

Lake Shores Limited

Newsletter of the Lakeshores Division of the Niagara Frontier Region,
National Model Railroad Association, Inc.

VOL. 1 NO. 4

ROCHESTER, NY

APRIL 2011

**First Place Winners of the Lakeshores Division's Photo Contest
April 9, 2011 Hammondsport, NY**



Ray Howard – *“To the Roundhouse”*



Dick Senges – *Shay # 6 at Cass, WV*

NMRA Golden Spike Award

by Harold Russell, MMR

News from the Division Superintendent *by Ray Howard*

Lakeshores Division Meet in Hammondsport *by Richard Senges*

ELECTED**Superintendent**

Ray Howard
16 Ada Street
Geneva, NY 14456
rhoward1@rochester.rr.com

Assistant Superintendent

Dave Mitchell
1106 South Creek Drive
Webster, NY 14580
dbmitch@rochester.rr.com

Chief Clerk

Richard Senges
1231 Wellington Drive
Victor, NY 14564
(585) 924-8379
OCR@frotniernet.net

Paymaster

David Coon
260 Sunnyside Drive
Rochester, NY 1462
davidcoon@frontiernet.net

APPOINTED**NMRA Achievement Program Representative**

Harold Russell, MMR
17 Dover Road
Pittsford, NY 14534
haroldrussell@juno.com

NMRA Member Aid Chairman

Ned Spiller, MMR
8441 County Road 87
Hammondsport, NY 14840
(607) 569-3428
edward.spiller@frontiernet.net

Lake Shores Limited Editor

Richard Senges
1231 Wellington Drive
Victor, NY 14564
(585) 924-8379
OCR@frotniernet.net

Advisory Board

Richard Wagner
4 Edgewood Lane
Bergen, NY 14416
(585) 494-1581
kcsdaddie@yahoo.com

News from the LSD "Super"

A couple months ago I shared MMR Fred Bock's Mission Statement for the NMRA. While it is not the Official Mission statement, it pretty much says what we are all about. I promised I would talk a bit more about the "educational opportunities" the NMRA should be giving its membership.

"Educational activities" today include a long list of different event types, some not often considered "educational".

Examples from a condensed list (from Fred Boch MMR):

- a. Conventions - national, regional, division, "local meets"
- b. Clinics - given as above and/or over the Internet
- c. Contests and displays - ditto
- d. Publications and the articles, photos, drawings in them.
- e. Internet websites and interaction over the web.
- f. One-on-one assistance in the hobby from members to members.

Our Meet in Hammondsport on April 9 fell under (a.) It had two live clinics (b.) and some contests and displays (c.) You are reading this in (d.), and most of you are getting this via email, an example of (e.)

How can you contact the Division membership with a question, or need help, or want to invite members to see your layout, etc.? (example of f) Just send an email to: members@lsdnmra.org. Your message will go out to the entire membership of the division as a Blind Carbon Copy. Only your email address will be seen by all the membership. Everyone on the list will receive the message, but they will not see the email of the other members. Anyone who wants to reply to you can either reply just to you, or the entire list.

You can also get in touch with any of the officers (contact information is listed here in the newsletter) and they can direct you to someone who can help. Remember we have a member aid person, Ned Spiller MMR. Also, any questions about the AP program should be directed to Harold Russell, MMR.

PRESIDENT of the NIAGARA FRONTIER REGION, NMRA

Dr. Richard Roth, PhD
PO Box 309
Waterford, PA 16441-0309
(814) 796-0133
nfrprez@hq.nmra.org

Lakeshores Division, NFR, NMRA

Spring Meet – Saturday April 9, 2011

A great time was had by all at the Hammondsport, NY Meet of the NMRA Lakeshores Division. The group met at the Glenn H. Curtis Aviation Museum. Thanks Trafford for opening the Museum to the LSD. About 70 folks attended the Meet – a really great turnout – possibly a record for a single Lakeshores Division Meet.

Dick Honeyman gave interesting Power Point Presentation on the History of the Bath and Hammondsport Railroad. Dick related some of his personal experiences with the railroad as he grew up in Hammondsport, NY. Richard Senges also gave a detailed follow up talk on how he modeled the Bath and Hammondsport Railroad – Hammondsport Yards, circa early 1900s.

Many of those attending won door prizes which consisted of 24 items - railroad and modeling books, HO scale locomotives, model kits, NCE DCC products, scenery supplies, modeling supplies, structure kits, HO scale railcar kits, and other models.

Thanks to Ned Spiller who opened his HO scale model RR – the Danby, Ludlow and Springfield. Ned has done a great job on this layout moving it from Texas and also improving it substantially here in Hammondsport, NY. Great job Ned.

The Model Contest and the Photo Contest were great. *See the images on Pages 5 and 6.* The First Place photos are on the cover of this issue.

Model Contest

Photo Contest

First Place

Joe Mankowski - # 5316
NYC loco

Ray Howard – Turntable
Dick Senges – Cass loco #6

Second Place

Ray Howard Loco # 628
with “Lakeshores” train

Leo Adamski – Coal Tower

Third Place

Jim Duquette – Diesel
#427

Leo Adamski – Loco 0-4-0

Awards

Harold Russell presented the NMRA AP “Model Railroad Engineer – Civil” Award to Ray Howard. Congratulations Ray.

The Lakeshores Division presented to Harold Russell the Lakeshores Division *Lifetime Achievement Award* – below.....

Lifetime Achievement Award

HAROLD W. RUSSELL

In recognition of his outstanding
contribution to the
National Model Railroad Association,
the Niagara Frontier Region,
the Lakeshores Division and
to Model Railroading.

2011



Model Contest Winners



**2ND Place
Ray Howard**



**3rd Place
Jim Duquette**



Photo Contest - 2nd and 3rd Place – Leo Adamski



The NMRA's Achievement Program

Golden Spike Award

by Harold Russell, MMR

The following is a synopsis of information found in the NMRA's web site with my comments added.

The *Golden Spike Award* is a good place to start if you are interested in attaining some or all of the NMRA's Achievement Awards - and it is easier than you think! Chances are your layout already fulfills the requirements and all you have to do is fill out the paper work and make an appointment for me to judge it. In this case the 'judging' will just involve the verification of the requirements.

1. Rolling Stock You must display six units of rolling stock. They will not be judged for quality. They should be something you built and not an 'out-of-the-box' item. An 'out-of-the-box' item can qualify if you repainted it, applied decals to it and/or weathered it. You must have done something of substance to the model. The display can be anywhere - on your kitchen table is acceptable; on your layout is good but at an LSD meet is even better.

2. Structures and Scenery Your layout should be larger than eight square feet. It will not be judged for quality. It should have some detail though. A simple unballasted, loop of track on a board will not do. The same considerations given for the rolling stock apply to structures. Besides buildings, bridges and trestles are structures. You should show that you can do more than simply glue a plastic kit together.

3. Civil and Electrical You should have three types of trackage all of which are properly ballasted on a raised roadbed. Commercial trackage is OK. Types of trackage includes turnouts, road crossings, grade elevation changes. The NMRA says that three turnouts would be OK but I prefer to see different examples.

Train Propulsion Wiring must be such that two trains can be operated simultaneously. Sounds hard but it is not. Having DCC will qualify you. For DC layouts just a single track main line with sidings and/ blocks will be sufficient. As long as you can power one train, park it and run another is OK.

Additional Electrical Features All that is required is to show that you have one feature such as a powered turnout, or lights in a building, etc..

4. In addition Not all the requirements above have to be on the same layout or the same modeling scale.

Good Luck Go for it - and remember I am here to assist you.

Harold Russell presents the National Model Railroad Association – Achievement Program “Model Railroad Engineer – Civil” award to Ray Howard.

Congratulations Ray.



Future 2011 Lakeshores Division Events

Summer Picnic

Fall Meet

**If any member would like to help out at either of these events,
please contact Ray Howard.**