

# SUPER'S SIGNAL

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## Superintendent's Report

Greg Short, Division 6 Super

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Well we did it. We had our swap meet and it looks like a success. Although the attendance was light I feel we got out of it what we needed. That was to have the meet and see where we need to improve. I am pretty sure those who were there had a good time and some folks even got to sell a bit of their collection. I would like to thank all that helped at the meet. During the meet several folks made suggestions on where we need to make changes and improvements. I hope everyone was clear on the fact I knew we were going to find things to improve as next year begins to take shape. We need to thank the Bowling Green Township Trustees for allowing us to use their building for the event. We will be giving them a donation of two new tables for use in the facility. For those who attended the building is small but for what we are doing it turned out to be the right size. I am not sure if we will return there for next year or look for a larger venue, but this is a good fit for the event. One other nice thing that most did not realize till they got there was the ease of getting to the location as it has easy access to Interstate 70.

This was also a good time for our Membership Retention Committee to set up and have a run at what they need to do for upcoming events. Bruce and his group have done quite an amount of work getting things together for the upcoming shows. Hopefully we can at-

*Super's Signal Deadline*  
5 January

2 December

## Upper Arlington Library 2800 Tremont Road Upper Arlington

1:00: Upper Arlington Library Building Opens

1:15: Contest entries open

1:20: Clinic: *Maine Narrow Gage Railroads*

Break: Contest entries end & voting begins

Break: Division 6 Meeting, Raffle

After Meeting: Program Continues (Movies & Slides)

5:00: Upper Arlington Library Building Closes

Model Contest: Passenger Car

Photography Contest: Passenger Car

tract new members and even bring some old ones back to the NMRA.

It was also a good time for the newly formed T-Track group to set up. Rich Hartley is doing a super job with the T-track effort and had the first of the modules at the meet. Not bad for less than a month to get the supplies and have the modules built and running. I hope we can get a bigger effort from the division members to construct a module. We can have a nice small traveling layout to use for showing what we are about. We also had a contest at the meet and although the number of

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The reason for the following short version of the *Signal* is I have not received any additional reports. I will update the *Signal* if addition reports come in, but I will not have time to edit them. Something about being busy right before Thanksgiving.

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## Membership Report October 2018

Matt Goodman, Membership Chair

### Summary/Comments

We had a net loss of two members in October; one new member offset by three non-renewals.

I was at November's swap meet on November 4<sup>th</sup> manning, along with Bruce McDonald, Darrell Logan, and Mike Wolf, the Membership Retention and Recruitment Committee NMRA information table. The committee members have worked hard on planning this table over the past couple of months – but this was the first time that the people and the product had all been in one place. The swap meet was the perfect place for a practice run, and in spite of the relatively light turnout, we had several opportunities to practice the all-important pitch on several non-members. The goal is to turn those discussions into new members!

Recruiting is not limited to a table a train show though – it is strongest at the grass-roots level, which means each of us. Invite someone you know to visit a meeting or to join the division. A personal invitation from Bob Weinheimer (along with some persistence on his part) is what finally prodded me to join.

October's new member is from Delaware County, which until two months ago had the second highest number of members in the division (behind Franklin). Two months ago is when the Kokosing Valley Central Model Railroad Club became a 100% NMRA club. Most (all?) of those new members live in Knox county, which promoted that county to #2 on the membership list. The entire list follows below.

Franklin	82	48%	Richland	4	2%	Coshocton	2	1%	Holmes	1	1%
Knox	21	12%	Fairfield	3	2%	Muskingum	2	1%	Morrow	1	1%
Delaware	17	10%	Logan	3	2%	Guernsey	1	1%	Union	1	1%
Licking	11	6%	Madison	3	2%	Hardin	1	1%	Fayette	0	0%
Marion	6	3%	Ross	3	2%	Highland	1	1%	Perry	0	0%
Pickaway	6	3%	Ashland	2	1%	Hocking	1	1%			

#### Active Members (end of the month):

October	172	October '17	169
September	174	September '17	166
August	175	August '17	167

#### Upcoming Expirations – **Check your dates!**

**Note:** If you have questions about when your membership expires, check your magazine address label or contact Membership Chair Matt Goodman.

October	1 memberships are expiring
November	4 memberships are expiring
December	2 memberships are expiring

#### New Members

We had one new Rail Pass member in October from Powell, Delaware County.

#### Renewals and Re-Rails (returning lapsed members)

We had five renewals in September.

#### Other Stuff

- Have you changed your address or other membership information?
- Are you not getting emails from the division?
- Not sure when your membership expires (or if it already has)?  
Notify headquarters by email: [nmrahq@aol.com](mailto:nmrahq@aol.com)

You can contact either the Buckeye Division membership chair, or the National Headquarters to give updates or get your questions answered:

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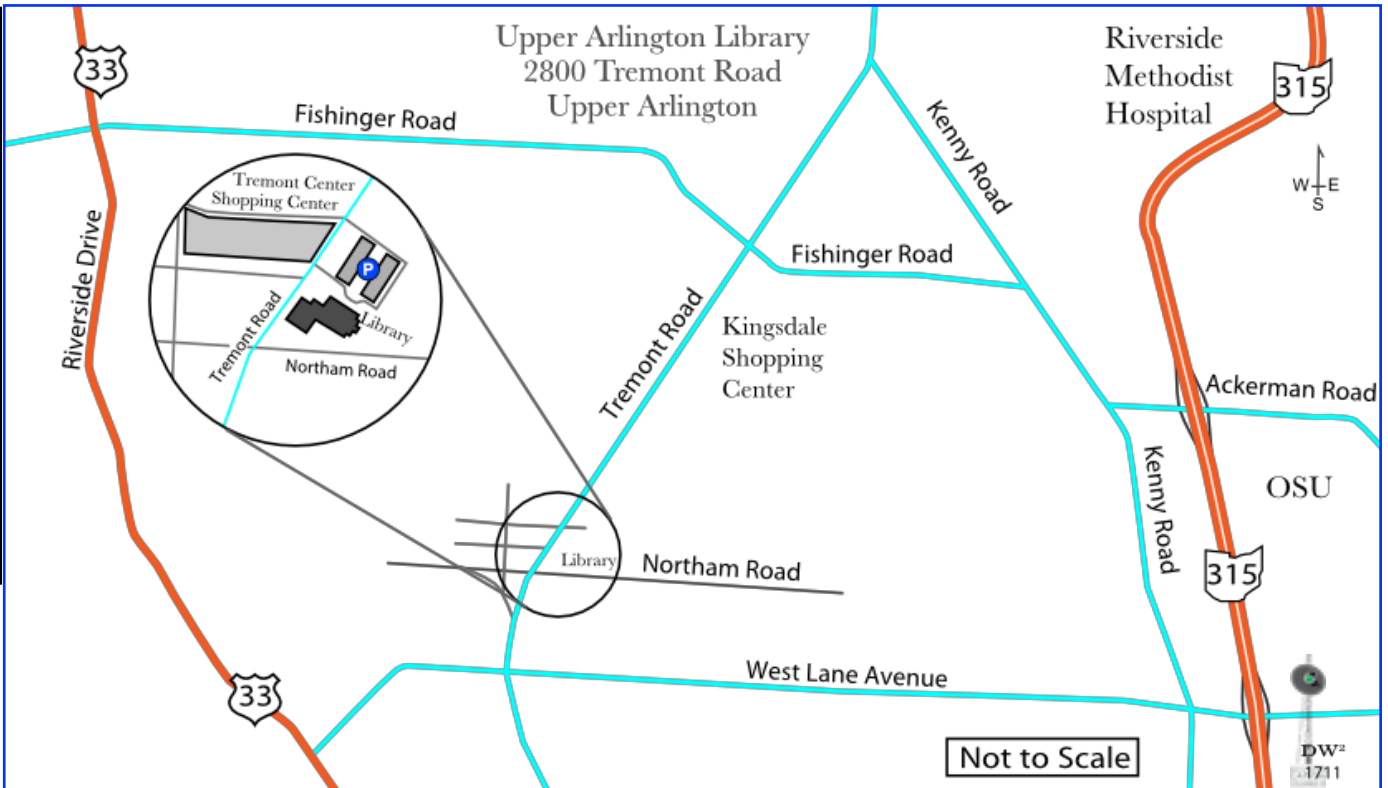
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entries was small the quality was very good. Look for photos in the signal. We had one item of business that we needed to take care of. That was closing of nominations for the elections of Division 6 Directors. We had only three nominations for the three ending terms so there will be no need to have an election. The members nominated were Don Wilke, Mike Wolfe, and Matt Goodman. Congratulations to them and thank you for wanting to do it.

Ok it is time again for our annual visit to the Upper Arlington Library for the slide and movie show. This is good time to break out those old movies and slides and share them with each other. I know that several of you have got some good

shots from railfan trips in the past and it is always good to see what once was. Think how things have changed and looking back is always fun. So let's have some good shows and stories. We will have a short meeting also as well as a contest. This month's contest is passenger cars so I expect to see a large number for this contest. Please note the date of the meeting is a week earlier than we usually do, December 2 is the date this year. So I hope to see everyone there. Also don't forget the Coshocton Club is having their annual Black Friday operating secession. This has become quite a fun event and goes from Noon till everyone is worn out so I hope to see some of you there also.

Till then, Happy Modeling. – Greg

