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Atlas Model Railroading booth at the "World's Greatest Hobby on Tour" show at Puyallup, WA held on November 14-15, 2009.

*(Photo by, Paul Neumann, used with permission.)*

## **NEXT CLUB EVENTS:**

Dec 7, 2009 - BNMRR election meeting, Knights of Columbus

Dec 8, 2009 - 4<sup>th</sup> Division Clinic – United Way Building Downtown Bremerton

# OFF THE MAINLINE



Well friends, it has been a great month and year for us. And I thank you all for what you have done.

Unfortunately we didn't get into the World's Greatest Hobby show with our layout, but we did have a table which we shared with the 4<sup>th</sup> Division. We were contacted by several people interested in the club. I talked at length with a Boeing club member who lives in Gig Harbor, and due to the Boeing club losing their home, he is considering joining us. Thank you members who manned the booth.

Yesterday's Fix it day didn't go as we had hoped. Only one person came in. She had her grandfathers American Flyer trains. We cleaned and tried to get the engines running but no luck. Dan Ainslie determined the motor magnets needed to be re-magnetized. Thank you! Marion, Dan W, Reed, Chris, Bob, Wes, Paul, and Dan A. Also thanks to the Walls and Pete Maitland for stopping by to help if needed

Reed and Chris have located a temporary home in Silverdale for us. One where we can set up the whole layout and work on it. Thank you! Details on moving the section will follow.

Monday we will elect our officers, consider amendments to our By-Laws, as well as moving our annual dinner to Tuesday.

I would like to thank Marion for taking over the 4<sup>th</sup> Division Clinic.

Time to climb back in the cab and get this train down the track...

**Bill**  
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# NEUMANN'S CROSSINGS



## **HO ANNOUNCEMENTS**

ATHEARN - UP Veranda Turbine, with or without tender; #65, DCC ready. MSRP \$299.98. Quantum QSI DCC/sound system sold separately.

MTH- Milwaukee Road "Little Joe" electric. DCC and sound. MSRP \$399.00  
Due: Mar 2010

## **RAILFAN NOTES**

Watco Transportation Services, Inc., (Watco) announced the successful start-up of a new railroad, the Boise Valley Railroad (BVRR), on Monday, November 23. The BVRR's Wilder Branch runs from Wilder to Caldwell, Idaho and the Boise Cut Off runs from Nampa to just southeast of Boise, Idaho. The BVRR has also obtained trackage rights from Nampa to Caldwell, Idaho from the Union Pacific Railroad.

The boards of directors of Berkshire Hathaway Inc. and Burlington Northern Santa Fe Corporation announced a definitive agreement for Berkshire Hathaway to acquire for \$100 per share in cash and stock the remaining 77.4 percent of outstanding BNI shares not currently owned to increase its holdings to 100 percent.

(Courtesy of Railfan and Railroad magazine)

## **RAILROAD TRIVIA**

What is an "accommodation train"?

Answer in next month's Flimsy

Answer to last month's question:

A "dinky" is a small engine used in and around shops and roundhouses for switching.

## **DID YOU KNOW...?**

A hobo's life riding the rails could be very dangerous. In 1932, the Interstate Commerce Commission reported 425 deaths and 1,344 injuries to people getting on or off locomotives and rolling stock.

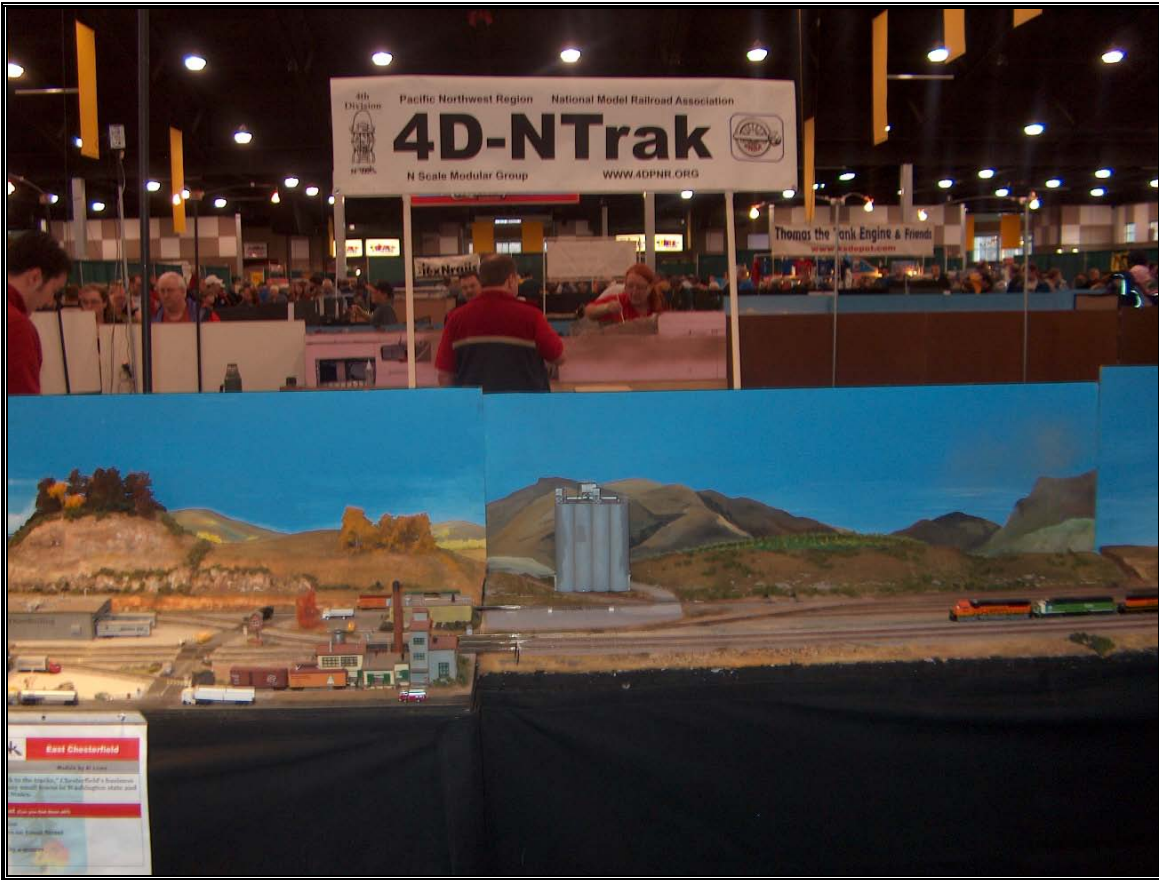
## **“WORLD’S GREAT HOBBY ON TOUR” SHOW**

On Nov 14-15, 2009, the “World’s Greatest Hobby on Tour” Show finally made it to western Washington, settling in at the Puyallup Fairgrounds. Vendors from all over the country showed up and many of the local clubs had their layouts on display.

Although BNMRR didn’t have the layout set up, club members helped to man the NMRA booth and had the club sign on display.



Bob and Dan manning our table at World’s Greatest Hobby







# The Semaphore Board

December, 2009

Our participation at the World's Greatest Hobby on Tour was a bust. By the signup deadline, I had sheets from only four members saying they could support it. Yes, I know that we hadn't heard whether or not there was room for us, but scheduling cannot wait until the last minute. I was hoping to prepare the schedule and be ready to go at the last minute. Oh, well. You might recall that I changed the deadline from two weeks before set up to one, hoping that would allow those who don't know their schedules early time to make the needed determination. I hope the membership will do better for the next show.

Speaking of shows, we will not have our layout at Pacific Science Center this January. We have no one to tow the trailer. However, Norm Curtis and the 4th Division HO Modular group has again invited us to run trains with them at the PSC show. There will be no signup sheet provided, as the group just needs to ensure there is adequate coverage. If you can help support the group, contact me, before January 8, with times and days that you are available. I will forward the information to Norm. Or, let him know directly. The Grab-Iron has his contact information under "4<sup>th</sup> Division Monthly Activities" for the 2n Saturday.

Remember, the 4th Division HO Modular group only runs DCC and requires that all rolling stock have metal wheels.

Don't forget the new layout work party, most Thursdays starting around 9 in the morning. Come on over to Bob Jensen's abode and develop, hone, or utilize your layout building skills. I suggest you contact Bob to confirm the work party.

As some of you know, I am running for one of the director positions. I'd appreciate your support. Thank you.

Tom Barrett

## **BNMR 2009 Schedule:**

December 5, 2009 – BNMR Fix-it Day

**December 7, 2009 – Annual Election Meeting, Knights of Columbus**

December 8, 2009 – NMRA 4<sup>th</sup> Division Clinic, Bremerton United Way Building, a Dan Ainslie clinic

**BNMR 2010 Schedule:**

**January 4, 2010, 7:00 p.m., Annual Dinner & BNMR Quarterly Business Meeting, Family Pancake House, Wheaton Way**

TBC January 12, 2010 – NMRA 4<sup>th</sup> Division Clinic, Bremerton United Way Building

January 16 – 18, 2010 – Pacific Science Center Show, Seattle (no Kitsap Western layout, support 4<sup>th</sup> Division manning)

February 1, 2010 – BNMR Clinical/Workshop Meeting

February 5-7, 2010 – United North West Train Show and Swap Meet, Monroe

TBC February 9, 2010 – NMRA 4<sup>th</sup> Division Clinic, Bremerton United Way Building

March 1, 2010 – BNMR Clinical/Workshop Meeting at the Walls in Poulsbo

TBD March 12-14, 2010 – Retsil Veteran's Home Show, Port Orchard

TBC March 9, 2010 – NMRA 4<sup>th</sup> Division Clinic, Bremerton United Way Building

**April 5, 2010, 1900 hours, BNMR Quarterly Business meeting, Knights of Columbus**

TBC April 13, 2010 – NMRA 4<sup>th</sup> Division Clinic, Bremerton United Way Building

TBD April 30, May 1 – 2, 2010 – Montclair Park Show, Poulsbo

May 3, 2010 – BNMR Clinical/Workshop Meeting

TBC May 11, 2010 – NMRA 4<sup>th</sup> Division Clinic, Bremerton United Way Building

June 7, 2010 – BNMR Clinical/Workshop Meeting

TBC June 15, 2010 – NMRA 4<sup>th</sup> Division Clinic, Bremerton United Way Building.

TBD June 12, 2010 – BNMR Swap Meet, Bremerton

**July 12, 2010, 1900 hours, BNMR Quarterly Business meeting, Knights of Columbus**

TBC July 13, 2010 – NMRA 4<sup>th</sup> Division Clinic, Bremerton United Way Building:

TBD July 21, 2010 – Annual Kitsap County Fair Kick-Off B-B-Q, Bremerton, 5:30 p.m., Presidents Hall

TBC July 31, 2010 – Kitsap County Fair Show Super Saturday & BBQ, Bremerton

August 2, 2010 – BNMR Clinical/Workshop Meeting

TBC August 13, 2010 – NMRA 4<sup>th</sup> Division Clinic, Bremerton United Way Building

August 9, 25 – 30, 2010 – Kitsap County Fair Show, Bremerton (dates of fair confirmed, setup TBD)

September 13, 2010 – BNMR Clinical/Workshop Meeting (delayed one week because of Labor Day)

TBC September 14, 2010 – NMRA 4<sup>th</sup> Division Clinic, Bremerton United Way Building

September 16-18, 2010 – PNR-NMRA Annual Convention, Lynnwood Embassy Suites

TBD October 1 – 2, 2010 – Lynden Lions Train Show and Swap Meet, Lynden

**October 4, 2010, 1900 hours, BNMR Quarterly Business meeting, Knights of Columbus**

TBC October 12, 2010 – NMRA 4<sup>th</sup> Division Clinic, Bremerton United Way Building

November 1, 2010 – BNMR Clinical/Workshop Meeting

TBC November 9, 2010 – NMRA 4<sup>th</sup> Division Clinic, Bremerton United Way Building

TBC November 13, 2010 – Boeing MRR Club Annual swap Meet, Kent Commons



# THE FLIMSY BOARD

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## MEETING NOTICE:

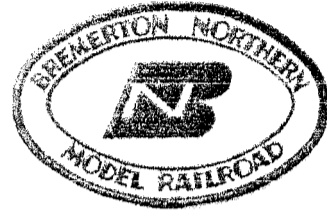
The regular Quarterly Business Meetings are held on the first Monday of January, April, July, and October. Business meetings are held at Knights of Columbus, 2515 Burwell, Bremerton, WA at 7:00 PM. Work parties/coffee clutches will be held on the first Monday's not designated Business meetings. The location will be announced in the Flimsy. If the first Monday is a holiday, when the meeting day shall be the second Monday of the month. Work Shops are being conducted on Thursday mornings at Bob Jensen's at 9:00 AM to work on the new layout.

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