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TRAINS OF THOUGHT



Well, we have completed our first Expo at the South Towne Expo Center and it was a rousing success. When the final numbers are tallied, I'm going to guess that we doubled our recent attendance numbers from the fairgrounds. Saturday was extremely busy with absolute crowds of adults and kids milling through the venue. Sunday was OK, but not like Saturday. The venue really looked like a very professional train show. Our kid's interactive activities were a huge success. I believe that we had over 100 kids sign up for the Children's Train Club which is



associated with the Gateway Children's Museum. So now we must keep the momentum going and keep the kids playing (& working) with trains! My sincere thanks to all that helped out with the huge effort. Don't forget that this is election time for our Division. Please get your votes into the election committee Those are my thoughts. I welcome yours.

Jack Chase Superintendent Northern Utah Division of the NMRA 801-323-1148 jack.r.chase@gmail.com

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2016 Election News

Guidance from the By-Laws:

DIVISION ELECTIONS



IT IS ELECTION TIME AGAIN!

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. 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. **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 A and the second top voter getter will win Board Seat C.

The election committee consists of Jim Wanlass, Chair, Rick Luther and Alan Anderson, Members. If you want to run for any office, then please see a member of the committee by the end of the meeting on 19 November 2016. 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 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 jim@wanlass.com. WATCH YOUR EMAIL FOR A SPECIAL ELECTION ISSUE!

What Happened Last Month

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ENT HIGHLIGHTS

The October 15, 2016 event of the Northern Utah Division featured a "Share Your Modeling Skills" presented by Blaine Holbrook. The first part of the clinic included a Show n' Tell. Members brought their favorite model, photograph or tell a railroad or model railroad story. The intent was to demonstrate to the Discovery Model Railroad Club that model railroading IS the most interesting hobby in the world. The Discovery Model Railroad Club is a 100% NMRA club for youth.





The second part of the event was all about sharing our skills with the Discovery Model Railroad Club members which included hands-on interaction with the new modelers and helping to build their Pizza Pie layouts. These layouts were featured at the 2016 Intermountain Train Show.









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Intermountain Train Expo

INFERMOUNTAIN TRAIN EXPO

A few thoughts about this year' show. (Photos Below)

The hall is quiet now. The trains have all been boxed up. The displays are in storage until the next show. I had a great time. There wasn't enough time to get around and see everything this year's show had to offer. There were lots of great layouts and enough vendors to make sure my bank account was nearly empty. It was great conversing with fellow modelers and introducing the public to our fun hobby. It was an event that everyone I talked to enjoyed themselves and happy that we changed venues from the Fair Park. - Rick Luther

A note from Geoff Carter

Fred Baney and Geoff Carter were in charge of the layout for the Intermountain Train Expo held earlier this week, we heartily thank those who came out early Friday Morning and served on the Survey Crew to help mark the floor for the vendors/layouts/exhibitors. In no particular order and hoping not to forget anyone these stalwart individuals consisted of Jack Chase, Mike Nelson, Keith Osojnak, Pete Harmon, Blaine Holbrook, Stan White, Fred Baney, and Lou Anderson. If I've forgotten anyone, please pardon my faulty little grey cells. It was a huge job, working against the clock and folks chomping at the bit to get in and get set up. We learned a lot from this exercise that will be carried forward to our next show in 2017.

An outsider's review of the 2016 show

Dale Angell, known for his YouTube "Toy Man Television" channel, featured the Intermountain Train Expo in one of latest videos. Follow this link to his video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bk2x8B30S2c



Discovery Gateway Project Layout

THE HOOD

For those that would like to get some real hands on experience or chance to sharpen your layout building skills, please consider helping out with the layouts we are building for the Discovery Gateway. The layouts are being built as an instructional tool that staff can use for educational discovery gateway programs for children and adults. Each layout is built on wheels so that it can be easily moved in children's museum and out of their public workshop rooms. Work sessions are scheduled for every Tuesday from 10 am to 12 pm and from 10 am to 12 pm the morning of our regularly scheduled event on the third Saturday of the month. Please contact Blaine at <u>bholbro1466@earthlink.net</u> or by phone at 801-580-1459 for more information and to confirm the work session time.

Blaine Holbrook Director at Large, Northern Division, NMRA 801-580-1459 bholbro1466@earthlink.net

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Division Operations Group News

THERN UTAH DIVISION ON OPERATIONS

In October the DOGs met at Rob Spangler's terrific Western Pacific layout for a great In November we will be meeting at Lee Nicholas' UCW for a great Ops Session on November 26 at 10 AM sharp. If you want one of the last couple of crew openings, get to me QUICKLY! It will be another great session.

D.O.G. NEWS

Contact me at jack.r.chase@gmail.com to be added to the roster.

Crew Chief -- DOGs Northern Utah Division of the NMRA Proud Host of the 2019 National NMRA Convention & Train Show

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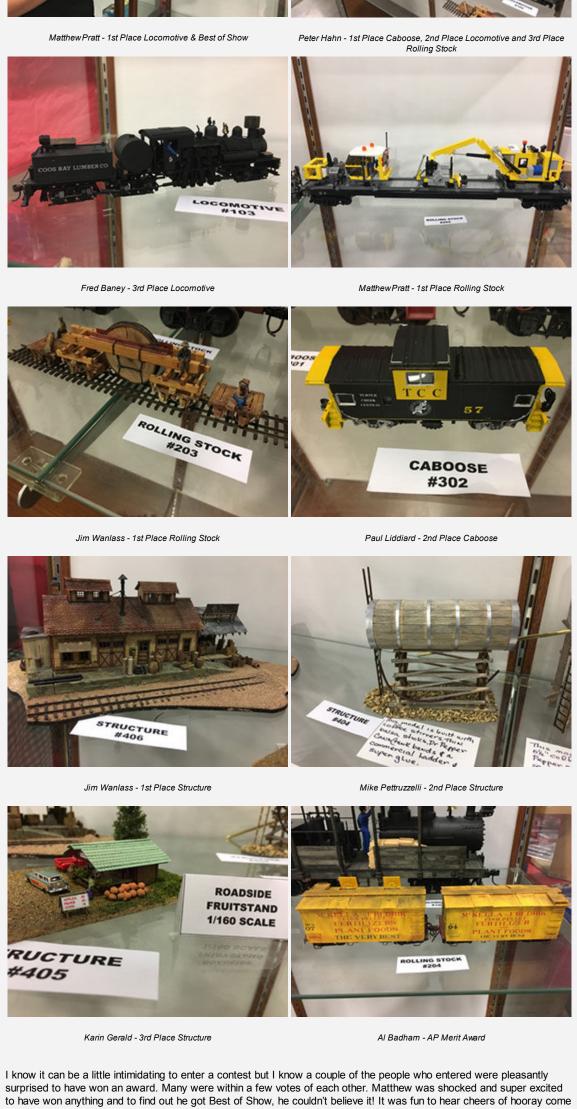
Achievement Program

Jack Chase

ACHIEVEMENT PROGRAM

We had a good turnout of entries for the Popular Vote Model Contest at the 2016 Intermountain Train Expo! We had about 100 ballots cast for favorite models in four categories plus a "Best of Show" where people voted for their overall favorite from all of the categories. It was fun to see people's reactions to the models and overall a great time interacting with everyone. In addition to but separate from the contest AI Badham received an AP Merit Award for his beautifully done drop bottom hoppers (entered into the contest late to receive very many votes), and I passed off two people for their Golden Spike Award! Bob Gerald (Karin is close to getting hers) and Mike Pettruzzelli (he is also on his way towards his Master





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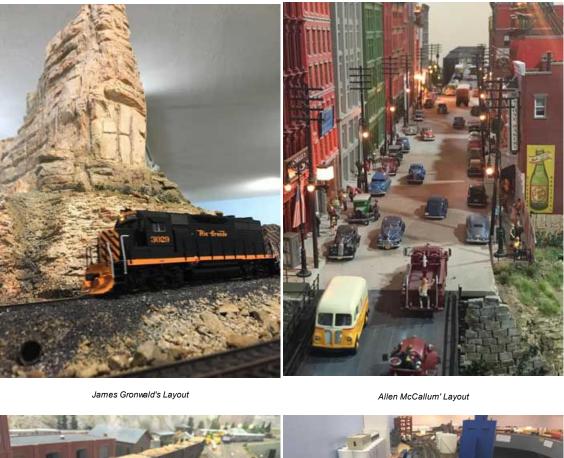
from the back of the hall when his name was announced over the PA system! You, like others, may have to step out of your comfort zone to enter a model contest. Who knows, you might be pleasantly surprised at the results. It is fun to talk about and share our modeling efforts with others and in that way we can enjoy the journey together! Jim Wanlass AP Chairman ap@northernutahnmra.org

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Division News Items

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A few photos from the Hostlers layout tour last month!





Rick Glismann's Layout

Mickey Braun's Layout

Saratoga Springs City Halloween Party with Utah Live Steamers. What a great turnout and a fun night!



DONATIONS FOR SALE



Remember the list of items donated to the Northern Utah Division, NMRA, in last month's Promontory Post? Now there are some more. Some have been sold, Geoff Carter will be taking charge of selling the rest. Most of the items will be at the July Division Event. Cash or checks only. Click Here to Return to the Table of Contents



have some HO scale DCC equipped locomotives, or some NMRA compliant rolling stock you would like to operate on our layout, please bring it with you, and we will see about getting you up and running for a few loops around our layout! Like us on facebook at https://www.facebook.com/GoldenspikeTrainClub/

South Weber Model Railroad Club



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The Club Car

THE CLUB (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 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@gmail.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 Guys - An O and On3 scale club. Contact Alan Badham by phone at: (801) 975-0367. 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. 1-84 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-fall 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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Presentation & Workshop Coordinator:	Stan Jennings
Layout Tours:	Pete Harmon
Division Librarian	Robert Arnesen
Secretary	Janet Jennings
Newsletter Editor	Rick Luther

MEETING INFORMATION **NEW LOCATION!**

Utah's center for model railroading excellence! Join us every third Saturday at the **Discovery Gateway Children's Museum** at the Gateway Shopping Center 444 West 100 South, Salt Lake City from 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM



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