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Next Meeting

Our next Division meeting will be Thursday, February 6, 2020, at Holy Love Lutheran Church, 4210 South Chambers Road at 7PM.

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Upcoming Clinic for 2020

February – Logging Video and Sectional Layout Slides - Dick Hunter March – Making Colorado Pine Trees - Gary Myers April – TBD May – Layout Command Control - Detlef Kurpanek June – 5th Annual Sunrise Division Model Railroad Auction - Rich Flammini

Upcoming Tool Times for 2020

February – Wire Straightening Tool - Larry Stephens

Upcoming Show 'n Tell Themes for 2020

February – Livestock
March – Open Load Cars
April – Dining Cars
May – Your Favorite Loco
June – Military
July – Railroad Structure
August – RR Artifacts & Relics
September – Refrigeration
October – Dwelling Structures
November – Express Cars
December – Holiday Theme

The Denver Library digital content. http://digital.denverlibrary.org/cdm/

From the Editor

For once I'm speechless. Nothing to comment on this month.

January Meeting Notes

William Boorman called the meeting to order and had us introduce ourselves and what we got for Christmas. Bob Rothgery was able to join us and seems to be recovering fine from his stroke.



Denny Krausman presented Stu Jones with a Certificate of Achievement for "Superior Achievement in the Hobby of Model Railroading" and "MMR 648 Plaque." Congratulations Stu!





Tool Time

Pizza Box and T-Track Modules

Denny Krausman brought us up to date on Pizza Box and T-Track Modules. It is becoming popular with about 60 kids participating in Salt Lake City. The Pizza Box is a 24" square piece of foam or core foam. With plaster and some woodland scenic stuff, a tunnel is often built with the usual ground cover. A photo was shown of one of the Pizza Boxes that was in a contest. Walthers Catalog also now has information on the Pizza Box module.

The material for the Pizza Box is just a few dollars. Kato's T-Track comes as N or HO and is more expensive. It is set up as a standard that allows for each module to be connected together. NMRA needs to be involved to help with these projects.

From the Library

This month, the selection from Ron McHenry's collection is almost all the **Railroad Model Craftsman** magazines from 2017. There is one exception, and I don't know why. The June magazine is missing.

This publication takes our hobby skills to a higher level with articles having more "how to" detail.

The articles are well done with longer explanations on how to accomplish building a model. Plus, it outlines why the prototype railroads do what they do and how that can be transferred to our layout's operation.

These magazines will be available as a package for \$5, as they hustle on TV, less than 50 cents for each magazine.

In coming months, I'll bundle other "packages" so that we can benefit from the information available to us at very reasonable prices while increasing the Sunrise Division finances for other needs that we can all enjoy.

So check the Swap Table for these magazines at the February meeting and check the Table every month for new offerings.

Rich Flammini

Show and Tell

Multi-Unit Diesels



Leigh Swan's Locomotives: Four Southern Pacific Athearns with the lead being an Atlas. All sets are speed matched with the same address. Rio Grande are two GPs and two tunnel motors.



Stu Jones's Locomotives: Custom painted as the Boreas using a war bonnet paint scheme. They are used to haul the California Zephyr.



Rich Flammini's Locomotives: Two F3 and an F5 Grand Trunk Western.

Show and Tell

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Don Francis's Locomotives: Started off as Great Northern which Don repainted as Burlington. The paint scheme was called graybacks which faded quickly to an almost white color. There are decoders in the A units.



Gary Myers' Locomotives: FT A-B-B-A set. The CV for the B-pair is run forward in reverse. All units are powered with same loco address.



Bill Johnson's Locomotives: C B & Q EA Silver Queen and King. Union Pacific and Burlington were in competition in the Denver market.



Dick Hunter's Locomotives: FT A-B-B-A set that pulled a 156-car freight train around the old Buckingham club layout. Models are by Stewart.



Bob Hochstetter's Locomotives: FT A-B-B-A. The A and B were connected by drawbar. They were built by EMD during WWII.

Show and Tell

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Dave Nereson's Locomotives: PA-PB-PA Santa Fe American Flyer.



Larry Stephens' Locomotives: All are Athearns. The 2 FM Trainmasters are the leading engines with 40 ore cars followed by an SD9 and GP9 at the middle, then 40 ore cars with 2 GP9s pushing. The Trainmasters are old and need some repair. The EMDs are new out of the box and are receiving decoders, detailing and weathering.

I'm Not Cheap, I'm Frugal

The long known way to keep a spray paint

can nozzle clean is to give it a short blast upside down until clear. I hate to see that paint go to waste. We all have had that time we run out of paint a second before we're done; and, how many times does the can run out of propellant but with a shake of the can we hear paint.



I make sure I have a can of compressed air handy when I paint. When I'm done I remove the nozzle and give it a blast of air. Keeps the nozzle clean and I run out of paint before I run out of propellant.



Public Model Train Auction



Clinic

Part Two of the movie, "The General," with Buster Keaton was shown.

Modules

We are going to set up the modules at the Estes Park Train Show February 14 with teardown February 16. There is going to be a need for at least three, ideally four to five, helping to set up and tear down. For those who can make it, it is a good time to take the wife or friend to also see the Rocky Mountain Park in the wintertime. Come up early, see the Park and then help set up or tear down. We can understand the effort of coming up both times and that is greatly appreciated. Stay the weekend, see the Park, bring your trains to run, attend the show and maybe buy that got-to-have train item vou didn't know vou wanted, see downtown (imagine walking downtown and not bumping into anyone and no lines), buy some fudge, eat out at a different restaurant. The weather was great three years ago; last year it was cold. Should it be forecasted to be dangerous this year, we won't go. Forecast shows about 40 degrees during the show.

URL of the Month

Narrow Gauge is alive and well in Russia

What roadbed? Oh!—there it is! Borzhavskaya Railways: TU2-098 near Art. The Grapevine-zak. / Borzhava NGR: TU2-098 near Vinogradovo-zak.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Y8Ku6QDjpyk Borzhavskaya Railways: TU2-098 in Art. The Grapevine-zak. / Narrow gauge: TU2-098 at Vinogradovo-zak.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3NG0MJlEYHk

Upcoming Events

Feb 1 Auction -- See Flyer on page 5

Feb 15 -16 -- 9AM to 5PM Sat; 9AM to 4PM Sun Rails in the Rockies Stanley Fairgrounds Event Center Estes Park \$10/person, \$20/Family

Mar 7 -- 8 - 10AM to 5PM Sat; 10AM to 4PM Sun Rocky Mountain Toy Train Show Denver Mart 451 E. 58th Ave, Denver \$10/Adult; under 12 & Active Military free

Mar 21 -- Sat 9AM to 11:30AM Model RR & Toy Train Swap Meet (303) 989-0087 or (303) 985-1491 Green Mountain Presbyterian Church 12900 W. Alameda Pkwy, Lakewood

Apr 4 -- Sat 8AM Viewing, 9 AM Auction Colorado Toy Train Foundation 0 & G Scale Public Model Train Auction Radisson Hotel Denver (I-70 & I-25) 4849 Bannock St., Denver

Apr 18 -- 19 - 10AM to 5PM Sat; 10AM to 4PM Sun Train Expo Colorado Chapel Hills Mall Event Center 1710 Briargate Blvd, Colorado Springs \$7/person, \$12/Family of two or more, under 12, free

Track Side



Photos

I wasn't going to have any more Big Boy photos for a while or, at least, until I see the Big Boy again, but this one is from a friend. He was at Strasburg when the Big Boy came through. A nice classic photo.

Photo by Jim Falzone



Now it is time to get silly. I found this of all places, the internet.

REAL NAMES FOR TRAIN PULLER PARTS

