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Layout of the Month

Three photos from John Kerbaugh's Layout.







More photos of John's layout and other members' can be seen in the Members' Layouts page at:

http://trainweb.org/SunriseDivision/layouts.html

Next Meeting

Future Division meetings are going to be via Zoom until the Covid-19 guidelines allow us back into Holy Love Lutheran Church.

Login is Thursday, November 5, at 6:30pm with the meeting starting at 7pm. The 6:30 login is a chat session similar to the time spent at Village Inn, minus the pie.

From the Editor

It is with reluctance that I need to resign as editor of the Herald. I need to devote more time to family responsibilities and, with the module repairs this winter and projects next spring, that will take up a lot of my spare time. I will, however, finish the Herald for October, November and December as they are partly done already.

With the November Sunrise election for officers approaching quickly, now is a good time for someone to step up as the new Herald editor. As editor, it is YOUR publication, to be written as you want within reason, to bring forth your own ideas, column or style. It is also an excellent way to be involved with the Sunrise organization.

Doing the Herald is one way to get points for an NMRA author certificate. What is an NMRA author certificate? Click here:

https://www.nmra.org/author

If you have reservations of becoming the editor, such as:

I hate, or am bad, at taking notes. Well, me too. I found recording the meetings with my cell phone made it easy and more accurate to transcribe those notes.

I don't know how to do a newsletter. Well, neither did I. I looked at two previous Heralds by other editors for "how-tos." Then I put my own slant on the Herald. (Now, that was the fun part!) I don't know how to use Microsoft Word (or other word processors). I can show you all the ins and outs of Word. Not using Microsoft Word? I'm sure some member will know how to help you with your particular document program. Tech support is on hand.

I don't have a camera. No worries, a Smart phone works quite well. That issue can be worked out.

Any questions? You know how to reach me.

John Kerbaugh

--Rich Flammini--

With deep regret I need to report that my friend, John Kerbaugh, has operated his nifty Burlington Northern HO layout for the last time. John succumbed to a battle with cancer and died on August 24, 2020. John was a Navy veteran and was buried in September in Fort Logan Nation Cemetery.

One of his outstanding accomplishments was the was way he seamlessly added segments on to the layout. John was a loyal member of the Sunrise Division for many years. He always enjoyed our meetings, and I especially appreciated his invaluable assistance with keeping tabs on the Auction activity.

As a key member of our carpool, his vehicle knew the way to the Village Inn for the meeting "after action" discussion which he thoroughly enjoyed.

Upcoming Events

Nov 21 -- Sat 9AM to 11:30AM Model RR & Toy Train Swap Meet Forney Museum outside (303)361-9370 Call first as November weather may cancel the meet.

September meet was held outside of the Forney Museum. There were over 20 people in September selling all sorts of items and, probably, 30-40 buyers. It was held outside and the weather was very nice.

TCA Newsletter has announced that the November Holiday Show is cancelled. The March Spring Show, at this time, will only consider the show if there is a well distributed vaccine with a high degree of efficacy. Our shows are too large with too many people to safely social distance. The only way to have a safe and successful show is if there is a vaccination that works.

October Meeting Notes

October's meeting was held via Zoom. William introduced us and asked us to give our scale and projects we're doing.

Upcoming Clinics for 2020

Clinics are shown via Zoom. The 5th Annual Sunrise Division Model Railroad Auction is cancelled. Save your items for next year.

November – Preparing your Mainline, Yards, and Switches for Bullet-Proof Ballasting – Larry Stephens

December – No Movie. In place of the movie, William will call, in rotation, on a member. The member will have a choice: A trivia question, a modeling question, a quick (one tool) he uses or a quick clinic. Rotation will continue until about 9pm.

Upcoming Tool Times for 2020

Tool Time is shown via Zoom.

November – Model Making Clamps - Stu Jones

December – Homemade Clamps from Clothes

Pins – Larry Stephens

Upcoming Show 'n' Tell Themes for 2020

Show 'n Tell is shown via Zoom.
If your item does not show well via camera, have a photo on your computer and use the share screen function.

November – Express Cars **December** – Holiday Theme

URL of the Month

Union Pacific 'Big Boy' #4005 Live Steam 7.25" Gauge Locomotive in New Zealand https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=C48pU2_KePg

I'm Not Cheap, I'm Frugal

Looks like I'm out of material for this month's column. OK guys, I could use some help here. Anyone saved some money recently?

Another Swap Table Offering

When Ron McHenry died, he left us five really nice belt buckles. This month two are available.

The first is for you DRG fans or mountain boys who like big buckles. It shows steamer #470 and what, I presume, is the San Juan station. Starting price is \$25 or best offer.

The second is the Rio Grande Southern RR and also the Silverton RR. It is numbered (#360), and the buckle is autographed by Otto Mears. This one is also priced at \$25 or best offer.



Both appear to be in mint condition and either one would look good at your midsection or as part of your collection. Incidentally, it was Ron who set the price.

Let me know which one, or both, you are interested in and at what price. Proceeds will be deposited in the Sunrise account. It doesn't look like we'll have meetings at Holy Love anytime soon, so, if local, I'll deliver them. If not, shipping cost will be added to the selling price.

You can contact me at rmflammini@msn.com or (303) 627-8087.

Rich Flammini Sunrise Treasurer

Durango and Silverton Photos

With everything shut down, there were no announcements. In place, William presented photos of the Durango and Silverton work train. A tributary to the Animas River had washed out a bridge this summer.









Engine shop with the White Pass & Yukon diesel engine. There's more:

https://trn.trains.com/news/news-wire/2020/04/14-durango--silverton-buys-white-pass--yukon-diesels

Bonus - - Cumbres and Toltec



Cumbres and Toltec restored cars on a test run.

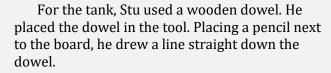


Tool Time

Stu Jones presented his Tool Time on a <u>Cylinder Marking Tool</u>. He enjoys scratch building unusual rolling stock. This one is a cryogenic tank car. It presented a problem of the need for a perfect center line.



Stu made this tool from hardboard and a 1x2. He made sure that the edge was parallel to the center line, as he will use this to scribe a line down his cylinder.







After Stu went to the trouble of making this tool, he discovered he had molding that would work just as well.



To find the opposite center, place a strip of paper around the dowel. Make a mark when paper goes around to beginning. Divide the distance in half.

Modules

Repair work is going to be done on the modules this winter as weather allows. There are two problems at present. The first is the legs going through the foam base and, second, the foam breaking loose from the modules. I'm still working on the foam problem but I have come up with the final design for the repair of the pockets.

My thanks to Adam Crews, Rich Flammini, Bob Hochstetter and John Keiss for their input. Rich's idea of a wood block led me to my final design: a block of wood to stop the leg from going through the foam. The block of wood is glued in place and a dowel is inserted to add additional strength.

I next consulted our resident woodworking expert, Bob Rothgery. His input led me to using a brad point drill bit and the wood I needed to look for. Thanks Bob.

Evan Leisey is going to help me with repairs, so the two of us looked at the pocket on a module. Evan came up with an easier way to drill the holes for the dowels. It was staring me in the face all the time. Thanks Evan.

Show 'n' TellDwelling Structures

Stu presented some buildings from Patel Engineering, which is no longer in business.



Ranch



Cottage



Two story



Tri-level



Rich Flammini presented a row of subsidized housing that's placed on his layout.



K.T. Cruise presented his DPM model, Stone Bakery, which he detailed and lighted.
The backside, which shows a man on a balcony, behind him is a detailed bathroom. On top is a TV antenna.







Clinic:

Steam Servicing Clinic Dennis Hagen

Dennis Hagen opened his clinic with: We simulate loading and unloading of box cars. Should we not do the same for steam service operations?

This is a great way to show off your steam engines.



Upper photo: prototype. Lower photo: model.



Engine being fired up for a day's work.



Starting up a cold boiler requires a bunch of oily rags and a signal flare.



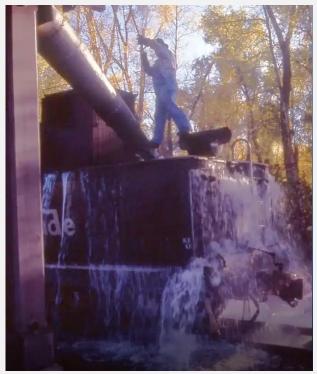
Now that the engine is fired up, it heads off to the ash pit. This is one way to model an ash pit.



Crew cleaning the ash off the rails and ties above the ash pit.



Next we head off to bring on water.



Tank full technique. The area around your water tank should look wet. (Do I have a volunteer to do this on the modules' two tanks? Editor)



After the water tank is filled, the blow down.



And we mustn't forget the coal.



What good is coal if we don't have sand to get started? Sanding tower for narrow gauge.



After all that work, fun for the passengers.



Wye operations.



End of the day, the engines head to the round house for a night of maintenance.



Track Side



Photos

Photos by Larry Stephens

Photos taken July 26, 2016. UP 844 just 9 days after its complete overhaul. To assist in braking is a Denver & Rio Grande Western Heritage Locomotive, an EMD SD70Ace.

