ROLLING STOCK, OR MAINTAINANCE OF WAY

KITBASH, SUPER DETAIL, PAINT AND, OR DECAL

TWO CATEGORIES - PROTOTYPE OR PRIVATE PIKE (MODEL)

NOVEMBER - KIT BUILT STRUCTURES

DECEMBER - DIORAMA CONTEST 1"x2" MAXIMUM SIZE. NEED NOT BE CHRISTMASY.

JANUARY - SCRACHBUILT AND SEMI-SCRATCHBUILT MOTIVE POWER AND ROLLING STOCK

FEBRUARY - SCRATCHBUILT AND SEMI-SCRATCHBUILT STUCTURES

MARCH - HIGHWHEELER 1984

ACHIEVEMENT PROGRAM CONTEST MERIT AWARD JUDGING FOR CONTEST WINNERS AND ENTRANTS PLUS MODELS NOT PREVIOUSLY ENTERED DURING EXHIBITION.

APRIL - MODEL PHOTO CONTEST

MAY - 7

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IT IS OUR INTENTION TO MAKE THE ACHIEVEMENT PROGRAM AVAILABLE TO ALL MEMBERS AND WE STAND READY TO HELP YOU IN ANY WAY WE CAN. START PLANNING NOW AS WE HAVE A VARITY OF CONTESTS PLANNED TO MEET YOUR NEEDS. IF YOU WISH ADITIONAL INFORMATION ON THE ACHIEVEMENT PROGRAM OR CONTESTS FEEL FREE TO CONTACT THE MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE.

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WE'BE LOOKING FOR A FEW GOOD MEN TO JOIN US