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STATEN ISLAND, PART 2!

The Garden State Division's winter meet marks two meets in a row where weather had an impact. The fall meet was nearly disrupted by Hurricane Sandy and the winter meet was postponed due to snow. Fortunately, the new date worked for the 40-50 members that attended.

This is the second year in a row that Staten Island played host to the division. And, 2013 was just as successful as 2012.


New officers to the division were voted in, the Mallery Award was presented to Bruce DeYoung for his outstanding modeling in 2012, clinics on operations and stained glass were presented by Joe Calderone and Chuck Diljak and were well received, and we had time left over for Bring 'n Brag, where members brought in models to talk about as "mini-clinics".

The afternoon was just as busy as the morning, with three HO layouts open for tours. Everyone had an opportunity to see the developing New York Central layout of Bob Schmidt, the very large and very sceniced Pennsy layout of Joe D'Agostino, and another well-sceniced D&RGW layout by Frank Russo.



▲ **Bruce DeYoung (left) is presented with the 2012 Mallery Award by Ciro Compagno, GSD President, for his trio of HO_{N3} scratch built cars.**

Photo by Chuck Diljak

It took many people to make this event a success. And, your division officers are working hard to make each GSD event memorable and fun for the members. So, no matter what mother nature throws at the division, it still seems to find the sunshine. 

Photographs of the meet are on Page 6



THE CAB

by President *Ciro Compagno*

Who is this guy?

First, thanks members for supporting for me. I hope to prove to you and everyone in our Division that I represent you. I thank Norman, and the entire Board of Directors, for raising the bar and bringing this Division to an all-new high.

Now, who am I? I started, like many, waking up one Christmas morning in the late 1970s with a Tyco General set. It was a simple figure eight. Nevertheless, the seed was planted. The interest continued for a couple of years until abruptly halted by puberty. Then, one morning in 2001, a co-worker saw a NYC subway map posted on my office wall. He asked me, "Do you like trains?" I paused for a few seconds, and responded, "I have a Lionel Train Set in my attic that I take out once and while." He then explained, with great passion, his brass locomotive collection, models he built over the years, and the history of railroads. My interest grew, as I learned more about model railroading. That co-worker eventually moved on. However, I continued my quest and built my first 5 x 9 ft. layout using an Atlas track plan. I spent months building the benchwork, roadbed, track work, etc. I bought my first locomotive, and put it on the track to test run. When it hit the first turnout, it derailed. After an hour of frustration to keep it on the track, I gave up. What did I do wrong? Why does it derail repeatedly? I abandoned the layout and started over again by successfully building a small diorama with just straight track. Was this how I was going to learn? While browsing the

internet, I found the NMRA Regions and Divisions webpage. I have a local division – interesting. I sent an e-mail to webmaster with my diorama photos in 2005. That webmaster was the past-President Tom Wortmann. Tom saw potential, and reached out to meet with me. I have been an active Board member including the Division Secretary for the past eight years. My knowledge of the hobby and NMRA is exponential since my first talk with Tom. In addition, the friends I have made are unbelievable. Today, I am actively building my second HO scale layout Richmond Harbor Railroad, which you may have seen in the Whistle Post.

As a Manager for an insurance company, I lead a team of engineers to deliver timely, high-quality consulting services to clients. It is no different a mission: as a President for the world's greatest hobby, lead the Board of Directors to deliver timely, efficient and high-quality volunteer services for the benefit of our membership. Working in a volunteer organization is very different and even more challenging. It is only by the hard work of the Board and learning from our successes and failures that we have grown to where we are today. I am confident we will continue to grow and accomplish great things. So, join the Board and me. You will be pleasantly surprised how we are a fun and very knowledgeable bunch of guys that cares and want to help you be a better model railroader. Look, it happened to me!



THE CABOOSE

by Editor *Joe Calderone*

GSD and other musings!

With the winter meet well behind us it's now time to look forward to the spring and summer meets. As with the changing of the seasons so to we have seen our division change and grow. We have new team members on the board and changes in the leadership of the division which should position us well for the future. It is not without thanks to Norman Frowley and Tom Wortmann who help get the division on the right track (pardon the pun!). We are continuing to reach out to you the members to get involved bring others in to the group and help us expand what we can deliver to the division.

Our primary goal is to keep on improving the division meets which is our main deliverable to you the division member. The meet is where we can share our talents and enthusiasm for a hobby I know we all love so much. So as always I ask you reach out myself at the email listed on the left panel; or anyone else on the board to see how you help. We are always in need of locations to host meets, clinics, models etc. It is no small task to bring these events together a meet so any help is greatly appreciated.

As we look at the last few meets we are encouraged to see that attendance has been picking up and we are enjoying the turnouts so come on out and sup-

port the division!

Lately work on my own free-lanced D&H Susquehanna division HO scale RR, work has slowed down quite a bit but overall I have been happy with the progress. One section of the railroad that I have focused on is my branch line. When I had originally started the layout I had wanted to put in a static interchange in Sidney NY. On the prototype the NYOW crossed the D&H double track mainline until the NYOW went defunct in the late 50's. The interchange was added as I been reading about having one in the model railroad press so I thought it would be a good way to represent the prototype. Well one thing lead to another and as I operated the area I kept adding to the interchange and then considered extending the track to a branch line that would extend from the back of the layout and up and around my backdrop to a new area which is about 14 feet by about a foot and half wide. My concept was to have this as a small town off the main with runaround track and several industries. After running this area for a while I had decided that this just did not work and after talking with some fellow modelers I came up with the idea of turning this area into a full blown paper mill. I had relocated some track but basically kept the same track but now have one big industry to switch. *More to follow!*



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MODELING WATER- WITH CRAFT VARNISH

I recently brought my Staten Island Railroad Travis Branch diorama to the Garden State Division winter meet which took place on Feb. 16th on Staten Island. The N scale scene is a fairly accurate representation of the marshlands around Prall's creek on Staten Island's West Shore. The main scenic element of the scene is "water." Many meet attendees wanted to know how I modeled the realistic water.

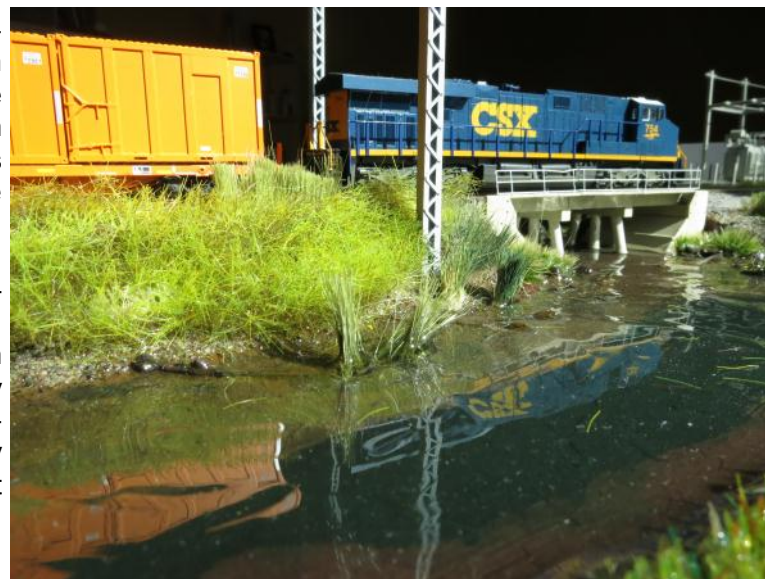
When I started scenery work on my home layout I needed an inexpensive and effective way to model a glossy, wet marsh. I've used two-part resins, such as Enviro-tex and Chemco casting resin, in the past. Most mixtures were smelly and messy and had a very long drying time. Chemco was notorious for melting my foam scenery base, making a base coat of plaster a necessity for waterway scenes. I did not want to use these products on my most recent projects. I needed to find an alternative.

I always like browsing the craft-paint section of my local Michaels or A.C. Moore store for scenery colors. One day when I was looking for earth-tones for my N scale Staten Island themed bookcase layout at home I stumbled across Outdoor Gloss Sealer distributed by Plaid Paints in their Folk Art line. I was intrigued by this 8 oz. bottle of polyurethane varnish. I took it home and tried it on a 2 inch by 3 foot section of NY harbor on my layout. I painted the foam base with Delta Ceramacoat Black Green craft paint. I created a dam with styrene and masking tape. I let the first coat dry for a day and added light green dabs of paint by the pier wall to represent algae growth. When the paint dried I poured another 8 oz bottle of the varnish. After letting the surface coat dry for 48 hours, I had realistic algae growth in between the two coats. I was very happy with high gloss, reflective surface.

I was so pleased with the acrylic varnish that I decided to use the same product on my newest diorama project. Over 60% of my

This photo shows a sliver of New York Harbor at St. George Yard on my N scale Staten Island Rapid Transit North Shore layout.

by Marc Pitanza



▲ *The photo above shows a trash train crossing Prall's Creek on my N scale Staten Island Railroad Travis Branch diorama.*



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▲ **Plaid Folk Art Outdoor Gloss Sealant 861. Available at Michaels and AC Moore for about \$6 a bottle.**

Travis Branch diorama uses "water" scenery. On this diorama I painted the marsh areas with Black Green craft paint. I then added Vallejo Panzer Aces 337 Highlight German Black and 302 Dark Rust to the edges of the landforms to represent the muddy banks. Before pouring the varnish, I installed details like branches, low lying grasses and even rusty shopping carts. I wiped the base with a damp paper towel to lift up any dust or dirt that was left from the initial scenery work. The Travis Branch diorama took three 8oz bottles of the Folk Art varnish to fill. The coats were especially thick, so I waited 3 days between each coat. The wet varnish has a cloudy, milky tint to it but it dries completely clear. The only realistic element missing from my scene was the signature swamp smell!

Learning Points:

- ⇒ Use Plaid Folk Art Outdoor Gloss Sealer #861 to model water scenes on your diorama or layout
- ⇒ It is virtually odorless and water based
- ⇒ Paint foam or wood base a dark shade of green or blue. Black would work well to represent very deep bodies of water
- ⇒ Let primary coat dry for 48 hours before adding another coat (thinner, brushed on coats dry within 2 hours)
- ⇒ While wet, the top coat can be teased with a toothpick, flat knife or screwdriver to create movement or "waves." You can use a brush to create texture on the surface.

After dry, sit back and enjoy your realistic body of water. 🍷

Welcome to our New GSD Members!

- ◆ Carl Fuchs, Glen Rock, NJ
- ◆ Thomas E. Digby, Newton, NJ
- ◆ Andrew Plank, Bridgewater, NJ
- ◆ Paul Kilb, Staten Island, NY
- ◆ Trudy Seeley, Oxford, NJ
- ◆ Emil Walerko, Hackensack, NJ
- ◆ Mark Janacek, Milltown, NJ
- ◆ Rocco Maley, Haskell, NJ
- ◆ George D. Aue, Hopatcong, NJ
- ◆ Joseph Stypulkowski, Somerset, NJ

The Paul Mallery Trophy Award

by Bruce De Young A.P. Chairman

Background:

The Summit-New Providence HO Railroad Club, Inc. created the Delaware Trophy II as an Award to recognize Ingenuity in Model Building in the Northeastern Region of the NMRA. The first recipient was in 1974 and the last was in 1988. After that, the award lay dormant for two decades. In 2008, the Garden State Division (GSD) of the Northeastern Region (NER) revived this trophy and re-named it the Paul Mallery Trophy in honor of the late Paul Mallery (1918-2004). Paul was not only one of the early icons of model railroading, but also a prolific author of over 300 modeling articles and books, a founder of The Model Railroad Club in Union, NJ, a founding member of the Garden State Division and was Master Model Railroader No 4.

Purpose:

The Directors of the GSD revived the award for two reasons: to encourage members of the GSD to build quality models, thereby advancing the art of model railroad model building; and to encourage members to enter contest quality models in the modeling contests offered at the Annual National Convention of the NMRA or at the Annual Conventions at the Region Level. So, only models that have been entered in one of these contests within the past year can be submitted for consideration for the Award.

The detailed rules of the Paul Mallery Trophy Award can be found on the GSD website at this link: http://www.nergsd.com/docs/Paul_Mallery.pdf

Recent History:

Since its rebirth in 2008, the Award has been presented to a GSD member each year. A summary follows.

Year	Winner	Category	Scale
2008	Norman Frowley, MMR	Structures	HO
2009	Chuck Diljak	Structures	HO
2010	Norman Frowley, MMR	Structures	HO
2011	Tom Piccirillo, MMR	Structures	O
2012	Bruce De Young	Cars	HOn3

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As stated above, this year I won the award for scratch building three pieces of HOn3 rolling stock and then entering them in regional competitions. I actually showed them at the MER Convention in Cary, N.C. in October 2011 and again in the SER Convention in Gatlinburg, TN in May 2012.



▲ Scratch built HOn30 gondola by Bruce DeYoung which qualified for the Mallery award.

I would encourage members of the GSD to prepare a model for consideration for the Mallery Award. You might already have completed such a model and have it sitting on the layout or on a shelf. In broad strokes, you have to build a model, and have it entered in a contest at either the National Convention or a Regional Convention within the year of the award for it to be considered. To qualify, the model must have been substantially completed by the member within two years of its entry in the contest. To be considered, the model does not even have to earn a "Merit Award" in the contest. (Check the rules for complete details.) Not going to one of the Conventions? I'll bet some other member of the GSD is, and would be willing to transport your model and paperwork for entry in the contest. Not comfortable with completing the paper work? I would be happy to help. For help with the paperwork or help in finding someone heading to a Regional or the National Convention, just contact me at bdeyoung@optonline.net. 



▲ This HOn3 car is based on a photo found in the series of books covering the Logging Railroad Era in Pennsylvania and was called a "Provisions Car" (Think of a Company Store on rails.)



▲ Bruce's two award winning cars an HOn30 caboose and gondola.

WINTER MEET PHOTOGRAPHS

Photos by Chuck Diljak



▲ This is one of the gondolas brought by Jim Homoki to show how a stripwood floor can easily improve a model. Jim presented the car during the Bring-n-Brag session

▼ A scene on Joe D'Agostino's HO scale Pennsy layout.



▲ Tom Griffiths discussing his HO scale combined store front and home, typical of Staten Island, during Bring 'n Brag.

▼ A scene on Frank Russo's HO scale D&RGW layout.



SPRING MEET

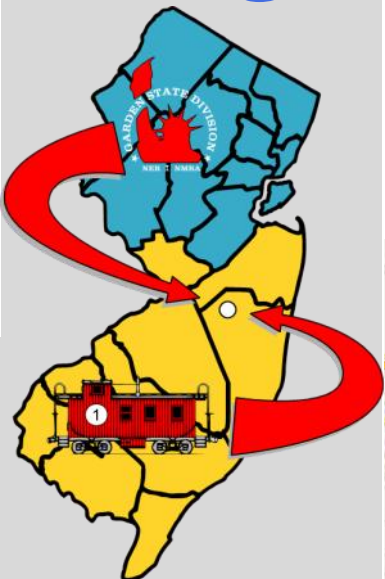
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AGENDA:

9:00– 12:00 NOON

CLINICS, WORKS IN PROGRESS

WHITE ELEPHANT TABLES, ,

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1:00 PM TO 5:00PM

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SRPING JOINT MEET, WITH THE NEW JERSEY DIVISION,

LOCATION: LAKEWOOD NJ

Clinics, Works in Progress,

The clinics program for the May joint meet with the New Jersey Division will follow the Works in Progress [WIP] format. For those members and guests not familiar with this format of clinics, and those needing a refresher/review, here is how the meet will be organized.

Most meets follow a single program of one or two clinics or presentations for all in attendance. This “one size fits all” works and our attendance figures tell us you like that format. However, many model railroaders need or would like to have an instruction and demonstration in a variety of modeling areas. On occasion, we follow the WIP format of multiple simultaneous clinics covering a variety of modeling areas. **You get to choose the topics of greatest value or need.** There will be 9 sessions to choose each session will take between 15 to 30 minutes.

Find More at;

<http://www.nerqsd.com/upcoming.html>

Layout tour maps will be provided at the meet!

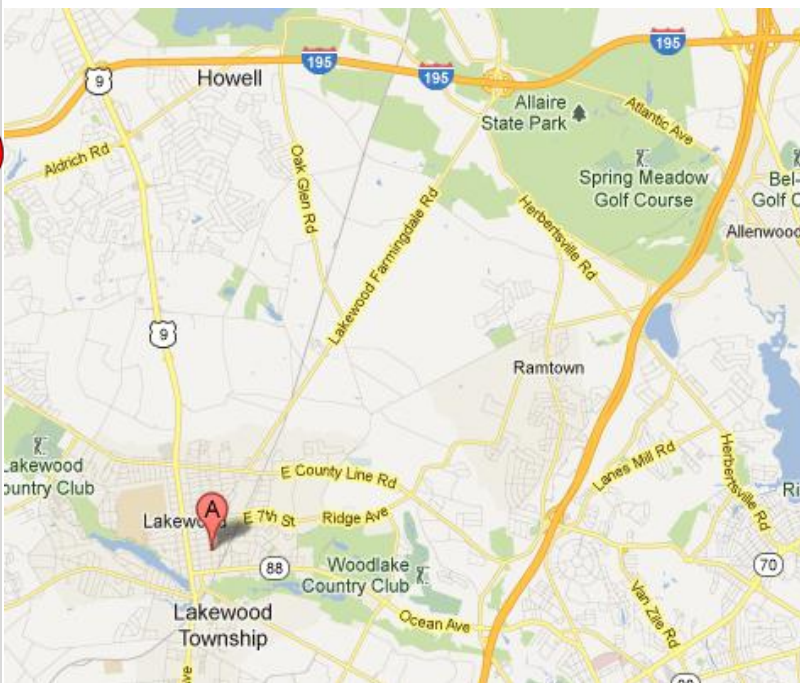
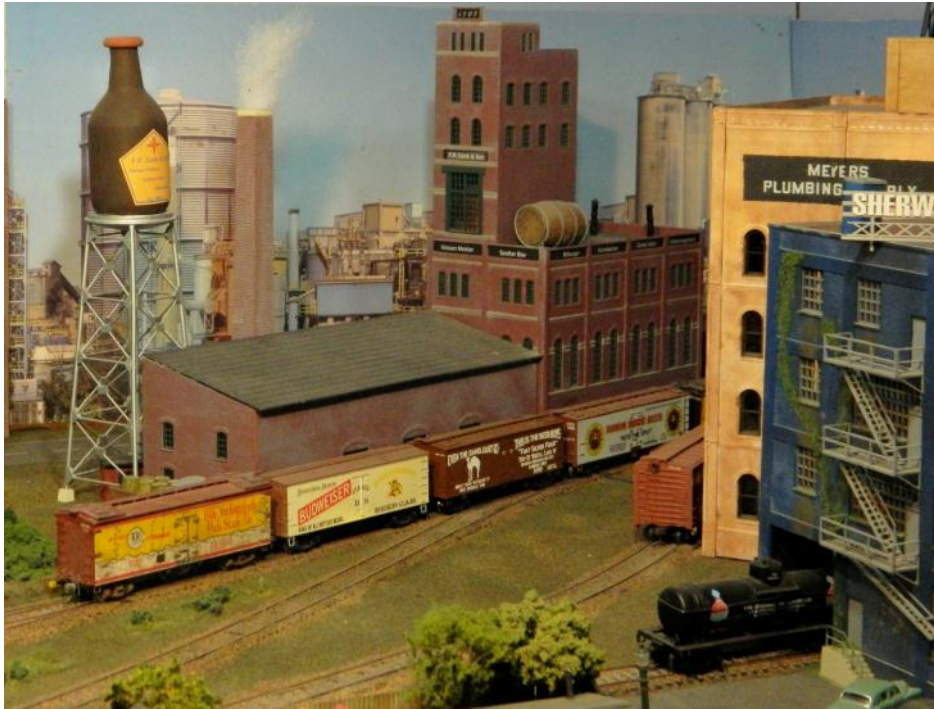


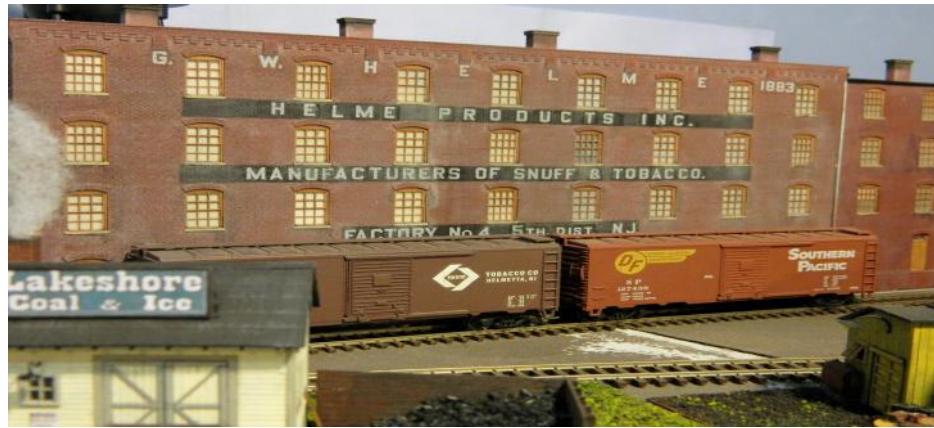
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3	Mike Prokop	Cobblestone Streets	1 – 4
4	Jim Homoki [GSD]	Adding Stripwood Floors to Gondola Cars	1 – 4
5	Herb Gishlick MMR	Detailing Autos and Trucks for Layouts	1 – 4
6	Frank Neufeld	Repeat of Building Brass Signals	1 – 2
6	Frank Neufeld	Make Your Signals Work	3 – 4
7	Glyn Thomas	Resin Casting Techniques	1 – 4
8	Chuck Diljak [GSD]	Tricks with Bricks – Acrylic Painting with Makeup Sponges	1 – 4
9	George Duve [GSD]	Tortoise Switch Machine Installation	1 - 4

SPRING MEET, LAKEWOOD NJ

Just a teaser of some of the layouts that will be open in the New Jersey Division for the meet. There will be 6 railroads open! Maps will be available at the meet. [W](#)



▲ Industrial area on Jack Menaker's HO scale railroad. ▼



▲ Ken Stockton's HO scale railroad.

▼ Port scene on Joe Garsiick's HO scale layout.



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The Meeting Minutes and Infonet have now been moved to the GSD website. Clickable links provided below. Also links have been inserted for the hobby dealers on the right panel. Please click on any of the pictures to link to the dealers.

**GSD Board
Meeting Minutes**



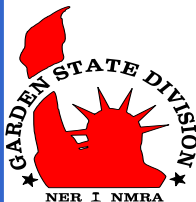
We seek members who would like to give a clinic at our Division Meets. If you can present a clinic, **ANY topic, prototype, modeling or general interest**, you will be helping your fellow model railroaders enjoy their hobby and have fun while doing it! A video projector and screen will be available to assist your presentation. Fancy graphics are not required, just be prepared to demonstrate and explain the topic. We'll even help you set up your presentation to get you started. Did you know Clinics count towards Author and Volunteer AP credit?

We are currently looking for more clinics to fill up our meet schedule for the year. In addition we need new meet locations! Please contact Jim Homoki at heavyelectric@netscape.net Thanks! 

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COME CELEBRATE OUR 50TH!

Start Planning! Mark July 27th on your calendar! This is the day that the Garden State Division will celebrate its 50th anniversary. And what a celebration we are planning. After all, this is a major milestone for the Garden State Division! So, reserve your afternoon for it.

The two main events for the afternoon are presentations by Tony Koester and Rob Pisani. Tony's presentation will cover "Tales of Well Known Model Railroaders." Tony has crossed the paths of probably all of the well known model railroaders based on his model railroad careers at Carstens Publications, Kalmbach Publications, and the NMRA.. From those experiences, alone, he should be able to delight attendees with all of the tales he has to tell.



Rob is the Vice President of product development for both Atlas and Atlas O. Rob will be giving a presentation on "Manufacturing in China." Given the issues model railroaders have had in recent years on getting products from the major manufacturers, this presentation should be very enlightening. Rob's presentation should provide a unique insight into what has been going on with manufacturing in China.

We also expect officers from the NMRA National Headquarters and Northeastern Region to be on hand for the event. And, we will give them an opportunity to greet those in attendance.

But the afternoon won't just be presentations. We are also going to have a popular vote on models. Space will be set aside for models brought by attendees in the categories of structures, cars, steam locomotives, and diesel locomotives. So, bring all the models you can!

In between the festivities, a dinner is also planned. A catered buffet is planned for the festivities!

How much, do you ask? If you reserve ahead of time, it will only cost \$15. And, if you are uncertain about attending, you can always purchase at the door for \$18.

In the next few weeks, we will be sending out more information about the event. We hope you join us on our 50th!  

See our web site for updates!

STORY BY CHUCK DILJAK
PHOTOS BY ANTHONY PICCIRILLO



▲ The exterior of the VFW Hall in Sparta NJ, the site of the GSD's 50th anniversary celebration.

▼ A view of the VFW Hall's interior.



GSD Mileposts

1968 60 people attended the joint meet with the New Jersey Division in Camden. The division's "Little Convention" was held in Newark. 50 members attended the June meet at the Watchung Valley Model Railroad Club at the Iselin station. Attendees watched the passing of Robert F. Kennedy's funeral train during the meet. A picnic was held at the New Hope & Ivyland Railroad. The fall meet was organized by a teen club and held in Hackettstown. There were 280 members as of March. Charles Gerow Jr. became chairman of the division. Rix Beals replaced Paul Mallery as editor of the *Whistle Post*. A new award, the Whistle Post Award, was awarded to Pete Huggar. The division attempts to bid for the national convention in Newark. The presenters did not make it to the San Francisco convention in time to present the bid. The 1971 convention was awarded to Great Britain, instead.

1969 A joint meet with the new New Jersey Division was held. The division's "Little Convention" was held in Asbury Park and the summer meet is held in Morristown. The division's annual picnic was held in North Arlington at Riverside Park, home of the Eastern Live Steamers. The NER's fall convention was hosted by the division in East Orange at the Hotel Suburban.


1970 The division held meets at the Ramapo Valley club in Ramsey, the Cherry Hill Model Railroad club in Merchantville and New Providence. Ernie Mikus, former chairman of the division and a founding member, passed away.

1972 The division held meets in Morristown and Long Branch.

1973 A meet was held at the Model Railroad Club in Union to tour the club's new facility. And, the division's "Little Convention" was held in Asbury Park.

1974 The division's "Little Convention" was held in Asbury Park. The Watchung Valley Model Railroad Club in Rahway and the Model Railroad Club in Union hosted meets. Workshops were held at the meets on track layout and weathering.

1975 Meets were held at the Model Railroad Club in Union, Morristown, and Scotch Plains. A couple of the meets featured workshops on home casting, building an all brass tank car, and printed circuit boards. A tri-division meet of the New Jersey Division/Garden State Division/Sunrise Trail Division was also held in Union, NJ.

1976 The division hosted a meet in East Brunswick. The Model Railroad Club in Union hosted a workshop meet on making trees, brush and grass. The division hosted a workshop in Scotch Plains on structures. 



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THE TIMETABLE

Saturday, May 4th. GSD/NDJ joint meet Lakewood NJ. WIP clinics, layout tours

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Saturday-Sunday, 4/13-14/13, Great Scale Model Train Show, Maryland State Fairgrounds, 2200 York Rd, Timonium, MD. Saturday, 9AM-4PM, Sunday 10AM-4PM. General admission \$9, children under 15 Free, Family \$18. For more information: www.gsmts.com

Friday-Saturday, 5/31-6/1/13, New England/Northeast Prototype Modelers Meet, Canton Community Center, 40 Dyer Avenue, Collinsville, CT. For more information: www.neprototypemeet.com

Saturday-Sunday, 6/22-23/13, Great Scale Model Train Show, Maryland State Fairgrounds, 2200 York Rd, Timonium, MD. Saturday, 9AM-4PM, Sunday 10AM-4PM. General admission \$9, children under 15 Free, Family \$18. For more information: www.gsmts.com

Saturday, 7/27 GSD Summer meet and 50th Anniversary
2:00 - 6:30 p.m. Veterans of Foreign War Hall
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<http://www.nergsd.com/upcoming.html>

Sunday-Saturday, 7/14-20/13, NMRA National Convention, "Peachtree Express," Atlanta, GA. For more information: www.nmra2013.org

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