

# The Pie Card

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## From the Superintendent's Desk

By Fred Soward

“Be there or be square.” We’ve all heard the phrase. To me, it means that if you make the effort to be there, you’re part of the group and you’re enjoying the benefits of being part of the group’s efforts. If you’re not doing that, does that mean you’re sitting in your square house looking at four walls, instead?

The November 13, 2021 Division 8 Train Show & Sale is upon us. It’s been how long since we’ve had a Train Show & Sale? Yup. That’s right – two years. Your help is needed and appreciated. Unless you have reserved a sales table or are actively involved in setting up a modular/traveling layout that morning, we can use your help with dealer move-in. Contact Ron Ellison to let him know that you’re willing, able, and available to help with that task. There are plenty of other tasks that need volunteers, too, but most of those are already filled by Division 8 members who have stepped up to work the show. I know it’s going to be a great one, so in advance, many thanks to everyone involved in making this Train Show & Sale a success.

The Division 8 Annual Christmas and End-of-Year Party is scheduled for Saturday, December 4, 2021, at the Louisville Airport Crowne Plaza. We’ll start gathering at 5:00 PM to visit and chat, then the meal will be served at 6:00 PM. Plan on being there to enjoy a great meal and good conversation with other Division 8 members and their guests. It’ll be a nice way to wrap up the year and talk about our plans for the next year. **Check out the details following page 4 of this issue of The Pie Card and be sure to get your check to Mike Berry by November 23.**

Rob Cooper, Ron Ellison, Russ Weis, and I attended the Central Indiana Railroad Operations (CIRROPS) event last month. Because of our schedules and the layouts that were available, we were able to run on two layouts. Friday, we worked on an HO scale Santa Fe layout near Indianapolis. Sunday, we worked on a 1/8 scale outdoor riding railroad near Bloomington. After posting a few photos & videos on Facebook, several people asked that I invite them next time. Funny thing about those requests, all they had to do was register on the [www.operatingsessions.com](http://www.operatingsessions.com) website and then sign up for the event when it’s announced. No secret handshake. No decoder ring. No smoke & mirrors. Just be there by signing up.

That’s what a large part of being in the NMRA is all about it, isn’t it? Being there? And participating? And sharing your talents and knowledge about the hobby? When an individual submits their final Statement of Qualification form to become a Master Model Railroader®, they. . . “agree to assist other members. . . whenever possible, whether or not they are participants in the Achievement Program.” Don’t wait to become an MMR® to make that happen – be there now and don’t be square.

## OCTOBER MEETING REPORT

The meeting was called to order in the 600 Room at 600 North Hurstbourne Parkway at 2:00 PM on Saturday October 20, 2021. This was a Hybrid meeting with members attending in person in the 600 Room, or remotely using the Zoom conference platform. All officers were present. Attendance was 21, with 11 attending in person, and 10 attending on Zoom. (continued on page 2).

## TIME TABLE

**Nov 13**, Sat 10AM-3PM Div 8 Train Show and Sale, Saffin Center.

**Nov 20**, Sat 2PM, Div 8 Hybrid meeting 600 Room and Zoom.

**Nov 27**, Sat Virtual NMRAx

**Dec 4**, Sat 6PM, **Div 8 Christmas Party**, Crowne Plaza (see page 8 for details).

**Dec 11**, Sat, 2PM, Div 8 Virtual Bull Session on Zoom.

**Jan 8**, Sat 2PM, Div 8 Virtual Gathering on Zoom.

**Jan 15**, Sat 2PM, Div 8 Hybrid meeting 600 Room and Zoom.

## NOVEMBER 2021 CHARLIE KEELING HYBRID MODEL CONTEST

<b>November</b>	<b>Displays (no size limit)</b>
December	NO CONTEST
January	Freight cars
February	Non-steam motive power
March	Structures
April	Passenger cars
May	Cabooses
June	Open loads
July	NO CONTEST
August	MOW equipment and highway vehicles
September	Photos (model) and photos (prototype)
October	Steam locomotives

For October 2021, Steam locomotives were on display for the Charlie Keeling Hybrid Model Contest. Three models were entered, with Rick Geerts placing third for his steam locomotive for a Christmas display, Steve Lasher placing second for his Bowser PRR I-1s 2-10-0, and Ed Brennan placing first for his Broadway Limited Imports Blue Line L&N 2-8-2 light Mikado. Congratulations to our three steam modelers!

The point totals now are thus: Rick Geerts with 10, Kevin Jones with 9, Bob Frankrone, Craig Hatter, Steve Lasher and Russ Weis with 6 each, Ron Ellison with 5, Ed Brennan with 4, and Eric Waggoner with 3.

For November, the model contest will be for displays, including modules such as T-Trak, with no size limit. To enter the November Contest, email 1 to 3 photos in JPG format only along with the Contest Entry Form as a PDF file to [division8.mcr.nmra@gmail.com](mailto:division8.mcr.nmra@gmail.com). Contest dates will also be listed in the Groups.io Calendar. And as always if you have questions, comments, or need help, email [division8.mcr.nmra@gmail.com](mailto:division8.mcr.nmra@gmail.com).

We will send out a reminder but below are some of the Contest timeline dates for November:

- November 6th - First day to submit entries
- November 13th - Last day to submit entries
- November 18th - Members will receive the Contest Ballot
- November 18th & 19th - Voting in the Contest Ballot ends @ 10:00 PM on the 19th
- November 20th - Winners announced at the General Meeting - 1st, 2nd and 3rd

If you need more information, go here - <http://div8-mcr-nmra.org/site/html/contest.html>.

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## NOVEMBER MEETING INFORMATION

The November meeting is 2 PM Saturday, November 20 at the 600 Room, first floor of the 600 Building, 600 N. Hurstbourne Pkwy. 40222. **Use the Whittington Pkwy. (main) entrance.** This will be a hybrid meeting; if you can't be there in person, we'll be using Zoom to broadcast the meeting at the same time. Refreshments and snacks will not be available at the 600 Room for this meeting. To maintain the security of the meeting, the Zoom connection information will be sent directly to members by email about a week prior to the meeting and will not be published online. The presenter will be Dave Ackmann, Gateway Division (St. Louis), "Creating Billboards from Styrene".

## DIVISION 8 IN-PERSON MEETING REQUIREMENT

Vaccines and masks are required for attendance at any face-to-face Division 8 event until such time as Jefferson County is out of the **High** transmission category. This policy is based on CDC guidelines. If you are not vaccinated for any reason, please take part in our meetings via Zoom. Division 8 is adopting this policy to safeguard the health of our members and their families and the communities we all live in from COVID-19.

## OCTOBER MEETING REPORT(continued from page 1)

Fred Soward reported that we have one new member, Gary Dean. Fred recognized one visitor, Mike Hauk, who presented the program "Static Grass for Scenery". Fred Soward showed the entries in the "Fantasy Paint Scheme" project (see page 4).

Ron Ellison said there is still time to volunteer to help with the Fall 2022 Division 8 Train Show, on November, 13. Help is needed for set up on Friday at 3 PM, and tear down after the show on Saturday. The minutes for the October meeting are posted on the Division Web Site. Go to the members pages. You can also view the meeting on the Division 8 YouTube Channel.

## MEMBERSHIP REPORT

*By Stan White Membership Chairman*

The Division has 123 Active Members, and one new member – Gary Dean. There was one member whose membership expired. There were twelve renewals: Jacob Butler, John Czerwinski, Bill Edwards, Paul Hulsman, Carl (Bob) Johnson, Mark Norman, Robert Schweiss, Paul Sturgen, Deb Sturgen, Richard Wehr, Russ Weis, Mike Wingfield.



## OCTOBER CONTEST (STEAM LOCOMOTIVES) photos by the entrants



Left: Ed Brennan took first place. Ed started with an undecorated HO Broadway Limited 2-8-2 Light Mikado (this is the USRA category which is L&N J-3 Class). He made the following upgrades: Paint/lettering/weathering (including L&N safety lettering from the L&NRR Historical Society). Ed installed an Evan Designs LED warm-glo headlight. He added window glazing, Kadee Couplers, tender deck plate, back-up light, and a coal load. Engineer and fireman figures were added in the cab.

Right: Second place went to Steve Lasher for his HO PRR I-1s 2-10-0.

Steve built the model from a 2002 Bowser kit. He added TCS sound and an LED tender back-up light. Two dozen detail parts were added including tender water hatches and scratch built boiler piping.



Left: Rick Geerts was third with his HO Christmas Display Locomotive. Rick said it is used in his family Christmas Village.



### SCALETRAINS ROAD TRIP

September 29<sup>th</sup>, the K&I Model Railroad Club and Division 8 hosted the Scale Trains Road Trip stop at the 600 Room in Louisville.

Right: Shane Wilson of ScaleTrains telling about creating the HO scale Union Pacific "Big Blow" turbine.





Left: HO hydrogen peroxide tank car scratch built by Bill Wright. Bill passed away on September 2<sup>nd</sup>. Bill had been a Div. 8 member many years ago, but he still opened his railroad for MCR Conventions and Division layout tours.

Bill built the car from a piece of iron pipe (before Tangent made their model).

*Photo and description by Craig Hatter.*

### DIVISION 8 FANTASY PAINT SCHEME PROJECT

*By Fred Soward, photos by the entrants*

Way back in May 2021, we started talking about fantasy paint schemes for our model railroads in a Division 8 Groups.io email thread. Based on that, I issued the challenge to the Division – just for fun, create a fantasy paint scheme based on a prototype railroad. Check out the Superintendent's column in the June 2021 edition of The Pie Card for all the details.

We had three entries from Bob Frankrone (Southern Railway F45), Steve Lasher (Southern Pacific Alco RS-27), and me (Southern Pacific patch out over Union Pacific SD40-2).



The story behind Bob's entry is that EMD asked the Southern Railway to perform a six-month "road test" of their brand new, six-axle, 3600 horsepower F45. The railroad agreed on the condition that EMD would paint the locomotive in Southern's "tuxedo" paint scheme. Unfortunately for EMD, the locomotive was returned at the end of the test and that was the end of F45s on the Southern Railway.

Bob's model started as an undecorated Athearn blue box model. He spray-painted the shell an off-white color,

masked the area for the stripe, spray-painted the shell flat black, and used a decal set for Southern locomotive diesels.

Steve's story closely follows the known fact that although the Southern Pacific was primarily an EMD organization through the 1980's, they did purchase a few Alco units to keep EMD honest and continually improving their offerings. According to Steve, the SP did purchase just ten RS-27s, as they also purchased just ten RS-32s.

The RS-27 Steve shared started as an undecorated Walther's Proto DL640/RS-27 which he detailed to SP standards including signal lights on both ends and a Nathan P3 horn. The train boards may look off to some readers, but they are totally correct for the timeframe and the location.



Here's my story. Contrary to everything you've read about the UP buying the SP and about the Santa Fe and Southern Pacific attempted merger that created the SPSF paint scheme in the 1980's, none of that really happened. *(continued on page 5)*



# 2021 Christmas Party

**Saturday December 4, 2021**

**Gather @ 5:00 ~ Buffet Dinner @ 6:00**

**\$35 per person \***



## CROWNE PLAZA

**Louisville Airport Expo Center**

**830 Phillips Lane**

**Louisville, KY 40209**

<https://maps.app.goo.gl/VHjP3LfPRK9b4Kwa8>

**2021 Silver Spike Award  
will be presented following dinner**

**\* Send your reservation payment by Tuesday, November 23, 2021 to:  
Mike Berry, 14404 Forest Glenn Ct, Louisville, KY 40245-5255**

# **TRAIN SHOW & SALE**

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## FANTASY PAINT SCHEME (continued from page 4)



In fact, the SP bought the UP! In doing so, they needed to quickly patch-out locomotives and get them back to work as quickly as possible. That's why this locomotive retains much of its UP look and feel. If you're a UP die-hard and that story hurts your feelings, then you can go with the story that the SP bought a few SD40-2s from the UP and patched those out, but not in my world.

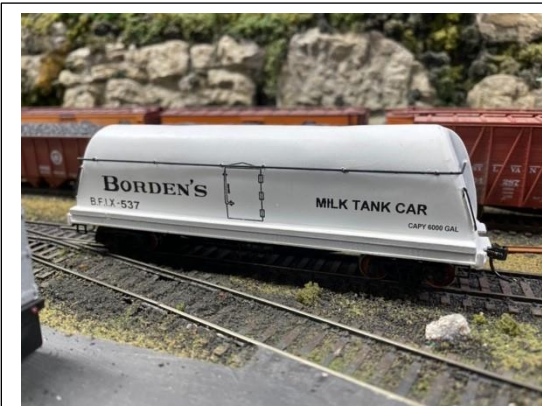
**GOT MILK?**

*By Ed Brennan MMR®, photos by the author*

I rarely provide input with regards to model kit construction, but due to the unique nature of this car, I decided to make an exception.

The transport of milk by rail has always interested me. Whether in cans from dairy to trackside or in dedicated bulk

milk tank cars, this supply chain formed a fascinating part of rail transport for many years. Consequently, when I found a kit for one of the Borden's milk tank cars, I decided to add it to my collection. Research indicates that Borden's owned 51 of this type of car, frequently termed a "butter dish" due to its unique shape. Generally speaking, they roamed rails of the Northeast, but trips to Wisconsin and Ohio were not uncommon. (For those interested, Wikipedia has a pretty good breakdown of milk transport by rail.)



The kit I chose is one provided by Concept Models (website: <http://www.con-sys.com>.) It consists of resin castings and sheet styrene (used as a tank overlay). Caution is required since some parts have lead encapsulated within them. All parts must be cleaned of flash. The kit requires ACC for assembly. Specific recommendations for painting are included. I elected not to paint the parts until after assembly, but I did thoroughly wash them as suggested in the instructions.

The structural make-up of this particular car presents some unique modeling challenges. While the basic resin core is shaped, the styrene overlay is not. Therefore, ignoring the recommendation to glue then cut, I made a decision to clamp each side of the overlay to the core,

mark its location, remove and cut it with a sharp hobby knife, then secure the overlay with ACC to the core. This worked well. I can think of no way that it would have worked better, despite what the instructions recommend. Your choice.

Securing the tank ends was not difficult, but, again, it was challenging to make all seams meet. The use of a gap-filling ACC cement helped a lot. On the "B" end of the tank, there is a location for a brake wheel. I substituted a Kadee universal brake wheel for the one in the kit that was a poorly defined casting. I did not use the supplied pin for the brake wheel, but chose instead to drill the brake wheel support to accept the Kadee brake wheel. I'm much happier with my choice. The tank ends do not exactly fit the description of the instructions. In reviewing prototype photos, I determined that the small gap that exists also exists on some prototypes. Fortunately, there are numerous prototype photos available, and one car has been preserved at the Illinois Railway Museum.

On the underframe, I followed the instructions. There was really no difficulty here. Since there are no trucks or couplers provided in the kit, I selected 50-ton Bettendorf trucks by Athearn (these cars frequently were found in passenger consists, so high-speed trucks would also be appropriate) and Kadee #148 couplers (I used the Kadee coupler pockets in lieu of the ones supplied in the kit). There are no stirrup steps or end drops supplied in the kit. I chose some from the parts bin (Accurail and Detail Associates worked well).

Tangent Scale Models makes a wire eye bolt that worked great for handrail stanchions on the sides of the cars. To install (continued on page 6).

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the eye bolts I drilled #78 holes then secured the stanchions with ACC, taking care to align them along the length of the car side. Piano wire (.020" as described in the instructions) was used for the handrails. Bending them to meet the vertical end fins was a bit tricky, but the result was easier than I'd anticipated.

I chose Rustoleum gray primer as an undercoat for the model. I allowed it to dry for 48 hours before going further. This worked well, as it provided a smooth undercoat for the eventual gloss white (Tamiya TS-26) paint that I used. After this paint had dried for about 48 hours, I covered it with a clear coat (Tamiya TS-13) to assure a solid surface for decals. I again allowed the paint to dry thoroughly, then applied decals. I applied Solvaset to assure a snug decal fit. In my opinion, the decals provided are a bit weak in resolution; a fine-tip Sharpie helped define the decals to a satisfactory level. I allowed them to dry 24 hours, then sprayed a coat of Dullcote over them to seal them. About 48 hours later I applied the other side following the same technique. The kit instructions show a particular location for the decals; prototype photos vary. Again, your choice.

One of the most challenging tasks, was to paint the handrails black. I slipped a piece of paper behind them, then painstakingly painted each with Floquil Steam Power Black (yes, I still have Floquil!). Any black paint would work. Finally, I brush-painted the underside of the car with Floquil Steam Power Black. Another coat of Dullcote sealed the deal.

I'm pleased with the end result, despite the difficulties encountered and parts that could have been provided in the kit that were not. The instructions and photos included in them were sketchy, in my opinion. That being said, I found the kit challenging, and I now have a unique car for my milk train operations for a lot less than the cost of a brass model. As previously noted, these cars were most often found on trains in the Northeast; who's to say one or two didn't find their way to a part of my L&N system?



## **FALL TRAIN SHOW AND SALE**

How will you be part of the November 13, 2021 Train Show & Sale? One way is to volunteer as Show Staff. We need volunteers:

1. Friday November 12th @ 03:00 PM to setup
2. Saturday November 13th @ 07:00 AM to assist our dealers
3. Saturday November 13th @ 03:00 PM to take down the tables & chairs

If you volunteer for the 7:00 AM time slot helping the dealers, we'll give you a certificate worth \$10 to be used at the food concession during the Show PLUS FREE ADMISSION. It's like a signing bonus. (And we're giving you an actual Pie Card).

To volunteer, send an email to [division8.mcr.nmra@gmail.com](mailto:division8.mcr.nmra@gmail.com) and use "VOLUNTEER" in the subject line, and "1", "2", "3" in the message body. We will acknowledge your commitment by return email and send you a reminder before the Show. And of course, we will appreciate your help.

Email too hard? Call the Train Show & Sale HOTLINE and leave a message - (502) 653-5371.

Already a volunteer? THANK YOU!



**DIVISION 8 SALES TABLE AND MEMBER EARLY ENTRY AT FALL TRAIN SHOW AND SALE**

- You can sell 1 to 3 items - more if your items sell or there is room on the table
- There is a \$5.00 fee to sell at the table
- You keep all the proceeds
- Buyers can now use a credit card to pay

NMRA members can enter the Train Show & Sale at 9:00 AM with your current NMRA membership card in hand. The Show opens to the public at 10:00 AM. Take advantage of this benefit of membership!

**MEMBER WELFARE**

Our condolences to Robin White upon the passing of his mother, Clara White (92), Paul Hulsman who lost his brother John Hulsman (84), and Rick Geerts who lost his grandson Conner Geerts (15). Eric Waggoner had a hip replacement, and Bill Edwards was hospitalized. Both Eric and Bill are recovering at home.

The primary purpose of the *Member Welfare Fund* is to provide Division 8 members and their immediate families with get-well cards for illness and for sympathy cards and donations on behalf of Division 8 for the death of a relative as defined by the member welfare procedures. Donations fiscal YTD: Ed Brennan-\$30; Eric Waggoner-\$15; Fred & Barbara Soward-\$100; K & I Model Railroad Club-\$50; Kent Westphal-\$50; Mark Hedge-\$25. Donations are for the current fiscal year July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022.

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**ACHIEVEMENT PROGRAM**

*By Mark Norman, Chairman*

How do we become better at something? One way is trial and error. That is how the Wright brothers got their airplane airborne. Granted, they learned from the work of others, applied themselves, and took chances. Today's aspiring pilot can learn from others. They train in a small plane then graduate to larger and more complex aircraft. In my UPS days I often had the opportunity to see the crews in the cafeteria. What amazed me was that they were often talking about recent flights, idiosyncrasies of their aircraft, etc. In other words, they were getting better by doing and learning from one another. Learning never stops. The camaraderie we have is similar. Want to earn an AP certificate? Associate with a fellow modeler that is good at something you want to achieve. You will both grow and have fun in the process.

**KEEPING CONNECTED**

These are the ways for Division 8 members to stay in touch and stay together:

- Attend our hybrid monthly General Meeting in person or on Zoom.
- Join us on Zoom for the Monthly Gathering or quarterly Bull Session in lieu of the Gathering - Check the Timetable
- Groups.io
- Division 8 Facebook
- Division 8 Instagram
- Division 8 Webpage
- Division 8 YouTube Channel
- NMRA Webpage

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