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Next Meeting

Our next meeting will be Thursday, September 1, 2016 at Holy Love Lutheran Church, South Chambers Road at 7:15.

Upcoming Clinics for 2016

September – Fast Clock Operation: everything you know about fast time is probably wrong
October – Regional Convention
November – Military railroads
December – Christmas treats and movie

Upcoming Tool Times for 2016

September - TBA
October – Regional Convention
November - TBA
December - TBA

Upcoming Show 'n' Tell Themes for 2016

September – RR Pump Houses
October – Regional Convention
November - Military
December – Water Craft//Boat/Ships

August Meeting Notes

Steve Schweighofer called the meeting to order at 7:20 with 22 members present. It was announced that Bob Stull, a former member, had recently died.

The Front Range Division annual picnic will happen at the Colorado Railroad Museum on August 14th. It will be over by the time this Herald is published, but we announced it in the

last Herald. It appeared that four or five people were planning to attend.

August 20 is Boreas Pass Day. Earlier in the month your editor distributed the announcement about this event. It begins in Como, Colorado. Wade Mounts from the Pike's Peak Division will join us next month to elaborate on the upcoming Regional Convention in October. The deadline for early registration has passed, but there is still plenty of time to register. See the flyer below. Here is a short list of reasons to attend the 2016 Pikes Peak or Bust convention;

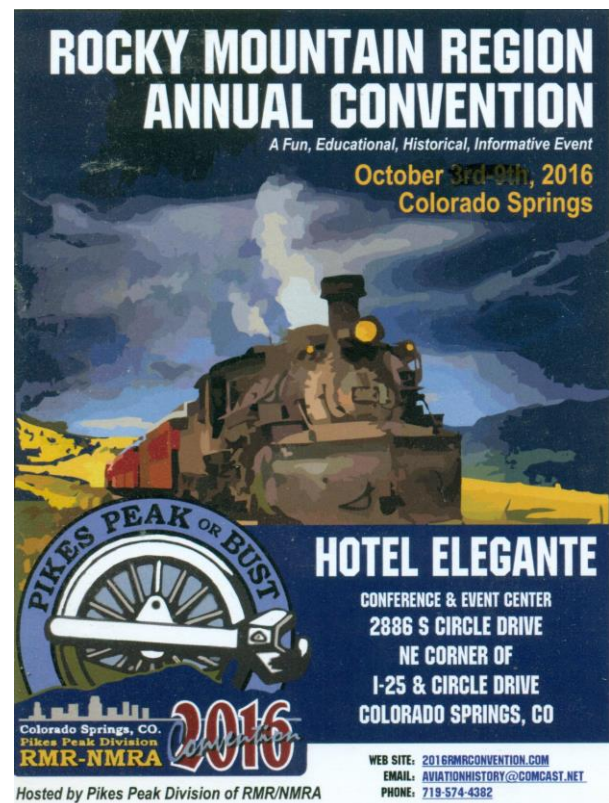
- A great First class hotel 500+ rooms rate \$99 +tax per night
- Meet and Greet social
- More than 15 Layout tours
- Operating sessions on several home layouts
- About 23 clinics for modelers of all skills
- 7+ operating train layouts
- 3 Halls for vendors with 140 tables, to sell, buy and trade MR stuff in all gauges
- 16 spaces for manufacturers and supplies of MR items
- Auction with hundreds of items in HO & N scales
- Royal Gorge Train ride
- Evening trip to Cripple Creek
- NORAD Northcom presentation
- Full NMRA contest and display
- Ladies luncheon and program
- Door prizes and raffles
- Historical train Presentations
- Visit the Colorado Springs Pikes Peak area

Jim Allamian announced a presentation about the railroad paintings of Howard Fogg to be given at the Castle Rock History Museum. Again your editor sent everyone information

about this since it will happen before this Herald is published.

There were samples of printed backdrops from a new supplier on a side table. They were nicely done and appeared to be most appropriate for N scale, but of course would work for larger scales also.

It was officially announced that Caboose Hobbies is being forced to move but a new location has not been obtained or announced. Apparently the building is slated to become a drive-through Starbucks! Although inventory is dropping fast, this is an opportunity to buy at a discount.



Last month, Paul Seibels passed around a flyer about a supplier that offers shirts of various styles with the Sunrise Division logo printed on them. Bob Rothgery purchased one that he wore to the meeting. He said that it was quality merchandise and highly recommended the

purchase. You can inquire at www.cafepress/NmraSunriseDivision.

Larry Stephens brought in a number of CDs with information about his clinic on LEDs. Also included were some diagrams from a railroad book and a set of Pullman sleeper room layouts. See his update below.

Module Report

Dick Hunter brought in a set of photos for one corner of the layout that he declared to be finished.

August Tool Time

Gary Myers presented Tool Time and described long straight edges that are useful for laying out long tangents of trackwork, shown below.



He demonstrated a four-foot and a 6 ½-foot straight edge that he obtained for \$8 and \$14 respectively. He also discussed a long level that he thought was more useful than a laser level.

August Show and Tell

The theme for the August Show and Tell was retail shops. Only three members brought in examples.



Bob Hochstetter showed this Design Preservation Models “Hayes Hardware” store. This was Bob’s first attempt at brush painting a structure: Floquil rust for the bricks, Reefer Gray for the trim and Earth for the window headers, sills, chimney caps and copings at the top of the rear and side walls. He weathered it with an uneven coat of PollyS grimy black. He superdetailed the chimney caps by sanding them flat and drilling and inserting small brass tubing painted flat black. The roof is covered with fine sandpaper also painted flat black. Bob has not yet detailed the interior, but used thin matte board painted black to make a view block and a second story floor.



Dick Hunter built this Campbell Scale models tobacco shop in 1977. Looking inside the building you can see where he printed the kit part numbers on the inside walls to ensure that he located everything according to the instructions.



Steve Schweighofer scratch-built this combination store and Masonic Hall using sketches in the book, *Structures of the Early West*, by Crea & Bell. He added door, window

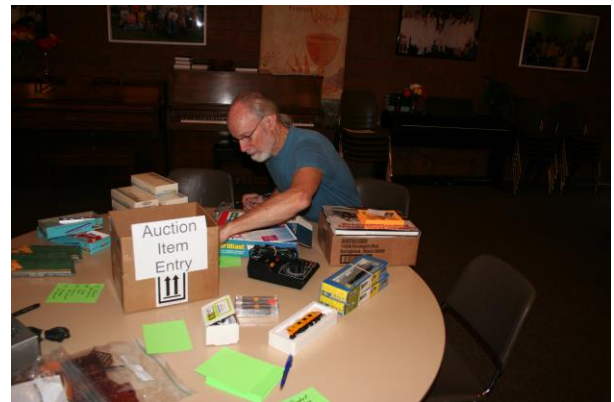
and corbel detail castings to the basic structure of scribed siding. The building was located in Crested Butte, Colorado.

The First Sunrise Auction

Perhaps this wasn't the first auction, but it was the first within your editor's memory. The Auction took the place of the monthly clinic. Twenty-one items were placed on the Auction Table



Rich Flammini is preparing the auction items for display



Steve Schweighofer is also arranging auction items on the table.



This was the complete set of auction items

The following is a list of auctioned items and buyers:

1. A booklet published by the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad purchased by Bob Hochstetter
2. An HO scale Atlas RS-2 purchased by Ron McHenry
3. Two Walther's HO scale reefers with American Refrigerator Transit road names purchased by Bob Rothgery.
4. Three modern covered hoppers with assorted road names purchased by Ernee Edwards
5. Central Valley truss bridge kit purchased by Larry Stephens
6. N scale chemical tank cars purchased by Dillon Allison
7. A circuit Snapper circuit for supplying adequate power to activate multiple switch machines simultaneously. No bid.
8. An HO scale General Electric U30B locomotive. No bid.
9. Seven HO Scale Walther's stock car kits lettered for the Missouri Pacific. One purchased by Rich Flammini and four purchased by Gary Myers.
10. Two N scale Missouri Pacific box cars purchased by Dillon Allison
11. Two left-hand and three right-hand HO scale Peco turnouts. No bid.
12. A DC Scintilla power pack for any scale. No bid.

13. An Athearn HO scale Alco PA-PB-PA passenger diesel set. One PA unit was powered with a DCC decoder. Purchased by Ernee Edwards.
14. One plaster or resin building kit, suitable for either S or O scale. No bid.
15. One N scale Roundhouse reefer kit purchased by Dillon Allison
16. Six HO scale Branchline reefer kits, undecorated. Purchased by Ernee Edwards
17. One HO scale U-Boat locomotive and Caboose set lettered for the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy railroad. No bid.
18. One HO scale combination inspection car and track cleaning car lettered for Union Pacific. Purchased by Barry Allison.
19. One Keystone unpowered metal Shay
20. One Tech Railmaster power pack, suitable for any scale purchased by Jim Allamain
21. One HO scale Walther's heavyweight Pullman car lettered for Rock Island. No bid.

This provides an indication of what kinds of items were offered for Auction and which items sold. The Auction was declared a success.

Robert (Bob) Stull in Memorium

Bob Stull passed away Sunday, July 17th. Bob was a Charter Member and long-time active member of the Rocky Mountain Region. Over the years, he served in about every official position within the Region.

He was present when the NMRA commissioned the RMR and often told the story of the first two divisions formed. This was at an NMRA convention in the Colorado Springs area in 1949.

Immediately after the NMRA action, two separate groups of members went into conference to decide if they wanted to have a division. The Pikes Peak group beat the

Denver group by five minutes, forming the first division.

Bob served as Region Historian until 1999, using his memory as well as documentation to answer questions about our history.

When we closed out the 1991 National Convention here in Denver, the RMR had a sizeable treasury for the first time. Bob served on an appointed committee to recommend rules and procedures for controlling this large sum. With careful handling, following the committee's recommendations, the region still has a safe operating fund.

Bob was an O-Scale modeler with a large layout built around the mining industry. Dick's first introduction to him was as part of a committee to review and re-write our Constitution and By-Laws in 1980.

Dick Hunter

Caboose Announcement

By now most of you will know that Caboose Hobbies is closing after 65 years in Denver. The following is an announcement forwarded by Gary Myers. The formal closing will be September 22. In the meantime their entire inventory is for sale at reduced prices. However reports are that by now the shelves are pretty bare.

CABOOSE DAILY NEWS
More than a Hobby Store - A Model Railroad Institution
Denver Colorado 1938 - 2016
Vol. 001, 2016 one page
Thank you to all of our loyal customers, friends, staff and family.
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DUANE MILLER DECIDES TO RETIRE -CABOOSE HOBBIES TO CLOSE-

My father, Glenn Brazelton, bought Hobby House in 1951. He converted it from a mostly model plane store to all trains in 1963 and renamed it Caboose Hobbies. I started working in the store during high school and in 1969 starting working full-time after serving in the Air Force.

Joanna and I moved the store to its present location on Broadway in 1981. In 2014 the Guinness Book of World's Records certified us as "The World's Largest Model Train Store." We are proud of our many employees and our wonderful customers. Sadly, the time has come for Joanna and me to retire. Therefore, with regrets, Caboose Hobbies will close its doors effective 09/25/2016. We would like to thank all our loyal customers for their years of support.

Duane and Joanna Miller

Larry Stephens

This announcement is for those that picked up a CD from me at the last meeting. After doing another caboose, I found an error and also changed the wording and photo to better reflect what I was doing. Refer to Page 48.

The lantern casting lens hole needs to be enlarged so that a Zirconia Stone will fit flush (see parts list). The original color crystal was 1.6 mm, but I found that a 1.5 mm would be better as it drops deeper into the lamp housing to collect more light. (Try a #53 drill (.059).) As the cut of the stone that goes into the housing is 100 degrees, a drill or stone with that cut would be ideal. Check your collection of small drill Bits. I found one very close. Clean the bottom of hole with a pointed diamond grinder bit (left) and then use a drill bit (right) in a pin vise to widen the top. Go slowly and check often with a Zirconia stone.



Utah Rail Show Announcement

The following flyer was distributed at the meeting for a Train Expo in Sandy, Utah in November. This is your opportunity to discover what railroaders in other division are doing.

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