



# Semaphore

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## February Meeting

The program this month will be in three parts. The first part will be a soldering clinic by Dan Horn. If you are having a hard time soldering anything together or just want to become more

### MEETING

February 16, 1992

1:30 p.m.

Faith Lutheran Church  
431 S. Arlington Heights Rd.  
Arlington Heights, IL 60005  
708-253-4840

efficient with your soldering technique, then you won't want to miss this clinic. In the second part, Dave Hamilton will give a clinic on Carrier Control; what it is, how it works and how to use it. In the third part, Dave will team up with Charles Hague and Tom Hoffman for a clinic on a Walkaround Throttle. They will describe the plan, discuss the operation and show how easy it is to build.

The contest for this month will be off-line structures. Again, as we did last month, the judging will be in two

categories: craftsman type kits and shake-the-box kits.

## January Contest Winners

The following people are the winners of the On-line Structures contest held at last month's meeting:

### Craftsman Type Kits

- 1st: Don Robinson (HO)
- 2nd: Ray Pettersen Jr. (HO)
- 3rd: Art Roth (HO)

### Shake-the-box Kits

- 1st: Frank Oldfield (HO)
- 2nd: Frank Oldfield (HO)
- 3rd: Dave Flebbe (HO)

Congratulations to all of you.

## Superintendents' Report

As I reported to the membership at the January meeting, our division has volunteered to undertake the Spring 1993 Regional Convention as a result of the inability of the Indianapolis group to secure a meeting site. It is our intention to tie the convention to our spring High Wheeler '93 show at a new site: Forest View High School. We are also thinking up new ideas and directions to bring to our convention which will hopefully

change some of the current "wisdom" regarding conventions and bring more people out to take part in it. I will call on many of you to for new ideas and plans, and to assist in putting it all together. I will continue to update the membership as our plans move toward finalization.

This is the final time at which nominations will be accepted for the positions of Superintendent, Assistant Superintendent, Paymaster and Chief Clerk which are up for election in April. If you are interested, please contact Dave Hamilton (708-253-1003) who will answer any questions you have regarding qualifications and responsibilities for these positions.

Our division runs as a result of the effort of its membership. I would like to thank the members who brought in videos of their layout for the January

### *Semaphore*

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meeting. It was quite interesting to see all of the different layouts. Also, thanks to the other members who have agreed to put on clinics for the months of February and April.

The Board of Directors has decided to change the location of our meeting site for next year. We will be meeting at the Prospect Heights Park District Center (Camp McDonald Road) effective with the September meeting. More information regarding this change will follow.

The phone numbers of all the members of the Board of Directors are always found in the *Semaphore*. If you have any comments or concerns regarding the division, feel free to call any of us and discuss them so that we can make our division work for everyone.

-Tom

### High Wheeler '92 Update

At the present time, there are thirty-seven exhibitors who have signed up for the show. As the show draws nearer, more will sign up and the final number should be around forty-five.

The contests for High Wheeler will include modules, dioramas, structures and rolling stock. All entries must be exhibited at the show for the two days. The contests are open to all exhibitors and division participants of the show. The public, by popular vote, will be judging the dioramas, structures and rolling stock. The modules will be judged by either division members or spouses of division members. The winners will be announced late Sunday afternoon. All first place winners will receive a very nice plaque.

We need help setting up the show on Friday night and taking down the show on Sunday evening. The High Wheeler committee would appreciate all of the help it can get. If you would like to help, please plan on being at Harper College

on Friday and/or Sunday evening.

Additionally, we need help passing out flyers and just plain getting the word out. If you can help in any way or want more information about the show, please contact Ray Pettersen Jr. at 708-259-3040.

## Schedule

**March 7, 8**  
High Wheeler '92

**April 26**  
Program to be announced  
Open Cars With Loads Contest

**May 17**  
To be announced

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