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Here it is once again, time for another gathering of IVD members to meet for fun, learning and most importantly FELLOWSHIP!

Here is what has happened since our last Meet in May and the last IVD board meeting.

As you know we chose to cancel the IVD cookout in July due to some extreme weather predications and I did not want to chance being stuck in a severe storm or extreme heat indexes, so I chose to cancel the cookout. But don't be discouraged as we have rescheduled the cookout. It will be September 29th from 12pm to 4pm at Peck Park in Galesburg, IL. Again, the IVD will provide hamburgers, summer salads, chips, buns and condiments. Mike Yurgec will be providing hotdogs and drinks as a donation on behalf of Global Emergency Products. Thanks Mike!! If any member would like to bring a covered dish or dessert, that would be awesome as well. Please RSVP to let us know how many to cook for. (See RSVP form and instructions on page 5 of this newsletter—Editor)

We had 2 more excellent Arduino Super Clinics, one in June and one in August. I would like to thank Thomas Ose for helping us make these clinics very successful, as he is very knowledgeable and helpful in delivering very good clinics to all in attendance. All in attendance again voted to have another clinic and that one will be in October, watch for your email invitation for that one. If any IVD members are wanting to attend these clinics as we have them, you can purchase an Arduino kit from Amazon and a link will be provided to purchase the kit we are using, this will be in the email blast that everyone will receive shortly.

At the August board meeting we also talked about the IVD/ITD sponsored 2020 Midwest Region Convention to be held in East Peoria. We are needing IVD members to step up and volunteer for various positions before and during the convention. We are definitely looking for volunteers now, as we are getting

closer to the May Convention dates. Please consider volunteering if possible. If you are interested, please contact an IVD board member or Mike Shockley, Convention Chair at docshock31@yahoo.com. More information will be published in the coming weeks regarding what we are needing for volunteers. Also, we will be having a Convention board meeting at 10am before the IVD Meet on Sept 21st at the Peoria Library North Branch, please attend if possible.

There is one last thing I have been concerned about since we made our IVD meeting changes. We made these changes based on a survey that was sent out to all members, then we did a trial of these changes for a year and finally took a vote of the membership to make these changes permanent all while following the IVD constitution and bylaws. But since the beginning of the year our attendance at our meetings has fallen off a bit. Now I am not sure why that is, as the survey responses were in big favor of these changes, as they better fit into members schedules. So, I am not sure why this is happening. If any member would like to voice any concerns after these changes were made, please contact me and let's have a conversation. Otherwise. I hope to see everyone at the September meet!!

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

Highball!!!

Jim Tatum

IVD Superintendent

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Ken Burr (309)230-9202 paymaster@nmra-ive.org

TRAINMASTERS

TRAINMASTER AT-LARGE (2020) - REPRESENTING To Be District 1, Peoria & Tazewell Co.

Appointed

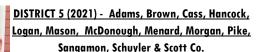
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ILLINOIS VALLEY MEEETING

September 21, 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 September 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 to the west side of the building. Parking is located on the west side of the library and entry is handcapped 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.

There will be a short business meeting followed by clinics including a clinic by Jim Wise on building laser cut wood kits.

Contests for September will be (1) Photos of Layouts, and (2) Specialty Railroad Cars, Non-Maintenance of Way.

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

Upcoming 2019-2020 IVD Meetings

Membership Meetings:

Membership meetings are held on the third Saturday of January, March, May, September and November at the Peoria Public Library, North Branch, 3001 West Grand Avenue, Peoria at 1:00 pm. Doors open at 12 noon.

Meeting Schedule and Contests:

November 17, 2019, Passenger Cars and Bridges January 18, 2020, Scenery, Any Season, Photos of Prototype Railroading

March 21, 2020, Scratchbuilt Structures and Kit bashed Structures

May 16, 2020, Freight Cars and Dioramas

Board of Directors Meetings:

Directors will meet at the Peoria Public Library, North Branch on Saturday, October 12, and December 14, 2019, and February 8 and April 11, 2020, at 10:00 am. Members of the IVD are welcomed to attend board meetings. Members do not have a vote, but are welcomed to voice their concerns and make suggestions

MAY LAYOUT TOUR

Ken Burr, Best Union Railroad (B.U.R.R), HO

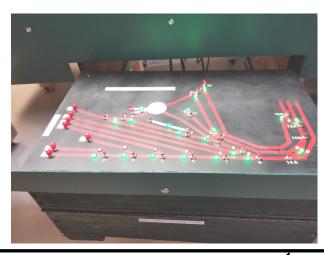












2020 Midwest Region Convention
PEORIA ROCKET, May 14-17, 2020, East Peoria Holiday Inn
Watch for more information in coming issues of the IVD TIMETABLE.

CHANGES TO THE BYLAWS OF THE CONSTITUTIOIN OF THE ILLINOIS VALLEY DIVISION

1. Amended by the Board of Directors, 06/21/2019, to remove Hancock County from the District 5 list of counties. By inquiring with NMRA headquarters and research by the Chief Clerk, it was discovered that Hancock County is part of the Mid-Continent Region., not the Midwest Region as previously thought.

Article I. -- Boundaries

District 5: Adams, Brown, Cass, Logan, Mason, McDonough, Menard, Pike, Sangamon, Schuyler, Morgan & Scott Counties.

2. Amended by the Board of Directors, 06/21/2019, to change the division meetings to a central location to bring the bylaws into agreement with the March 16 vote of the membership. Bold type indicates the added amended language to Section A.

Article XI. — Division Meetings

A. The Illinois Valley Division shall hold meetings five times per year in the following months: September, November, January, March and May. Division meetings shall be held on the third Saturday of the designated months at a location, determined by the Board of Directors, which is central to the Division.

3. Amended by the Board of Directors, 06/21/2019, to add "by email" to the means of notifying the membership of meeting dates and times. Bold type indicates the added amended language to Section D.

Article XI.—Division Meetings

D. Notice of all Division meetings shall be made to the Division membership prior to the meeting date via the TIMETABLE, or by **email**, letter or postcard.

Members who would like a copy of the bylaws of the Constitution of the Illinois Valley Division, may contact the Chief Clerk. See contact information in the left column of page 2 of this newsletter.

MAY DIVISION MEET

The May meeting of the division was held in the Peoria Public Library, North Branch. After a brief meeting of the division, the first clinic, "Down and Dirty" was presented on weathering with Pan Pastels. This was a show and tell clinic to encourage members

to try this method of weathering. It is an easy and inexpensive method of weathering. Pan Pastels are dura-



Sample Pastels

ble, but may be washed clean if the modeler does not like the results.

Below is a sample of an engine lightly weathered.



Due to a scheduling snafu, a substitute clinic was presented on a Tour of the Green River Branch, the Illinois Central in Kentucky in 1957 by Minton Dings. Many members have visited this layout, but presented here was an update.





Contest Winners For May



First Place Structures
I. M. Dunn Coal Co.
Jim Wise



First Place MoW Cars
Crane Tender
Larry Nelson

MARION BRASHER, MMR® RECEIVES NMRA PRESDENT'S AWARD



Marion with his Certificate at 2019 edition: his Shop in Spring Valley

At the recent National Convention of the National Model Railroad Association, Marion Brasher, MMR®, was awarded a 2019 President's Award for Service to the NMRA. Marion could not attend the convention, but recently received the plaque in the mail.

To quote NMRA Vice President, Gerry Leone, MMR® in the NMRA Magazine August 2019 edition:

years as an NMRA member, Marion helped found the Illinois Valley Division which grew and spawned two other Divisions. When the IVD fell on hard times in later years, Marion once again was instrumental in reestablishing the Division, serving multiple terms as its Superintendent, and building it back to its original size. Along the way he has been an invaluable mentor to members of all skill levels."

Credit for nominating Marion for the award goes to Steve Studley, President of the Midwest Region. Those with a sharp eye might notice that Marion's last name is misspelled. Correcting the mistake has been accomplished by the NMRA.



POPULAR VOTE CONTEST SCHEDULE 2019-2020

September 21, 2019

Photos of Layouts Specialty Railroad Cars, Non Maintenance of way

November 16, 2019

Passenger Cars Bridges

January 18, 2020

Scenery — Any Season Photos—Prototype

March 21, 2020—Election Meeting

Scratchbuilt—Structures Kitbashed—Structures

May 14-17, 2020

No Division Contests Regional Convention, Peoria Rocket, East Peoria

September 19, 2020

Hand Laid Track and Track Structures Buildings—On Line

November 21, 2020

Steam Locomotives
Traction—Locomotives and Cars

(Rescheduled) <u>IVD PICNIC</u>

Sunday, Sept. 29. Noon to 4 pm Peck Park, Galesburg

Burgers, Hot Dogs, Drinks, Buns, Salads, Plates and Plasticware Provided

RSVP- Call or Mail Form Found Below

Bring Side Dishes or Deserts if You Wish

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OR CALL Jim Tatum, (309)547-0312 or Minton Dings, (309)241-4504

CABLE REELS

by Larry Nelson



The Love of Scratchbuilding

I have a love of scratch building and kit bashing. The satisfaction I get from building is probably what has kept me interested in model railroading for the last sixty or more years. One of my favorite areas to model is open loads. This can generate a cornucopia of ideas. These can take a lot of different forms, and I will probably be writing more articles on the subject of open loads, if anyone is interested.

My Philosophy of Scratchbuilding

Those of you who know me will know that I am not a stickler for prototype exactness. Rather, I follow prototype principles. By this, I mean it will be believable if it looks correct. I love those guys who search out a prototype, photograph and measure every detail so that their model will be an exact replica of a cable reel. I even love those guys when they tell me where my model falls short of what they would build. I also look forward to seeing their model when they build it. I, however, follow a different path. I look at several photos, if I have them, or just rely on memory if it is something simple. I feel the key is to make it look believable.

When I settle on an idea, I look at my scrap box to see what I have that can be used to build my project. I never throw away anything. I do try to keep my scraps organized so that I can find what I need. I also keep a decent supply of new raw materials on hand since I am a long way from a well stocked hobby store. I can often build my project in less time than it would take to run to the store, which means that the project gets built instead of just thought about.

Sometimes I make a quick sketch to see if it looks right. If I make something that just doesn't look right, I throw it away and start over. I have found out that the more time I spend thinking about something, the less likely it is to get built!

Let's Build a Cable Reel

This article is to be about a gondola loaded with cable reels. Large reels with all kinds of different wire, tubing, rope, steel cable, fiber optic cable, etc., can be seen every day in a busy rail yard. An empty gondola in a train doesn't generate much interest. However, put some kind of load in it, and suddenly it has our attention. "Inquiring minds want to know."

My junk box had a piece of 1/2" dowel rod which looked about the right size. I cut four pieces off of it which were 1/2" long. This



gave me four 1/2" diameter by 1/2" long which made



the center of the reels. I glued together side by side eight scale (HO) 2x10's and then added four 2x6's crosswise to tie these together. I made these pieces eight scale feet long, which gave a square large enough to

make the sides of the reel, which will be made circular after it is attached to the side of the reel (dowel).

When both sides were aligned and added, I placed weight on the assembly and left it to dry while I worked on the next one.

After the assembly was dry, I was ready to make those square sides circular. This was accom-



plished in a neat quick way. I used a piece of scrap wood as a depth gauge to guarantee a uniform overhang of the side of the reel. The gauge was cut nar-



row enough to easily fit between the sides. The sides were then sanded circular by placing a piece of sandpaper on a flat surface with the gauge then placed on top of it. Place the cable reel on

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the gauge which stops it from cutting anymore. When the body of the reel has reached the gauge all the way around, you have sides perfectly round. Pretty slick, don't you

think?

Finish the reel by drilling a spindle hole in the sides and wrapping your cable neatly around the

spool. I stained the wood before I started construction with a mixture of India ink and alcohol. After the sanding and drilling was finished I used the same stain to touch up the raw



edges from the sanding and drilling operations. Small pieces of paper were attached to the sides of the spools to represent shipping labels, weight, product information, etc.

Preparing the Gondola

The final step in this gondola load is to build a believable way of securing the load in the gondola so



that it can be transported in a safe way. You can build this so the load can be removed in order display. to use the gondo- There are la empty (heaven now only forbid) or to carry a different load. In order to and 53 achieve this. I

measured the inside length of the gondola and cut two pieces of scale 6x6 lumber the full length of the car. I tied these together with lap joined scale 6x6 lumber at each end just wide enough for the sides of the cable reels to straddle them. I then built four evenly spaced cradles along the length to hold my cable reels. This keeps the reels from moving sideways and from back and forth. Tie down straps should also be added to secure the load in case of a sudden impact.

Final Words

This pretty much completes the load. I think I have reached my goal of creating a car which will cause people to take a second look as it goes by. This is a simple load that you can build in an evening or two for very little money. I don't see how I could



have spent more than a dime on materials, since most of the materials came from my scrap box. If you are not a scratch builder, I hope this will inspire you to give it a try! Show me pictures of what

you are building. I love to get new ideas.

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 meet or at area train shows where the IVD has a

NMRA/ IVD promotional about 17 hoppers boxcars



left. Both cars are for sale at the division meetings. The cost are reduced to \$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.

CAMPING IN THE 1950'S

by Minton Dings, MMR

The Home Built Camper from the 50's

Sometime ago I found this camper as a kit in an advertisement from Motrack Models. Motrak can be found on-line at motrakmodels.com, then search for The Camper Truck, Part #84018 on the site. Mine came as a kit with a Meadow Gold Classic Metal Works truck. The truck body did not matter since I was going to repaint the cab green.



The camper body and siding were easily removed from the carrier sheets with a hobby knife. The sprue nubs were cleaned with very little sanding necessary. Although the instructions indicate the use of a square in assembling the camper body, the four walls and floors fit together snuggly, making the walls square when assembled.

Although bracing is recommended, I found that the lamination of the interior walls to the outer covering made the bracing unnecessary. The instructions recommend assembly of the door and windows and painting of the walls before construction of the "box" of the camper body. This was helpful.



The acetate window material needs to be inserted prior to assembly of the window outer frame. I

was not happy with the looks of the window "glass" provided in the kit, so I chose to use acetate from my supply, applying it inside with canopy glue as shown in the picture above.

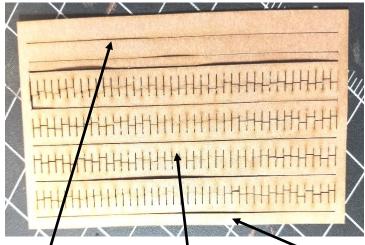
The walls were assembled with Titebond Carpenter's Glue. Elmer's White Glue or Carpenter's Glue can also be used. I use Titebond because it tacks faster, but the complete drying time is the same.

The kit has a choice of roofing, rolled roofing or wood shingles. I like the looks of wood shingles, but I cannot be sure about how the wood shingles would be more durable than rolled roofing on a vehicle moving at highway speeds. I expect the speed limit on the two-lane highways of rural Kentucky in 1957 would have been 45 mph.

The base for the roof is built on a thin wood like material which I could not identify, but it is scribed for the mounting of the "wood" shingles if that material is chosen. I will describe the applying of wood shingles. First a word about applying glue.



My favorite glue applicator is a worn-out micro brush with the brush removed. With its point a small bit of glue can be applied. Because it is quite flexible, a wide swath of glue can also be applied where necessary As with laying shingles in a prototype roof, it is necessary to lay an edge strip to protect and conceal



Ridge Cap (not used) Shingles Bottom Starter Strip

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the underlying wood of he roof. Rather than using a strip of shingles, cut the strip below the shingle strips and glue it to the lower edge before laying the first course of shingles. The roof is scribed to guide the modeler in laying the remainder of the shingles. The strips of shingles are longer than the roof. Do not trim the overlap until the shingles are dry. I laid shingles up and over the top to assure I had shingles at the ridgeline, choosing not to use the ridge cap.

After the shingles had been applied to both panels of the roof, I allowed them to dry overnight under a weight to assure they would not bow while drying. I felt that the roof was not very stable, so I installed a $3/32^{\rm nd}$ square piece of square basswood dimensional lumber as a longitudinal ridge support. Any reasonable size will do. It does not match the angles of the roof, but it will lend support to the upper edge of each half of the roof when attached.

The next day I trimmed the shingle edges and along the top. Use a sharp blade and several light cuts. If a top shingle comes loose in the process, glue it back in place. I had no shingles come loose in the trimming process.



Glue the roof in place. I used rubber bands to hold the roof panels tight for about two hours to assure they were dry. Meanwhile work on the cab.

The Cab

If the cab is satisfactory as it came with the kit and it will be parked without people in the cab, then nothing more needs to be done except to install the rear-view mirror. But my cab was painted yellow and decaled for Meadow Gold Milk, which was not satisfactory for me.

I wanted the cab to be green and have a driver and passenger inside. That meant having to disassemble the cab. The bottom side of the cab has a small Philips head screw which must be removed. The cab will then be loosened from the frame. The passenger compartment then can be carefully removed from the cab. I used a hobby knife to (again) carefully remove the one piece windows part.

Since the cab was to be brush painted with green acrylic paint, the inside of the cab was covered



with blue painter's tape before the cab was sprayed with gray primer. After the primer was dry, I hand painted the cab. I chose to leave the fenders brown because I felt that my hand would not be steady enough to paint around the grill and headlights.

A male and a female from my collection of HO people were unlucky enough to lose their lower bodies to fit into the passenger compartment of the cab. Fitting them took a bit of trimming, but they are snuggly inside. They were then glued in place with plastic weld. If the cab does not sit squarely back on the frame, then the people must be trimmed a bit again. No one will see their hair if it must also be trimmed a bit.

The rear-view side mirror was installed.

Canopy glue was applied to the tops of the frame rails of the truck and the camper body was squarely placed on the frame and allowed to dry. An appropriately sized hole was drilled for the smoke jack, then glued in place with canopy glue.

The camper could also be configured as a food wagon for the local county fair or some other use. But I enjoyed building this little project as a camper in memory of an earlier time when camping might have taken a bit of ingenuity for the sake of comfort.

NMRA CONVENTION 2020

GATEWAY 2020

July 12—18, 2020 St. Louis, Missouri

CONVENTION: Hilton St. Louis Hotel at the Ball Park

TRAIN SHOW: America's Center, St. Louis, July 17-19, 2020

More Information: info@gateway2020.0rg

SUPPORTING OUR LOCAL **HOBBY SHOPS**

Although there is a wealth of model railroad items and materials available at train shows and fairs and over the Internet and an overwhelming amount of information available on-line and in books on how to build the layout of your dreams, there is no source of information, parts and support as can be found in your local model railroad hobby shop.

Listed below, from north to south, are the hobby shops which sell model trains within the Illinois Valley Division. (As far as I know, Editor)

Green River Hobbies

119 West Exchange Street Geneseo, Illinois 61254 (309)944-2620

Wed & Thu, 11am-5pm Fri & Sat, 10a-5pm Sunday, 12noon-4pm Mon & Tue, Closed

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122 West St. Paul Street Spring Valley, Illinois 61362 Sundays & Holidays (815)663-3411

Mon—Fri, 1pm-6pm Saturday, 9am-3pm Closed

Mike's Scale Rails

3008 North Sterling Avenue Peoria, Illinois 61604 (309)689-0656

Mon-Fri, 12 pm – 5pm Saturday, 10am—5pm Sunday, Closed

McLean Depot

200 East Dixie Road McLean, Illinois 61754 (309)244-5900

Tue-Fri, 10am-6pm Saturday, 10am-5pm Sun & Mon, Closed

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4782 Old Jacksonville Road Springfield, Illinois 62711 (217)793-0407

12pm-5pm Thu, 12pm-7pm Mon, Wed, Fri, Closed

UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIESFOR MODEL RAILRODERS

Boeing Employees' Railroad Swap Meet, Saturday, September 7, 2019, 10am to 3pm, Greensfelder Recreation Complex at Queeny Park, 550 Wiedman Road, St. Louis, MO. Admission: \$3.00, children under 12 free. Free parking, handicapped accessible.

Great Midwest Train Show, Sunday, September 8, 2019, October 13, 2019, November 10, 2019 and December 8, 2019, 9am to 3 pm.. DuPage County Fairgrounds, 2015 West Manchester Road, Wheaton, IL. Admission: \$7.00, children under 12 free. Free parking, handicapped accessible.

41st Annual Model Train Show-Swap Meet, Saturday and Sunday, September 28 & 29, 2019, 10am to 4pm, The Stateline Ice and Community Expo, 1632 4th Avenue West, Monroe, WI. Admission not listed. Free parking, handicapped accessible.

Central Illinois Train Xchange, Saturday, October 26, 2019, 9am to 1pm, Blessed Sacrament Church, 225 East Greenwood Street, Morton, IL. Admission: \$4.00, Early Admission \$8.00, Children 14 and under free. Free parking, handicapped accessible.

Trainfest, Saturday and Sunday, November 9-10, 2019, State Fair Park Expo Center, Milwaukee, WI. Sat. 9am to 5pm, Sun. 9am to 4 pm. Admission: Regular 1 day, \$12.00; 2 day \$17.00; Prime Access (1 hour early on Saturday only) \$17.00; NMRA 1 day, \$10.0;0, NMRA 2 day, \$15.00; Children 1 day, \$4.00; Children 2 day, \$6.00. Parking fee, handicapped accessible (distance to door may be lengthy).

Peoria Train Fair, Sunday, November 17, 2019, 10am to 3pm, Illinois Central College, US Rt. 24, 1 mile east of IL Rt. 116, Est Peoria, IL. Admission Donation \$3.00, children under 12 free with an adult. Free parking, handicapped accessible.

La Crosse 29th Annual Great Tri-State Rail Sale, Saturday, January 25, 2020, 9am to 3pm, La Crosse Center, 2nd & Pearl Streets, La Crosse, WI. Admission: \$5.00, children under 12 free. Free parking, handicapped accessible.

Monticello, Iowa, 4th Annual Train Show & Swap Meet, Sunday, January 26, 2020. 9am to 3:30 pm, Monticello Railroad Club, located at Berndes Center, Jones County Fairgrounds, 766 North Maple Street, Monticello, IA. Admission \$5.00, children under 12

free. No parking or handicapped accessible information.

Springfield Railroad Society Train Fair, Sunday, March 15, 2020, 10am to 4pm, Orr Building, Illinois State Fairgrounds, 66 4H Road, Springfield, IL. Admission: \$5.00, children under 11 free; Early bird admission (9am) \$10.00. Free parking, handicapped accessible.

Urbana Train Show, Saturday & Sunday, March 28-29, 2020, Lincoln Square Village Mall, 100 West High Street, Urbana, IL. Admission: Free. Free parking, handicapped accessible.

Midwest Region NMRA Convention, Peoria Rocket 2020, Thursday-Sunday, May 14-17, 2020, Holiday Inn Hotel & Suites, 101 Holiday Drive, East Peoria, IL. More information to be found in the THE TIMETA-BLE and at www.nmra-ivd.org.



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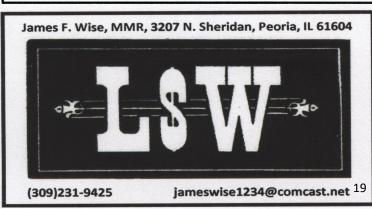
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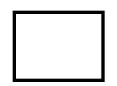




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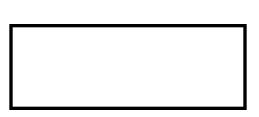
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Peoria, Illinois

Clinics on Model Railroading and Railroad Topics





September 21, 2019 The Illinois Valley Division **DEL TRAIN** Saturday of the NMRA **Presents**



Swap Tables (Closed before meeting, NO DEALERS

Railroad Cars, Non Maintenance of Way

Photos of Layouts and

(2) Specialty

(Maps and Descriptions will be Provided)

Layouts on Tour, TBA

Contests: (1)