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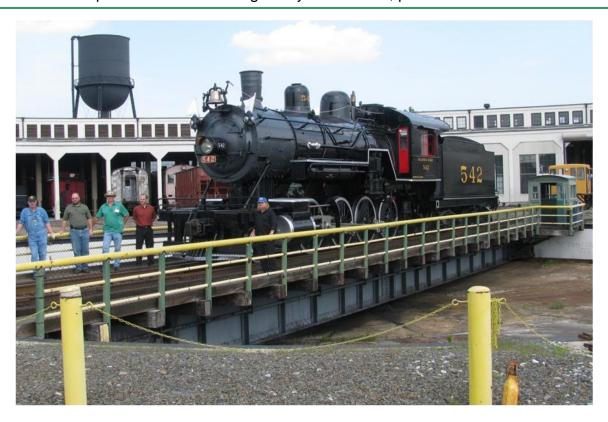
### February 2012

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Our next meeting is on February 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7 PM.

Send comments about and contributions to this newsletter to editor.

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## News for our members Our next meeting

Our next meeting will be starting at 7 PM on Thursday February 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**Clinic: Model Railroad Photography** 

Synopsis: A NMRA Convention clinic explaining how to photograph your railroad correctly by Fred Lagno. Fred Lagno is a professional photographer who has numerous covers and photos in various model railroading publication. This clinic is not for the professional, but for any of us how get the best photos of your layout. (Which could help get your article in model railroading magazines, like Model Railroad Hobbyist, and on your way to Author AP certificate.) **See you there!** 

#### REPORT ON THE LAST MEETING

Superintendent **Fred Coleman** called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm on January 5, 2012. With regard to the upcoming train show.

- We are doing well on getting set up for our show in March.
- We have sold over 75 tables.
- We will have seven operating layouts representing scales from Z to G.
- A raffle prize of a tool box was donated. (picture below)
- We will have a nice painting by Ann Vasilik for raffle or door prize
- We should all be out promoting the show, selling raffle tickets, and admission tickets.

Clint Smoke thanked the members for the use of the modules at Deerfield during the holidays. During 15 two-hour open-house sessions, 735 people came to see the modules.

After a short break we watched a clinic presented by **MMR Ted Culotta** on modeling steam locomotives, presented at a recent NMRA National Convention, through a DVD from **NMRA's Kalmbach Library** 



Our raffle prize to be given away at the Train Show.





#### LAND O'SKY MEETING RECAP

Land O'Sky had is quarterly meeting on January 21 at Fletcher. There was a good turnout of approximately 20 people.

Members were reminded of our Model Train Show, March 2 and 3, at the AG Center in Fletcher.

Ken O'Brien was elected as Superintendent. Mike Nicoletti was reelected as Paymaster.

Ken advocates more outreach by moving our meetings to other venues, more communication through Yahoo groups, etc., and more participation in the NMRA Achievement Program.

Ken provided an interesting clinic on modeling milk transportation by rail including modeling milk cars and track-side facilities for handling milk products.

Ben Bartlett had seven AP certificates to hand out. Joe Norris had three, Clint Smoke, Fred Coleman and Dave Anderson had two AP certificates awarded

There were several beautiful models on display.

#### **ELIADA HOBO'S UPDATE**

Here are some more pictures from our young modelers at Eliada's Trains program.

When they graduate from Eliada they earn "Hobo" status.



"A Summer Evening at George's Mill" by George



"Catching the Thermals" by Stephen



"Moon Rise" by Filesa



"Starry Starry Night" by Stephen





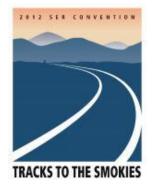
#### **CLUB CALENDAR**

This is listing of know activities for our club members in the near future:		March 7th	Eliada Hobo's Downstairs in the Barn
Feb 1st	Eliada Hobo's  Downstairs in the Barn  2:15 –3:00 PM  3:15—4:00 PM  5:15-6:00 PM  7:00—7:45 PM	March 14th	2:15 –3:00 PM 3:15—4:00 PM 5:15-6:00 PM 7:00—7:45 PM Eliada Hobo's Downstairs in the Barn
Feb 2nd	7:00 PM <b>Club Meeting</b> Eliada Admin Building		2:15 –3:00 PM 3:15—4:00 PM 5:15-6:00 PM
Feb 8th	Eliada Hobo's  Downstairs in the Barn  2:15 –3:00 PM  3:15—4:00 PM  5:15-6:00 PM  7:00—7:45 PM	March 21st	7:00—7:45 PM  Eliada Hobo's  Downstairs in the Barn  2:15 –3:00 PM  3:15—4:00 PM  5:15-6:00 PM
Feb 15th	Eliada Hobo's  Downstairs in the Barn  2:15 –3:00 PM  3:15—4:00 PM  5:15-6:00 PM  7:00—7:45 PM	March 28th	7:00—7:45 PM
Feb 22th	Eliada Hobo's  Downstairs in the Barn  2:15 –3:00 PM  3:15—4:00 PM  5:15-6:00 PM  7:00—7:45 PM	April 4th	7:00—7:45 PM  Eliada Hobo's  Downstairs in the Barn  2:15 –3:00 PM  3:15—4:00 PM  5:15-6:00 PM
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March 2	Noon to 7:00 PM <b>Train Show</b> WNC AG Center, Expo Building	7:00—7:45 PM We have things for you to do, expand the hobby and your talents! Come out to see what your fellow club members are doing.	
March 3	9 AM to 4:30 PM <b>Train Show</b> WNC AG Center, Expo Building		





#### **EVENTS FOR MODELERS:**



#### 2012 SER CONVENTION

June 1-3, 2012

Tracks To The Smokies'. Hosted by the Smokey Mountain Division. Check out their website for latest details.





#### **2013 NMRA NATIONAL CONVENTION**

**July 14 - July 20** 

Peachtree Express 2013, 78th Annual NMRA National Convention, Atlanta, Ga. Check out <u>the convention's website</u> for details.



## 21<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL MODEL TRAIN SHOW

March 2nd and 3rd, 2012

At the WNC AG Center, visit our <u>train show</u> website for the latest information.

#### **LAND O'SKY MEETING**

April 21st, Place to be announced, see our divisions website for more details





## 2012 TRAIN SHOW RAFFLE PRIZE









WNC Model Railroaders, Inc.

## 22<sub>nd</sub> Annual Model Train Show





# WNC AG CENTER, → BACK IN THE EXPO BUILDING ←

From North/East/West: I-26 East, then exit 40 turn right at end of the ramp, then...
From Hendersonville/South: I-26 West to exit 40, turn left at the end of the ramp then...
...go just past the airport, WNC AG Center will be on the left hand side
use Gate #5 and follow the signs to the show

## March 2 & 3, 2012

Friday March 2, Noon to 7 PM Saturday March 3, 9 AM to 4:30 PM

# →→FREE PARKING←← ADMISSION:

\$5.00 PER DAY (Children under 13 FREE with adult)

## THERE WILL BE OPERATING LAYOUTS OVER 60 TABLES

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