

Waybill

Fall 2005

Mid West Region NMRA



Recognize this? If you lived in Cedarburg, WI around 1947, this was a frequent sight.

Today the only things that run along this line are bikes and joggers. One wonderful thing that still exists is the sound of the train whistle off in the distance around midday, as the trains still pass through Cedarburg. It makes for fond memories, going back to the homestead. – *from the editor's private collection.*



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President's Report

by Gary Children, President MWR

Well, summertime is coming to a close. I didn't do much on my layout this summer, but with September coming, I'll be starting up again. I got the rest of my crossing signals at the National Train Show in Cincinnati. There are manufacturers who come to this show who don't go to the other shows. You are able to pick up the latest information on new products, and try out some new products for free. I got some of the new Kadee couplers that are going to be coming out on the market. Some manufacturers are putting out CDs plus catalogs. That's why at a national convention you get a bag. I filled mine with the latest information.

I am sorry to say that even though everyone in the region received the *Waybill* with the

proposed new constitution, the number of votes received was very low. The new constitution was approved by 94.6% of valid ballots received. This is YOUR region. Those of us who are elected, or are asked to serve, are willing to put time and effort into the region. It would be nice to know if there is backing or not. As far as what national is doing, who knows. We were asked to have our home in order by September 1, 2005. As far as I know, the region has ours in order. Let's hope national does the same.

As you know, the cost of the *Waybill* varies depending upon how many pages there are in each issue. National is going to start sending us a reimbursement per amount of membership we have in the region. However, the amount is not set in stone. The amount will be divided into two payments, one in the spring and one in the fall. The monies received will not cover all of the costs to run the region. And, most of the money will be going towards the *Waybill*,

because it is our region's biggest expense. This was addressed in the last *Waybill* issue, which everyone in the region received. Please refer to the Summer 2005 issue for subscriptions and rates. If you do not have the last issue, you are able to download a copy off of the region's website at www.mwr.nmra.org.

Other than the *Waybill*, the region is covering the awards for the region contest, and other special mailings. There used to be two region conventions a year, and now there's only one. Region conventions are great to attend to renew old friendships and make new ones. Model railroading is supposed to be fun, so let's keep that in mind when things don't always go our way in both the regional and national levels.

I attended the regional advisory council meeting. Right now, some areas of the nation's NMRA don't know regions and divisions exist (figuratively). The R.A.C. meetings will be changing in order to address the flow of information from top to bottom, or bottom to top. Your help is needed here. We need to know who to contact. Who is your region or division president, or superintendent, member aid chairman, editor or membership promotion chairman? Names, addresses, phone numbers, e-mail addresses and website addresses are needed. I know our division and region has most of this in place. Now, let's get this to the national level.

Hopefully by our next board of directors meeting our 501(c)3 will be in the works. Also, there will be a regional clinic base. If you have a clinic to give, or your division is looking for one for a meet, contact Mike Hurlburt, Clinic Chair Clearing House. His phone number and e-mail address are in the front of the regional newspaper, the *Waybill*.

As your president, I already have the ball rolling. By the time you read this, I will already have sent Mike six clinics, and have two more in the clinic clearing house. Let's start off the fall with attending your division meet. Your division clinic chair and layout chair have some great programs for you to attend this fall.

In 2010, the National NMRA convention will be held in Milwaukee, WI, the birthplace of the NMRA. In 1934 a handful of people got together to start a program where everyone could run their train on each other's layout. At that time it was only O Scale, and HO scale was just beginning. These are now the standards we know today. This was all put together by volunteers, like you and me. On the subject of volunteers, the convention board will be looking for help in putting together the national convention. When the dates and locations are set, there will be something in the *Waybill* to let you know.

2010 is 5 years away from now, but it takes time to plan layout tours, prototype tours and other tours for your enjoyment. Right now, Reid Kahrs is the chairman, and I will be the co-chairman, so you know who to contact when the time comes to lend a helping hand. There are some divisions who have said their division layouts will be open for the national convention. Here in the Midwest we have always had very good conventions, both regional and divisional.

With the 2010 national convention it would be nice to see new blood step up to the plate. Most of the people who put on the 1985 convention in Milwaukee, and the 1997 convention in Madison are getting up there in age, me included. I am not saying we're old, but we need to teach the younger generation

what it takes to do a convention, whether it's regional or national. So, please volunteer. It's a lot of work, but the time you put in, is worth the joy of seeing people appreciating your work.

Some of the jobs available for the national convention will be: tour desk, bus host, layout and prototype clinic room set up, auction room, contest judge for models and photos, and the company store. Without these people, conventions aren't remembered as a good time. Those of you who have gone to a national convention have seen some of your fellow region members manning some of these areas.

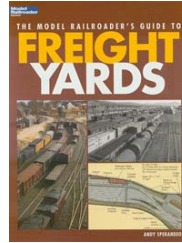
I will be up in Rhinelander October 15, 2005, for the Winnebago division meet. In a one day meet, their division covers a large area of Wisconsin. It is always a good time, and the people you meet share the same things you enjoy, whether it's a divisional, regional or national convention. Try to plan on making one of these conventions. I know the money is not always there to attend these events, but you may want to think about making it family vacation. Or, get together with a group of your railroad friends and share the cost of the hotel and transportation. This makes the trips more affordable.

As Dick did, I will try and make all of our division meets either as a guest or as a clinician. I am a member of the WISE Division, but as your president my main responsibility is to the region, first and foremost.

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Book Review

by: Mark N. Goedert, NMRA #5883



Title: "The Model Railroader's Guide to Freight Yards"
Author: Andy Sperandio
Publisher: Kalmbach Publishing
ISBN: 0-89024-576-2
Retail Price: \$18.95

Pages: 88

Pictures: Color and B&W

"The Model Railroader's Guide to Freight Yards" is an interesting look at a very specific component of railroading, the freight yard. The text covers both model trains and the prototype use of freight yards. When I first picked up the book I was skeptical that the author could really make freight yards something to get excited about, he did. This book delivers in both quality and content.

Author Andy Sperandio who is a long time modeler and staff member at Kalmbach does an excellent job taking us through the various aspects of freight yards and how they are applied to model railroads. I really enjoyed reading the book and the attractive layout of pictures and side articles held my interest throughout the text. Even though I finished reading the book, I find myself perusing the title to look at the pictures; it is just a nice book to look at.

This book is a new work by Kalmbach so you do not have to worry about a compilation of previously published articles bound in a flashy cover. This new look at freight yards has value for both the beginner and veteran modeler. Beginners get a good overview of

freight yards and how to design and build them. Veterans can find value in terms of tweaking your existing yard or adding a yard to your layout. If you have an existing freight yard on your layout and it just doesn't work smoothly or is a bottleneck you may uncover a few gems to improve yard performance.

The book starts off with an attractive cover that effectively summarizes what the book is all about, prototype yards adapted to model railroads. Throughout the book our eyes are treated with sharp pictures that span the steam and diesel era. There are over 90 pictures of freight yards, locomotives, and train layouts throughout the 88 page book. Most are shots covering the transition era but that does not indicate that this is a steam to diesel era book. Modern and pre-1940 modelers should not overlook this text because you will miss out on a lot of good information.

Andy first discusses the role of the freight yard and then he builds a yard starting one track at a time on paper, to give us a logical method when planning a freight yard. Then a discussion of Andy's favorite freight yards will look at famous modeler's yards and the strengths of each design. If you have a taste for prototype modeling Andy also looks at freight yard design and how you can adapt a prototype yard to a model railroad. The book rounds out with chapters on staging yards and freight yard operations for the prototype and model yard.

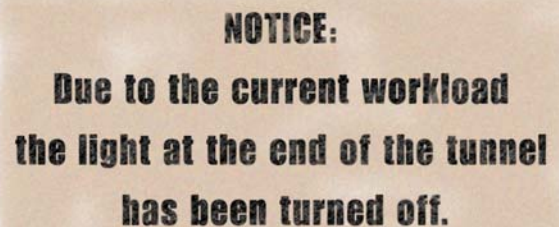
I really liked the chapter where a freight yard is built track by track. This chapter is helpful to both the beginning modeler and veteran in terms of design and fixing your existing freight yard. The book also has attractive gallery pages between the chapters that are a pleasure

to look at. I was impressed that this text covers freight yard material with more depth than other track planning books all while keeping the pace light with side articles and an attractive layout.

In terms of improvement on a great concept, I thought the freight yard operations chapter could have gone into more depth when discussing the model train layout freight yard operations. The concept of waybills is introduced but not fully fleshed out as a method of operating a freight yard. If you are familiar with waybills you will have no problem understanding the concept at hand. If you are not familiar with waybills then a bit more research will be needed to fully grasp how waybills work. In defense of the author, it would be a tough call to add more information on waybills before discussing yard operation. For the novice I think a little more information would be beneficial. This is a very minor point in an otherwise good text.

In conclusion this book is excellent and I would recommend it to the experienced as well as the beginner in the hobby. The presentation of freight yards is methodical with a nice mix of prototype and model train examples to work from. The book is visually pleasing and easy to read, definitely a worthwhile addition to your modeling library.

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NOTICE:
Due to the current workload
the light at the end of the tunnel
has been turned off.

Division Schedule

Calumet Division:

Contact: Al Kamm Jr
(815)469-2917

Date: September 24 & 25, 2005

Location: Harold L. Richards High School
10601 S. Central Ave.
Oak Lawn, IL

3rd Annual Southland Railroad Show. 10.00
A.M. to 5.00 P.M. at the. Operating Layouts,
Railroad Displays & Vendors

Central Indiana Division:

Contact: Larry Gilbert
(765) 779-4039

September 24, 2005 (Saturday) - Bedford IN

Bedford National Guard Armory, 2020
19th Street, Bedford

Dealer Show & Meet - 11 AM to 3 PM

Layouts, Clinics and Photo and Model
Contests

**Popular Vote Contests: Favorite
Train & Favorite Refrigerator Car**

Admission - \$5.00 per person (12 &
under free with an adult)

**For more information or tables call: Bill
Litkenhous at 812-275-3634**

**GATS - October 15 and 16, 2005 -
Indianapolis IN**

Indiana State Fairgrounds

**November 12, 2005 (Saturday) -
Carmel/Clay Public Library - Carmel IN
Carmel Clay Public Library, 55 4th
Ave S.E., Carmel, IN 46032**

Hours: 10AM until 2PM - - -

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Construction

**For more information call: Charles
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DuPage:

Contact: Rob Schiavone
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Location: Lisle Library
777 Front Street
Lisle, IL

Meetings starts at 1:30pm

Fox Valley Division:

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Meeting Place (unless otherwise specified):
Gary Morava Recreation Center
110 W. Camp McDonald Road
Prospect Heights, IL 60070
(1 blk west of Camp McDonald
Road and Elmhurst Road Rt. 83)

Meeting times: 1:30 - 4:30 PM

Dates: September 18, 2005
Milwaukee Light Engineering Society
RR park

Dates: October 16, 2005

2nd and final ratification vote on revised By-Laws. Clinic on "Techniques to Hide That Helix," by Leif Hansen. Caboose contest

Dates: November 13, 2005

Field Trip – Train Fest - 10:00 am to 5:00 pm
FVD excursion to the Milwaukee Trainfest.
Reservations are required. No regular November meeting.

Illinois Valley Division:

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IVD Meets are conducted using the following format - Doors open at 12 noon, there is space and tables for members to set up swap tables, the meet starts at 1 PM and tours of model railroads in the area follow the meet (usually around 3 PM). The cost to attend our Meets is \$1.00 for all attendees

Date: Call for information

North Shore and Western Division:

Contact: Jim Spice
(847)-662-7267

Location: Glenview Public Library
1930 Glenview Road
Glenview IL

The Division meets regularly from September to May, frequently on the fourth Sunday of the month. Meetings are held from 1:30 pm to 4:00 pm in the Maynard Room of the Glenview Public Library. From time-to-time, meets are followed by layout tours from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm.

Dates: September 25, 2005

October 23, 2005

November 27, 2005

Rock River Valley Division:

Contact: Joe Whinnery
815-398-8973

Location: Midway Village and Museum Center, 6799 Guilford RD, west of Perryville and State St. Rockford IL Doors open at 12:30 with the meeting at 1:00. Donation is \$2.00.

Date **Dates:** **September 11, 2005** IC Shop Junket

October 2, 2005 Annual Meeting

Nov 5-6, 2005 Train Show

Nov 12, 2005 Bus trip to Trainfest

South Central Wisconsin Division:

Contact: Hank Brown
608.839-4939

Location: Fitchburg Community Center
5510 Lacy Road
Fitchburg WI

Meeting times: 1-4pm

Date: September 11, 2005

Contests: Favorite Train

Layouts: Kurt Beck

October 2, 2005

Contests: Railroads & People

Layouts: TBA

November 6, 2005

Contests: Passenger Cars

Layouts: TBA

Illinois Terminal Division:

Contact: Joe Skamel
(217) 892-9740

Location: NA

Anyone interested in helping Joe start some activities, please contact Joe directly.

WinnebagoLand Division:

Contact: Tod Rebhahn
(920) 983-8384

Dates: October 15, Fall Meet – Rhinelander The Claridge Motor Inn, 70 N Stevens St., Rhinelander, WI 54501, 800-427-1377 or 715-362-7100. Hands on clinics, displays, layout tours, photo and model contests, banquet, Rhinelander RR Museum, speeder rides, and more.

September 17-18, 2005 11th Annual Family Railroad Expo, Sheboygan Falls Municipal Auditorium, 375 Buffalo St, Sheboygan Falls, WI

WinnebagoLand Division Club Meets:

Cedar Creek Railroad Club

Weekly meetings are held on Wednesdays at 7:00PM in the Train Room at Lamm's Garden Center
2708 Sherman Road
Jackson, WI

Central Wisconsin Model Railroaders, Ltd. - Stevens Point/Plover WI Area

HO and N-scale modular layouts. The clubhouse is located in the basement of a restored Wisconsin Central Railway's depot in the Portage County Historical Society's Heritage Park, Plover. Meets Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. Visitors are always welcome. For more information call the clubhouse at 715-342-7300 on meeting nights. You can also email Jerry Rohlinger or phone him at 715-341-2069, or call Don Anderson at 715-344-8545.

Clipper City Model Railroad Club - Manitowoc

Iron Horse Barn - Expo Grounds - I43/ US 151
Meets 1st Thursday at 7:30 p.m. - For more information contact: Joe Lallensack
Sept 16-18, 2005 26th Annual Soo Linie Historical and Technical Society Convention, Manitowoc, WI

Fond du Lac Model RR Club - Fond du Lac

Green Bay Area Model Railroaders Club (Newer Industries) - Green Bay WI

Hub City Model Railroaders - Marshfield -
Meet on the 3rd Thursday of each month except June, July and August, at 7:00 p.m. The clubhouse is located at 709 N. Chestnut Ave. For more information contact Keith Meacham or Gene Greenwald.

October 22-23, 2005 Steamin' Over to Marshfield, Marshfield Community Center

Kettle Moraine Ballast Scorchers Railroad Club, Inc.

137 B North 6th Ave. West Bend, WI 53010
October 23, 2005 Railroad Show & Swap Meet
Kettle Moraine Bowl, Slinger, WI

Machickanee & Splinter Creek Model RR Club – Marinette, WI

Meets Wednesday at 7 p.m. at 1729 Stephenson Street, Marinette, WI. A new layout is under construction. For more info e-mail Norman (Chic) Hartert.

September 10-11, 2005 19th Annual Wisconsin & Michigan Model RR Show and Swap Meet, Marinette Catholic Central High School, 1200 Main St, Marinette, WI Show hours Sat. 10am-5pm, Sun. 10am-3pm.

Neenah-Menasha Model RR Club - Neenah
323 West Forest Avenue. Open visitation the first Wednesday of the month, other Wednesdays by invitation only. For more info call 414-725-3967.

Paper Valley Model Railroad Club - Kaukauna, WI

The clubhouse is located at W2221 Block Road, Kaukauna, WI. Club hours are Thursday 7pm - 9pm and Saturday 1pm - 4pm.

October 8, 2005 Fall Model Train Swap Meet

Plymouth Model RR Club - Plymouth WI

Rhineland RR Association - Rhineland WI

Meets at various locations on Wednesdays at 7 p.m. and Saturdays 9 a.m. to noon. HO scale layout depicts the railroad operations in and around Rhineland from 1930 to 1950.

Visitors are always welcome. For more information contact Club President Tom Foerster at 715/479-4988.

October 15, 2005 Winnebagoland Fall Division Meet

Rothschild, Schofield, & Weston Model Railroad Club- Rothschild, WI

The club meets every Wednesday night at 7pm in the basement of the Hobby Connection in Rothschild, WI. The club layout is open to visitors every Saturday afternoon until 5pm.

Sheboygan Society of Scale Model RR Engineers -Sheboygan WI

Meets Tuesdays at 7 p.m. at the Railroad Lodge, 1001 N. 10th Street. 38 by 46-foot HO and HOn3 layout with double-tracked mainline and a 60-foot hidden staging yard. Visitors are always welcome and membership is open. For

more information write to Club Secretary, Dick Pool at the above address or call the club on Tuesday evenings at 920-452-0166.

Seymour Model Railroad Club - Seymour WI

209 Depot Street. Open house first & third Sunday of each month from 1-3 p.m. HO Scale. The layout is located in the former Green Bay & Western depot which was moved across the street and restored. For more info contact David Fairbanks, 323 Washington Street, Seymour WI 54165-1331.

Tri-City Railroader's Association - Wisconsin Rapids WI

Meets at the Lowell Senior Center, 330 8th Street South on the second and fourth Sunday of each month from September through May. HO scale layout. For more information contact Club President John Sawaska at 715-421-4610 or send e-mail to [Dick Hoekstra](mailto:Dick.Hoekstra).

UP Shortlines Model RR Club - Marquette, MI

The UP Shortlines Model RR Club meet on the 1st Tuesday of the month at 7 pm at the Jacobetti Veteran Hospital in Marquette. The club owns a 9' by 55' HO scale traveling layout as well as a real LS&I U25c, an ore car and ex-MoPac caboose which are displayed at Presque Isle Park in Marquette.

For more information contact Richard Cooke at 906-225-5468, or email to ljlrc@aol.com

Waupaca Area Model Railroaders - Waupaca More info: 715-258-5842.

Meets on Thursdays at 7:30 p.m.

Wisconsin & Michigan Model RR Club - Marinette WI

Meets Thursdays at 7 p.m. in the basement of the Elk's Club in Marinette, WI. The semi-permanent HO scale layout is 26' by 6'. Visitors are always welcome and membership is open. For more information contact, Dave Rickaby at 1031 Marinette Avenue, Marinette WI 54143 or call 715-732-1318.

WISE Division:

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262.392.9698

Location: Best Western Midway Hotel
5105 S Howell, Milwaukee, WI
(unless otherwise noted)

Meeting time: 12:30-4pm

Dates: September 18, 2005

Location: Railroad Park
Jackson WI

Milwaukee Light Engineering Society will provide a special experience for the September meet. Ride the 7-1/2" gauge railroad.

Dates: Oct 16, 2005

Dates: November 12-13, 2005
Trainfest

The WISE Division sponsors monthly meets throughout Southeastern Wisconsin. Meets are on Sunday afternoons, and the public is always welcome. You'll be able to attend clinics on model railroading skills, enter modeling and photography contests, find a treasure or sell your railroad items at the SWAP meet, tour layouts at members homes.



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Contact: Gary Children at 414-327-1666, or Ingrid Drozdak at ingridtreelady@aol.com

Any interesting railfanning, or layouts you've seen lately? Have you gotten your AP award for author yet?

Here's your chance to put the two of them together, and provide an article for the Waybill.

Check the Waybill deadline in the next column, so you'll have plenty of time to send in your article for the next Waybill.

Remember, if you can write an article, you shouldn't be afraid of a little more paper work, to get those AP points.

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Deadline for submission to each issue is listed for the month previous to publication:

*August 15th for the Fall issue
November 10th for the Winter issue
February 10th for the Spring issue
May 15th for the Summer issue.*

Submissions to: waybilleditor@charter.net

Waybill Advertising

At the last Board of Director's meeting, the MWR Board approved the submission of advertising for placement in the Waybill.

Effective June 1st, advertising will be accepted for placement starting in the Fall 2004 Waybill. The deadlines for camera ready ads will be the same as the copy deadlines stated above, (*please submit by e-mail if possible in MS Word format*). If you need ad composition, please contact the Waybill editor. Railroad related advertising only will be accepted for publication.

Advertising rates/year are as follow:

Full page	\$100.00
Half page	75.00
Quarter page	50.00
Business Card size	25.00

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September

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
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18 Soo Line Convention WISE Meet – Milwaukee Light Engineering Society Jackson WI	19	20	21	22	23	24 Central IN Meet – Bedford IN Calumet Div 3 rd Annual Southland Railroad Show Oak Lawn IL
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Auction Policies and Procedures

I. Although the auction is routinely held in conjunction with a convention or meet, it is wholly a function of the Region. The Midwest Region is responsible for managing the auction, and all profits are the sole property of the Midwest Region.

- A. The MWR Auction Chair is responsible for the entire auction proceedings, except for handling monetary transactions.
- B. The MWR Treasurer is responsible for the handling of monetary transactions, including both receipt at the auction and payout later.

II. The following items are established as a matter of policy, and will be incorporated into the auction rules made available to participants.

- A. The auction is open only to members of the NMRA.
- B. A standard commission will be charged to sellers.
 - 1. The normal commission rate will be 15%.
 - 2. The Region will, as a service to terminally ill or deceased members, allow liquidation of the deceased members' estate (subject to normal rules regarding the types

of items allowed in the auction) free of commission.

III. The official auction rules shall be made available to all participants – sellers and buyers. The rules may be amended from time to time by the Auction Chair, as long as the provisions of section II of this policy are adhered to. Significant changes which may affect participation should be published as far in advance as possible. Updates shall be provided to the Region Secretary, for inclusion in the EHB. Posting of a current copy of the Auction Rules on a table or bulletin board in the Auction Room, shall meet the requirements that the rules be available to all participants

Midwest Region Auction Rules and Regulations

- 1. The auction is open only to members of the NMRA.
- 2. The auction staff reserves the right to limit the number of items submitted by any one seller if, in their opinion, the auction is getting too large. When quantities are limited, entries will be accepted according to the following priorities:
 - Model railroad equipment
 - Other items directly related to model railroading (*e.g.*, books and magazines)

- Prototype railroad equipment and other items directly related to prototype railroading
 - Non-railroad items with a railroad theme
3. A standard commission of 15% will be charged for all items sold. Items that are part of an estate, being carried in accordance with the MWR Auction Policy, will be sold without commission, as a service to terminally ill or deceased members.
 4. Sellers must deliver their merchandise to the auction during the hours specified for the event. Items will be accepted on a first come, first served basis. Receipts will be given for the merchandise delivered.
 5. Sellers are responsible for providing sufficient descriptions of their items to allow evaluation by purchasers. This description will be included on the tag displayed with the merchandise.
 6. Buyers must pick up their merchandise and pay for it immediately following the auction. The auction staff is not equipped to store purchases.
 7. Sellers will be paid by check within 6 weeks of the auction.
 8. The NMRA, Midwest Region, host group, and auction staff assume no responsibility for any item. All merchandise is sold as is, where is.
 9. There may be both silent and/or live components of the auction. Sellers may

stipulate that their items will be included only in the silent auction or the live auction; such items will not enter the other auction. All other lots will be included in both portions of the auction; items that do not sell in the Silent auction will be placed in the Live Auction. Items being included in one auction will be so noted on their bidding tags.

10. The minimum bid for any item is one dollar. All bid amounts must be in multiples of one dollar.
11. The following rules apply to the silent auction if one is offered:
 - a. The silent auction will commence upon the receipt of the first item entered into the silent auction.
 - b. Bidding is accomplished by writing one's registration number and the bid amount on the bid sheet accompanying the item.
 - c. The silent auction will terminate at the start of the layout tours on the day the live auction is scheduled.
 - d. Bids posted that are below any specified minimum bid will not be accepted. Likewise, illegible bids will not be accepted.
 - e. At the end of the silent auction, lots with a bid on them will be considered sold.
 - f. Winning bidders on items being included in only the silent auction must pick up and pay for their items at the time specified by the auction staff, and in no

event later than the start of the live auction. Failure to do so will result in the sale being cancelled and the item offered to the next highest bidder (in either the silent or live auction), if possible, or ultimately being returned to the seller

12. The following rules apply to the live auction:

- a. Unsold items in the silent auction are automatically placed in the live auction as well as items that are specifically indicated “live auction only” will be placed in the live auction.
- b. Each item will be sold to the highest bidder, subject only to the seller’s minimum bid.
- c. Time is provided before the auction for buyers to view the available items. Buyers are responsible for acquainting themselves with the items. It is not the responsibility of the auctioneer to provide detailed descriptions or analyses of the items, beyond what description has been provided by the seller.
- d. Winning bidders in the live auction must settle up with the Auction Treasurer immediately following the auction.

13. Payment for Auction Items

- a. Winning bidders must pay in US Funds by cash, personal check, or travelers check. Credit cards and debit cards will not be accepted in payment of winning bids.

- b. The Auction Chairman has the sole authority to allow a winning live auction bidder to cash out before the live auction is over. Any bidder who cashes out before the live auction is over, His or Her Identification number will be closed out and, He/She will be bared from making any bid on subsequently auctioned merchandise.

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AP Awards

- 05 Civil - Bob Wundrock, MWR 760*
Verona, WI
- 06 Electrical - Richard Bourgerie , MWR 759*
Noblesville, IN

Trevor Jones, MWR 766*
New Palestine, IN
- 07 Dispatcher - Stephen Studley, MWR 763*
Bloomington, IN

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- 08 Official - Gary Children, MWR 761*
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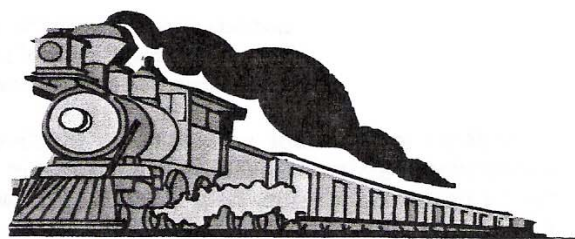
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Cherry Valley, IL

Barbara Rothwell, MWR 765*
Fitchburg, WI

Luana Wilhite, MWR 764*
Anderson, IN
- 09 Volunteer - Thomas Morrison , MWR 767*
McFarland, WI

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Narrow Gauge North to Rhinelander



Winnebagoland Division, MWR, NMRA

Fall 2005 Convention

Rhinelander, Wis., Claridge Inn

Saturday, October 15, 2005

Narrow gauge rails are heading north for this fall's convention. We are working with the Rhinelander Railroad Association to bring you a terrific day of railroading: lots of modeling and some of the real thing at the Rhinelander Railroad Museum in the city's Pioneer Park. Headquarters and banquet site is the Claridge Inn Best Western, 70 N. Stevens Street, Rhinelander, WI 54501 (800) 427-1377 and (715) 362-7100. A block of rooms has been set aside. Also, many activities will take place in Rhinelander's Pioneer Park, home of the Rhinelander Railroad Museum with artifacts dating back to when rails first entered the city in 1882. During the lumber boom in northern Wisconsin, the Thunder Lake Narrow Gauge served eight saw mills bordering Rhinelander's boom lake. See Old No. 5, a well preserved consolidation that was in service up until 1941 when the narrow rails were taken up and the engine sold to Mexico.

Meet Schedule, Saturday, October 15, 2005

9:00 am to noon	Registration	Claridge Inn
9:00 am to 4:00 pm	Clinics	Claridge Inn and Railroad Museum
9:00 am to 11:00 am	Model and Photo Contest	Claridge Inn
11:00 am to 4:00 pm	View contest entries	Claridge Inn
1:00 pm to 5:00 pm	View artifacts, Hands-on DCC and Speeder rides	Rhinelander Railroad Museum
9:00 am to 5:00 pm	View displays	Claridge Inn
5:00 pm to 6:00 pm	Attitude Adjustment Hour	Claridge Inn
6:00 pm to 8:30 pm	Banquet	Claridge Inn.

Banquet Choices

C&NW Roast Sirloin
Salt roasted at a high temperature
to sear in its natural juices

Soo Line Raspberry Cashew Chicken
Cashew encrusted chicken breast
with a flavorful raspberry sauce

Thunder Lake Pork Chops
Grilled center cut boneless chops
topped with peach compote and peanuts

All dinners include garden fresh salad with dressing, choice of potato, vegetable,
warm Claridge rolls with butter, beverage and homemade dessert

Registration Form

Name (please print)	Full Fare \$20	Banquet only, \$15	Food choice C&NW, Soo, TL	Convention only, \$5	Total

Address _____
City, State, Zip _____
Email _____

Total enclosed _____
Make checks payable to Winnebagoland Division (WLD)
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1850 Adler Way
Green Bay, WI 54303

Preregistration is required for the banquet.
Deadline is October 1, 2005.

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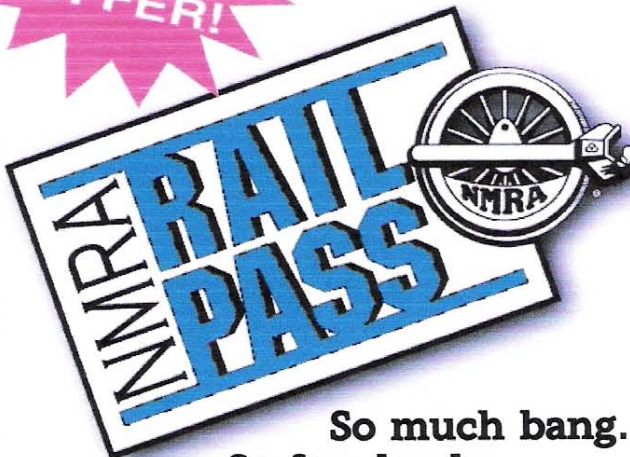
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Kalmbach Memorial Library – A Primer

by Thomas Mossbeck, Research Associate.

Welcome to your Kalmbach Memorial Library, the research library of the National Model Railroad Association. The library houses a unique collection of railroad material to gain further knowledge of the many facets of the hobby.

You can either come to the library to do the research yourself, or you can have the staff do the work and mail the material to you. To submit a research or photocopy request you can call, write, fax or email, or you can use the online fill-in form on the library's website www.nmra.org/library.

Following is a listing of some of the collections and resources available at the library.

John Kentlein – H.K. Porter Collection -

This collection has over 780 builder's photos, catalogs, blueprints and other data chronicling the history of the premier industrial locomotive manufacturer. We have published a reprint of the 13th catalog *Porter Steam Locomotives, Light and Heavy*, which is available for sale at the library.

Bruce Meyer – EMD Collection - If you are looking for paint diagrams of locomotives from GM's Electro-Motive Division, then the Bruce Meyer collection is for you. With over 1,400 EMD paint scheme drawings from various railroads,

operation manuals and other diesel locomotive items, this collection is a valuable tool to the model railroader wishing to paint and letter EMD equipment.

Photo collection - There are approximately 100,000 prints, slides and negatives in the library's photo collection, with approximately 25 % currently cataloged. Notable is the Miller Negative Collection, which includes 4,347 images representing 110 railroads. Developed by Harold B. "Dusty" Miller, it covers the years 1934-41 and therefore documents the peak of steam power development. All views are static, and in some cases show the locomotive in stored or partially dismantled condition. The bulk of the images are of western roads, with particular emphasis on the Southern Pacific, Santa Fe and Western Pacific. Some of these photographs were highlighted in the book *Steam on the Feather River Route*, which is still available for sale at the library. We can offer prints of any photo, slide or negative in our collection

Periodical collection - Over 50,000 modeling, prototype and historical society magazines, as well as vintage *Railway Age*, *Railroad Gazette* and *Railway Review* publications make up the Kalmbach Memorial Library's periodical collection. Most are indexed so the material is easy to locate.

Car and Locomotive Builder's Cyclopedias - These are great for finding information about freight and passenger cars, and locomotives, and all their components. Information, drawings and

photos of brake systems, underframes, boilers, wheels, and everything else that make up the finished products. We have cyclopedias from the 1880s to 1997, so all eras are well represented.

Official Guides of the Railways - If you are in need of passenger train schedules then this is the publication for you.

Official Railway Equipment Registers (ORERs) - Published quarterly, the ORER is a complete listing of freight cars owned by the railroads and private car companies. Cars are sorted by railroad and listed according to their numbers. The following information is provided for each listing: AAR mechanical designation, markings and type of car, numbers, inside and outside dimensions, door dimensions, capacity, and the number of cars in each series. Freight connections and junction points are also listed, as well as a recapitulation of all the freight car equipment for an easy overview of the total number of cars sorted by mechanical designation. The website lists all the ORERs in the library's collection.

Poor's Manual of Railroads and Moody's Railroads - These publications have great information on the railroads' finances, track mileage, equipment holdings, traffic, histories and comments on operations and finances.

Book collection - The library is home to more than 7,000 books and manuals, spanning all areas of model and prototype railroading.

Historical society, club, museum and SIG publications - We have more than 275 different publications from railroad historical societies, clubs, museums and NMRA SIGs (special interest groups). We also have an extensive collection of NMRA region and division newsletters. The historical society and SIG publications are great sources for in-depth articles on narrow subject matters

Video collection - Over 500 videos make up the library's video collection. They are divided into three categories: Modeling, Prototype, and Clinics. Whether you are looking for videos on railroading in general, railroad- or area-specific videos, or modeling and how-to clinics, chances are the video collection has something for you. The best part is that they are all available for rent. The price for members in the United States is \$5.00 per tape, postage paid (note that some titles have two or more tapes, in which cases the price is multiplied accordingly

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