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M CONTROL OF CONTROL O	A PUBLICATION OF THE WESTERN RESERVE DIVISION DIVISION 5 – MID CENTRAL REGION – NMRA				
THIS MONTH: Friday March 4	Super Reflections March 2022 Nominations Closed	working on signing up people for the various tasks to set up the college and run the show.			
Div Meeting @ 7:30 Hambden Town Hall	Nominations for the 2022 Division 5 elections are now closed. The Nomi- nating Committee presented their slate of candidates at the February meeting. There were no nominations from the floor. We only have one can- didate for each office so we will not need to conduct an actual vote. The BOD will perform an election by accla-	Helping With Railfest Railfest job signup sheet will be at our March meeting. We will need lots of help to set up and put on Railfest 2022! Please plan to help out as much as possible. Try to recruit some friends or family to come help, also!			
	mation at their April meeting. Many thanks to the Chuck Limbert and Den-	My Past Month Modeling Work			
INSIDE THIS ISSUE:	nis Lloyd for trying to contact as many members as possible about running for office.	I didn't do much on the layout this past month. One thing that I did do was to try Monroe Models weathering			
Meetings/Events 2	You're Not Off The Hook!	solutions and powders. Mike Carovac told me about these at our January			
Minutes3-5Announcements6-14Officers15Volunteers11	Even though the Division nominations are closed for the elected offices, there are still a number coordinator positions open within the Division that we need people to step up and fill. If you are willing to help, please let me	meeting so I ordered some. I made a weathering solution using alcohol and the Grimy Black powder. I used this to weather my refinery area. It gave me the overall grungy look that I was after.			
	know. Railfest 2022 Still On Track	As always, let us know what you are working on. Bring it to a meeting for Bring 'n' Brag.			
nmro Bloei	Railfest 2022 is coming together. Invi- tations were mailed to dealers and exhibitors and many have been re- ceived back. Most advance prepara- tions are in place. We need to start	Please join us in-person at our March meeting. See you down the line. Matt			



UPCOMING	DIVISION 5 MEETINGS	UPCOMING Events	
(Division 5 Meetings Start At 7:30)		(GO TO WWW.CLEVESHOWS.COM FOR A	
LOCATION:		COMPLETE LIST OF SHOWS)	
<u>March 4, 2022</u> Location:	Division Meeting Hambden Town Hall 13887 GAR Highway	March 5 Independence Train Show The Independence High School Fieldhouse 6001 Archwood Rd. Independence, Oh 44131 10 am - 3 pm Adm. \$7.00 Phone: 216-642-0692	
Program: Bring & Brag:	B&O Lake Branch (updated version) – Rich Kacprzak B&O or Northeast Ohio Related	March 19 Mt Hope Train Show Mt. Hope Event Center, 8076 St. Rt. 241, Mt. Hope 44666 10 am to 4 pm Adm. \$5.00 Phone: 330-262-7488	
		March 19 & 20 Railfest Train ShowLakeland Community College7700 Clocktower Dr., Kirtland, Ohio 4409410 am to 4 pmAdm. \$8.00Phone Jim at: 440-357-8890	
		March 26 TCA Train Show UAW Hall 5615 Chevrolet Blvd. Parma, Ohio 44130 10 am to 3 pm Adm. \$6.00 Phone: 330-273-6404	
utts Rd	N Hambden Town Hall 13887 GAR Hwy Hambden, OH	April 3 Youngstown Train ShowSalem Center Plex1098 N. Ellsworth Ave., Salem, Ohio 4446010 am to 3:30pmAdm. \$5.00Phone: 330-718-1057	
GAR Hig Chardon Town Square		April 3 Springfield Model Train ShowClark County Fair Grounds4401 S Charleston Pike, Springfield, OH 4550510:00 am to 3:00 pmAdm. \$5.00	
^확 교 Map to Ha	ambden Town Hall	April 3 Medina Train and Toy ShowMedina Fairgrounds, Medina, Ohio 442569 am to 3 pmAdm. \$6.00Phone: 330-948-4400	

Division 5 Membership Meeting Minutes

February 4, 2022

The February 4, 2022 membership meeting was held at Hambden Township town hall. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by Superintendent Matt Kross. 14 members and 3 guests were present.

- Reviewed the status of Railfest 2022. Still need to purchase face masks as per Lakeland's Addendum. We will need to determine the quantity and type to get. 120 tables have been paid for. There are another 120 tables requested but not yet paid. The remaining 120 tables are available for the vendors who have not responded yet. We need to get the NMRA Insurance Certificate for Lakeland. Snack bar will be as in previous years. We will need help to pickup/return supplies to the storage unit wagons, podium, pc stands, raffle boxes, signs, money boxes, etc. The following members volunteered to help with getting the Railfest items from the storage unit: Chuck Limbert, Paul Emch, and Doug Riedel. Railfest fliers are available. We are starting to advertise on our Face Book pages and various websites. Our advertising budget is substantially lower this year because we were not able to get a grant from the Lake County Visitor's bureau.
- Rich Kacprzak and Gary Shaffer volunteered to coordinate the Division 5 sales table at Railfest. Members were reminded that they need to fill out the sales table form listing the items they are selling. Copies of the form were available at the meeting. The form was also emailed to members and is available on the Division 5 website.
- Discussed a possible Division 5 excursion on the Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad in May while the NKP steam locomotive is in town pulling the train. A survey of the members was currently active using the Division 5 voting system on the Division website. There appears to be sufficient interest in the trip that the Division BOD will proceed with finalizing the details of the trip.
- The 2022 Division 5 Nominating Committee presented the following slate of candidates for 2022 Division 5 elections: for the office of Superintendent: Matt Kross; for the office of Assistant Superintendent: Mike Carovac. There were no additional nominations from the floor. The nominations were closed.
- Members were encouraged to step up and help with various tasks within the Division. We have just a few people doing the majority of the work in the Division. There are a number of open coordinator positions.
- Ideas for Bring 'n' Brag themes and program topics should be sent to Assistant Superintendent Mike Carovac. Members were encouraged to present pictures of their layout progress or other railroad items they are working on.

Reviewed upcoming events and shows

Briefly listed upcoming local shows shown on CleveShows.com

Division 2 Jamboree – Apr 23

Indy Junction 2022 – May 18-21

NMRA Gateway 2022 Convention – Aug 7 – 13

Items For The Good Of The Order:

- Recent (Feb 2) train derailment in Kansas City caught on video showing a center beam flat car being demolished. Video was posted on Face Book, YouTube, and Virtual Railfan.
- Recent NS locomotive fire near Conway Yard in Pittsburgh, PA was caught on video and posted to Face Book. Second locomotive in a consist was engulfed in flames as the train traveled down the tracks. Local fire department came and put the fire out.
- There are lots of railfan cameras in the Cleveland area that you can access on the web.
- Mike Carovac commented that he is seeing a lot of flat cars and gondolas being scrapped as he is driving by various railroad yards in the area.

Bring & Brag:	Dave Metzger	Linda Kacprzak	Bill Berger	Matt Kross

Program: Watched two short videos, one on all the different jobs within the Pittsburgh & Lake Erie Railroad back in 1976, the second on the steps to prepare a train to leave the yard on the Burlington Railroad in the 1980's.

Submitted by Matt Kross – Div 5 Clerk

BOD Meeting 31 January 2022

A virtual Division 5 BOD meeting was held on January 31, 2022 online using Zoom. In attendance were Matt Kross, Mike Carovac, Bryan Persing, Bonnie Lette, Wayne Lette, Ray Newnes, Linda Kacprzak, and Chuck Limbert.

- The regularly scheduled February BOD meeting was moved to January 31 for two reasons. The main reason was to discuss the time sensitive issue of buying tickets for a trip on the Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad. The second reason was because the normal BOD meeting would have been on Valentines Day.
- Discussed at length the proposed trip on the Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad on May 14 or May 21, 2022 when NKP #765 steam locomotive will be in town pulling the train. It was decided to do a survey of the membership to determine the level of interest for such a trip, which date is preferred, and how many people they would bring. If there is interest, then the Division will subsidize a portion of the cost. There are some conflicts with the two dates. The B&O Historical Society will be meeting in Burton, OH the weekend of May 14. The Indy Junction 2022 convention will be on the weekend of May 21. Also, the Ohio N Scale Weekend is the weekend of May 21.
- Reviewed the status of Railfest 2022 planning. The college came back to us and said that they will be able to provide food service this year, the same as was done in past years. However, the college said they may not be able to provide food service in the future so we may have to look into other sources such as food trucks or an outside caterer. Registration packets have been sent out to all the previous vendors and exhibitors. Deadline for registrations from previous vendors is February 4. After that date, tables will be opened up to people on our waiting list. Layout space was kept the same as previous years for now. Job signup sheet will be at the membership meeting.
- Reviewed several Division documents. There are some procedures spelled out in our Division Regulations that we are not fully following, mainly with regards to nominations for office but also a few other things. BOD meetings are supposed to be open to all members to attend. Since the BOD meetings are now online, we need to make Division members aware that the BOD meeting link is on the Division website under the Members Only section. Quorum for a meeting is a fixed number of members. As our membership drops, it is becoming harder to achieve a quorum. We may want to modify the Regulations to make it a percentage of the current number of members. Need to reword the makeup of the Nominating Committee since we rarely can achieve it. Timing of the financial audits should be revised due to delays in getting all the bills for Railfest. All BOD members need to go through the Regulations and make sure they are aware of how we are supposed to be doing things. If we need to change some procedures, we would need to start the process of revising our regulations.
- Also looked at the Division 5 Membership Guide. There are a number of sections in the guide that are out of date and need to be revised. The BOD will review the document at a future BOD meeting. The Clerk will start working on making updates to that document. The Division Tri Fold Brochure on the website is a bit out of date. The brochure was updated this past August. The updated version needs to be put on the Division website.
- With the current popularity of T-Trak modules, it was suggested that we revise our award for new modules to allow T-Trak modules to qualify. This was tabled for now and will be reviewed at a future BOD meeting.

- The winner of the \$75 Losers Raffle Certificate is not able to use it and would like to donate it back to the Division to use to help new young hobbyist. The BOD discussed some ways this might be done. We could divide the certificate into smaller amounts such as three \$25 awards. We could figure out a way to award them to new modelers that attend our Promo Day. Since there isn't any urgency to resolve this, the issued was tabled until next BOD meeting.
- Nominating Committee (Chuck Limbert and Dennis Lloyd) gave it their best effort to contact everyone in the Division to see if they were interested in running for office. They were only able to get one nominee per office: for the office of Superintendent: Matt Kross; for the office of Assistant Superintendent: Mike Carovac. We will see if there are any nominations from the floor at our February membership meeting.
- Need to determine where we want to hold Promo Day 2022 in November. There are a number of local meeting places that might work. We need someone to volunteer to be Promo Day Coordinator to start working on this.

We need meeting programs starting in May.

The next Div 5 BOD meeting will be on Monday, April 11, 2022 at 7:30pm online using Zoom. (Note: Normally, BOD meetings are held on even numbered months from February to October and then in November and not in December.)

Special BOD Meeting 15 February 2022

A special Division 5 BOD meeting was held on February 15, 2022 online using Zoom. In attendance were Matt Kross, Mike Carovac, Bonnie Lette, Ray Newnes, Chuck Limbert, Linda Kacprzak, Bob Gittinger, and Bruce Lutheran.

- The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the survey results for a Division trip on the Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad and determine how we wanted to proceed.
- The survey indicated that there was definitely interest for the trip. It was decided the Division would host a trip for Division members and their guests. The trip will be on Saturday, May 21, 2022 leaving from the Rockside station at 10:00 am. Ticket cost will be as follows: \$10 for Division 5 member; \$10 for one guest of a Division member; \$20 per additional guests of a Division member. The Division will buy a block of tickets for seating in one of the coaches. Division members and their guests will need to provide their own transportation to the station. Payment for the tickets will be due by our April 1, 2022 Division 5 meeting. Members can pay for their tickets at the March 4 or April 1 Division 5 meetings or they can mail their payment to the Division Treasurer. We will create a new survey on the Division 5 website that will allow members to specify how many tickets they wish to purchase. The e-mail notification about the new survey will provide the above details. The survey expiration will be approximately four days after the e-mail is sent out. For those members that don't have e-mail, phone calls will be made to them asking if they wish to go on the trip and how many tickets they are willing to purchase. Once we have the total ticket count, the Division Treasurer will purchase the tickets.

Bruce Lutheran has volunteered to be the trip leader on the day of the trip.

The next Div 5 BOD meeting will be on Monday, April 11, 2022 at 7:30pm online using Zoom. (Note: Normally, BOD meetings are held on even numbered months from February to October and then in November and not in December.)

Submitted by Matt Kross – Superintendent / temporary Div 5 Clerk



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March Trainwire Items

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March Meeting:	-	– 7:30pm – In-person meeting at Hambden Town Hall line Zoom meeting will be available)
*****	Bring 'n' Brag: Program:	Theme: B&O or Northeast Ohio related Rich Kacprzak – Northeast Ohio railroads
April Meeting:	(NO on	7:30pm – In-person meeting at Hambden Town Hall line Zoom meeting will be available) Theme: April Fools or Thumbs
*****	Program:	Dave Neff – Visit to Colorado railroads
May Meeting:	• •	7:30pm – In-person meeting at Hambden Town Hall line Zoom meeting will be available)
****	Program:	Theme: Western railroads or narrow gauge TBA

Division 5 Officer Nominations

The 2022 Division 5 Nominating Committee presented the following slate of candidates for 2022 Division 5 elections:

Superintendent:Matt KrossAssistant Superintendent:Mike Carovac

There were no additional nominations from the floor during the February 2022 Division 5 membership meeting. The nominations are now closed. Since there is only one candidate per office, there will not be a membership vote and the Division 5 BOD will declare an election by acclamation at the April 2022 BOD meeting.

Meeting Programs

A couple of people mentioned they would be willing to provide a program for our upcoming meetings. Unfortunately, these didn't get written down. If you have a program that you are willing to present, please let the Superintendent know (and tell him to write it down!).

Division 5 BOD Meetings Open To All Members

BOD meetings are open to all Division 5 members to attend. BOD meetings are now held online using Zoom. The meeting link for the BOD is the same every month BUT it is a different link from the general membership meeting link. The BOD meeting link is on the Division website under the Members Only section.

Promo Day Coordinator Needed

The Promo Day Coordinator position is currently open. We really need someone to step forward and take over this position. Promo Day 2022 isn't until November 5, 2022, but we need to start planning now for it. We need to lineup a place to hold the event. We also need to revisit how the event is run. We are looking for new ideas on how to show the public various model railroading techniques. If you are interested with helping in this area, please contact Matt Kross.



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Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad Trip

Division 5 will be doing a group ride on the Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad (CVSR) on Saturday, May 21, 2022 while the NKP #765 steam locomotive is in town. The train leaves the Rockside station at 10:00 am. You and your guests will need to provide your own transportation to the station. Ticket cost will be as follows: \$10 for Division 5 member; \$10 for one guest of a Division member; \$20 per additional guests. The Division will buy a block of tickets for seating in one of the coaches. We sent out an email for you to let us know how many tickets you wanted. For those of you that don't have e-mail, we tried to call you to get your ticket count. If you did not respond to the online ticket request or phone calls, then you may be out of luck. We can let you know which passenger car we bought tickets for and you can see if there are still seats left for you to buy directly from CVSR.

For those that specified the number of tickets you wanted, payment for the tickets will be due by our April 1, 2022 Division 5 meeting. You can pay for your tickets at the March 4 or April 1 Division 5 meetings or you can mail your payment to:

Bonnie Lette – Div 5 Treasurer 17541 Thompson Road Thompson, OH 44086

Make checks payable to: NMRA - Mid Central Region - Division 5

More information about the trip can be found at the CVSR website: https://www.cvsr.org/steam

Selling Items At The Division 5 Sales Table At Railfest

All Division 5 members are welcome to put items for sale on the Division 5 sales table at Railfest. However, there are some rules to follow.

You **MUST** fill out the Division 5 Railfest Fleamarket Table Items form. This form is available on the Division 5 website. We will also have paper copies at the March meeting. A copy of the form is included in this Trainwire. Use as many copies of the form as needed to list **ALL** the items you are selling. Each item on the table must have a sticker that contains the member's initials and a sequence number corresponding to the items on the form. Multiple items, bagged or boxed, are only counted as one item if they are being sold as a set.

Please keep prices in even dollar increments (\$1, \$2, \$3, etc.) if at all possible. This makes it a lot easier for the people manning the table to make change and handle the money.

Also, **you need to provide a Business Size envelope** to put the money in from the sales of your items. Mark your name clearly on the envelope. You also need to put some money in the envelope to allow the people manning the table to use for making change. We would like at least ten \$1 bills in the envelope. Please mark on the envelope the amount of money you provided for making change.

The full set of rules are listed on the back of the form.

Rich Kacprzak and Gary Shaffer have volunteered to run the Division sales table this year at Railfest. If you have any questions about selling items at the Division 5 table or wish to help man the table, please contact Rich or Gary.



Member Welfare

Condolences to Bonnie Lette and her family on the recent passing of her father.

Condolences to Anthony Conti and his family on the recent passing of his father.

Get well wishes to Dave Neff who has been in the hospital a couple of times recently and working on recovering.

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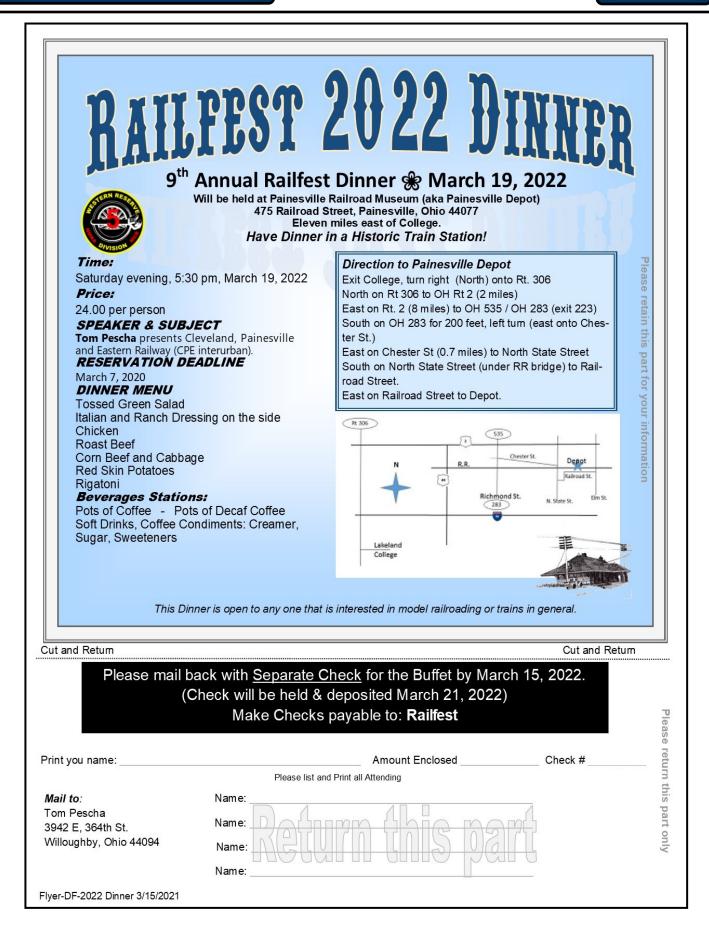
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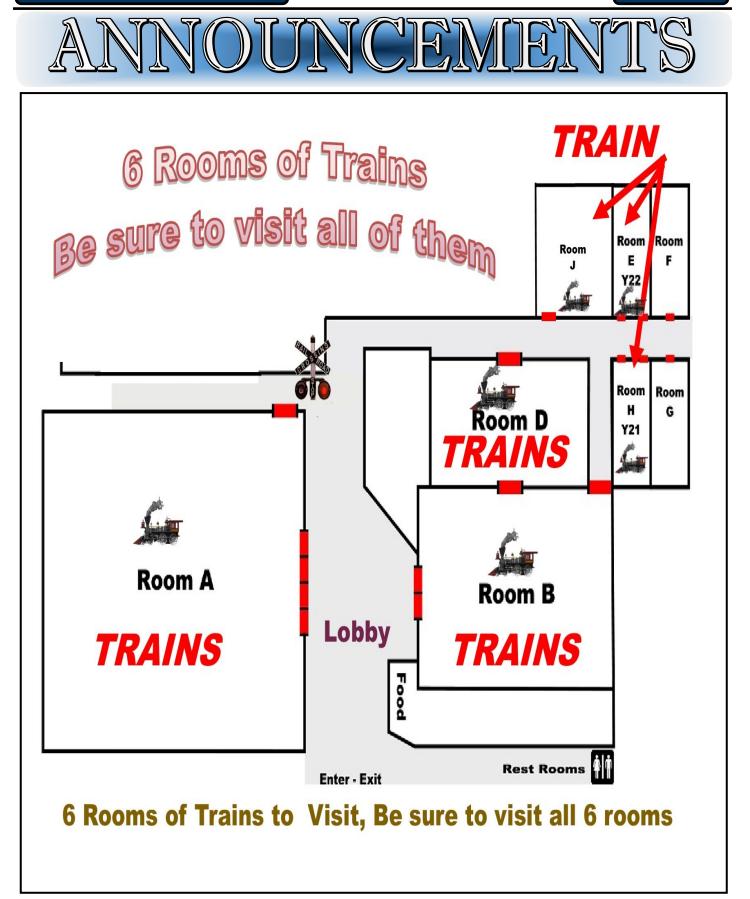
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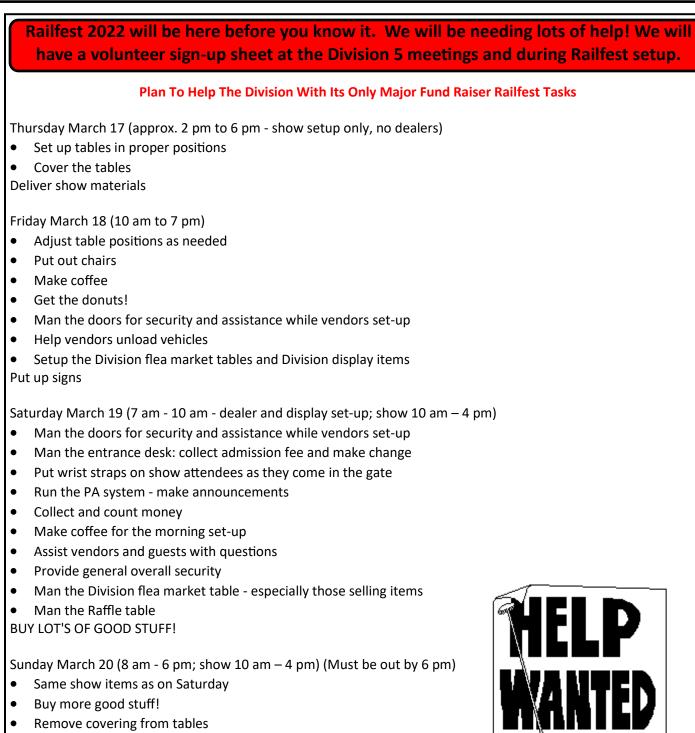
NOTICE: Due to ongoing COVID, Lakeland will mandate all the vendors, volunteers & attendees to wear masks or face coverings during all aspects of the show, everyone must adhere to Lakeland's COVID-19 policy. This mandate could possibility be lifted by the time of the show, only time will tell.

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- Clean up trash
- Provide security while vendors load their vehicles
- ٠ Assist vendors with carrying merchandise to their vehicles
- Take down displays and signs

Volunteers especially needed for tear down: 4pm to 7pm



Division 5	My signature on this paper hereby releases Div 5 MCR NMRA, its officers & workers from any and all liability in case of loss or damage to my property while at this show.			
Railfest	Member's Signature:			
Fleamarket				
Table Items	Table Items Division 5 Member's Name:			

I will accept checks:

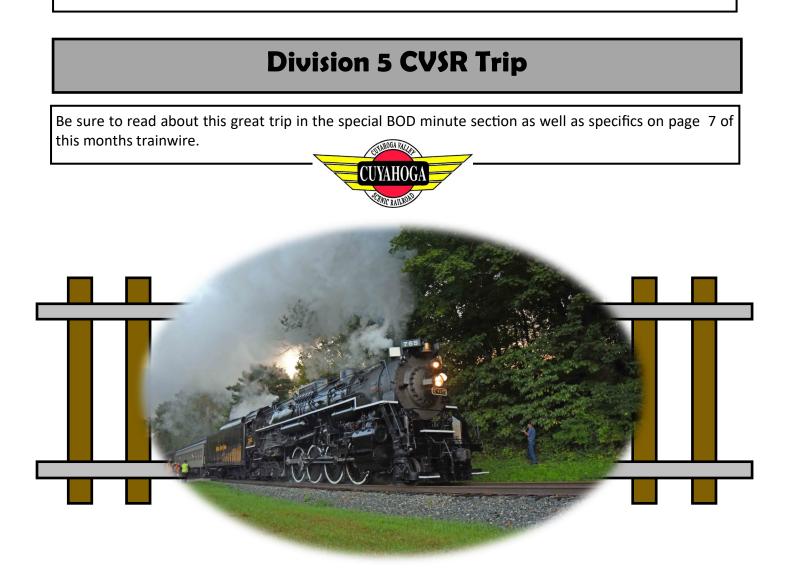
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Seller's Initials	ltem No.	Description	Asking Price	Min Sell Price	Sale Price

Division 5 Fleamarket Table Item Rules

If you want to make use of the Division fleamarket table at Railfest, you MUST fill out the form on the other side of this sheet. Use as many copies of the form as needed to list ALL the items you are selling. Each item on the table must have a sticker that contains the member's initials and a sequence number corresponding to the items on the form. Multiple items, bagged or boxed, are only counted as one item if they are being sold as a set. Please keep prices in even dollar increments (\$1, \$2, \$3, etc.) if at all possible. This makes it a lot easier for the people manning the table to make change and handle the money. Also, you need to provide a Business Size envelope to put the money in from the sales of your items. Mark your name clearly on the envelope. You also need to put some money in the envelope to allow the people manning the table to use for making change. We would like at least ten \$1 bills in the envelope. Please mark on the envelope the amount of money you provided for making change.



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Program, Bring & Brag		

WANTED

The Trainwire is always looking for an interesting article. If you have taken a trip lately, seen something interesting trackside, have a particular viewpoint on a railroad subject or just want to participate in the members profile; 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 write your article and send them to the Editor by email.

NOTICE

I work on the Trainwire throughout the month and publish it around the 20th. If you absolutely need something in the next Trainwire issue please send it as soon as possible or let me know to hold space for you. Many times space allotted for certain items may already be spoken for. However, if you send items in early I can rearrange the format. Also when items are submitted I will inform you that I received them and when to look for them in the Trainwire. PUBLICATION OF DIVISION 5 2860 LORETO DRIVE WILLOUGHBY HILLS, OHIO 44094

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