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## 2011 Trainmaster Election

It's election time. Nationally, we recently completed an off-year election. In the CID we are getting ready to hold our Trainmaster (TM) election. The election of three TMs will take place in early-spring of 2011 with the results released at the CID Spring Meet in Martinsville, April 9th. The term (two years) for these newly elected positions begins on May 15, 2011.

TMs are voting members of the CID Board of Directors. The Board meets six times a year. If you would like to enter your name into nomination, contact one of the committee members listed at the end of this article. The election committee will need your name by January 30, 2011 if you are to be included on the ballot. Similarly, if you have questions about the responsibilities of the Trainmaster position, contact one of us. Our contact information is available on page two of the *Rusty Spike* or on the Meet the Board page of the CID website, cid.railfan.net.

If you do enter your name, we will be contacting you soon requesting a short biography that will be sent out with the ballot. If you know someone who you believe would be a good candidate for a TM position either contact them and suggest they enter their name, or pass their name along to a committee member.

### **2011 Nominations and Election Committee**

**Keith Clark**  
**Rich Seymour**  
**Steve Studley**



## Carmel Library Show Thrills Again



Trevor Jones talks about his Transylvania Railroad with some of the 680 plus visitors to this year's show. (Photograph by Keith Clark)

Once again on November 6, 2010, the CID participated in the Carmel Library Train Show. Thirteen layouts were on exhibit as well as displays of circus collections. What a great promotion of our hobby. Many thanks go to Trevor Jones and the Carmel Library staff for their organization of the show.

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## Changes for the Rusty Spike



You may have already noticed the changes on the front page of the Rusty Spike. As you look through this issue you will find that while some things have been moved around, the content of the Spike has not changed. Let me give you a little explanation as to why some changes were made.

The biggest change was the moving of the Division Schedule and Extra Board from the front page to page six. This was done so that the single inside sheet could be easily removed by readers from the newsletter and posted on a bulletin board, the refrigerator, etc. so that it might be a little handier. Also, the next division event flier has been placed on page five which is also a part of the single sheet. That places both of these important pieces of information on one sheet that hopefully makes this information easier to refer to.

These moves then meant moving other articles and ads from the locations that they have held for many years. These include the Superintendent's Interchange Track to page four and the pike ads to pages seven and nine.

I hope that you will find the changes made to the Rusty Spike beneficial. The goal is to bring you a quality publication that members of the Central Indiana Division are proud of. Your thoughts and suggestions are always welcome.

*Keith Clark*  
*Rusty Spike Editor and Trainmaster*

### Spring Meet Moves to Martinsville

The 2011 CID spring meet will be held at the Martinsville National Guard Armory, 1900 Hospital Drive, Saturday April 9th, 10 am to 4 pm. This new location offers us more space than the Bedford armory and easier access from the Indianapolis area, while hopefully not being too far for our members in the southern part of the division. There will be dealer tables, operating layouts, clinics, contests, A.P. judging, and our annual meeting. Jimmy Hunter is aboard the

dining car. Dan Goins and Trevor Jones will be running the show with help from John Pancini and Dave Clendenin, the team that brings you the Danville meet. Our thanks go to Bill Litkenhous who has run the spring meet for fourteen years.

*Trevor Jones*  
*Trainmaster*



### NMRA ARRIVALS

Donald Bailey	Bloomington, IN
Phillip Burk	Indianapolis, IN
Ted Knorr	Speedway, IN
Charles Sullivan	Terre Haute, IN
James R. McDonald	New Palestine, IN

The Central Indiana Division of the NMRA wants to welcome these new members. We're happy to have you aboard. If you know any of these new members or happen to see them at a CID activity, give them a personal welcome.

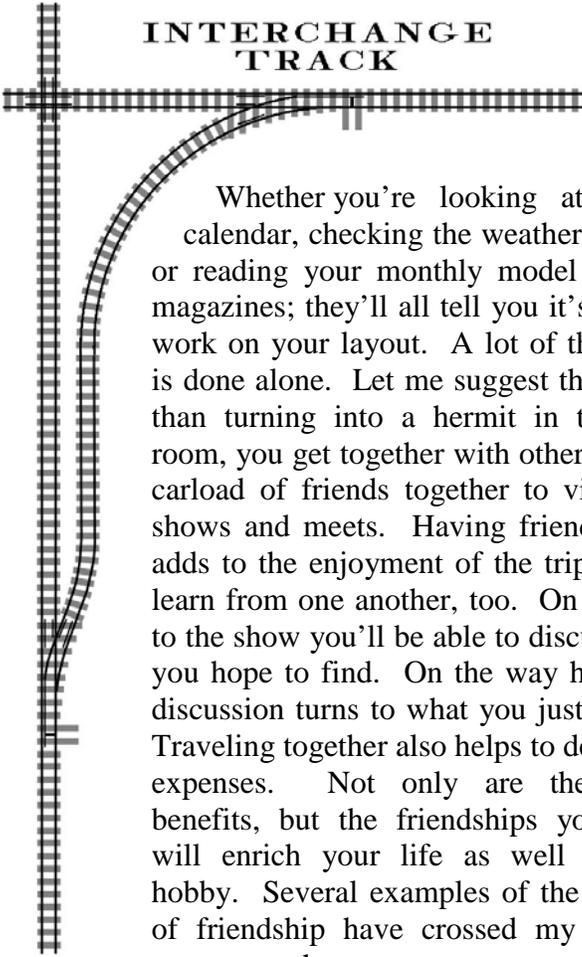
### Annual CID Auction

Gentlemen and Ladies too,

The Noblesville CID Train show is the event where we have our annual auction. This is an opportunity to find some very special one of a kind deals. So put this train show on your schedule, it is Sunday, January 30th. And it is also your opportunity for you model railroaders and collectors of Railroadiana to make a contribution to your CID organization. I'm always pleasantly surprised with the kind of stuff that shows up for the Auction so all I can say is "Keep it Coming."

*Tom Cain*  
*Past Superintendent*  
*and Noblesville Train Show Manager*

## INTERCHANGE TRACK



Whether you're looking at the calendar, checking the weather outside, or reading your monthly model railroad magazines; they'll all tell you it's time to work on your layout. A lot of that work is done alone. Let me suggest that rather than turning into a hermit in the train room, you get together with others. Get a carload of friends together to visit train shows and meets. Having friends along adds to the enjoyment of the trip. You'll learn from one another, too. On the way to the show you'll be able to discuss what you hope to find. On the way home the discussion turns to what you just bought. Traveling together also helps to defray the expenses. Not only are there cost benefits, but the friendships you make will enrich your life as well as your hobby. Several examples of the benefits of friendship have crossed my path in recent months.

Several modelers traveled together to an event. Although they were acquainted before the trip, the extra time together allowed them to better understand and appreciate the others' personalities. And, goodness knows, we all have personalities.

On the last two CID layout tours I have been fortunate to travel with a couple other modelers. On the way to the first layout the conversation was often about what the layouts had to offer and what each of us was interested in seeing. While at the layout, we could point out items of interest to each other. On the way to the next stop, the discussion would be about what we had just seen. It's great to be able to share newly acquired methods or tips with the others in the car.

Our modeling group, The Hoosier Lines Model Railroad Club, was formed more than thirty years ago. What started as a group that met once a month at the local library has morphed into a motley assortment of modelers who meet weekly at a

member's house to work on or operate their layout. Needless to say, friendships have grown over the years among this group. Our modeling friends have grown to be part of our lives. Outside of modeling we've shared the fun of birthday and holiday parties, weddings, and, unfortunately, the grief of funerals.

There is a new member in our group. He was a relative newcomer to model railroading, building a layout on his own and had some questions about trackwork. After several visits to his house, those of us who have already built a layout or two have been able to share our knowledge and skills with him. His layout runs better and he has acquired the knowledge and skills to make his own repairs and adjustments when trouble arises. I believe it's a win-win situation for both sides.

Building friendships and sharing knowledge and skills can be beneficial to you as a modeler and as a person. It's easy to just head to the basement and work alone. Many of us treat this as a stress reliever after a hard day at work. Consider, though, inviting someone over to help you with your railroad or get together with other modelers for a trip. Enjoy each other's company. One of the main functions of this great hobby is to build things. We build benchwork, trackwork, structures, rolling stock... You name it, we'll build it. Maybe it's time for you to get busy and build not only models, but also some new friendships. You'll enrich your hobby and your life.

“Clear signal at Sycamore Hollow”

*Steve Studley  
Superintendent*

### Is Your Email Address Correct?

Bert Lattan, secretary of the Midwest Region, has asked for all the Divisions to remind their members to make sure their email addresses are up to date. If you believe that yours might not be, contact Bert at [mwrsecy@mwr-nmra.org](mailto:mwrsecy@mwr-nmra.org) and give him your current one.





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<http://cid.railfan.net/>

## Model Railroad Show and Meet

Sunday – January 30, 2011

**!! - Annual Division Auction - !!**

**Location:** 4-H Exhibition Center  
Hamilton County 4-H Grounds  
2003 Pleasant Street, Noblesville, IN

**Time:** 10 AM to 4 PM      Auction - 2 PM to 4 PM

**Admission:** \$5.00 per person.  
Children 14 and under FREE with paying Adult

Dealer Tables - Operating Layouts - 2 Clinics - Contests - Door Prizes  
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Contact: Tom Cain at (317) 475-7834

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- Popular Vote Contests –  
Favorite Steam  
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Next CID event is  
Martinsville, Indiana -Train Show, April 9, 2011

# Upcoming Events

## – Division Schedule –

### Noblesville Meet and Noblesville, IN

Hamilton County 4H Expo Center, 2003 Pleasant Street  
Dealer Show & Meet – 10am to 4pm  
CID Annual Auction – 2pm to 4pm - get those auction items ready!  
**For more information or tables:** Tom Cain at (317) 475-7834

### Auction – January 30, 2011 –

### Martinsville Meet and CID Annual Meeting – April 9, 2011 – Martinsville, IN

National Guard Armory, 1900 Hospital Drive  
Dealer Show & Meet – 10am to 4pm  
CID Annual Meeting at 10:30am  
New spring meet location. See Spring Meet Moves on page 3  
**For more information or tables:** Trevor Jones at trevjn@comcast.net  
or Dan Goins at santafedangoins@comcast.net



## – Extra Board –

### Badgerland Express 2011 – April 15 thru 17, 2011, Madison, Wisconsin



Midwest Region Spring Convention  
Radisson Hotel, 517 Grand Canon Drive, Madison WI  
Hosted by the South Central Wisconsin Division (SCWD) of the NMRA  
Clinics, Contests, Auction, Layout Tours and Op Sessions, Banquet  
Midwest Region Annual Meeting, Saturday 8pm  
**For more information:** [http://www.nmra-scwd.org/Badgerland\\_Express\\_2011.html](http://www.nmra-scwd.org/Badgerland_Express_2011.html)

### Upcoming CID Board Meetings

Date: February 6, 2011  
Location: Indianapolis Marion County Library  
Wayne Branch Library  
198 S. Girls School Road  
Indianapolis, IN

Time: 1:30 PM

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Date: April 3, 2011  
Location: Fishers Library  
5 Municipal Drive  
Fishers, Indiana

Time: 1:30 PM

CID members are welcome and encouraged to attend.  
Board members can confirm location and date.

### Rusty Spike Closing Dates

Volume 41 Issue #2 – February 20, 2011  
Volume 41 Issue #3 – May 22, 2011  
Volume 41 Issue #4 – July 3, 2011  
Dates are tentative and subject to change.

**Attention** – All notices of club open houses, or other shows & meets will be included in the **Extra Board** only if the official request form is used. This form may be printed off the CID website at:  
[http://cid.railfan.net/Extra\\_Board\\_Request\\_Sheet.pdf](http://cid.railfan.net/Extra_Board_Request_Sheet.pdf).  
Fill out the form and send to the address listed on the form.  
Upcoming deadlines for each Rusty Spike are listed in the Spike or may be obtained from Keith Clark (see pg. 2).  
Events not sent on the request form cannot be included.



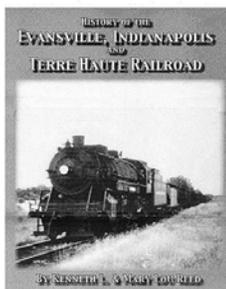
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## “THE CID BACK SHOP”

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EMD GP40-2 3011 in Alaska Railroad's Backshop at Anchorage, Alaska on May 15, 2010  
(Photograph by Dave Blaze)

The CID BACK SHOP is a proposed volunteer service from our members to all model railroaders asking for help with their modeling problems. I have worked at a hobby shop from time to time and have seen the need for this kind of service. This would be a very good service for the CID members and a very good way to introduce model railroaders to the NMRA in a very positive way.

With this announcement the process begins. I am looking for volunteers in all areas of the hobby who have expertise and are willing to meet with the person with the problem and help them in a very friendly and positive way. If you are interested contact me at [santafedangoins@comcast.net](mailto:santafedangoins@comcast.net).

I will compile a list by area of expertise, part of the region of the CID where the volunteer lives and availability. When this is done I will post information on how to receive the help service in hobby shops, *Rusty Spike*, the NMRA magazine and our website.

It will work like this: The person with the problem requests the help via our web site. I will be monitoring the link. I will contact that person to determine the nature of the problem. Once

contacted, I will go to the list of volunteers to see who is available to help with the problem and is nearest to them. The volunteer then makes contact and resolves the problem. I will then follow up to see if the problem was resolved and if the experience was helpful and satisfactory.

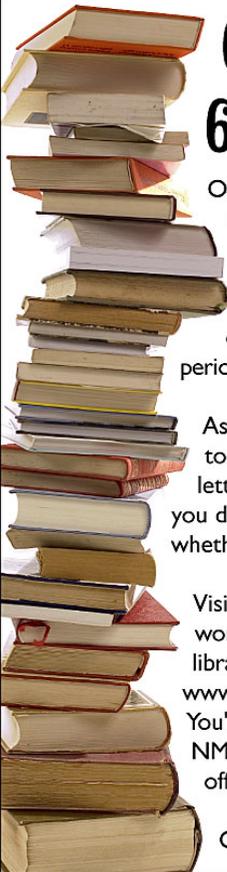
If you are interested (and I know you are) send me the following information:

- Name, address, and phone number(s)
- e-mail address
- area(s) you are willing and able to help
- best time you are available: weekends, evenings, or anytime

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I look forward to making this work.

*Dan Goins  
Trainmaster*



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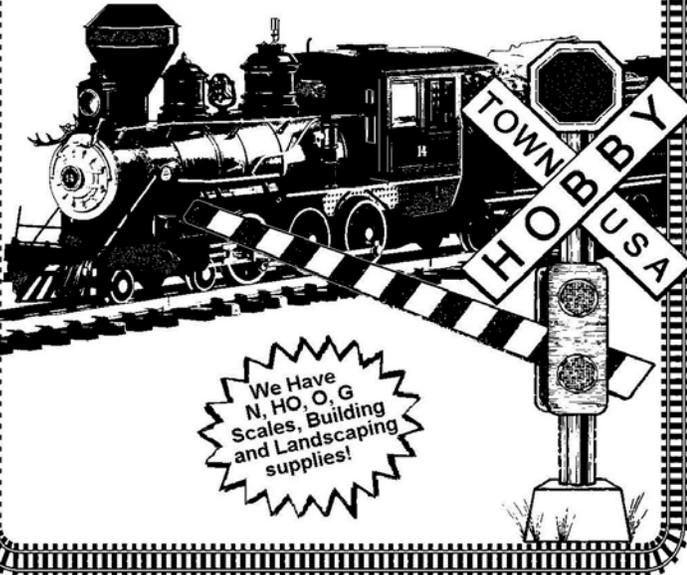
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