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Super's Report

Bob McGeever

Division Superintendent

The 2017-2018 Board of Directors held their first meeting on April 10th. I don't think you will be surprised to hear that the BOD staff is the same as last year. Phil Hottmann will continue as Assistant Superintendent. Jerry Lawler will continue as Chief Clerk. Phil Berry will continue as Paymaster. Bill Clancy, Dave Lendved and Ken Hojnacki will continue as Division Directors. Things will be different next year since I plan to move into the Past Superintendent position and Mike Vivion will be off the BOD for the first time in a long time. I think he is looking forward to it.

Phil Hottmann has agreed to take over as the Modeling Project Chair. And you may have noticed that Sean Lamb has taken over as the Refreshment Chair. We still have openings for a Banquet Chair, Club Liaison Chair, and A/V Chair. All the other committee chairs are unchanged.

I would have been happy to continue as Superintendent but taking on the position of Train Show Chair scotched that idea. I think it will be easier for the Division to find a new Superintendent than a new Train Show Chair.

But you are not rid of me yet.

For the past two meetings the BOD has had a wide ranging discussion regards our membership and our activities. All in a good way. We really need to work on recruiting new members. I personally am not sure how to do this, but several of the BOD members have ideas and our putting together a plan. To get the ball rolling we will be polling the division members on our

Next SCWD Meet:

May 7th 2017 1:00 pm

**Joint meeting with
Rock River Valley Division
Lakeview Room
Midway Village Museum
6799 Guilford Rd.
Rockford, Illinois**

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Next BOD Meeting:

May 15th 2017 7:00 pm

Fitchburg Fire Station

Next Youth Group Meeting:

May 21st 2017

Zor Shrine Temple

Important
Information

current operations. Sometime between now and the division meeting in September we will be asking you to answer three questions:

1. What is it we are doing now that you would like us to keep doing?
2. What is it we are doing now that you would like us to stop doing?
3. What would you like to see us start doing?

I am telling you this in advance to give you time to think about it. Please be honest, inventive and constructive when the time comes to answer the questions.

Hope I saw some of you at the Golden Rails convention in Rockford.

Hope to see you all at May joint meeting in Rockford.

Bob

The Clinic Corner

Bob Wundrock

I'm currently looking for SCWD members that want to do clinics for the next SCWD meet season beginning in September. It's worth a \$25 gift card to the Madison Hobby Stop.

Thanks to Dave Nelson of the WISE division for his excellent clinics in April.



I'm also looking for a few more clinicians for the April 2018 MWR convention that the SCWD will host.

Bob

Layout Tours

Phil Hottmann

With our visit to Ken Hojnacki's layout in April, this ends the layout tours for this season. Ken has a spectacular layout with beautiful structures and scenery. I think everyone enjoyed this tour.



For next season I would like to make an effort to get a few of the newer layouts open. So if you're getting your layout started, even though scenery may not be started, we would be interested in visiting. Please email me or give me a call.

Thanks to everyone that had their layout open this past season and hoping for another great season next year.

Phil

Swinton's flat takes first

Ewing Row
Modeling Project Chair

Presenting a finely detailed and weathered flat car, Don Swinton placed first in the popular-vote Modeling Project contest at the April SCWD meet. In addition, his telephone-pole load, the result of Ken Hojnacki's Make-and-Take at the March meet, provided a credible load on the 50-foot car. Don's car was placed over a mirror so that you could see some of the underside detail.



Neither first, second or third place modeler is new to the winner's circle in the Modeling Project contest.

Placing second with his "Pickle Car" was Dave Casey. He too had a finely detailed flat car topped with a cucumber. Yep, a cucumber. It was entered in both the Modeling Project and the April Fool freight car popular-vote judging. A note on the base of the entry said: "Candidate for the World's Largest Pickle enroute on 50' C&NW flat car # 48059."



In third was an amazing entry from Matt Baumgart. He converted his kit into a depressed-center, heavy load flat car carrying a monster load (don't know what the load is). Load limit listed in the reporting marks on the side of the car listed was a whopping 250,000 pounds. His BNSF 601657 was finely detailed with air hoses and brake releasing rigs.



The only entry from the Youth Group was Nathan Varun's "big gun" flat car. An "army" green, the huge cannon looked to be able to lob a monster shell miles away. He presented his fine effort on a small diorama completed with telephone poles and scenery — including grass, tree, bushes and rocks — and tank engine and box car.



First place finishers left the meet with \$75 gift certificates to Madison Hobby Stop. Second and third place will enjoy \$50 and \$25 certificates, respectively, also at the Madison Hobby Stop.

Ewing

Bringing The Railroad to the Farm

Paul Mangan

Last fall Steve Preston told me about a toy show that was going to be held at the High School in Waunakee, WI on April 9th 2017. He wanted to know if we could set up a table at this show and just pass out information about the SCWD and the NMRA. I have heard about these shows around our area but never been

to one. I thought it was a good idea and could be a fun day. Steve took care of all of the arrangements and soon enough it was showtime. Larry Enlow, SCWD membership chair, heard about this and decided he would join us so we packed up the vehicles and off we went.

The show was mostly about farm toys in larger scale but there were a lot of other toys there. And yes; some Lionel and American Flyer items were there as well. The commons area, where we set up, also had many outstanding model farm displays on site that were modeled in 1/16 scale with scratch built buildings that were really models and not toys.

The show was well attended and we did have a lot of folks stop by our table and ask questions about the SCWD and our hobby. The gentleman that had the display across the aisle from us wanted to borrow a piece of G scale track so he could see how it looked on the edge of his farm display.



The NMRA has been talking about reaching out in communities to bring our hobby to those who don't get exposure to actually modeling something and expressing their artistic abilities. How many cars are on the rails due to farming activities?

It was a fun day and we want to thank the folks in charge for having us there.

See you by the Rails

Paul

April Elections Results

Mike Vivion

Thank you to all SCWD members who attended our April meeting and annual business meeting. I am pleased to announce that our current Board of Directors was re-elected and Bob McGeever, our current Superintendent, has agreed to serve in that position once more for the coming 2017-2018 year. I also want to thank Steve Preston for running for the BOD this year and encourage him and any other SCWD member to consider running for the BOD in next April's election. As Bob McGeever will be completing his run as Superintendent

then, there will be at least one open BOD position to be filled next April. Thank you also to the Election Committee members for their assistance in this year's election.

Mike Vivion
SCWD Past Superintendent and
Election Committee Chair

Contest Column

Dave Lendved and Steve Lanphear
Contest Co-Chairs

As we wind up the 2016-17 modeling season, I'd like to thank everyone who entered the Model or Photo contests. We had fourteen modelers and twelve photographers contribute their work to the competition. Thanks to all of you. The models and photographs have always been a highlight of our monthly meetings for me.

The top modeler for this year was Dave Casey. Thanks to Dave for creating many beautiful models and bringing them in for us to see.



The top photographer was Sean Lamb. His photos are remarkable not only for their subject matter, but also for the esthetic beauty.

Thanks again to all who participated. Next year I hope to see photos and models from the other two thirds of our membership.

Next September the theme for the contests is Boxcars. Every Railroad has boxcars. Bring them in! Photograph them!

Have a great summer!

Dave and Steve

April Contest Results: April Foolery

Model Contest

Cat. A Steam

1st Al Potts: Gauge
Conversion Track



2nd Dave Casey: C&NW #605 Camelback

Cat. B Diesel

1st Fred Robinson: EMD's
Response to the GE "U-Boat"



2nd Dave Casey: C&NW #2006 "Sharknose"

Cat. C Passenger Cars

1st Dave Casey: C&NW
#9900 60' Doodlebug
(Popular Vote Winner)



Cat. D Freight Cars

1st Al Potts: 40' Stack Car
2nd Don Swinton: Jail Box Car
3rd David Donkle: Cigar Car



Photo Contest

Prototype

Cat. PA- Steam

1st Bob Wundrock: Washout – Riverside and Great
Northern

2nd Bob Wundrock: Steam Locomotive Drive Wheel

Cat. PB Diesel

1st Ron Halvorson: "G" At Work

Cat. PD Freight Cars

1st Ron Halvorson: Two Fools on the Move

Model

Cat. MD Freight Cars

1st Al Potts: 40' Stack Car #1931
2nd Al Potts: TP&E 40' Autorack

Popular Vote Model and Photo Contests Themes: 2017-2018 Season

September 2017 – Box Cars

- Cat. A. Wood <45'
- Cat. B. Wood >45'
- Cat. C. Steel <45'
- Cat. D. Steel >45'

October 2017 – Circus Train

- Cat. A. Wagon/Vehicle Loaded Flats
- Cat. B. Animal Loads
- Cat. C. Passenger Cars
- Cat. D. Office, Publicity, Other Cars

November 2017 – Tracksides Industries

- Cat. A. Chemical, Oil, Gas
- Cat. C. Manufacturing
- Cat. C. Agriculture, Forestry
- Cat. D. Mining

December 2017 – Interior Details: The Inside Story

- Cat. A. Revenue Equipment
- Cat. B. Non-Revenue Equipment
- Cat. C. R.R. Structure
- Cat. D. Non-R.R. Structure

January 2018 – No Contest – Rail School

February 2018 – Moving Forest Products

- Cat. A. Logs and Pulpwood
- Cat. B. Lumber
- Cat. C. Finished Wood Products
- Cat. D. Paper

March 2018 – Specialty Freight Cars

- Cat. A. Steel Industry
- Cat. B. Specialty Food Product Cars
- Cat. C. Automobile Industry
- Cat. D. Oversize/Overweight

April 2018 – No Contest – Project Model Contest

May 2018 – Open Freight Cars w/Loads

- Cat. A. Flat Cars
- Cat. B. Gondolas
- Cat. C. Hoppers
- Cat. D. Other

Youth Group

Steve Brist

The SCWD Youth Group welcomed two new members at our May meeting. Both boys heard about the Youth Group through the Mad City Train Show. They both seemed happy to participate in our model railroad operations.



We discuss our upcoming summer activities, including the annual SCWD Picnic at Little America on July 15th, and the annual banquet on May 19th. Our members expressed an interest in visiting the Whiskey River Railroad steam up again before the picnic.



We also discussed our annual summer field trip. Last year, we visited the Mid-Continent Railway Museum and the Riverside & Great Northern. Some of the suggestions

for summer 2017 include: the National Railroad Museum in Green Bay, the East Troy Electric Railroad, the Toy Train Barn in Argyle and the Rochelle Railroad Park. We will finalize our plans at our May meeting.

Congratulations to Youth Group member Varun, who won 1st Prize in the Youth category in the flatcar building contest at the adult meeting. Varun built the flatcar and created a flatcar mounted military cannon. Another member, who brought his completed kit to the Youth Group meeting, added two vintage automobiles as a load for his flatcar.

We ended the meeting by running our new HO layout and the T Trak modules. With the new members who have joined in the last year, we need to obtain additional N scale T Trak modules for our members.



Our last meeting of the school year will be Sunday May 21, at 1 PM at the Zor Shrine Building. See you then!

Steve



SCWD Board of Directors Meeting Minutes March 13, 2017*



The Board of Directors meeting for the 2015-2016 South Central Wisconsin Division, Midwest Region, National Model Railroad Association was called to order at 7:00 p.m. on March 13, 2017 by Superintendent Bob McGeever. In attendance were Board members **Dave Lendved, Bob McGeever, Mike Vivion, Phil Hottmann, Jerry Lawler, Ken Hojnacki, Bill Clancy.** **Minutes Approval:** Minutes for the February 2017 meeting were approved with amendments as to attendance and change of meeting date.

Paymaster Report: Paymaster report was approved.

Committee Reports:

Bad Order: Everything continues to operate smoothly.

Clinics: Bob has lined up and details available in the Bad Order.

Modeling Project for 2016-2017: Mike Vivion will take back the Chair position. Due to costs, there may be an increase in cost of participation or we may reduce the complexity of the project.

Make and Take Activity: 19 people provided positive feedback

Door prizes: 22 were donated for the rail show. Walthers and Kalmbach donated.

Layout tours: Ken Hojnacki is hosting the April open house .

Membership: The Annual Business meeting will take place as part of the April 2nd meeting

Picnic: Picnic date is July 15 and Little Amerika was chosen for this summer. July 15th is the weekend of the 'Whiskey River Days'. Alternative locales will be considered for 2018.

Rail show: Attendance was up slightly from 2016. It appears that the show will break even and the board began discussions related to longer term planning for the show to ensure its health.

Spring Trip: It was agreed that the Illinois Railroad Museum will be the destination. Date: June 10th. It will be a one day trip. Group will meet at the Zor Shrine parking lot and will travel from there. Meeting time will be 8am. We have 29 confirmed and a waiting list is being created in the event that we have cancellations

Web Site: The use of Paypal was discussed for managing online Train Show ticket sales. Minimal response to date. It was determined that this is feasible and that we piloted it this year.

Youth Group: Youth group had their new layout at the Rail Show and feedback was positive and it was a very busy exhibit with many youngsters visiting the layout and our youth group helping them run trains. This month's meeting will be an operating session at Al Potts'.

Publicity: Bob Boelter is going to contact the Wisconsin State Journal and ask for a pdf version of the State Journal article on the 50th Anniversary of the SCWD Rail Show. This pdf article will be posted on the web site. There will be a cost of ~\$25 for the pdf site.

Capitol 400: Bob Boelter has finalized the logo. There is a plan to have a graphic web page and poster up at the Rockford meeting.

Old Business

Wes Peat's Speeder: The speeder was picked up on March 12th by the IRR and delivered to them.

Membership Booth: Bill Marks has completed the rehab and it will be ready for the Rail Show

Literature Review: Literature handouts for the membership booth been reviewed and updated as determined to be appropriate. Staff to work the membership booth at the train show has been identified.

New Business Outreach to scouting groups for the scouting

railroad badge was discussed. It had been done previously, but is no longer an activity of the group. Jerry agreed to make inquiries with the scouting organizations and report back.

Adjournment: Jerry moved and Ken seconded and the Board approved adjournment at 8:15 pm.

Respectively submitted by Jerry Lawler, SCWD Chief Clerk

*Modified by Bad Order Editor for space limitations



Minutes of SCWD Annual Meeting April 3, 2016 Zor Shrine Center, Madison, Wisconsin



The annual business meeting was called to order by Superintendent Bob McGeever at 1:05 pm.

The minutes of the April 12, 2016 annual business meeting, handed out earlier, were reviewed. A motion was made to approve by Bill Ehlert, seconded by Steve Lanphear and unanimously approved to accept as presented.

Election chairperson, Mike Vivion, introduced the candidates for election to the Board of Directors. Seven candidates were running for the seven positions available. They were: Bob McGeever, Phil Hottmann, Phil Berry, Bill Clancy, Jerry Lawler, Dave Lendved, and Ken Hojnacki. There were no nominations from the floor.

A motion was made by Art Jennrich, seconded by Paul Mangan to close the nominations and for all those nominated be elected by unanimous ballot. The motion was approved unanimously.

Ballots with all seven candidate names were handed out to only SCWD members who were asked to vote for four of the seven to hold the positions of Superintendent, Assistant Superintendent, Paymaster, and Chief Clerk.

The business meeting was suspended at 1:12 pm to tally the ballots.

The business meeting was re-convened at 1:30 pm. Mike announced that Bob McGeever was re-elected as Superintendent. A motion was made by Don Swinton, seconded by Paul Mangan and approved unanimously to destroy the ballots.

For more SCWD and NMRA news and information go on-line to our web site at www.nmra-scwd.org and visit the **Bad Order on our web**




Paymaster Phil Berry gave the yearly treasurer's report summary indicating an anticipated positive cash flow for the year. Attendance was down slightly at the Annual Train Show, but SCWD will break even or better for the event based on the ticket sales, vendor and exhibitor table fees, and excellent sales at the Company Store. After further discussion, a motion was made by Bill Clancy, seconded by Chuck Jordan and approved unanimously to accept the report as presented.

A motion was made by Don Swinton, seconded by Fred Robinson and approved unanimously to close the business meeting. The meeting adjourned at 1:40 pm.

Respectively submitted by
John Haverberg, SCWD Chief Clerk

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Visit gwrr.org for layout pictures and more information



It's banquet time!

May 19th 2017

To be held at the Zor Shrine Temple
575 Zor Shrine Place, (upstairs)
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Cocktails at 6pm



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The bar closes at 8pm for the evening.

Dinner will be served starting at 7pm — so don't be late.

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Stoughton, WI 53589

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Note: If you are an NMRA member, your spouse or significant other is the same price as you.

Checks should be made payable to the S.C.W.D.



SCWD 2017 Summer Picnic sign-up.

The 2017 SCWD summer picnic will be held on Saturday, July 15th at Little Amerricka in Marshall WI.

From Little Amerricka web site: Whiskey River Railway Day - July 15th, 2017

Multiple trains will be running for our guests. All of our steam locomotives will be steamed up for operation at the park train station that day. Different locomotives will be switched around to pull our trains through out the day, this includes steam and diesel. This will be a rare opportunity for the public to see all of our locomotives.

The Park opens at noon and closes at 6 pm. We have arranged a picnic to be catered around 1 pm, and we will again have the Blue Rose Pavilion to enjoy the food and fellowship. Entrance to the park is free as is the lunch to all SCWD members and guests. Viewing of the railway equipment is also free. To ride the train around the 2 mile loop costs \$4.50. A wrist band can be purchased to allow you to ride all of the attractions including the trains. Wrist bands can also be purchased on-line ahead of time at a substantial savings at: www.littleamerricka.com.

You MUST sign up for this event so we know how much to tell the caterer to prepare. Guest(s) are welcome to attend with you. If you can't sign up at our regular March or April SCWD meetings, please fill out the form below and mail to John Haverberg by July 8th.

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SCWD Annual Picnic

Saturday July 15th, 2017

Little Amerricka Park, Marshall, WI

Lunch at 1:00 pm.

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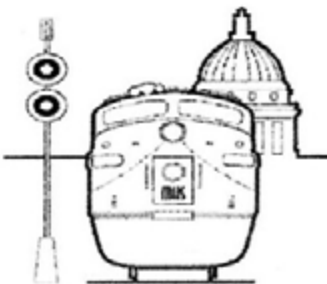
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* = Train Show Ticket advance sales

2017 Meeting Time Table

Regular Meeting	BOD	Youth Group	Banquet	Picnic
May 7 th 2017 (Rockford)	May 15 th 2017 June 12 th 2017	May 21 st 2017	May 19 th 2017	
Sept 10 th 2017	Sept 11 th 2017	Sept 17 th 2017		July 15 th 2017

