



# The Trainwire



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## Superintendent's Report

### WANTED! ROAD TRIP TRAVELERS

**A**s you know, YOUR Division 5 membership is going on a road trip to Medina NY Railroad Museum on **Saturday July 23rd**. This trip is for current NMRA members only and their immediate family. While the Division is covering the majority of the cost for the charter bus, museum entry fee, and meals - lunch and dinner:

**You must make a reservation and send a check for \$25 to Bonnie by July 1st.**

Bonnie's address can be found on the last page of the Trainwire.

Departure on **Saturday July 23rd** is **7:15 - 7:30 a.m.** from **Lakeland Community College** North parking lot where our Railfest Vendors park their trailers. The college has approved leaving our cars in that lot.

For our Erie area members, the bus will pick up at the Presque Isle Casino **8:45 - 9:00 a.m.**

Expected return To Erie, @ **8:30 p.m.** and to Lakeland College @ **10:00 p.m.**

**Final confirmation with any changes will be EMAILED to those who are going by July 17th.**

*-Dave*



Dave Neff – Superintendent  
Division 5  
NMRA – Mid Central Region



## Businesses Accepting Division 5 Certificates

*The businesses listed below are currently accepting Division 5's award certificates:*



- Stewart's Hobbies & Collector's Toys
- Hobby Town USA
- Train Specialty Company
- Toy-N-Hobby Headquarters
- Bova's Music & Train Shoppe

- Willoughby, Ohio
- Mentor, Ohio
- Chardon, Ohio
- Geneva, Ohio
- Westfield, New York



*Please support these dealers!*

## UPCOMING DIVISION 5 MEETINGS

Division 5 monthly meetings normally start at 7:30 PM.

**Location:** Hambden Town Hall  
13887 GAR Highway (Route 6)  
Chardon, Ohio

Located on Rt. 6 between the intersection of Rt. 608 and Rt. 166 next to Hambden Elementary School east of Chardon.

**July 1st, 2016** No Meeting this Month

### August 5th, 2016

**Location:** Hambden Town Hall  
**Program:** DVD of Lima Locomotive Works  
**Bring & Brag:** Locomotives and Engine sheds

### September 2nd, 2016

**Location:** Hambden Town Hall  
**Program:** TBA  
**Bring & Brag:** TBA.

## Model Railroader Magazines

Do to an impending move to Baltimore, Pat Flash has decided to part with a large collection of Model Railroader magazines. His nearly complete collection of magazines range from the early 1980's to 2015. Included in the collection are shelves for storage and the asking price is \$100.

Anyone interested can contact Pat at **440-862-0148**.

*(Time is definitely a factor.)*

## SCHEDULED EVENTS

**Division 5 Road Trip** **July 23**  
NYC RR Museum *(7:15 AM Lakeland's North Parking Lot*  
Medina, New York *8:45 AM Presque Isle Casino look for signs)*

**Railfanning Day** **July 24**  
The Painesville Railroad Museum  
475 Railroad Street  
Painesville, Ohio 44077 **(10:00 am - 5:00 pm)**

**Division 5 Picnic** **August 6**  
The Painesville Railroad Museum  
475 Railroad Street **(RSVP to Tom Pescha)**  
Painesville, Ohio 44077 **(2:00 pm - 4:00 pm)**

**Division 5 BOD Meeting** **August 8**  
Hambden Town Hall  
Hambden, Ohio **(7:30 pm)**

**Railroad Memorabilia Show** **August 28**  
The Painesville Railroad Museum  
475 Railroad Street  
Painesville, Ohio 44077 **(10:00 am - 4:00 pm)**

**Railfanning Day** **September 10**  
The Painesville Railroad Museum  
475 Railroad Street  
Painesville, Ohio 44077 **(10:00 am - 5:00 pm)**

**NETS Fall Train Show** **September 10**  
Wildcat Sport and Fitness  
6116 Wilson Mills Road  
Mayfield Village, Ohio 44143 **(10:00 am - 4:00 pm)**

# Division 5 Meeting Minutes

June 3, 2016

The **membership meeting** was called to order by Superintendent Dave Neff at 7:30 pm at Lake Farmpark in Kirtland, Ohio. 26 members and 2 guests were present. This meeting was held at Lake Farmpark because the module groups were there setting up for the “Railroads In The Parks” weekend.

**Welcomed** new member Al H. from Meadville, PA.

**Member Pat Flash** is moving and is selling off some of his model railroad items. He had some items at the meeting.

It was noted that Superintendent Neff’s **article** from the Trainwire about other sources for hobby supplies was reprinted in the June 2016 NMRA Magazine in the Division Business Car section.

Reviewed information about upcoming **Division 5 trip** to Medina, NY on July 23. Cost will be \$25 per person in advance. There will be two bus pickup points. One will be in the Mentor, Ohio area and the other in the Erie, PA area, both will be near I-90. Must be a Division 5 member or family member to attend. More details will be in the July Trainwire.

We don’t currently have a **program** for the August meeting. If anyone would like to volunteer, please contact Dave Neff.

Everything is set for our **Division 5 picnic** on Saturday, August 6, at the Painesville Depot. Details are in the Trainwire. RSVP to Tom Pescha.

A number of **Division 5 members** are planning on attending at least some part of the NMRA national convention in Indianapolis in July.

The **Lakeshore Model Railroad Association** in Erie, PA, which is now within our Division territory, has moved to a new location and is working on a new layout. Division 5 has provided a \$500 grant to the group.

We are looking at having another membership meeting in the **Erie, PA area**, probably in October or November.

**Bring & Brag:** Theme – “Agriculture”

Bill Berger	Don Bittner	Bob Gittinger
Bryan Persing	Rick Kacprzak	Linda Kacprzak
Bill Osborne	Tom Pescha	Paul Emch

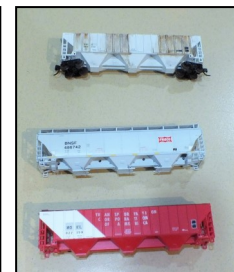
**No program** for the evening due to the module setup work.

**Submitted by:**

**Matt Kross – Division 5 Clerk**

# Pictures from the June Meeting

Photos by: Tom Pescha



## Next Division 5 Meeting August 5, 2016

# Division 5 BOD Meeting June 13, 2016

The meeting was held on June 13, 2016 at **Hambden Town Hall**. In attendance were Bryan Persing, Bonnie Lette, Wayne Lette, Matt Kross, Tom Pescha, Don Bittner, Bob Gittinger, and Dale Smith.

Reviewed the July 23 **trip details**. We have 14 confirmed so far and another 5 that are tentative. We can get either a 47 or 56 person bus. That will be determined by how many people we get to sign up. There will be two bus pickup spots, one in the Mentor, Ohio area and the other in the Erie, PA area. Bus cancellation deadline is two weeks prior to the trip (July 9). Money must be received by July 1 in order for a person to attend the trip. The Clerk will send out an e-mail notice about getting reservations and money sent in.

The local **NMRA division** running the national convention in Indianapolis has asked Division 5 if we would loan them \$20,000 for three weeks to fund their silent auction payouts. A motion was passed to loan \$20,000 to the 2016 NMRA National Convention Silent Auction starting on June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2016 for a fee of \$100 with an additional penalty fee of \$500/month if the money is not repaid by July 18, 2016. The additional penalty fees will be assessed on the 18<sup>th</sup> of each month past the loan repayment due date. Motion passed. The Clerk will write up a formal agreement to be used for the loan. Assistant Superintendent Persing will sign the agreement for Division 5 in the absence of the Superintendent.

The **August meeting program** will be the viewing of a DVD about the Lima Locomotive Works. The August Bring & Brag theme will be "Locomotives/Engine Sheds/Repair Shops".

It was noted that all non-elected Division 5 positions expired as of June 1, 2016 and need to be reconfirmed by the Superintendent. The Superintendent asked all the previous **Division 5 BOD members** to remain in their positions and all of them that were present at the meeting accepted.

Some information was gathered by the Clerk on ways to word an addition to our **Division 5 Regulations** to cover "Election By Acclamation" to cover instances when all elected positions are running unopposed. More research is needed to see if the way we would prefer to do it is an acceptable method.

The grant check to the **Lakeshore Model Railroad Association** has been sent. The Clerk is to send them a copy of our grant guidelines.

Reviewed the details for the **Division 5 picnic**. Everything is all set. The Clerk is to send a reminder email.

It was decided that there will not be a BOD meeting in July. **The next regular Division 5 BOD meeting** will be August 8, 2016 at 7:30pm at Hambden Town Hall.

*Submitted by:*

**Matt Kross – Division 5 Clerk**

## Division 5 Member Update

**L**ong time Division 5 member Bob Cook has been in the Chardon Healthcare

Center since February. We're sure he would appreciate cards and/or calls from his friends in Division 5. We don't have a

room number or direct phone number. See the facility address and phone number below:

Bob Cook c/o  
Chardon Healthcare Center  
620 Water Street  
Chardon, OH 44024  
440-285-9400

## The Company Store

Division 5 has recently received 12 V&O reefers (HO) from Division 3, photo below. There are 6 different car numbers available.

**The following cars are available:**

HO - FP&E box cars \$18 each

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N - N&SS hoppers - set of three for \$40

N - Division 5 WRD - Reefers \$10



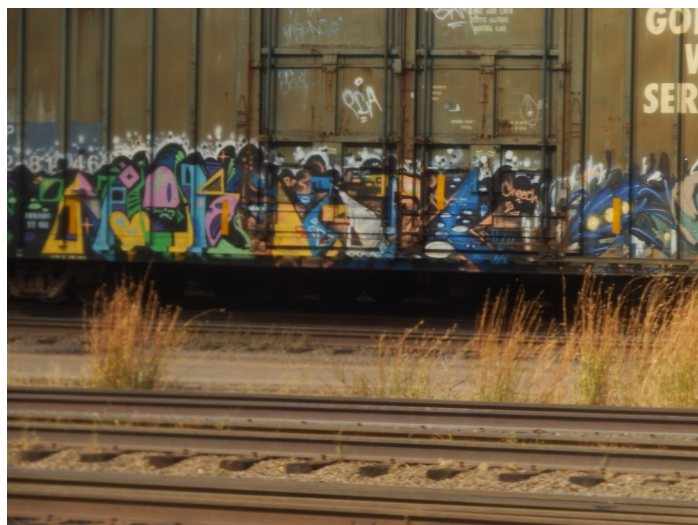
**Team Track****www.MCR5.org****Division 5 Officers****(Terms expire June 2018)**

Superintendent	Dave Neff	440-269-1229
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Wayne Lette	440-298-3075	Tom Pescha 216-470-5780

Division 5 Board of Directors: [BOD@MCR5.org](mailto:BOD@MCR5.org)

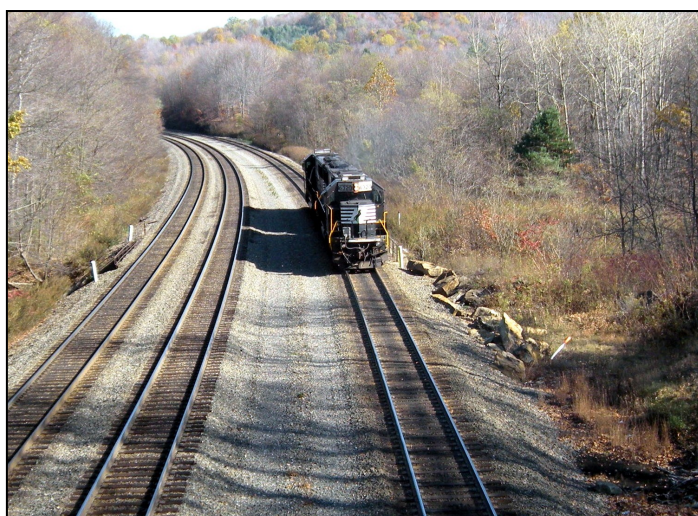
**Division 5 Appointed Positions:** (Terms expire June 2018)

Treasurer	Bonnie Lette	440-298-3075
		<a href="mailto:Treasurer@MCR5.org">Treasurer@MCR5.org</a>
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		<a href="mailto:Railfest@MCR5.org">Railfest@MCR5.org</a>
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## Wanted

**T**he Trainwire is always looking for an interesting article. If you have taken a trip lately, seen something interesting trackside, have a particular view point on a railroad subject or just want to participate in the Modelers Corner; then we want to hear from you. Everyone wants to be kept current on Division information, but we all enjoy an interesting article written by a member of this organization. So take your pictures and article and send them to the Editor by email and share them will all of us.



## Notice

I will be compiling the next Trainwire on the 22nd of the month and any articles or reports that come in after the 22nd will probably be published in the following issue. - *The Editor*

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Division 5 Membership  
as of June 1st, 2016



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# DIV. 5 PICNIC

## Saturday, August 6, 2016

At

**The Painesville Depot**  
475 Railroad Street  
Painesville, Ohio 44077

[www.painesvillerrailroadmuseum.org](http://www.painesvillerrailroadmuseum.org)

### 2 pm to 5 pm

Driving directions

Exit Rt 2 at Richmond Street, South one block to Chester,  
East on Chester to N. State Street,  
South on N. State Street (under the RR bridge),  
East on Railroad Street to Depot



## Join in on good fellowship and railfanning!



### Menu:

Breaded Chicken - or Grilled Chicken  
Potato Salad, Coleslaw, Chips  
Hobo Beans,  
Desert  
Pop & water  
If you wish - Dish to pass

Food is being provide by Div. 5

Admission: **Free** to all Div. 5 members and immediate family.

**RSVP** by August 1, 2015 to Tom at:

(216) 470-5780 or send an e-mail to [Tom.Pescha@MCR5.org](mailto:Tom.Pescha@MCR5.org)



**Be sure to bring your Camera and a CHAIR!**



# 2016 RAILFANNING DAYS

at

The Painesville Railroad Museum,  
475 Railroad Street, Painesville, OH 44077



Spend a day *RailFanning* at the Painesville Depot

**VISIT THIS HISTORICAL TRAIN DEPOT**



**THE DEPOT OPENED IN 1893 FOR THE  
LAKE SHORE AND MICHIGAN SOUTHERN LINE**

**THE DEPOT IS ON THE CSX MAIN LINE -Mile Post 153.2-**

**Sunday, July 24, 2016**

Sponsored in part by LCJDWF

**Saturday, September 10, 2016**

Sponsored in part by Harry Buffalo, Painesville

**Saturday, October 15, 2016**

Sponsored in part by LCJDWF

**10:00 am to 5:00 pm**

***Be sure to bring your Camera and a CHAIR!***

**Food and Drinks available**

**216-470-5780**

**prrm@att.net**

**www.painesvillerrailroadmuseum.org**



# RAILROAD MEMORABILIA SHOW

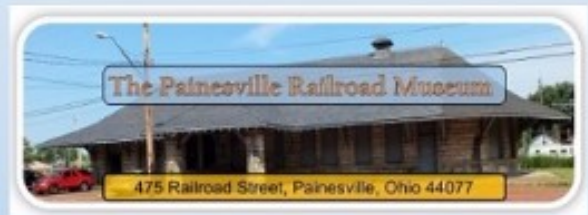
COME AND SEE ARTIFACTS OF RAILROADS GLORY DAYS  
FROM TIMES GONE BY



**Sunday, August 28, 2016 10 am to 4 pm**

## PAINESVILLE RAILROAD MUSEUM

475 Railroad Street  
Painesville, Ohio 44077  
216-470-5780



Admission \$3.00 each, Family \$5.00



**Vendors** - If you wish to only display your item (not sell them) then your table is Free  
If you wish to sell items, then your table cost is \$25.00 per table

Food and Drinks available.



[www.painesvillerrailroadmuseum.org](http://www.painesvillerrailroadmuseum.org)  
prrm@att.net 501(c)3 non-profit



### Aug. 2016 Railroad Memorabilia Show

PLEASE PRINT

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Permit# \_\_\_\_\_ Amt. Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_ No of Tables \_\_\_\_\_

Return this part

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#### 6' X 30" Tables

Display only - Tables are free  
Selling items - Table cost \$25.00 each

Load in Sat. 12:00 pm to 4:00 pm  
Sun. 8 a.m. to 9:45 a.m.

**Make Checks Payable To:**  
**WRRRA**

#### Mail To:

Tom Pescha  
3942 East 364<sup>th</sup> Street  
Willoughby, Ohio 44094  
Phone (216) 470-5780  
[www.painesvillerrailroadmuseum.org](http://www.painesvillerrailroadmuseum.org)

Please send table request by Aug. 19, 2016

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