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- Division Schedule -

Noblesville Meet and Auction – January 31, 2010 – Noblesville, IN

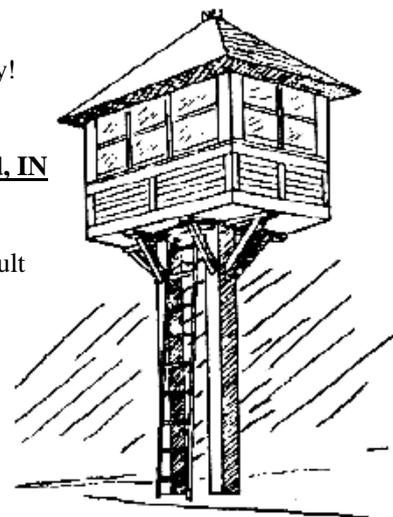
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 Dealer Show & Meet – 10am to 4pm
 CID Annual Auction – 2pm to 4pm - get those auction items ready!
For more information or tables: Tom Cain at (317) 475-7834

Bedford Meet and CID Annual Meeting – April 24, 2010 – Bedford, IN

13th Annual Model Railroad Train Show and Swap Meet
 Bedford National Guard Armory, 2020 19th St., Bedford, IN
 10AM to 3PM – Admission \$5.00/Children under 12 free with adult
 Layouts-Clinics-Contests/Dealer Tables \$12, \$20 at the door
 CID Annual Meeting at 10:30 AM
For more information: Bill Litkenhous (812) 275-3634

Spring Layout Tour – May 15, 2010

Information in next issue of the Rusty Spike



- Extra Board -

Great Train Expo – January 2 - 3, 2010 – Indianapolis, IN

Indiana State Fair Grounds in the Blue Ribbon Pavilion
 Saturday and Sunday – January 2nd and 3rd - 10am to 4pm

Naptown & White River Model Railroad Club Train Show – March 6, 2010– Indianapolis, IN

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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. 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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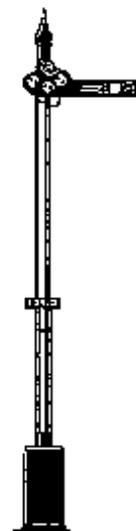
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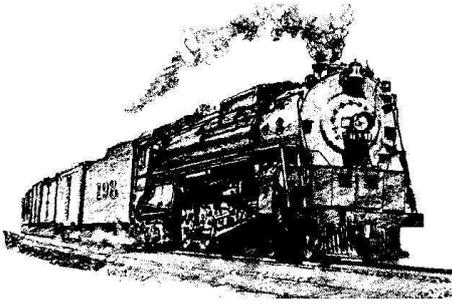
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Model Railroad Show and Meet Sunday – January 31, 2010 !! - Annual Division Auction - !!

Location: 4-H Exhibition Center
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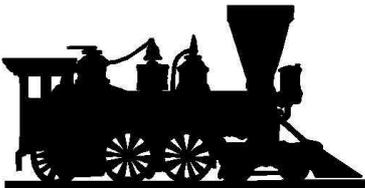
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Contact: Tom Cain at (317) 475-7834

We will have two clinics at this train show plus a repeat of the John Allen Slides. Chuck Tuttle will share what to expect and provide if you are hosting an **operating session** on your layout and what you should expect and be responsible for if you have been invited to an **operating session**. John Munson will give a clinic on making resin castings.

Photo and Slide Judging
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- Popular Vote Contests -
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Next CID event is
Bedford, Indiana Train Show, April 24, 2010

All Aboard The Santa Train

'Tis the season when many of us received our first train set. Santa, with perhaps some help from our parents, delivered our train. Today, in several South-central Indiana communities, it's the train that delivers Santa. The Indiana Railroad (INRD) provides the train for Santa's ride in our area, stopping at many of the smaller communities along the railroad. The INRD lists the Santa Train schedule on its website at: <http://www.inrd.com/>. Yesterday, the train visited nearby Solsberry, IN. The train consist included engine INRD 2543, several coaches and a generator car from Mid-America Railcar leasing and one of the Santa Fe coaches from INRD. Although the train has completed its run for this year, this might be something you would want to remember for next year.

Our model railroad group, other railroaders in the Bloomington area, and our spouses gather most every year for a Holiday get-together. Refreshments are served, train stories abound, and we all visit the host's basement for a look at the railroad where Santa rides on his own passenger train, albeit in HO scale. This year our hosts were unable to schedule a suitable time so, rather than cancel, they suggested we do something different. The suggestion was to have our get-together when the INRD Santa Train makes its stop in Solsberry. We would meet at train arrival time, enjoy the sights, sounds and atmosphere provided by the youngsters in the crowd, take some photos, and later retire to a local restaurant for a late breakfast. This idea was agreed to by several of us.

It was a sunny day, but at 8:30A this time of year there isn't much solar heating. The temperature was somewhere around 17 deg. when the train arrived. It hadn't warmed appreciably by the time we left for breakfast. The line to see Santa was a block long at 8A and had doubled in size by 8:30. Actually, during the time we were there the line seemed to stay at about that same two-

block long size. The kids would board the train, get to see Santa, and pass through the coach exiting with a candy cane in hand. As those first in line accomplished their goal others would arrive to await their turn. We shot some photos, visited a business owned by a friend of one of our group –where we warmed up a bit – and then left for breakfast. Seven of us had a nice, late breakfast with plenty of time for conversation. After eating – model railroaders seem to be very good at eating – we broke up so we could deal with the non-railroad duties we all have on weekends. What a great start to our weekend. Being able to spend 2-3 hours with trains, friends, and food is a great way to begin any day.

Perhaps your model railroad group has a get-together this time of year. The gathering may be in November for Model Railroading Month or in December for the Holidays. Regardless, know that you are not limited to a standard visit at someone's house. If the need arises, a little imagination can provide a completely different event retaining a railroad theme (and food).

Steve Studley



Santa greets children after Santa Train arrived in Solsberry.

Tom's Train Signals



We are back in the winter season, which is when model railroaders double their efforts on working on the railroad. You've heard me say this before; I work on my layout year around. Last month we had our Fall

layout tour and it was neat to see all the great layouts in the Kokomo area. There are some really neat model railroads there. It is clear that some of the guys up there are working on their layouts all the time too. I enjoyed being able to connect layouts to fellows that I have seen at Train Shows or other meets. Once again it was easy to be able to take some inspiration and ideas home from all of the layouts. Thanks to John Pancini and Jim Thomas who helped the organization of this tour. It looked that we had close to 50 visitors take the tour.

I am aware that there is a lot of progress that is being made in Central Indiana on layout construction. There is a big push being made on the behalf of the CIRROPS group to have several new layouts to add to the 2010 CIRROPS event. I hope to be a part of that project and hopefully will drive my golden spike in a month or so, but that alone will not make me ready for Operations. Just to help you think about how much of an impact operations is having on layout design and development, I'll share with you the evolution of my layout design and construction. When I first designed my layout, it was all about squeezing the most layout possible into the space available. I had a nice sized layout in our previous house, but this time, I was going all out, all in. I also was very much intrigued by the high speed double track action of the modern Santa Fe up to the merger in 1995. I wanted to duplicate that action on my layout. My railfanning had allowed me to see the excitement of this modern day railroad action. Then after starting some of my layout, I had the opportunity to operate on Bob Lehen's layout. The operation angle was fun and I wanted to bring a part of that to my layout

too. It wasn't too late to make some revisions to the design of the layout. I have been able to plan for some additional sidings and even an exchange track. Probably the biggest change in design was my commitment to provide an adequate staging area for the layout. It has taken a year to build the staging, but it was a year well spent and now it is on to finishing the layout.

Our next CID sponsored event is the Noblesville Train Show, on Sunday, January 31, 2010. There is a flier about the train show in this Rusty Spike. It is always a well attended event. Even in the coldest of weather. Last year the ground was so frozen, on the day of the Train Show, I was unable to shove any of our Train Show yard signs into the ground and had to improvise their placement. We still had as big a crowd as ever, and a good time too. See you in Noblesville.

*Tom Cain
CID Superintendent*

Rusty Spike Closing Dates

Volume 40 Issue #2 – February 28, 2010
Volume 40 Issue #3 – May 2, 2010
Volume 40 Issue #4 – July 25, 2010
Volume 40 Issue #5 – September 26, 2010

Upcoming CID Board Meetings

Date: February 14, 2010
Location: Ellettsville 1st United Methodist Church
304 W. Temperance Street
Ellettsville, Indiana
Time: 1:30 PM
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Date: April 11, 2010
Location: Indianapolis Marion County Library
Wayne Branch Library
198 S. Girls School Road
Indianapolis, IN
Time: 1:30 PM

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



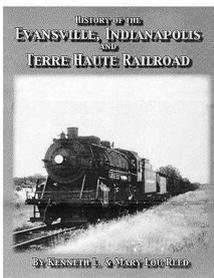
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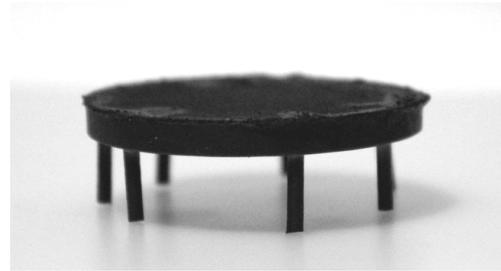
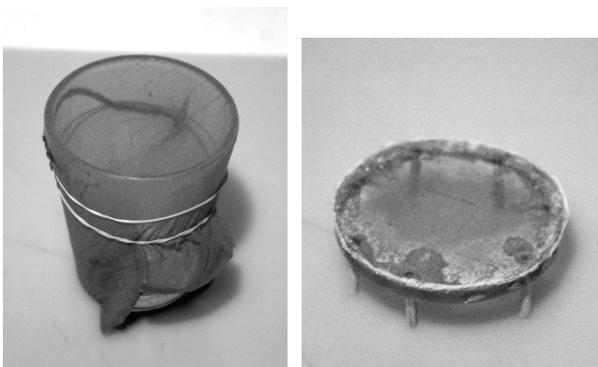
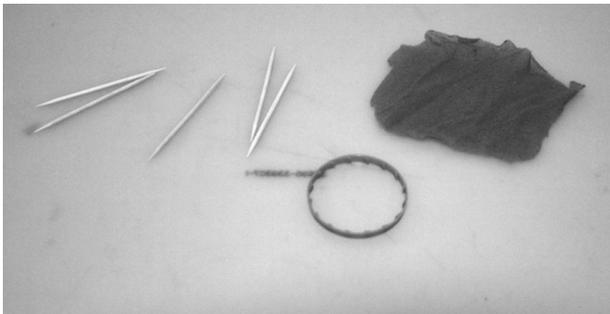
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Needed: Swimming Pool and Trampoline

Alan Bale's Hoosier Hill RR needed a farm scene representing the one his wife lived on for some time. Part of the yard had a pool and trampoline. Here is how I made the pool and trampoline.

David McKalip had a swimming pool made from a butter dish on his Monon layout. (No longer in existence.). My pool is also a butter dish bottom. It was painted a sky blue color on the under-side of the clear dish. (Wal-Mart \$1.95) The water is clear nail polish. It is very inexpensive and it looks great.

The trampoline was a more of a challenge. The trampoline had to match one she remembered her kids all bouncing upon. The photos show the parts and the finished trampoline. The round part is from a milk bottle, the part left when removing the cap seal. The legs are from round tooth picks. The top is from a pair of nylons. I tried several ways to get the proper fitting of the nylon to the plastic ring. I wound up using an old juice glass and rubber band to stretch it out.



The ring is smaller than the opening of the glass. I just set the ring in place with the super glue on the ring. I sprayed it black and painted the red edge as she remembered the colors. The trampolines back then did not have the safety netting around it like today. Those could be made with paperclip wire and nylon pieces.



The photo shows them in place but the scene is not finished yet. There will be some trees and a little landscaping around the pool edge. They had a gravel like concrete finish to make it less slippery, thus the sandy color around the pool.

Dan Goins



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At the top of the page you will find four tabs that link to the Midwest Region (our home region), the NMRA home page, Beginner's Pages, and the Standards and RPs. In case you haven't looked at the Beginner's Pages or the Standards and RPs, the Beginner's Pages are an "Introduction to Model Railroading". They are designed to help a relative newcomer get started in the hobby. Even if you are not a newcomer, there are numerous tips for you in different areas.

The last tab is for the Standards and RPs. You may never have looked at them but they are a major reason for the NMRA's being. They are being updated even as I write. The NMRA IS Standards and RPs. What are RPs you ask. Ah, that is the NMRA's Recommended Practices. They are not as important as the Standards but only a little less important. There are a number of RPs that affect your rail stock and operation. Take a look at them.

First, there is the Gallery. There are a number of photos in the gallery. Then there is the Division Schedule. That's our scheduled events and other groups' events as well. Everything you may want to see is unfortunately not there. We can only post events as we get them.

Now, there is the "Tips and How To" page. We start out with the "Middlefork Branch" which was the building of the Middlefork Railroad that we gave away. Then "Model Contests by Thomas Cain", some articles by me, then Frank Hermanek, a how to by Al Kohut, Norm Reimondo's N scale lake freighter series, scratch built projects by myself and Matt and Hewitt, numerous other tips articles by many

of our modelers. The next thing on the home page is what may be the current topic of interest. It is currently "Barry's Dream Layout."

In the Navigation Bar on the left we find "Meet the Board", "Constitution" and "Membership" and the "CID Map". The next item is the "Member Application", again a link off site. Then comes the "Meet Photo Album". This contains photos taken at various CID Meets. They haven't all been covered but many of them were. They are a great way to look over what we have been doing over the years.

Next is "Commercial Advertisers" where we have the ads for our advertisers and then the "Pike Ads" section. After that is the Rusty Spike information and the Past Spikes in PDF format, tips, "Model RR Clubs", and the "CID Layouts". The CID Layouts pages are full of various individual layouts broken down into **Anderson-Muncie, Bloomington, Indianapolis, Noblesville, Fishers, Kokomo and Lafayette.**
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Essentially, I think that I've pretty well covered the basics of the CID web site. Good luck and good viewing.

*Roger Hensley
CID Webmaster*

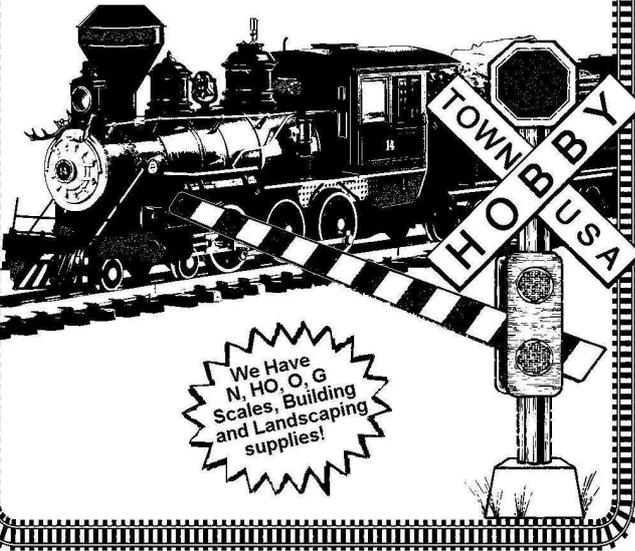
Carmel Library Show Great Success

The CID showcased the hobby to 725 folks, mostly youngsters, many of whom look forward to this show each year. The level of displays was high, and the exhibitors had a great time. All the popular scales were represented and the kids were able to see switching operations on the Naptown & White River HO modules and an N scale layout being constructed in addition to the usual trains running in circles. We had a very happy group of circus modelers in the story time room with some brilliant displays.

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