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President's Report

by Gary Children, President MWR

Well here it is, 2006. I hope you all survived the holiday season and maybe even put a new something on your layout. Now that the holiday season is over, our region treasurer is preparing the tax papers, and the NMRA will be holding its winter board meeting the week of the 15th. The NMRA is just waiting for our Treasurer's address in order to send our part of the dues collected.

Now, here's some news from our region. The SCWD division had their rail school in January. It was very well done. Forty five kids learned about model railroading from a group of modelers showing them different parts of the hobby. The youth group chair had the kids build a car, add decals, weight it and do a test run.

The WISE division had a beginners meet with clinics showing participants how to do things as well as what is going on in the division. As I mentioned in my last report, we all have to get the younger generation and their parents involved in the hobby. I am also aware that other divisions do this during different times of the year. My thanks goes out to these divisions for doing their part. As NMRA members, please try and do what you can to get more people involved.

A lot of the divisions have train shows and this would be the perfect opportunity to recruit some new hobbyists. Some of the shows include: Trainfest in November for the WISE division, Mad City in February for the SCWD division, High Wheeler '06 for the Fox Valley division in March as well as the Rock River division model railroad show, also in March. All of these shows appear in the *Waybill* with their dates and times. All of our divisions work hard to put on these shows. Please show your

support by attending and helping to get more people interested in the hobby. I will do my part to help out as well.

I got the opportunity to work with Reid Kahrs during the SCWD division's rail school. I also did a clinic for the Fox Valley Division and in return, one of their members did a clinic for the WISE division. We will also be doing a clinic for the spring convention.

As a member of the Badgerland S Gaugers, I helped the Waukesha Gandy Dancers with a Winter Fest display in Waukesha, WI. Lionel of Milwaukee was also there to show the difference in the scales. Badgerland S Scale had a display of box cars from Z to G gauge. This was rebuilt to add a Z gauge and G gauge to the display. It took some time to get a Z gauge and G gauge in rail box cars. All of this was prepared in order to show the different size scales people can work with. It's really a show-and-tell to get people to talk about their likes and dislikes, and even more so, just to get people talking. You'd be surprised by how many people out there who have train set ups in their attic or closet. This was the perfect opportunity to try and get people started back up in the hobby.

Don't forget to vote in the region election. There are four positions available on the board of directors. These people are trying to help the region, so please vote. Also, the regional convention is this spring. This is a joint effort between the Fox Valley and DuPage divisions. Come and meet new people and have some fun. The convention committee has lined up a good program. Make sure to bring a model, or two, or three as well as some slides and pictures. We have two new co-chairs for the model contest. Let's give them a good work

out, they need the work. There is no money in the budget for layoffs. If you can help out in judging, half of your registration fee will be refunded.

Remember, model railroading is fun. I finished up painting 75 Preiser people in s scale and I didn't lose it, not totally anyways, but it was fun. See you all at one of the shows or the regional convention!





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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.

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

Division Schedule

Calumet Division:

Contact: Al Kamm Jr, 815.469.2917

No meetings in December and January for

information call: 1-815-469-2917

Central Indiana Division:

Contact: Larry Gilbert 765, 779,4039

GTE (Formerly GATS) January 7-8 2006 - Indianapolis IN - Indiana State Fairgrounds

April 23, 2006 (Sunday) - Danville - IN

4H Building, Hendricks County Fairgrounds (Building may change) Meet, Show and annual membership meeting. Open to the public with admission fee.

May 7, 2006 – Lafayette

Layout tour for NMRA members and guests – no admission fees

July 21-23, 2006 – Fortville, IN

By Air, By Rail Festival (displays of model train layouts, antique autos, hot air balloons, ultra light planes as well as food and craft booths. Open to the public – no admission fees

Sept 30, 2006 - Bedford IN

National Guard Armory meet and train show. Open to public with admission fees.

DuPage:

Contact: Rob Schiavone 630.690.3262

robert_s_60188@yahoo.com

Location: Lisle Library
777 Front Street

Lisle, IL

March 5, 2006

Program: David Liesse – British RR Contest: All NMRA Categories

April 2, 2006

Program: TBA

Contest: April Fools contest

Meetings starts at 1:30pm

Fox Valley Division:

Contact: Richard Sweet rsweet@pactiv.com.
11 Park Place Circle
Hawthorn Woods, IL 60047
847.550.1399
http://www.foxvalleydivision.org/

Division meetings are held from September through May generally on the 3rd Sunday of the month from 1:30 until 4:30 at the Gary Morava Recreation Center, 110 W. Camp McDonald Road, Prospect Heights, IL 60070. The center is 1 block west of the Camp McDonald and Elmhurst Road intersection. Monthly meetings feature a program discussion or clinic, a popular vote modeling category contest with cash prizes, refreshments and an occasional excursion. Contact David Leider for all excursion reservations at sooauthor@netzero.net or 847-253-7484. Include names and Phone #.

March 4 & 5 - High Wheeler '06 Train Show at Harper College Sports Center, located at the corner of Algonquin and Roselle Roads. 9:00 am until 5:00 pm. Bring your friends and family. Operating club and individual layouts, hobby shop and historical society exhibits. Donation \$7.00, Seniors \$6.00, ages 5-12 \$2.00, under 5 free. No regular March division meeting.

April 23 - Annual business meeting and officer elections. 1:00 pm start. Clinic by David Leider. Enter the Maintenance-Of-Way car contest (with or without your gandy dancers) to show us how you keep the trains rolling on your pike?

May 21 - Operating session excursion to Ted Schnepf's "Fox Valley O Scale" pike. See http://users.foxvalley.net/~railsunl/FoxV alley/ for reference. Reservations required.

Illinois Valley Division:

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Or

James Carrow 2926 E 6th Rd LaSalle IL 61301 (815)233-2527

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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

March 12, 2006, Peoria ReMax Bldg.
May 21, 2006 Utica, Knights of Columbus Hall
(call for more information)

North Shore & Western Division

Contact: Jim Spice

(847) 662-7267

jimjet2@comcast.net

Location: Glenview Public Library

1930 Glenview Rd Glenview, IL

The Division meets from September to May, on the fourth Sunday of the month. Meetings are held in the Maynard Room, Glenview

Public Library. The Library opens at 1:00 pm and meetings begin at 1:30 pm. From time-to-time meetings are followed by layout tours.

March 26, 2006: Monthly Meet

Clinic: TBA

Contest: Diesel & Other Locomotives

April 23, 2006: Monthly Meet

Clinic: TBA

Contest: Non-Revenue Cars

(Caboose, MOW, Etc.)

May 21, 2006: Monthly Meet

Clinic: TBA

Contest: Favorite Train & Traction Election of officers for 2006-2007 season

These dates may change if they conflict with Library events. See the Division website (http://home.comcast.net/~nswnmra/)

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.

Dates:

March 5, 2006 – regular meet
March 23-24, 2006 – Train show & sale
April 2, 2006 – annual meeting
May 7, 2006 – Joint meet with SCWD
June 4-8, 2006 – Junket
July 2006 - Picnic

South Central Wisconsin Division:

Contact: Hank Brown

608.839-4939

Location: Fitchburg Community Center

5510 Lacy Road Fitchburg WI

Meeting times: 1-4pm

Date: March 5, 2006

Contests: Moving the Military

April 2, 2006

Contests: April Foolery

May 7, 2006

Joint meet with Rockford

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

Holding two meets each year. Spring meet usually includes a banquet and guest speaker, while the Fall meet is a less formal affair. All meets are open to everyone and NMRA membership is not required to attend. Check web site for more information: http://wld.trainstuffllc.com/

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: <u>Joe Lallensack</u>

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 <u>Keith Meacham</u> or Gene Greenwald.

Kettle Moraine Ballast Scorchers Railroad Club, Inc.

137 B North 6th Ave. West Bend, WI 53010

Machickannee & 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 email Norman (Chic) Hartert.

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.

Plymouth Model RR Club - Plymouth WI

Rhinelander RR Association - Rhinelander

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 Rhinelander from 1930 to 1950. Visitors are always welcome. For more information contact Club President Tom Foerster at 715/479-4988.

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 Railroaders Association of Wisconsin Rapids, Wisconsin.

John Sawaska, President, 1010 21st. Avenue South, Wis. Rapids, WI 54495. Phone:715-421-4610. For further information or questions, e-mail John at js8542@wctc.net. The club meets at 6:30 PM on the 1st and 3rd Monday's of every month, September through May, at The Rapids Mall, 555 West Grand Ave., Wisconsin Rapids, WI.

The Upper Michigan Central Model

Railroad, located in Escanaba, MI. A 25' by 50' HO permanent layout, soon to be 45' by 50', by adding the U.P.Shortlines layout from Marquette, MI. We also have a 20' by 9' traveling layout and an 8' by 3' and growing N-scale layout. Located in the basement of the 8th Street Coffee House, 720 Ludington St., in Escanaba, MI. Meetings at 7:30 PM every Thursday. For info? Call Gary Stiles, 906-428-3472 or trainmaster@chartermi.net

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 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:

Contact: Bonnie Janke janke @execpc.com

262.392.9698

Location: Best Western Midway Hotel

5105 S Howell, Milwaukee, WI

(unless otherwise noted)

Meeting time: 12:30-4pm

Dates:

March 19, 2006 - TBA April 23, 2006

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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Items available on spreadsheet by e-mail: <u>j.e.whartoniv@dowcorning.com</u> or requests to:

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Don't miss

Spruce up your Caboose! Part II

by: Mark N. Goedert

In the Summer 2006 Waybill

Waybill Schedule

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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.

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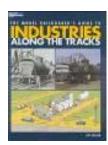
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Book Review

by: Mark N. Goedert



Title: "Industries Along the

Tracks"

Author: Jeff Wilson

Publisher: Kalmbach Publishing

ISBN: 0-89024-582-7

Retail Price: \$19.95

Pages: 88

Pictures: Color / Black and White

"Industries Along the Tracks" is a basic look at the history, processes and how railroads interact with industry. The book does a great job covering the; Grain, Petroleum, Coal Mining, Automotive, Produce and Livestock industries. Author Jeff Wilson shows us how railroads interact with the six industries and presents them to us through explanatory diagrams, text and pictures.

The overall look and feel of the text is the high quality we expect from a Kambach book. All of the chapters have very good photos of buildings, structures, cars and sidings. The photos are a mixture of color and black and white depending upon the era. Sketches and diagrams compliment the photos to fill in the gaps of our knowledge. Some of the diagrams in the book did seem familiar to me, as if they were used in another text, however this feeling did not detract from the value of the book at all. The layout of the book is attractive and overall the text does not bog you down with details.

You can really describe this text as six minibooks covering industries served by rail. Each chapter could stand on its own as a basis for an entire book. Jeff does an excellent job covering the basic information we need for each industry to model a convincing scene. The book does not focus on a single scale, anyone modeling from Z to G can use this book. The book provides us with a general history of each industry so the era covered is fairly wide. A chapter could have some pictures dating back as early as 1912 through the modern era. The coverage is not thorough, so you won't see 10 pictures form each decade but you will see a good summary of photos throughout the history of the industry.

This book was brought to my attention by a friend and structure aficonado Phil Schoenthal who recommended that I take a look at his copy. As I perused the book it was the nature of how each industry structure was coverered that caught my attention and led to the purchase of my own. Each chapter is well structured to provide you not only with the history but a recommendation of how you can lay out the structure and spurs for a typical industry. Then Jeff talks about the specific cars you can spot at each industry with photographs of typcial rolling stock. When you read into the discusion of rolling stock you will pick up nuggets on how to identify proper rolling stock for the industry. Even though I don't model the grain industry I can now discern if a hopper is designed to carry grain, sand or plastic pellets. In addition to industries Jeff provides an index of models available at press time to emulate structures for various industries. The list of model kits can be found as an appendix in the back of the book.

If you are in the process of building a layout, module, or diorama this book can be very helpful in building an accurate industry. Each chapter has enough information about each

industry to build a convincing scene. Additionally Jeff provides side bars with additional suggested readings to futher the depth of your knowledge for some but not all industries in the book. I was not wholly interested in some of the chapters but I did find them to be an interesting read. You could also use the text as a "touch up" for an industry already on your layout and even improve how the industry is switched from an operatons point of view. To say this book is for planners or scenery builders misses some of the additional value the text can provide.

I recommend "Industries Along the Tracks" for the quality and history of industries served by rail. This book will appeal to most modelers and planners building a layout or scene. If you thought twice about buying this book I hope you will reconsider and add it to your modeling library.



Modeling Hands On Spruce up your Caboose! Part I

by: Mark N. Goedert Photos by the Author

With time for model work at a premium it can be satisfying to work on a small project that will be completed by the end of the evening. I took a look at a newly acquired Atlas model caboose and saw a few quick upgrades to take a good model make it look even better. Pictured is the Atlas Extended Vision Caboose, this will be the basis of our discussion. The Chessie caboose is used as an example but this article will apply to any version of the Atlas Extended Vision Caboose model.

Step Detail:



Plano detail glued to the top of the existing caboose steps.

I unpacked the detail parts and read the instructions that came with the Plano steps. I thought that it would not be too hard to follow the recommended installation method and so I gave it a try. This first method is where we will apply the step detail directly to the model and not cut out the plastic or do anything fancy.

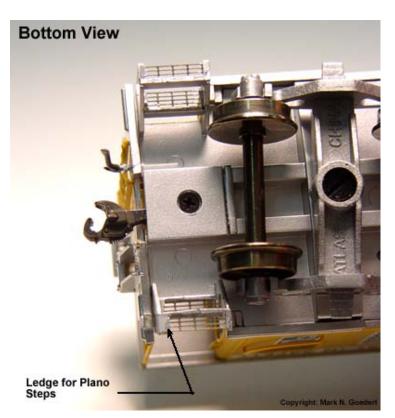
- (1) Use the small Xuron cutters to remove the metal detail steps from the spruce, note that the lower step is smaller than the upper step.
- (2) After removing the parts from the spruce I used a small file to smooth out any burs the parts may have. Be careful when filing because you could bend the detail.
- (3) Lay the step detail in place to check the fit. This should be done for each step on the caboose. If the step does not fit, file any burs or protrusions that are affecting a good fit.
- (4) With the step detail in place apply styrene or liquid plastic cement on top of the detail with a brush. Let the cement soak in between the metal grate into the paint.

The cement softened the silver paint to allow the step detail to sit in the paint. With the cement dry the step details are now fixed firmly in place.

Step Detail Advanced Installation:

Since the basic installation went so easy I decided to up the ante a bit. Adding some complexity to the installation would be to allow see through step details. This involves some careful cutting and gluing but I found that the see through steps look really nice. I also decided to try the caboose steps because you don't have to bend the steps to install them, I figured that it would not be too challenging.

(1) I started the installation by cutting out the steps from the model to make room for the Plano parts.



- (2) Use the small Xuron cutters to nibble away at the steps. Be careful so as to not scratch the back of the step. Also do not cut out the entire step out but nibble until you have about 1/8th of an inch ledge around the step pocket.
- (3) Next take a Xacto #11 blade and carefully remove more plastic from the step until you have about 1/32nd to 1/8th of an inch sill around the edge of what used to be the step. Test fit the steps several times during this process. I found that the step detail is very close but not a snug fit in the step well.
- (4) Take the Plano step detail and apply some thick Cyanoacrylate to the back side on what will be the bottom of the step. Lay the step in place on the caboose. Once the initial glue has set use an applicator (.12 brass wire for example) to apply more glue on the bottom of the step to reinforce the joint between the metal and the stair well.
- (5) After the glue is dry use some silver paint to touch up the area you carved out. Also use the paint to cover up any scratches on the back side of the step.

Bill of Materials:

Atlas #1994-4 - Extended Vision Caboose Detail Associates #6206 - Air Hoses

Kadee #58 - Scale Coupler

Plano #454 - Extended Vision Caboose

End Platform and Steps

Cyanoacrylate Adhesive

Plastruct or Testors liquid plastic cement

Testors Silver paint

Polly Scale Grimy Black, Roof Brown

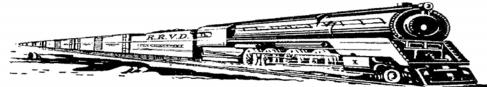
Tools:

Testors (Xuron) small cutters, Tweezers Xacto knife with #11 blade, Sm flat file

ROCK RIVER VALLEY DIVISION - NATIONAL MODEL RAILROAD ASSOCIATION







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The DuPage and Fox Valley Divisions jointly invite you to attend **RailFun 2006**, the Midwest Region's annual convention to be held at the **Hyatt Regency Woodfield** in **Schaumburg, Illinois, April 28-30, 2006**. We'll be featuring the area's collection of fine layouts for both tours and operating sessions, along with clinicians from across the country. We also will offer a noteworthy non-rail program for those whose interests lie in directions other than the rails.

As has become customary in our area, we will offer a Sunday brunch rather than a Saturday banquet, giving you the chance to check out Chicagoland's fine dining establishments. In addition to the hotel restaurant, there are three restaurants across the parking lot. Woodfield Mall, the world's largest indoor mall at the time it opened, is across the street, with a number of other restaurants within and surrounding it.

Of course, we'll have the usual activities for a Midwest Region convention: the model contest, the photo contest, and our time-honored auction. Bring down all those extras you've been accumulating and see if you can get a few bucks for them!

Circumstances in the lives of various volunteers have prevented the convention web site from being completed before this issue of the *Waybill* goes to press, but it will be available very soon, (maybe even by the time you're reading this). Link to the convention site from the region's web site (www.mwr-nmra.org) to keep up with the latest information.

We're looking forward to having you join us in April. Updates will be posted on the convention web site, as well as in the next issue of the *Waybill*. In the meantime, if you have any questions **contact Dave Liesse** at NMRADave@comcast.net (preferred) or (630) 554-2755.

Convention Website: http://www.foxvalleydivision.org/railfun/

Registration form: http://www.foxvalleydivision.org/railfun/registrationform.htm

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Operating session information and signup sheets will be sent to those indicating interest once the list of hosts is confirmed. Priority will be based on postmark of this registration form.

For hotel reservations, contact the hotel directly: Hyatt Regency Woodfield, 1800 E. Golf Rd., Schaumburg, IL 60173-5004 at 847-605-1234 or 800-233-1234 (fax 847-605-0328).

High Wheeler '06

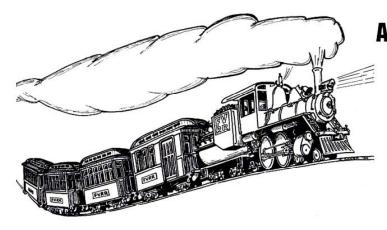
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