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Hello Fellow IVD Members,

Here it is once again, time for another gathering of IVD members to meet for fun, learning and most importantly FELLOWSHIP! As the January meet will be our 3rd centralized meeting in Peoria, I can say it has worked out quite well. Our November meet had 18 in attendance. Which was a few more than the first meet in Peoria. And I hope to see more at the January meet. As a reminder the IVD Board will determine at our February board meeting, if this centrally located meeting is working as hoped. I for one think it is working quite well. And the new meet format always provides plenty of time for clinicians to present their clinics without being rushed. Not saying they need the whole hour of time, but at least no one is rushed.

It was brought to the board's attention that we still haven't provided any alternate monthly layout tours or Super Clinics (this is what we are going to call them), as is my plan and something I have communicated to the IVD members. I knew that something like this would take some time and planning and could not be put together overnight. And the fact that putting the centrally located meetings together took a little more priority. But now that we have those meeting well underway, we can look at bi-monthly layout tours/op sessions and super clinics.

Speaking of Super Clinic, our first one will be in February and there will be 2 separate clinics on the same subject. The clinics will be on making trees. Minton Dings and Dave Hawkey will be presenting these clinics. The first clinic will be Feb 9th at Dave Hawkey's place from 1-4pm and the 2nd date will be Feb. 23, 1-4pm at the Lewistown Visitor's Center, 222 South Main Street in Lewistown. Materials will be provided and attendees will be making trees to take home.

Also, as mentioned in previous columns and at meets, we are moving forward with the 1st Annual IVD Potluck Banquet. This banquet will be held February 2nd at 5:30pm and will be held at Dave Hawkey's as well.

This will be a potluck and we ask that each attending member bring a side dish or dessert. The Board will provide pulled pork and chicken for this event. We ask everyone to RSVP and indicate what side dish you will be bringing. Each member is allowed one (1) guest. Look for an email invite and respond with the requested information.

Be sure not to miss the January meet as we will have 2 clinics I think everyone will be interested in. One clinic will be on 3D printing for model railroading and the 2nd clinic will be an intro to Arduinos. The idea behind this Arduino clinic is to provide an overview and understanding of what is needed for a model railroader to get started using Arduinos for various modeling projects, such as signal control, block detection, lightning effects and so on. The number of projects that an Arduino can do is pretty limitless. With this intro clinic, we also will provide information for future planned Arduino Super Clinics, which we plan to have just like the up coming tree clinic in February.

Well that's all for now, until we see each other at the January meet.

Highball!!!

Jim Tatum
IVD Superintendent

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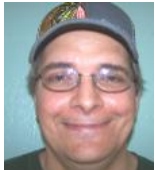
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ILLINOIS VALLEY DIVISION MEET

January 19, 2019

**Auditorium
Peoria Public Library, North Branch
3001 North Grand Parkway
Peoria, Illinois**

Doors open at 12:00 pm
Meeting begins at 1:00 pm.

The January meeting of the Illinois Valley Division is to be held in the Auditorium of the Peoria Public Library, North Branch. The auditorium is located on the first floor, immediately to the right inside the entry doors on the west side of the building. Parking is located on the west side of the library and entry is handicapped accessible.

The library is located behind Menard's off of Allen Road, on the south side of IL-6. See the map on the back cover page of this newsletter.

Swap tables are available to members for sale of items to participants. There is no commercial selling at the Illinois Division meets. Selling is closed at the beginning of the business meeting.

There will be a short business meeting followed by clinics and a layout tour. Maps for the layout tour will be provided.

The contests for January will be (1) Scratchbuilt Locomotives and Cars, (2) Kitbashed Locomotives and Cars

NOTE: The donation request of \$3.00 per member helps to defray division expenses.

ACHIEVEMENT PROGRAM JUDGING

Members of the division are encouraged to bring their models to be judged for merit awards as part of completing the requirements for their certificates in the Achievement Program.

Due to time constraints preceding division meetings, judging for merit awards will take place between 12 noon and the 1:00 pm start time of the division meeting. Those who wish to have items judged need to be prompt due to the limited one hour block of time allotted to judging prior to the meet.

For those who have models which are too large to be reasonably transported to a division meeting, are too numerous to be judged in the time constraints preceding division meetings or fall into some requirements of the Civil Engineering category, an appointment can be arranged for the assessment to be made at the location of the layout or project to be evaluated.

**Contact Marian Brasher, AP Chair, 815-663-3411
or Minton Dings, 309-241-4504, prior to the meeting for
the judging to be arranged.**

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ILLINOIS VALLEY DIVISION

Annual Election of Officers and Board of Directors

2019

Each year the members of the Illinois Valley Division elect officers and members of the Board of Directors. This year the positions open to election are: Assistant Superintendent, Paymaster and Trainmasters of Districts 1, 3 and 5. Each position will be elected to a two year term with term limits of four consecutive two year terms.

Members of the Division are encouraged to place their name on the ballot for the open positions. Any member of the NMRA and the Illinois Valley Division who is a member in good standing, resides within the geographical boundaries of the Division and has reached the age of eighteen prior to the date of taking office may place their name for an office. The age requirement for trainmasters may be waived at the discretion of the Board of Directors.

Assistant Superintendent: Two Year Term

Duties:

1. Shall assist the Superintendent in the performance of his/her duties and in the absence of, or inability of, the superintendent to act, shall assume any and all of the Superintendent's responsibilities and duties.
2. Shall be responsible for the Division contests, including selection of categories of competition, interpretation of rules, criteria for judging, selection and training of judges and distribution of awards.
 - a. May appoint as many persons as necessary to assist in the handling and judging of contests.
 - b. May not enter any judged Division contest as a participant during his/her term of office.
 - c. Where practical, will attempt to make division contests conform to Regional and National norms. All contests involving model construction will be in conformity with Achievement Program judging guidelines.
3. Shall be the chairman of the Nominating Committee.

Paymaster: Two Year Term

Duties:

1. Shall be responsible for the direction and coordination of the financial activities of the Division.
2. Shall set up and manage all necessary bank accounts for the Division.
3. In the absence of, or inability of the Paymaster to act, his/her duties revert to the Superintendent.
4. Shall pay by check and mark "Paid" all properly ap-

- proved bills and expenses transmitted to him/her.
5. Shall keep an accurate record of all cash receipts, payments and disbursements, segregating them according to their respective funds or accounts.
6. Shall submit to all regular Board of Directors and Division business meetings a report of all income and expenses since the previous report. A written copy of this report will be given to the Chief Clerk at each meeting, to be included as part of the minutes.

Trainmasters: Two Year Terms

District 1: Representing Peoria and Tazewell Counties.

District 3: Representing Bureau, LaSalle, Marshall, Putnam and Stark Counties

District 5: Representing Adams, Brown, Cass, Hancock, Logan, Mason, McDonough, Menard, Morgan, Pike, Sangamon, Schyler and Scott Counties.

Duties:

1. Shall each be elected to represent the members of the respective areas of the Division on the Board of Directors.
2. The geographical areas of each Trainmaster's area is listed above with boundaries to be reviewed every two years with the goal of equal membership from each district . . .
3. No More than one Trainmaster shall be elected from each district . . .
4. If for any reason no one wishes to run for Trainmaster for a given district, the Superintendent shall appoint a Trainmaster from that district. If no one accepts the appointment, then the Superintendent shall appoint a Trainmaster at Large to represent the district with approval of the Board of Directors.
5. The District Trainmasters shall be responsible to coordinate the place of the meeting, clinics, and lay-outs on tour for the annual meeting in their district.
 - a. The trainmaster may appoint a member(s) to assist in the planning for the meet
 - b. The trainmaster may request the assistance of the Superintendent or other officers for resources available to complete the plans for the meet.
 - c. The trainmaster shall report to the Superintendent the plans for the meet.

FOR THOSE WHO WISH OR ARE WILLING TO SERVE

Those who are willing to serve on the Division's Board of Directors shall contact the Assistant Superintendent stating their intent. A brief biographical statement and a recent picture needs to be submitted to the editor by February 11, 2019 for publication in the March TIMETABLE.

LAYOUT TOUR, PEORIA, NOV. 17, 2018

Jim Wise, MMR®, L&W, HO



HAVE YOU THOUGHT ABOUT THE ACHIEVEMENT PROGRAM

by Marion Brasher, MMR®

One of the incentives to join the NMRA is the Achievement Program. The program has been around since the early 1960s. Since it's inception, 625 members have attained the Master Model railroader certificate. Less than ten members attain the award each year. Not everyone is interested in the program.

You must complete requirements in seven of the eleven categories to reach the MMR status. Most are in the ability of each of us. Over the last fifty five years, only 21 members of the IVD have received one or more certificates. We have four members who have become Master Model Railroaders and four who have more than one certificate.

The hardest one to obtain is Association Official. This certificate requires the member to be a division superintendent or a region board of directors member. The easiest to get is that of Volunteer. You donate your time and effort to the NMRA region or division in its various endeavors such as giving clinics, holding an office or working an NMRA booth at a swap meet.

The areas of modeling are not that hard to achieve. You must receive 87 1/2 points on a project, 70% of a possible 125 points. Yes, the quality of today's work is much greater than in the early 60s. They literally had to scratchbuild everything. I remember crude castings they made to adorn a locomotive they were building. Today we have well made detail parts.

In my years of travel and visiting many model railroads, I have seen some of those built by early MMRs and

they were crude by today's standards. My thoughts were that this is something I could do and there my quest began. The goal of the AP is to improve our skills.

In March at Peoria, we helped to judge a gondola car of Larry Nelson, a fantastic model. However, there were things that stood out as being wrong. Larry made corrections from our evaluation, then entered it at the Midwest Region Convention in Madison. He received "Best of Show" for the car.

As my travels take me around the division to various layouts, there is much talent seen. As you build your model empire, many of the requirements are being met without you knowing it. That is the easy part. Writing up what you have done and showing your research of the project is the hard part. Only you know what you have done and the time put into the project. A judging committee can only speculate (guess) from experience the extent of your endeavors without good documentation.

Why not take a look around your railroad and check the requirements for electrical engineering or scenery. Much of this has been done, such as, two trains running at the same time, having installed a switch machine, or having a place to store three locomotives on the layout. How about a crossover or a stub siding. You get the idea. You have done these things.

I achieved my MMR in 2006. I started in 1968 with the idea of being #100. Missed it by couple of hundred being #360. I procrastinated too much. Over the years I did improve my skills and was able to pass on knowledge to many others who were learning. It is time for some of you to expose your talents. The rewards are great, but as I have found my arms are not long enough to pat myself on the back.

The rewards are yours alone.

2019 IVD Meetings At A Glance

For a trial period of three months, September, November 2018, and January 2019, the Membership Meetings will be at the Peoria Public Library, North Branch, 3001 West Grand Parkway, Peoria. The meetings will be on Saturdays. Doors will open at noon and the meetings will begin at 1:00 pm. The Library is located on the south side of IL Route 6, West Bypass, behind Menards.

Board of Directors Meetings will be at the Peoria Public Library, North Branch and begin at 10:00 am unless otherwise noted. Members of the IVD are welcome to attend Board Meetings. Members do not have a vote, but are welcome to voice their concerns and make suggestions.

Membership Meetings,

Doors open at noon in the Auditorium of the Peoria Public Library, North Branch, 3001 West Grand Parkway, Peoria, Suggested donation is \$3.00.

Saturday, January 19, 2019, District 2 Host

Contests: Scratchbuilt and Kitbashed Locos and Cars

Saturday, March 16, 2019, District 1 Host

Contests: Diesel Locomotives and Photos of Models

Due to the trial nature of the location and scheduling of the September, November and January meets, the remainder of the locations, dates and schedule will be announced in following newsletters and the division website.

Board of Directors Meetings, Saturdays, 10:00 am

February 9, and April 20, 2019

PUT YOUR AD IN THE TIMETABLE AND WEBSITE

Personal and business ads in Timetable and IVD Website are available, such as seen on page 11.

The cost of advertisements in the TIMETABLE, Website or both is listed below.

	Yearly Rates:	Website	T'TABLE	Both
Personal:	Business Card Size:	\$10.00	\$5.00	\$12.50
Business:	Business Card Size:	\$20.00	\$12.50	\$30.00
	Business Card X2:	\$30.00	\$25.00	\$45.00

Send fee and/or inquiries to Minton Dings, 15548 SR 78, Havana, IL 62644 or telephone, 309-241-4504. Help is available to construct new ads. Partial year fees are available.



2019 NMRA National Convention July 7—13, 2019

**Little America Hotel
Salt Lake City Utah**

Registration form at website. Costs: NMRA Member \$119.00, \$144.00 for non-member, Spouse \$69.00, and Child/Youth \$25.00

More information at <http://www.nmra2019slc.org/> and in this newsletter when available.

Hotel

No room rates or parking costs listed on website at this time and will be posted here when known.

**National Train Show
Friday—Sunday, July 12—14**
Mountain America Exposition Center, Sandy, Utah

**BE SURE TO FOLLOW UPDATED
INFORMATION ON THE DIVISION
WEBSITE—nmra-ivd.org**

WANDERINGS

by Marion Brasher, MMR®

AS I SEE IT

With the March issue of the Timetable, you will receive a ballot for the election of the Assistant Superintendent, Paymaster and three District Trainmasters. Also there will be proposals which require the approval of the membership. One proposal is for changing the meeting day from a Sunday to a Saturday in the designated meeting months. The other proposal for vote is establishing a central meeting place for division meetings, presently Peoria, instead of a meeting in each of the districts each year. All members of the Illinois Valley Division are encouraged to vote.

As I see it, a central meeting place is not a good solution. Our division is the second largest in the Midwest Region. When the division was founded in 1964, our goal was to bring activity to as many members as possible. When one of our members moved to Jacksonville, we expanded to the south. When he moved to Whitehall, we expanded a second time, all the way down to Calhoun County.

In the early 1990s, the Illinois Valley Division was split up into three divisions; the Capital Division, the Rock Island Division and the Illinois Valley Division. Upon my last term as superintendent of the IVD, I had a chat with Walt Gebhart from Springfield at K-10 in Maryville while on a layout tour. Since the Capital Division was not active, did he think there was interest in rejoining the Illinois Valley Division. The same proposal was brought up in the Quad Cities and the result was the same. Thus in the early 2000s, we were unified again as a large division.

My goal was to form 5 areas or districts in order to bring activity back to each. We knew from the past that not everyone would attend all meets. Each meet would try to have two clinics and a layout tour. Layout visitations were always a big draw. We like to see what someone else has done and glean new ideas.

Meet travel has always been an issue. From Spring Valley to Quincy is about 200 miles, or a three and a half hour drive, one way. Not everyone will drive that far. I have driven it several times using different routes. It is still a long drive. Twice in the past ten years or so, we set up the trip on a real train. We had about 15 each time. Through the efforts of Jeremy Bubb and Mike Yurjec, transportation was provided for the group to the meet and layout tour.

We have had a core group of 20 to 25 members attend our meets throughout the division. About 25% of

our membership is beyond seventy years of age and some do not attend our meets. No surprise. The younger members have other things such as family obligations and they do not attend.

If you are an average member, you have a job working Monday through Friday. Saturday is your "Honey Do Day." Sunday is church for some and "R & R" for the rest of the day to do what you want. A number of members work on Saturday or have their church obligations on Saturday. Who will the Illinois Division cater to?

Remember, your vote is important in this issue. You will be voting to have a central meeting center in Peoria or for having a meet somewhere in your district once a year.

No, you may not attend them all, but you will have the opportunity to hear clinics and see layout in your area. Each time you attend, you get to see what others in your area are doing. Remember to return your ballot by mail, e-mail or bring it to the annual meeting in Peoria on March 16, 2019.

This vote is for the good of the group, the Illinois Valley Division, as a whole.

50TH ANNIVERSARY HOPPER AND BOXCARS PRICE REDUCED

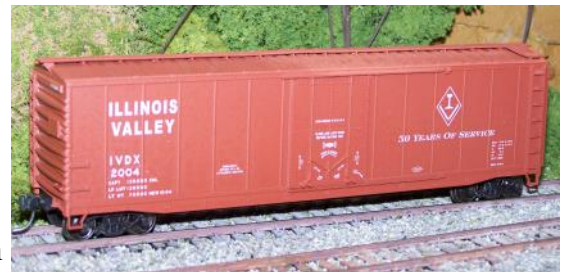
The Fifty Year Anniversary cars are still available. If you are considering purchasing one or more of these IVD cars, you may purchase them at division meets or at area train shows where the IVD has an NMRA/IVD



promotional display. There are now only about 20 hoppers and 60 boxcars left. Both cars will be

for sale at the division meetings. The cost is now \$15.00 each.

Those who cannot be at the meet can order the cars through Tom Ludlam at the McLean Depot, 200 East Dixie Road, McLean, IL, 61754; telephone 309-244-5900. The cost by mail is \$15.00 for each car plus \$5.00 shipping, or \$6.50 for shipping of two or three cars.



LETS MAKE SOME LUMBER PILES

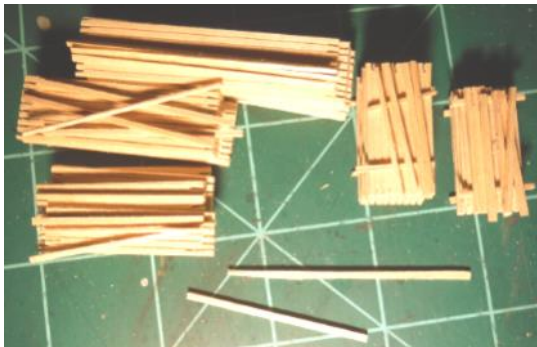
by Larry Nelson

Have you got a lumber yard on your layout? Does this lumber yard have any lumber for sale? If there is a shortage of lumber, you can easily remedy this problem and turn your lumber yard into real eye catcher. This is a one or two evening project depending on how much wood you need. The cost of materials is minimal and you may already have them on hand.



I prefer to use basswood, You could use balsa, pine, spruce or some other wood, but I do not recommend that. Basswood is available at most hobby shops and in various sizes. I model in HO scale, but these methods will work in other scales. Basswood comes in individual board sizes for the different scales, and this could be used by simply cutting boards to length and stacking the pieces up into bunks of different sizes. This would look very good and would also be very expensive. OK! So if you are very rich, don't read any farther! The rest of this article is aimed at the very cheap people like me.

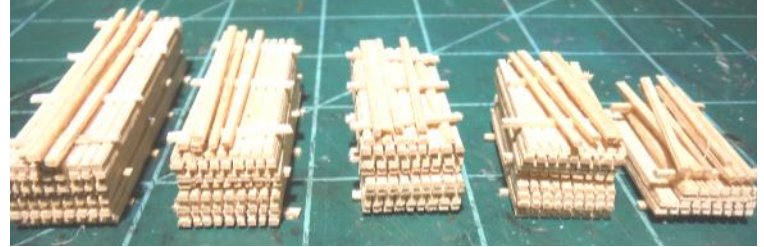
For this project I am using Midwest Products basswood 1/32"x3"x24" grooved 1/16" flooring sheets. These sheets



come in several different styles and thicknesses. The price varies depending on your choices. Most are in the \$2.00 to \$3.00 range. One sheet will make many piles of lumber for your lumber yard.

I started by cutting a couple of scale eight foot lengths off the end of the 3"x24" sheet. I then cut those pieces into scale 4 foot wide pieces. These will be stacked one on top of another to form a bunk of lumber. Lumber is stacked in bunks to make handling easier and to aid drying. Every few layers are separated by pieces of wood called cribbage (usually scrap 2x4s). This keeps the pile stable and allows fork trucks to easily get under the bunk to pick it up.

I then take that pile and clamp it together so that I can use a jeweler's saw to slightly cut the ends at the flooring grooves to make it look like individual boards when viewed from the end. After cutting each end I unclamp the pile so that I can start making the bunk. The bunks are stacked slightly different depending on the era that you model. Older era bunks are hand stacked and thus more irregular than modern machine stacked bunks.



My era is older so I want a slightly irregular bunk. **DO NOT OVER DO THIS!** One inch side to side and no more than two inches length-wise will make great shade and shadow lines. Glue about five layers together, weight those piles down until dry. Then put pieces of cribbage between it and the next layer of five. Make sure that you don't forget to put cribbage under the entire pile so that it doesn't sit on the ground, so that the fork truck can get under it to pick it up.

To add visual interest, I like to add cribbage to the top of the pile and then put a few more loose boards on top to give the look of a pile that has been partially used. Make some stacks different heights from the neighboring stacks to add visual interest. The wood is left natural color like new wood and the cribbage pieces can be weathered to show being used many times, even many years. The first pile is 2"x4"x8' long pieces of wood. Make additional piles 10, 12, 16 feet long. Then make piles of 2"x6", 2"x8", 2"x10" and 2"x12" wide in all of the lengths. When you have finished this, your lumber yard will have plenty of boards to sell.

When making more modern, machine stacked bunks, you can use solid basswood strip wood 1/2"x1/4". Cut these pieces the proper lengths. Using a sharp knife blade, tap lines into the end grain to indicate the end of the individual boards in the pile. Be careful here or you will split the wood into a pile of kindling. Individual scale lumber can be added to the top of the bunk to make it look more realistic. As with the other piles, add cribbage and loose boards on top to give more visual interest.





THE GRAND CROSSING



2019 MIDWEST-THOUSAND LAKES REGIONS JOINT CONVENTION May 16-19, 2019 La Crosse, Wisconsin

The 2019 Convention will be a Bi-Regional meeting between the Midwest Region and the 1000 Lakes Region of the NMRA.

The registration Fee is \$97.00 for Members, \$117.00 for non Members, Spouse or Guest \$97.00. Registration will be \$107.00 after April 6, 2019.

Modeling with the Masters, \$25.00, Thursday thru Saturday. Clinics will be Thursday thru Saturday. Layout Tours will be Thursday thru Sunday.

There will be two types of model viewing. (1) The normal contest and judging function of our conventions and (2) There will also be an area available to show models outside the contest function. Models displayed can be completed or shown as a work in progress.

The host hotel is the Days Inn, and Conference Center, 101 Sky Harbor Inn, La Crosse, WI (608)780-1000. The room rate is \$67.00 plus tax per night.

More information to be posted in upcoming issues. Information is also available at nmra.org/conventions. Click on Regional Conventions, then Midwest Region.

OTHER OPPORTUNITIES FOR MODEL RAILROADERS

Great Midwest Train Show, Sundays January 13, 2019, DuPage County Fairground, 2015 West Manchester Road, Wheaton, Illinois. 9 am to 3 pm. 5 buildings, 500+ tables, all scales. Admission \$7, kids under 12 are free. Free parking, Handicapped accessible. More information-TrainShow.com.

The Great 28th Tri-State Rail Sale, sponsored by The 4000 Foundation Limited, Saturday, January 26, 2019, The La Crosse Center, 2nd & Pearl Streets, La Crosse, Wisconsin. 9 am to 3 pm, Admission \$5, children under 12 free. No Parking or Handicapped Accessibility information provided.

Darien Model Railroad Swap Meet and Show, Saturday, January 19, 2019, 9 am to 3 pm, St. John Lutheran Church, 7214 South Cass Ave., Darien, IL. Admission: \$5 adults 18 and older, \$2 Teens 12-17, Scouts in uniform and children under 12 free. Handicapped accessible.

3rd Annual Train Show & Swap Meet, Sunday, January 27, 2019, sponsored by Monticello Railroad Club, Berndes Center, Jones County Fairgrounds, 766 North Maple Street, Monticello, Iowa, 9 am to 3:30 pm, Admission \$5, children under 12 free with an adult. No parking or handicapped accessible information provided.

Noblesville (IN) NMRA/CID Annual Train Show, Hamilton County 4H Fairgrounds Exhibition Center, 2003 Pleasant Street, Noblesville, IN, 10 am to 3 pm, Model Railroad, Operating Exhibits, Swap Meet, Workshops and Clinics, Admission \$3 per person, \$5 family, No handicapped or parking information available.

Alton Train Show 2019, February 16, 2019, 10 am to 3 pm, Franklin Masonic Lodge, 1513 Washington Avenue, Alton, IL. Admission \$3.00. No parking or handicapped accessible information.

Peoria Train Fair, Sunday, February 17, 2019, 10 am to 3 pm, Illinois Central College, Rt. US-24, east of IL-116, East Peoria. Admission \$3.00, children under 12 free with an adult. Free parking, handicap accessible. The IVD portable layout and NMRA display table are planned to be there.

(By Special Request) Train Show, Thayer County Event Center, Deshler, NE, Saturday and Sunday, June 29 & 30, 2019. 10am to 4 pm. No admission, handicapped or parking information available.

Rail Fare, Saturday, July 27, 2019, Copeland Park, Rose and Clinton Streets, La Crosse, Wisconsin. 9 am to 3 pm, Admission \$5, children under 12 free. No Parking or Handicapped Accessibility information provided.

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See Rates on Page 5 of this Issue.

TREE MODELING “MAKE AND TAKE” SUPER CLINICS

**Saturday, 1 to 4 pm, February 9, 2019
Home of Dave Hawkey, 227 Illini Drive
Hopewell, IL**

And

**Saturday, 1 to 4 pm, February 23, 2019
Lewistown Visitor’s Center
222 South Main, Lewistown, IL**

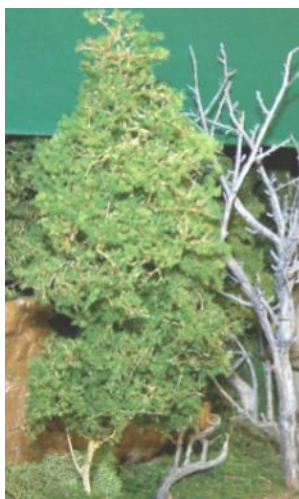


The IVD will be offering two identical three hour tree modeling “Super Clinics” in two locations; one

north and one south in the division. A number of differing methods of modeling trees will be demonstrated. Participants will have opportunity to make, then take, their creations home. Those who wish to take part in one of the clinics need to sign up by detaching the registration form below and send it to Minton Dings, 15548 State Route 78, Havana, IL 62644 -6803 or e-mailing your intent to attend to greenriverbranch1957@gmail.com.

Use the subject line title: **Tree Clinic** so that he will recognize it as a clinic registration. This clinic is free.

Deadline for Hawkey—2/6, Lewistown— 2/20.



ILLINOIS VALLEY DIVISION “POTLUCK BANQUET”

Saturday, 5:30 pm, February 2, 2019

**Home of Dave Hawkey and
His Impressive Peoria and Pekin
Union Railway (N Scale)**

227 Illini Drive, Hopewell, IL 61565

The Board of directors of the Illinois Valley Division have planned a “Potluck Banquet” as an opportunity for the membership and their spouse or significant other to share a meal and socialize. No doubt there will a bit of informal model rail-roading talk, but nothing is structured except that we will gather at 5:30 pm for a meal together and an opportunity to socialize.

The IVD will provide the meat and non-alcoholic drinks. Each member or couple is to bring a vegetable side dish or desert to share.



Maybe not this Exactly

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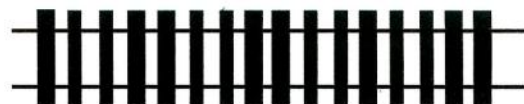
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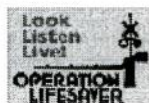
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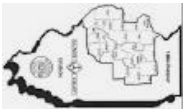
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