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TRAINS OF THOUGHT

Well, another Wasatch Rails train show is behind us. This year's show was good. We doubled the child attendance over last year. The "Hands On" activities were a great success. We'll be expanding those activities going forward and see if we can get more kids involved. Thanks to Stan, Blaine and of the rest that helped. It was a great time! We all wish that we had a much larger attendance. Why do we get 25% of the Hostler Festival attendance? Is it the venue, the advertising or lack of it, the show content or what? We would appreciate your opinions. This is election time for the Northern Utah Division. Geoff Carter is running that



activity this year. If you have any interest in running for any of the 4 positions open, get you name to him ASAP. And DO NOT forget to vote in December. We'll have a couple of options for you in voting. The 2019 National NMRA Convention & Train Show is just around the corner literally. The 3 1/2 years until that event

happens will pass by in a flash. At this point we have a few volunteers and some of the work in progress. There is a LOT more to do. We will need a lot of volunteers to plan the various events, the tours, etc. Please strongly consider getting your name to Alan Anderson (alananderson66@gmail.com), me (jack.r.chase@gmail.com) or any of the other board members. We want to show the World how a first class organization does a Convention and what great model railroaders we have here in Utah! Please join us in this effort. I have been considering for awhile offering a Norther Utah Division Golf shirt. It could be beige or ??, long or short

sleeved, pocket/no pocket. I would have our beautiful logo (thanks, Rick) predominantly displayed in color. I have talked to Ruth about such a shirt. The cost would be approximately \$25. Are you interested? What would you like to see if you are interested? Those are my thoughts. What are yours? I'd love to hear from you

Jack Chase Superintendent

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2015 Election News



IT IS ELECTION TIME AGAIN!

Guidance from the By-Laws:

Treasurer

The Board of Directors serve a term of two full fiscal years. The Superintendent and two Directors (Seat A and Seat C) serve terms beginning the first day of odd numbered fiscal years, and the Assistant Superintendent, Treasurer, and two Directors (Seat B and Seat D) serve terms beginning the first day of even numbered fiscal years. Eligible members may declare their candidacy for an office at any time between the opening of the October event and the close of the November event, by notifying the Election Committee of their intent. Each candidate may also submit a photo, and a 250-word (or less) candidate's statement, to be published in the issue of the Division newsletter that immediately follows the November event.

Each candidate is entitled to run for one elected office. To be eligible to hold or run for an elected office, a candidate must reside within Division territory, be a member of the NMRA in good standing, and hold a membership classification in the NMRA that grants them the right to vote.

Asst. Superintendent The Assistant Superintendent performs the usual duties of an Officer of a non-profit corporation, and will preside over Division and Board meetings that the Superintendent is unable to attend, and is responsible for membership records, recruiting, and retention efforts If there is no Show Chairman, the Assistant Superintendent will assume the responsibility of Show Chairman.

The Treasurer performs the usual duties of a Financial Officer of a non-profit corporation, presides over Division and Board meeting that both the Superintendent and the Assistant Superintendent are unable to attend, and develops the Division's budget for review and approval by the Board at annual meeting. The physical and financial assets of the Division are the responsibility of the Treasurer **Board Members**

The Board of Directors perform the usual duties of Trustees of a non-profit corporation, and fulfill assignments made by the Board of Directors. Oversight of the Superintendent, the Assistant Superintendent, and the Treasurer is the responsibility of the Board of Directors. Other Information

It is proposed that the top vote getter will win Board Seat B and the second top voter getter will win Board Seat D. The election committee consists of Geoff Carter, Chair, Rick Luther and Pete Harmon, Members. If you want to run for any office, then please see a member of the committee by the end of the meeting on 21 November 2015. Please bear in mind that this is to be a friendly election, not a duel to the death. There is much work to be done in

many areas and we sincerely hope that those who do not win will stick around and fill one of the many needs of the division. And the rest of you lay-abouts find something you could do to help the division be the best it can be. Also, it would be nice to have a few words to add below your candidacy letting the voters know who you are and why you would like to serve. Again, send it and a picture (if you like) to gcarter1945@centurylink.net.

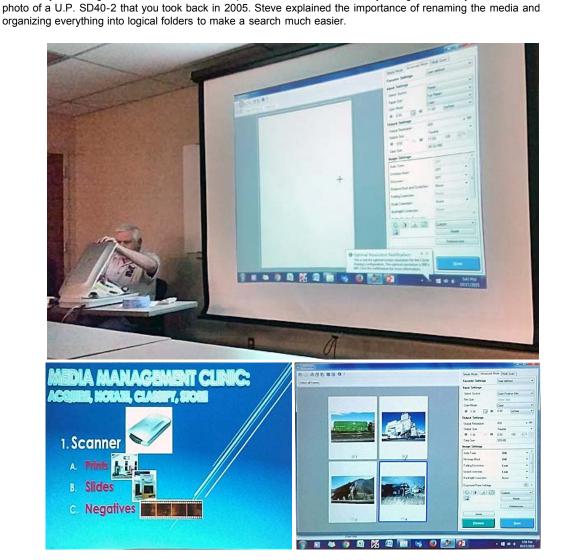
WATCH YOUR EMAIL FOR A SPECIAL ELECTION ISSUE!

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What Happened Last Month

EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

The October 17th, 2015 event of the Northern Utah Division featured a presentation by Steve Moore about some handy tips for managing all the different types media of trains you have. Attendees learned that a scanner becomes an important part of managing all of the different types media including prints, slides and negatives. Don't forget about all of the photos you have stored on from your digital camera as well. Now that you have gathered all these wonderful photos or other info, how do you organize it so you can find that certain



A handout from this presentation is available from the Nothern Utah Division website at: http://northernutahnmra.org/monthly-events/past-clinics/. Look for the PDF Media Management handout link for the October 17th 2015 listing on the web page.

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PRESENTATIONS & WORKSHOPS



Learn Something New

The Future of Model Railroading Presented by Blaine Holbrook

Presentation & Workshop

The Northern Utah Division's Boxcar Races have been quite successful. Wasatch Rails 2015 had a great number of activities for the public. Join us for an update of what the Northern Utah Division is doing to encourage the public, especially children, to be involved in Model Railroading.

Gauge and Scale Workshop by Stan Jennings

What is railroad gauge? What is scale? Are they the same thing? This is a hands-on clinic on what railroad gauge is and how to calculate scale. Bring your calculator! Dial calipers would be handy. Do you have a question about the scale of one of your models? Bring it.



Presentation & Workshop Introduction to Mold Making and Casting

Presented by Jim Wanlass

Learn about making molds and casting parts. The first part will be a presentation on the mold making process and using "off-the-shelf" products. The second part will explain casting parts and molds will be available for a hands-on casting session.

Advanced Airbrush Workshop by Alan Eaton

Blaine Holbrook's home has enough room to have both labs at the same time so attendees will be able to gain experience in casting and airbrushing. PLEASE NOTE: We will meet at Blaine Holbrook's home this month because of the "messiness" of this workshop. Blaine's address is: 500 East 1000 South in Centerville.

January Presentation	
16th <u>Cool Tools, Tips and Tricks</u> Presented by Rick Luther	
3:00 PM - 5:00PM Includes tips and tricks to make your modeling work much easier. A Tool". We will also have a "Bring and Share" your favorite tool or tip	
PLEASE NOTE: We will meet at the OT&W's Train Show at Than Thanksgiving Way in Lehi. From the north I-15 take Exit 284 or attend our event!	
February Ouick and Easy Trees 20th Quick and Easy Trees 3:00 PM - 5:00PM PLEASE NOTE: We will be back at the Medical Center, West Valley Campus.	normal meeting location at Jordan Valley
March 19th 3:00 PM - 5:00PM documented some of the construction. Presentation Building the Canadian Northern Pacifi Presentation by Greg Butters His wife's grandfather worked on the rail	⊆ road from 1915-1919. He photographed and
April Presentation 16th Scratch Building Rolling Stock 3:00 PM - 5:00PM Learn from one of Utah's master model to detailed and award winning rolling stock!	builders the techniques for building beautiful, fine
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Crew Chief -- DOGs Northern Utah Division of the NMRA Proud Host of the 2019 National NMRA Convention & Train Show

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Golden Spike Train Club of Utah GOLDEN SPIKE TRAIN CLUB Congratulations to the Golden Spike Train Club for their 1st Place win at the 2015 Wasatch Rails Expo! They brought a beautiful switching module and it looked like they were having a good time switching trains. GOLDEN SPIKE TRAIN CLUB GROU MON FORT PLEASE NOTE: No Open House on the 3rd Saturday this month! Look for us next in December weather permitting! Visit our website at http://goldenspiketrainclub.org/ Train Club of or Utah like us on facebook at https://www.facebook.com/GoldenspikeTrainClub/

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South Weber Model Railroad Club

OUTH WEBER MODEL RR CLUB

The weather is our problem from November thru February so trains will not be running. Stay tuned for our next session in March. Happy Holidays!



We are a very small 1-1/2" scale model RR Club in the Canyon Meadows Park. (South Weber City) We have more than 3/4 mile of track, 1/2 mile loop. We would invite you to join our Club and have fun with us. We give free rides the third Saturday of every month beginning in March and ending with a BIG HOLOWEEN run in October. Last Holloween we gave over 700 rides. I'm afraid if we ever get MEDIA attention we would have to run more trains, more days and need new members. SO DON'T TELL THE MEDIA WE EXIST Then we would have more fun building more track potential of 2 miles. Visit their website at http://southweberrr.webs.com/ or like us on facebook at www.facebook.com/SouthWeberRailroad/

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Achievement Program

covered the rest of the material.



This year we opened it up to the public but we didn't have any takers, just the Boy Scouts. There are two aspects to the merit badge: Real Railroading and Model Railroading. Cindy is a licensed Operation Lifesaver instructor and she went

over the safety aspects of trains. Fred and I are both registered merit badge counselors and between the two of us, we



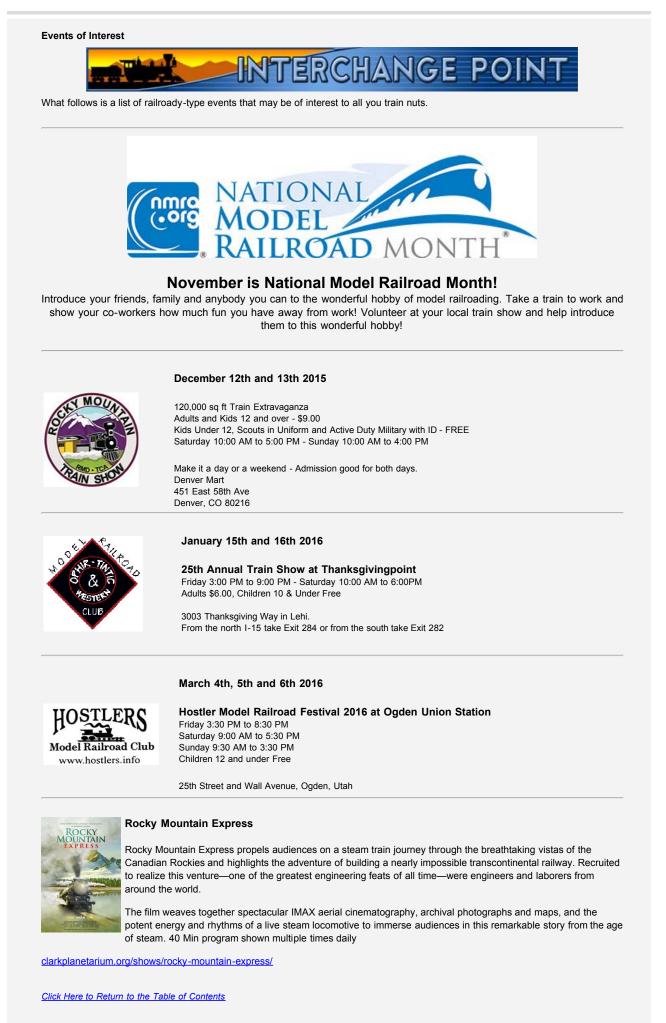
We had displays as well as a hands-on Timesaver for them to operate on. Whether the boy is really interested in trains or not, it provides an opportunity to teach about trains and if they weren't then maybe they might become interested, at least some day. That's why the hands-on aspect is so important. In addition to Wasatch Rails, I do the class for my local boys too. If you are wondering how you can become a counselor, or what it takes, send me an email and I will help you get started. By the way, it really is the quickest way to earn the Volunteer AP Certificate! Another way you might not think about as giving back is to enter model contests. Sometimes when the public comes and sees the large modular layouts they might think to themselves that they could never do something like that. One building, car or locomotive on display is a little less intimidating, in my opinion. This year the contest at Wasatch Rails had some wonderful kit-bashed locomotives to represent the Disney locomotives. Something I have thought about doing but not yet taken the time. Having those on display, first shows the public some great modeling but secondly inspires me that I



I want to also thank Rick Luther! He was a huge help in keeping the contest organized. While I was off doing the merit badge workshop he was reviewing the paperwork and making sure everything was in order. By the time I got back, the k he had already done made it simple to complete things before the dinner. Thanks again I saw an article where an Eagle Scout Project was to make a model railroad layout for a hospital. That sounds like a lot of work! It is definitely a way to give back! What are some other ways? In this time of Thanksgiving let's not be alone in our Model Railroading. November is National Model Railroad Month. Think outside the box of ways you can share your hobby with others, get each other involved and that way we can enjoy the journey together. **Jim Wanlass** AP Chairman

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New Division Rolling Stock



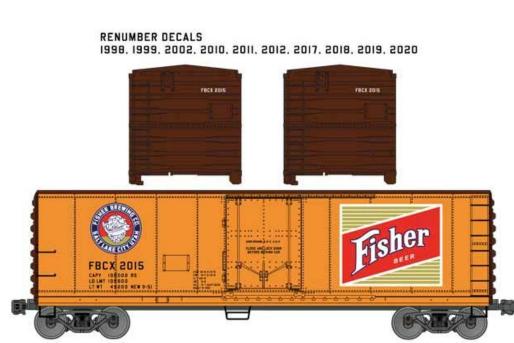
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HURRY WHILE THEY ARE STILL AVAILABLE!

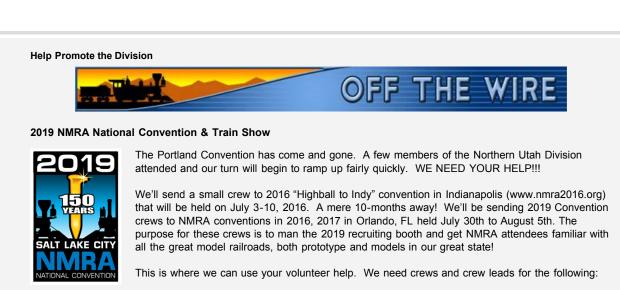
yours! The 2015 Northern Utah Division Car is a Fisher Beer reefer fantasy car based on logos from an actual Fisher Beer bottle dating to the 1950s-1960s. An Accurail 8500 Series 40' Steel Plug Door Refrigerator Car will be used. There will be only forty-eight cars produced. Approx. Quantity Remaining: 5

The Fisher Beer reefers have arrived and are available for immediate shipment or pick-up. Contact Stan Jennings to get

Each car is \$40 with \$5 shipping for any quantity. (US only, outside US email for shipping costs.)

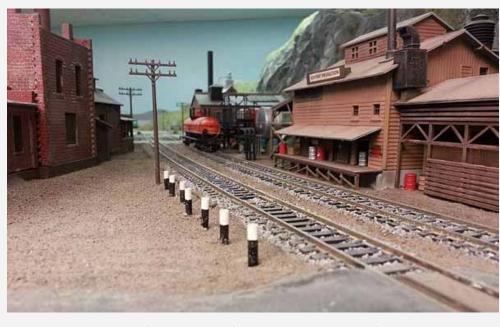


To reserve your own car, contact Stan Jennings at 801-967-0999 or order online from the division website at http://northernutahnmra.org/club-car/ Click Here to Return to the Table of Contents



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Proto tours and activities



(This is a model railroad here in Salt Lake that only a few people have seen... There are GREAT layouts in the area!!!)

Thanks to Steve Moore, Bill Hughes, Jack Chase and others who have been working on commitments for clinics. If you know of model railroads, both finished and work in progress (aren't they all in a state of progress??), proto rail sites, non-rail tours such as Tabernacle Choir, downtown, Clark Planetarium, etc.

We can use your help to let us know where they are and who the contacts are. Maybe you can call a few people to set up their layout, check and see about tickets to area attractions. If you can help, and we need your help, contact Alan Anderson, the convention chair, at 801-971-5341 or email at nmra2019slc@outlook.com (our official convention email address)

There are opportunities to see a convention in action with the following locations for NMRA National Convention sites: 2016: Indianapolis, IN - July 3-10, 2016 2017: Orlando, FL - July 2017 • 2018: Kansas City, MO - Dates pending • 2019: Salt Lake City, UT - July 7-13, 2019 - Sesquicentennial of the driving of the Golden Spike

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Member Benefits and Discounts

BENEFITS & DISCOUNTS

Northern Utah Division NMRA Member Benefits and Hobby Shop Discounts The Northern Utah Division, NMRA's Wasatch Rails 2015 will be offering some special benefits for NMRA members. In a few days we will be sending a separate mailing with the complete information to NMRA members.



Hobby Shop Discounts

eligible for the card discount.

The Train Shoppe offers a 5% club discount, NMRA members can take advantage of this discount by showing the NMRA membership card. However, The Train Shoppe also offer a card program that offers a 10% discount, any customer is

2964 South State Street | Salt Lake City, Utah 84115 | 801-322-2729 | Open 10am-7pm Mon-Sat



The Club Car

MRS Hobby Shop offers a points system discount, ask them for details. 9860 South 700 East | Sandy, Utah 84070 | 801-572-6082 Monday - Saturday: 10 AM-7 PM | Sunday: Closed

The Northern Utah Division is home to many outstanding modeling clubs, in every scale from Z to Live Steam. You are sure to find at least one

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THE CLUB CA

of them that will meet your needs, so drop them a line and join the fun! Contact information is the most recent we have on file. If you have a railroad modeling club in the state of Utah, we would be happy to include your information here. Just send us the name of your club, the scales you support in your club, and how prospective members may contact your club. Color Country Model Railroad Club - This multi-scale club is located in the Southern Utah Division in St. George, Utah. Contact Dave Merrill by email at: professordavemerrill@qmail.com. Visit their website at http://colorcountrytrains.org/sud/ Color Country T-Trak Club - This N Scale club, located in the Southern Utah Division in St. George, Utah, uses the T-Trak modular system. Contact the club by email at: ColorCountryTTrak@gmail.com. Visit their website at http://www.ccttc.info Golden Spike American Flyer Train Club - This S scale club meets the third Friday of each month at various club member homes. Their newsletter contains the time and place. Call Jim Buckley by phone at: (801) 252-1921 or by email at: jamesbuckley7@comcast.com. Visit their website at http://www.gsaftc.com/about.htm Golden Spike Train Club of Utah - This HO/HOn3 100% NMRA club meets Saturday Evenings from 3:00 pm to 6:00 pm, at the Old Children's Museum of Utah (840 N 300 West, SLC). Open Houses are held on the 3rd Saturday's of the month from 12-4 pm. Contact Mark Forslund by phone at (801) 641-6586 for more information. Out of the area memberships are available. Visit their website at http://goldenspiketrainclub.org Great Basin Lego Train Club - Adult fans of LEGO. Meeting times and club info is posted on their website. Contact Reed Cowan by email at: gbltc@aol.com. Visit their website at http://greatbasinltc.utahlug.org/ HOn3 Club of Northern Utah – Specializing in local narrow gauge railroads in HOn3, this group meets informally and has a layout in Grantsville. Contact Fred Voelcker by email at: fred.voelcker@gmail.com Hostlers Model Railroad Club - This Multi-scale club, including live steam, meets the 3rd Wednesday of every month at Ogden's historic Union Station. Contact Mike Murphy by USPS mail at: 752 W 4375 South, Riverdale, UT 84405 or by phone at: (801) 394-4952. Visit their website at http://hostlers.org O Scale 3 Guys - An O and On3 scale club. Contact Alan Badham by USPS mail at 3061 Bonnie Brea Ave, Salt Lake City, UT 84124 or by phone at: (801) 278-1004 Visit their website at http://theoscaleguys.tripod.com/ Ophir, Tintic and Western – This 100% NMRA club models in HO and N and meets at the SCERA Theater Boardroom (745 South State Street, Orem) at 7:00 pm on the 3rd Thursday of every month. Contact Larry Carter by email at larrycarter@msn.com or by phone at (801) 446-8161 Visit their website at http://www.otwtrainclub.com/ Railway & Locomotive Historical Society (Golden Spike Chapter) - An historically oriented group of researchers and preservationists, the Golden Spike chapter of the R&LHS meets at Ogden Station and is presently in the midst of a 20+ year restoration project of the D&RGW #223. Visit their website at http://www.trainweb.org/GoldenSpikeLRHS/index.html South Weber Model Railroad Club – This 1-1/2" club runs trains every 3rd Saturday & Sunday at South Weber Canyon Meadows Park. I-84 exit #85, two blocks south, two blocks east. Visit their website at http://southweberrr.webs.com/

Trackers – This HO/HOn3 club meets at the Tooele Railroad Museum (35 N Broadway, Tooele) on Saturdays from 12:00 noon to 4:00 pm (from Memorial Day to Labor Day). During the off-season, club members may meet for maintenance/upgrades to the layout, as weather permits. Contact Cindy Meiser by phone at: (801) 966-7411 or by mail at: 512 Crockett Drive Kearns, Utah 84118. Visit their website at http://trackersmodelrrclub.org/ Utah Free-MO – A travelling HO Modular group conforming to the Free-MO standard. Contact Allen Carter by email at: Utahfreemo@aol.com Utah Garden Railway Society - A "G scale" group dedicated to the art of Garden Railways. Contact Lynn Stringham, President (UGRS) by

USPS mail at: 4464 S 4100 West, West Haven, UT 84401 Utah Large Scale Society - A G scale group that meets in various member's homes. Contact Stan White by phone at: (801) 546-4085 or by USPS mail at: 920 N 1550 East, Layton, UT 84040 Utah Live Steamers - Formed in 2007 and in May of 2014 the name The Salt lake and Utah Railroad Historic Society was added. Our railroad will be located in Saratoga Springs – Shay Park, which encompasses 12 acres. The key feature is the abandonded railroad grade of the Salt Lake & Western Railroad Fairfield branch. Our track gauge will be 7.5" and 1.6" scale Live Steam and Diesel Locomotives. There will be 3,000' of track and we plan to have trains operating by summer-fail 2016. Anyone who wishes to help, please contact Mike at cmry@sfcn.org or 801-798-0241 Visit their website at http://uvls.org/

Utah Train Collectors Association – Primarily 3-rail O gauge, though other scales are represented. Promotes model railroading in Northern Utah. Meets the last Thursday of each month. Contact Kent Silver (Club President) by email at: webmaster@utahtca.com. Visit their website at http://utahtca.com/default.htm Wasatch N Scale Model Railroad Club - Contact Bob Gerald by phone at: (801) 864-0174 Wasatch Z Scale Model Railroad Club - Currently reorganizing. Interested parties may send email to: superintendent@nmrawasatch.org

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DIVISION BRASS HATS

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Director-at-Large:	Steve Moore
Director-at-Large:	Geoff Carter
Director-at-Large:	Blaine Holbrook
Committee Positions	
Advertising/Marketing:	Steve Moore
Convention Chairman:	Alan Anderson
Achievement Program:	Jim Wanlass
Division Operations Group (DOG's):	Jack Chase
Clinic Coordinator:	Stan Jennings
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