

Meeting of Board of Directors, Midwest Region, NMRA, November 2021

To: Board of Directors

From: Rock River Valley Division
Ken Mosny, Superintendent

Date: October 27.2021

Subject: Division Activities Report

Activities since Last Board Meeting

1. RRVD Meet was May 2, 2021 as a virtual meet with clinics, popular vote contest, and virtual layout tour.
2. RRVD member potluck picnic was August 18, 2021.
3. RRVD Meet was September 12, 2021 RRVD as a monthly in person meet with clinics, door prizes, popular vote contest, and layout tour.
4. Cherryvale Mall train show was October 2-3, 2021, a modest public train show with operating layouts, displays and MRR vendors.
5. RRVD Meet was October 10, 2021 RRVD as a monthly in person meet with clinics, popular vote contest, and layout tour.
6. RRVD Board of directors meetings was convened every third Wednesday except August.

Planned Activities

1. RRVD in person Monthly Meets will be November 14, 2021, December 5, 2021, January 2, 2022, February 6, 2022, March 6, 2022 and April 10, 2022. They will feature clinics, door prizes, popular vote contests, and layout tours.
2. RRVD annual Holiday Dinner will be January 2, 2022 at a local restaurant for members and guests for fellowship.
3. RRVD annual membership meeting will be convened April 10, 2022 for annual reports and election of officers and directors.
4. The annual Rock River Valley Train Show, on hold for two years, will be March 26-27, 2022 at Harlem High School, Machesney Park, IL with 45,000 square feet of vendors, operating layouts and displays

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To: Board of Directors
From: Mike Lehman_
Date: Nov. 8, 2021
Subject: Illinois Terminal Division Report

Activities since Last Board Meeting

The ITD has continued to meet monthly via Zoom. In person participation during that is possible.

The ITD Traveling Team of Asst. Super Larry Tschoop and Buzz Swett traveled to a regional meet in the Carolinas and Tschoop returned with a Best in Show for his trestle model. Congrats, Larry! Both are working on various AP projects and also traveled to the Steel SIG meeting.

ITD members assisted in operations of the Midwest Live Steamers, after ITD member Ernie Noa requested to aid them at their appearance at the Monticello Railway Museum's mid-September Railroad Days. We used the opportunity to promote the return of the Urbana Lincoln Square Train Show in March 2022.

Cards giving notice of the 2022 train show date went out at the end of September to the Show mailing list. Super Lehman is currently entering the list data into a spreadsheet, then Clerk/Paymaster Allen Byrne will use the data to create a database to make list management easier.

Super Lehman continues hosting the weekly Central Illinois Train Talk Zoom meetup. While not an official ITD activity, Train Talk provides a point of easy public access to info about connecting with the NMRA. It also facilitates contact for those with inquiries about the Train Show. You're invited to join the discussion about all things trains on Wednesday's from 6-8pm Central time, meeting number 819 5434 5485, code 088555.

Planned Activities

The March 26 and 27, 2022 Lincoln Square Train Show is our major focus. Registration forms for vendors and applications for display layouts are being drafted now and will go out at New Year's. If you have a display layout, we pay a \$100 stipend for out of town layouts and welcome your application's return in January. If you send contact info, we'll send registration or application info to you then. Feel free to drop by Train Talk if you have any questions.

I suggested a Most Improved Square Foot of Layout for our annual challenge contest, with judging taking place at our annual May Business Meeting. Barring another proposal, that's where we'll go with it.

There has been some discussion about an ITD visit to the Illinois Railway Museum. Nothing set yet.

To: MWR Clerk
From: Mike Lehman, Illinois terminal Division
Date: Nov. 9, 2021
Subject: Current Roster of Division Officers Report for November 2021

Division:

President/Superintendent
Name: Michael R. Lehman
NMRA Membership Number: 097944 00

Vice President/Asst Superintendent.
Name: Larry L. Tschopp
NMRA Membership Number: 037588 00

Secretary/Clerk
Name: Allen D. Byrne
NMRA Membership Number: 131431 00

Treasurer/Paymaster
Name: Allen D. Byrne
NMRA Membership Number: 131431 00