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## PIEDMONT DIVISION SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT JANUARY 2018

These are exciting times in model railroading for the Piedmont Division. The holidays are winding down and it's time to get busy with your trains. The division will be offering several TRAIN N CAMPS coming up. "Model Railroading 101" was such a hit last year we wanted to offer it on 2 sides of town. If you are new or just getting back into the hobby, this is the class you want to take. The in-



structors will cover many topics in a professional presentation but with time to ask questions. If you are new to the area or just want to learn please sign up for one of the 2 upcoming courses. I believe the 2018 will be one of our busiest years ever.

We have some new leaders coming on board and we have some leaders coming off our BOD. First, I would like to say THANK YOU to the following members: Royal Bruce (Appointed Director of Operations), Joe Sullivan Director of Finance, David Gelmini Director at Large, Alan Mole Director at Large, Norm Lundin Director at Large, and Brian Sandberg Director at Large for their dedicated service and volunteer time toward the division. Very valuable folks to our division.



Artist Frank Crow speaking at the Holiday Party about his love of trains and its impact on his art and career

We also have new members that were elected in November: Sally Bando Director of Operations, Diane Martin Director of Finance, Royal Bruce Director at Large, Bob Kelshaw Director at Large, Howard Goodwin Director at Large and Joe Gelmini Director at Large. Sadly, Joe Gelmini passed away and I will be appointing a new member to the BOD to replace Joe. TBA. I would like to say that these folks are dedicated and are here to serve the membership to make it a great division of the NMRA.

Howard Goodwin has his first BSA Merit Badge program in January for the scouts. If you have an interest in volunteering, he is always looking for new folks to help with the program. Around 1200 Boy Scouts have gone through the program.

Sally already has several great programs planned for the upcoming year and open houses for layout tours. Please see the *Timetable* and Website for all the upcoming events. Our annual Model Train Show will be coming

up soon in March. It will be here before we can blink. Please plan on attending and volunteering for the show. We are looking forward to a great show at the Cobb Galleria March 17 & 18th. This train show is always well attended by great vendors and lots of train enthusiast. If you know folks that love trains or just need something to do that weekend, suggest attending The Model Train Show. They will have fun.

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## PIEDMONT DIVISION SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT JANUARY 2018

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Food and fun at the Holiday Party

A special Thank You to Dottie and her team of volunteers for organizing and setting up the Holiday Party in December. It was fantastic. We were able to send off many bags of new toys to the Toys for Tots again this year. Thank you for your donations. Also, I hope you enjoyed our speaker this year, Frank Crowe from Calhoun, GA. He did a fantastic job and I really enjoyed his stories and art.

One of the items that Piedmont Division Members may want to check out this

year is the MODEL RAILROAD DIRECTORY at the NMRA National Website. You will need to set up your login and password, but this is member benefit. Looks like about 10 layouts have registered in our area. With all the railroads in our division please hurry and register your layout. You may want to take a couple of photos to post with it as well. You can also use this when you travel to other cities. It's a cool benefit.

A special thanks to all of the Piedmont Pilgrimage commit-



Another big load of Toys for Tots

tee members, layout host, sponsors, advertisers, and all our visitors during October and November. We had about 5000 attendees visit 67 layouts.

Enjoy your time and your friends. We will miss our dear friend Joe Gelmini. His laugh, his jokes and his love for trains will always be remembered. He was a MMR in our Division and the Eastern Director on the NMRA Board. He was a fantastic model railroader and his layout was magnificent. I hope many of you got to know him over the years and if you did not hopefully you will get know David his son and Tyler his grandson. The family has such integrity and love for this hobby. You will want to know them. May Joe RIP and his honor as a friend will continue forever.

Until next quarter, check your wheels, couplers and weights on your cars. Enjoy model railroading to the fullest.

Happy Model Railroading!

Walt Liles, Superintendent of the Piedmont Division NMRA



A rare picture of our head picture-taker James Bando between Diane Martin and Del Kittendorf at the Holiday Party

Piedmont Division monthly meetings are held at:

## Holy Innocents' Episcopal Church

805 Mt. Vernon Highway, Atlanta, GA 30327

Division meeting are open to everyone. Come join us to see what fun Model Railroading is. See Division Calendar for details.

We hope to see you at our next meeting!

## FIRST TIME MEETING ATTENDEES



Terry Barton



Mickey Goodson

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## Overview of Piedmont Division Finances for 2016 and First Ten Months of 2017

	Calendar 2016	January thru October 2017	
Opening Balance less Outstanding Checks	\$ 71,152.00	\$ 76,310.69	
INCOME			
Current Train Show	\$ 49,360.97	\$ 43,841.13	
Next Train Show	\$ 5,015.32	\$ 2,650.00	
Pilgrimage	\$ 3,832.00	\$ 6,229.00	
Timetable			
Other Programs	\$ 2,248.74	\$ 1,570.61	
Donations (incl. venue)	\$1,746.87	\$ 1,433.25	
Miscellaneous	\$ 40.58	\$ 156.74	
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 62,244.48	\$ 55,880.73	
EXPENSE			
Current Train Show	\$ 30,680.85	\$ 24,103.20	
Next Train Show	\$ 8.077.50	\$ 3,153.82	
Pilgrimage	\$ 7,402.78	\$7,986.82	
Timetable	\$ 840.00	\$ 238.50	
Other Programs	\$ 7,661.81	\$ 8,335.75	
Administration	\$ 1,849.50	\$ 2,293.00	
Miscellaneous	\$ 573.67	\$ 115.21	
TOTAL EXPENSE	\$ 57,086.11	\$ 46,226.30	
NET INCOME (EXPENSE)	\$ 5,158.37	\$ 9,654.43	
Items Not Cleared		\$ 850.00	
Closing Balance	\$ 76,310.69	\$ 86,815.12	
Monthly Financial Reports are presented to the Board of Directors.			









## PIEDMONT DIVISION CALENDAR

TUESDAY, JANUARY 9, 2018 6 PM BOD; 7-9 PM Piedmont Division Mtg

CLINICIAN: DAVE BENNETT (Train Installations)

TITLE: Tips and Tricks of the Trade

Dave will share what he has learned as a layout builder over the last 18 years. These are techniques that will help you get things done faster and easier while still getting excellent results. It will cover all phases of layout construction from bench work to finished scenery details.

BRING & BRAG: Bring your favorite Union Pacific equipment or whatever you have been working on and want to share.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 13, 2018 All Day

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA CHAIRPERSON: HOWARD GOODWIN

Winter 2018 BSA Railroading Merit Badge Clinic at Covenant Presbyterian Church, 2881 Canton Road, Marietta, Georgia 30066

SATURDAY, JANUARY 20, 2018

GOLDEN SPIKE SHOW at Infinite Energy Center, 6400 Sugarloaf Parkway, Duluth, GA

SUNDAY, JANUARY 21, 2018 1 PM to 5 PM

LAYOUT OPEN HOUSE: MIKE FLEMMING

Based on the Sherman Hill Division of the Union Pacific - the most active division of the Union Pacific in the 1950s with a variety of steam engines, diesels and turbines. Top level represents the long grade out of Cheyenne to the crest at Sherman station continuing to Hermosa Tunnel. Lower level represents a generic Nebraska town called Tecumsah. There is a switching, agricultural industry area and a smaller town further west. Scenery is about 80% complete. The outer room holds the staging tracks. 3211 Lemons Ridge Drive SE, Atlanta, GA 30339 770 436-5564

SATURDAY, JANUARY 27, 2018 1 PM to 4 PM

TRAIN N CAMP - MODELING 101 CHAIRPERSON: PERRY LAMB

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Train Master Models, 601 East Main Street, Buford, GA 30518

SATURDAY, JANUARY 27 through SUNDAY, JANUARY 28, 2018

MODEL RAILROAD AND TRAIN SHOW at National Guard Armory, 1248 Eisenhower Drive, Savannah, GA 31406

SATURDAY, JANUARY 27 through SUNDAY, JANUARY 28, 2018

TRAINS, TRAINS at Southern Museum Of Civil War and Locomotive History, 2829 Cherokee Street, Kennesaw, GA 30144

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2018

1 PM to 4 PM

LAYOUT OPEN HOUSE: STEPHEN SPRINKLE

The Marietta Southern Railroad is a 13' x 14' HO scale layout that has full scenery. The layout includes eight operating industries, a five-track yard, and a two-track diesel servicing facility. The layout is controlled via DCC. Cars are assembled into trains, and pick-ups and deliveries controlled, via a car-card system. The Marietta Southern is a modern, industrial short-line. 596 Ward Meade Drive, Marietta, GA 30067 404 610-7903

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2018 1 PM to 4 PM

TRAIN N CAMP - MODELING 101 CHAIRPERSON: PERRY LAMB

See ad on next page for info

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Blue Ox Trains, 425 Market Place, Roswell, GA 30075

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 9 through SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2018

2018 MODEL TRAIN EXPO at Rock Springs Church, Impact Center, 207 Rock Springs Road,

Easley, SC, 29642

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 9 through SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2018

NMRA BOD MEETING at Drury Inn and Suites Airport Atlanta, 1270 Virginia Avenue, Atlanta,

GA, 30344

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2018 6 PM BOD; 7-9 PM Piedmont Division Mtg

CLINICIAN: TOM KLIMOSKI

TITLE: The Georgia Northeastern Railroad

Tom will review the history of the GNRR and outline its present day operation. Included are photos from a ride along with the crew as they traveled down the Marble Hill spur to switch the industries there. He will also show highlights of his HO scale Georgia Northeastern layout, discussing the construction of the layout, operating sessions, prototype based switch lists and track plan. Numerous photos showcase the scenery and structures of the layout.

BRING & BRAG: Bring your favorite Georgia Railroads equipment or whatever you have been working on and want to share.

FRIDAY, MARCH 2 through SATURDAY, MARCH 3, 2018

ASHEVILLE MODEL TRAIN SHOW at WNG AG Center, NC Hwy 280, Fletcher, NC

TUESDAY MARCH 13, 2018 6 PM BOD; 7-9 PM Piedmont Division Mtg
CLINICIAN: STEVE TODD TITLE: High Tech for Lowering Costs of DCC

Using new technology such as smart phones and Raspberry Pis can significantly drop the initial cost of entry into DCC Model Railroading without giving up high functionality. Specifically, we'll demonstrate and discuss Engine Driver, WiThrottle, Digitrax LnWi, MRC WiFi, RaspberryPi, PiSPROG One and Nano, bluetooth remotes, and who knows what else.....

BRING & BRAG: Bring your favorite Pennsylvania RR equipment or whatever you have been working on and want to share.

SATURDAY, MARCH 17 through SUNDAY, MARCH 18, 2018

PIEDMONT DIVISION MODEL TRAIN SHOW at COBB GALLERIA CENTRE, 2 Galleria Parkway,

Atlanta, GA 30339

SUNDAY, MARCH 25, 2018 1 PM to 4 PM

LAYOUT OPEN HOUSE: GARY JARABEK

Freelanced Pennsylvania. Locale Southeast in the early 1960's. HO scale with a mainline of 180 feet. The scenery is 25% complete. Controlled with DCC and Digitrax. Size of layout is 16ft by 28 ft. 3330 Old Wagon Road, Marietta, GA 30062 770 509-6941

## PIEDMONT DIVISION TRAIN N CAMP

# Got a model train for Christmas? Want even more fun with it?

## Model Railroading 101

Two sessions:

Saturday, January 27 1 PM to 4 PM Train Master Models (limit 25)

Saturday February 1 PM to 4 PM Blue Ox Trains (limit 20)

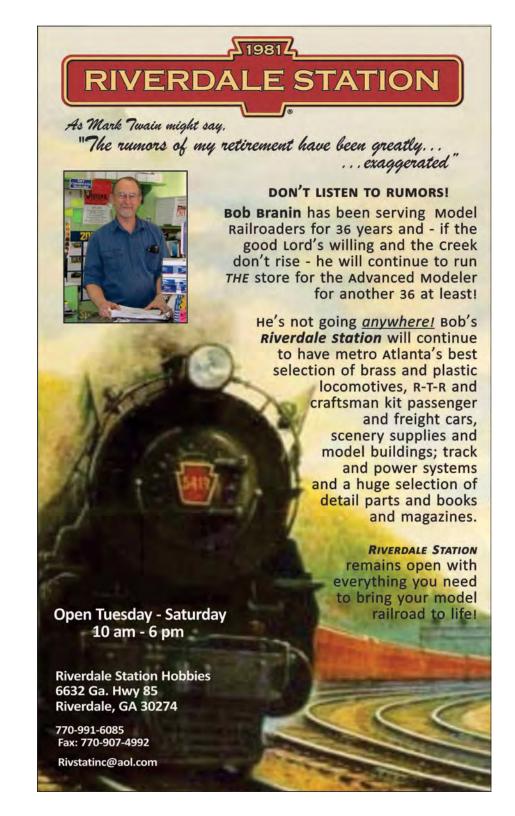
*Train-n-Camp* shows how to get started in Model Railroading. We show all the ways to put your railroad to work:

- Types of track and switches
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As this is held at model railroad hobby stores, you will see up close the various products and options available to the hobbyist. Experienced instructors will answer all your questions.

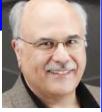
Contact Perry Lamb: Perry\_Lamb@mindspring.com

For more info and directions, go to http://www.piedmont-div.org/event/2018-01/train-n-camp-model-railroading-101-session-one



## PILGRIMAGE REVIEW

The Piedmont Pilgrimage is a wonderful time. Especially for the *Timetable* editor: lots of great pictures to fill the issue and fewer chances of typos!



This was my first Pilgrimage and I was able to see just a small fraction of the layouts on the tour. I am amazed at the scale and scope of what has been achieved in our Division. I have included photos of most of the layouts I visited in this issue. There is also a chance to test how closely you looked at these layouts—try to match closeup details to the craftsperson responsible.

This issue is also featuring the results of our October modeling contest. There were some amazing entries of rolling stock and some incredible photographs. If I can get a couple of weekends to call my own between now and April, I hope to take up Charlie's challenge to ribbon by entering a structure in what was an empty category.

Tom Gordon has another great article where I learned what a 4PDT switch is and where it should be used to protect your layout from potential shorts.

This is also a sad time for the Piedmont family with the passing of Joe Gelmini. Peter Youngblood has provided an outstanding tribute. You will find Joe throughout this issue as he was our featured presenter in October and is in the MMR group picture from the Holiday Party. I think that speaks volumes as to how much Joe has contributed to the Piedmont Division and the entire hobby.

—Jim Datka

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## 2017 Piedmont



## Pilgrimage Wrap Up



One of the objectives of the Piedmont Division, as stated in our mission statement, is to support the hobby of model rail-roading. November is National Model Railroad month and the Piedmont division created the Piedmont Pilgrimage to support this event. Each year many model railroaders in the greater Atlanta area open their homes to the public and display their model train layouts. The hope is that visitors are motivated to become interested in building their own layout or at least develop an interest in model railroading. The Piedmont Division may also benefit from more people joining the NMRA and the Piedmont Division.

This year we estimate approximately 5000 visitors attended our Pilgrimage tour. Unfortunately there are a few Pilgrimage hosts that have not forwarded their visitor information as of this writing so we are estimating the final total. While the total number of visitors was behind last year's total, it probably is due to the reduced number of layouts on tour. This year we had 65 layouts on tour. Last year we had 90 layouts on tour with an average of 63 visitors at each layout. This year the average attendance was 77 per layout. We also had 6 first time layouts. Many of the Pilgrimage hosts have made com-

ments to me that they saw many new visitors this year. We hope these new visitors become model railroaders and future members of the Piedmont Division and the NMRA. The Piedmont Division is proud that the Pilgrimage is one of several division outreach programs to support and promote the model railroad hobby.

Finally I want to thank many people: hosts who spent long hours updating and preparing their layouts for open houses, members of the Pilgrimage committee who make this event a huge success, operator assistants and all of our Piedmont Division members who support the Pilgrimage. If you are interested in hosting an open house and experiencing this rewarding event in 2017, please contact me at gjarabek@bellsouth.net or call 678-571-3501 or Charlie Mason at candmjmason@att.net or call 770-993-1589. The Pilgrimage committee would like to have several new layouts for viewing next year. More importantly we want to motivate you to build your own railroad empire and have your own venue to showcase your creativity.

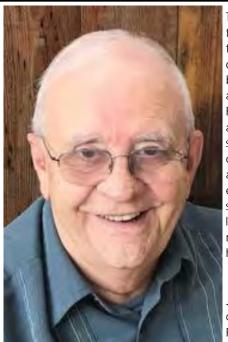
-Gary Jarabek, Pilgrimage Committee Chairman





## Joseph Lawrence Gelmini MMR

APRIL 28, 1947 TO DECEMBER 20, 2017

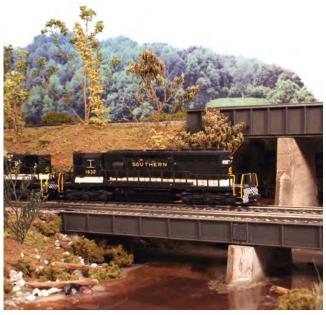


The NMRA has lost a key member of its national BOD. Eastern District Director Joe Gelmini, MMR, died on December 20th after battling a heart condition and cancer. A lifelong interest in trains led to a 35-year career with the Pennsylvania Railroad (working under the wires north of Potomac Yard), the Southern Railway, and finally the Norfolk Southern. He retired as Director of Training and Devel-

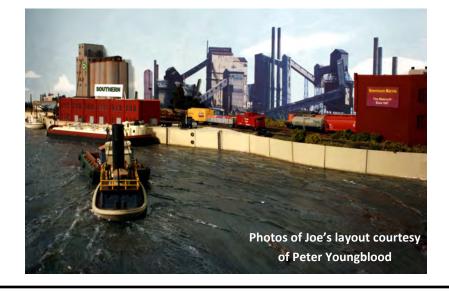
opment in 2001. He found that retirement gave him the opportunity to give back to the hobby, and got involved with both his Division and Region. He also found time to work on his MMR, which he received in 2013. He was a Piedmont Division Director and Officer, Show Manager of the Division's annual train show, and instructor for the Boy Scout merit badge program. He also served on the host committee for both the 1995 and 2013 NMRA National conventions in Atlanta. In the Southeastern Region, he served four-year stints as both Vice President and then President. Joe always volunteered whenever and wherever help was needed. His genuine interest in others and quick sense of humor made him instantly likeable at first introductions. Our condolences to his wife Kathy and to his immediate and extended family. We mourn the loss of a very proactive NMRA member and to those of us lucky to have known Joe, the loss of a very special person and friend.

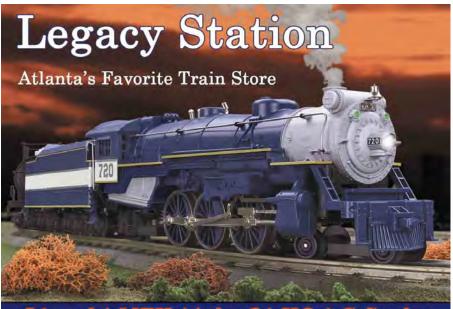
-- Peter Youngblood, MMR NMRA ALNAD

Joe is survived by his wife of 491/2 years, Kathleen (Kathy) Gelmini; his son and daughter-in-law, David and Heather Gelmini; his son and daughter-in-law, Robert and Valerie Gelmini; his daughter and son-in-law, Patricia and H. Will Boyter; his grandchildren, Andrew (Hannah), Tyler, Alex and Jack Gelmini, as well as two granddaughters, Jillian and Maryn Boyter; and his great-granddaughter, Aubrey Gelmini.









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George Guill Scenery

Brian Glock Scenery, Electrical, Master Builder Cars,

Brian's certificates will be presented to him at an upcoming meeting.

Results from October's model contest are listed below:

First Place - Non-Revenue Cars: Raymond Stewart MOW Boom Car

First Place - Freight Cars: Joe Sullivan SAL Wood Rack Flat Car Second Place - Freight Cars: Joe Sullivan L&N Wood Rack Flat Car Third Place - Freight Cars: Regis Brooks VMSX Crude Oil Tank Car

First Place - Passenger Cars: Regis Brooks ACL Sleeping Car

Raymond Stewart and Joe Sullivan earned Merit Awards for their models. In addition, Joe Sullivan's SAL wood rack flat car was awarded "Best in Show".

The next model contest will be in April. Start working on your models now. Your models do not have to be scratch-built. Super-detailed kits and kitbashed models are also welcome. There were no structures models in the October contest. Consider building a structure for the next contest. Your model may easily win a ribbon.

Charles Mason MMR

Piedmont Division Achievement Program Chairman

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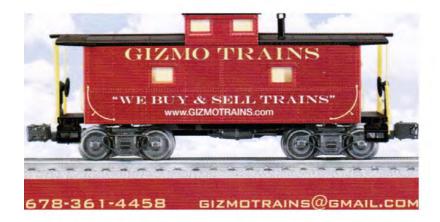
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## GETTING WIRED

WITH TOM GORDON

## PROGRAMMING TRACKS

Ok, this is something many folks have handled successfully, but if you are working with DCC, you will eventually find the need for a piece of track that allows programming of a single engine independent of the layout. These tracks are referred to as 'programming tracks.'

There are two styles of programming track: totally isolated from the layout and integrated into the track plan.

The first approach with a totally isolated programming track is easy. Just have a section of track connected to the programming track terminals on your DCC command station. Don't connect that piece of track to anything else. It is just by itself. Use the 0-5-0 to move an engine to that track. More advanced DCC systems have independent programming track terminals to route programming power to the programming track. With that, you just tell the DCC system to program on the programming track, and all should work well.

If your DCC system does not have a programming track option, then you can use an external programmer to perform activities on an isolated programming track. (SPROG is a great decoder programmer device that works nicely with DecoderPro – which is included in the free JMRI software package.) For what it's worth, I use a SPROG, even though my DCC system can power a programming track.

The second approach, integrating the programming track into the layout, can be a bit more complex. This approach is very useful since you can drive an engine onto the track, flip a switch, modify its settings, flip the switch again, and test the results. The programming track can toggle between layout power, and programming track power.

The risk here is that somehow the programming track will accidentally get juice from the active rails when you are operating trains. This can make magic smoke come from either your decoder programmer, or command station. You can't put the magic smoke back into the device once it leaves.

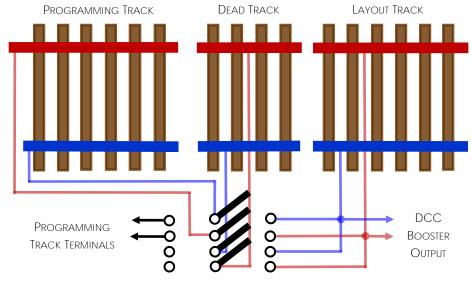
If you only isolate your programming track with a single set of gaps, you will likely see the magic smoke. As a train moves from the DCC power rails supplied by a booster onto your programming track, the wheels will short the two, and cause juice to run the wrong way – from the power booster to the command station. Poof! The programming track circuit fries.

There must be a section of 'dead' track between the programming track and the rest of the layout. That dead zone track may need to be several feet long. (Mine is about 2 feet long.) It must be wired to be 'dead' when the programming track is set up for programming an engine. This way, if you are operating the layout, and a train goes down the track where the programmer is connected, it is not likely to bridge the main line booster with the programming section.

This can be done with a 4PDT toggle switch. I'm not going to go into serious detail on how that should be wired, as it is very well covered on the 'Wiring for DCC' web page. The web link is: http://www.wiringfordcc.com/track\_2.htm#d2. If you have difficulty getting to that, just go to the Wiring for DCC page (wiringfordcc.com), and search for 'Programming Track'.

I hope this helps you program your engines – and avoid the magic smoke!

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FOUR-POLE, DOUBLE-THROW (4PDT) SWITCH



## PIEDMONT DIVISION MEMBER ACHIEVEMENTS



OCTOBER'S MEETING: JOE GELMINI'S HAVE MORE FUN RUNNING YOUR TRAINS,

"BRING AND BRAG" AND MODELING CONTEST















Photos courtesy of James Bando



## PIEDMONT DIVISION MEMBER ACHIEVEMENTS OCTOBER 2017 MODEL CONTEST AWARD WINNERS











## PIEDMONT DIVISION MEMBER ACHIEVEMENTS



USING THE GROUP APPROACH TO SCRATCH-BUILD CARS

November's Meeting: Charlie Mason, Joe Sullivan and Brian Glock Describe Using The Group Approach to Scratch-Building Cars and "Bring and Brag"











## PIEDMONT DIVISION MEMBER ACHIEVEMENTS DECEMBER'S MEETING: HOLIDAY PARTY AND TOYS FOR TOTS









Photos courtesy of James Bando



## PIEDMONT DIVISION MEMBER ACHIEVEMENTS PIEDMONT DIVISION AWARDS RECOGNITION





Sally Bando—Conductor Award



Perry Lamb—Engineer Award



Joe Sullivan—Engineer Award



Royal Bruce—Conductor Award



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John Falk—Conductor Award



Mike Cummings—Brakeman Award



Gary Fish—Brakeman Award

## PIEDMONT DIVISION FEATURED LAYOUT DAVID BOOKER'S COOSA VALLEY RR (HO)



We are very fortunate in the Piedmont Division to have so many great layouts by members of the Atlanta region. During the Piedmont Pilgrimage I visited David Booker's home layout in Kennesaw. I was amazed when I walked into the train room.

David captured the essence of fall in North Georgia with vibrant foliage colors on his layout. He has two rooms of layout that keep you mesmerized by the scenery. The focal point is his fantastic model of a paper mill. Its not just one model—it's the complete industrial complex.

He has designed real short line railroading with lots of switching opportunities along with main lines for running operations. He really has the facility set up as a prototype of switching movements. When you turn your shoulder you see a rock quarry similar to many in our area. The weathering and the cars in service

fit correctly for modern short line railroading. David has completed a lot in a short 3 years of construction. He operates his layout on Digitrax DCC system. When you add the sound of the locomotives in the room you feel like you are in the North Georgia Mountains listening to the engines growl up grades.

I believe that David's layout would inspire many of our modelers into running short line railroads for hours of fun operations. His industries make for a unique layout that really caught my attention and I wanted to share it with the Division. I hope on the next Piedmont Pilgrimage, if you missed it, you can get by to visit. Thanks to David for opening his layout on the Piedmont Pilgrimage this year.

I tried to get to many of the layouts over the 6 weekends. We are very lucky to have such a variety of modelers and eras represented by our local modelers.

Till next quarter.

-Walt Liles

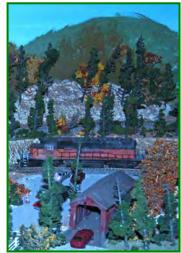










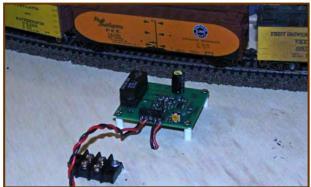


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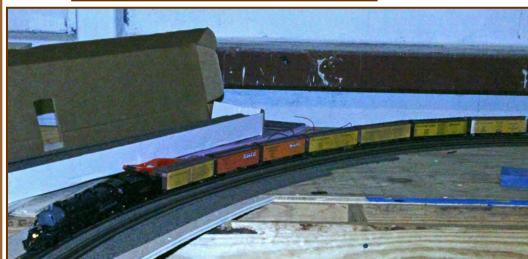
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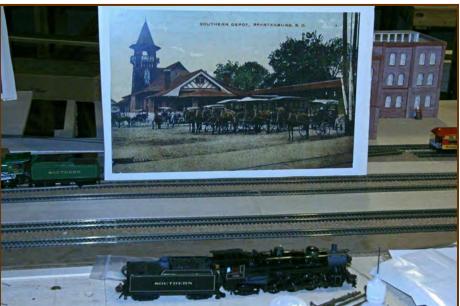






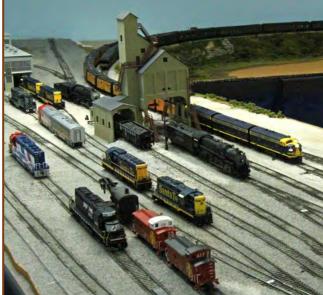




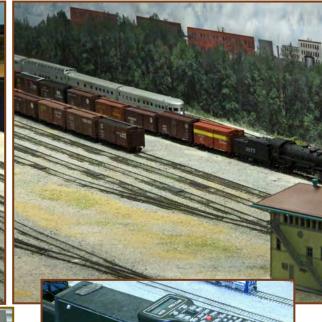


Bruce Backus's MDRR Division of the Santa Fe Railroad 1940—1970's Transition

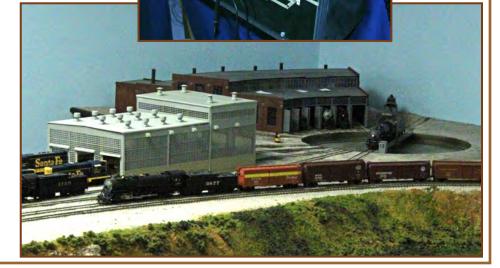












## George Bloodworth's L&K Railroad

1950—1960's Maryland, West Virginia and Pennsylvania



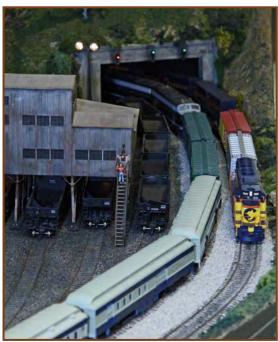


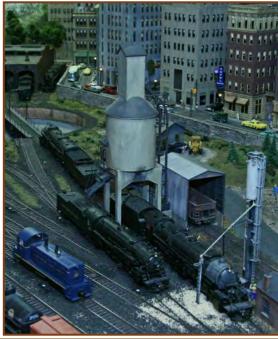












## Brian Campbell's 1930 to 1950's California BB&E Railroad









Brian Glock's Sugar Valley and Sweewater Railroad 1950's freelanced southern bridge line





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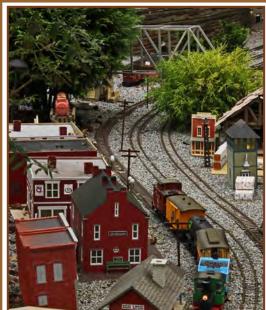




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### Chris Haon's LP & CL Railroads

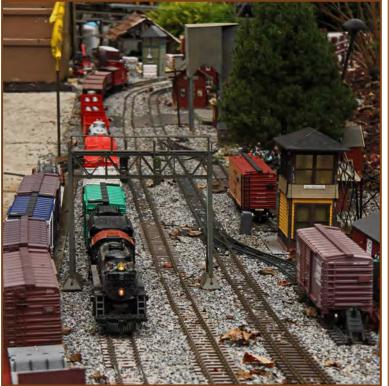
Garden railroad with both steam and diesel

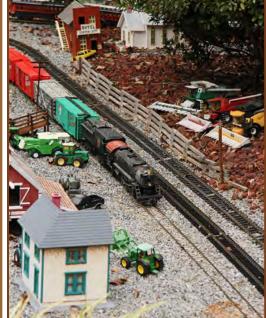






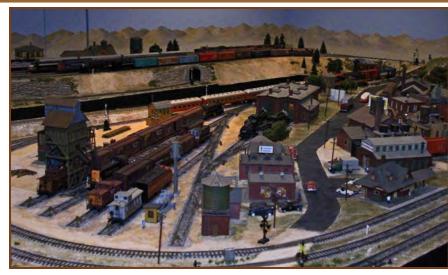








## Bill Robertson's Southern Pacific Railroad 1950's Mountain Park Division













## DETAILS, DETAILS...

The first thing you notice on the Piedmont Pilgrimage is the scale and scope of the layouts. But it is the level of detail that makes a layout great. How close did you pay attention? See if you can match the details shown here with the craftsperson's layout. Answers on the next page.



































- Brian Glock's Sugar Valley and Sweetwater Railroad
- George Bloodworth's L&K Railroad
- David Bookers's Coosa Valley Line
- Doug Alexander's Southern Railway
- Tom Gordon's Seaboard Air Line
- Chris Haon's LP & CL Railroad

- 8. Chris White's British Railways
- Jim Hoffman's Denver Rio Grande





## DETAILS, DETAILS...

Answers:	G <b>—</b> 1	N <del></del> 6
A <b>—</b> 9	H <b>—</b> 2	O <b>—</b> 3
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D <b>—</b> 4	K—5	R <del></del> 7
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F <b>—</b> 8	M <b>—</b> 3	So how did you do?



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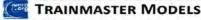
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