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# THE FLIMSY BOARD

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Amtrak Cascades #513 has just transitioned from Main 2 to Main 1 at Napavine North as it accelerates towards the maximum authorized speed of 79mph (*Photo by George Li used with permission*)

## **NEXT CLUB EVENTS:**

November 3-5 2017 – SHOW – Retsil Veteran's Home Show, Port Orchard

November 6, 2017 – BNMR Board meeting, 6:00 P.M. at United Way Building, Bremerton

November 6, 2017 - BNMR Business meeting, 7:00 P.M. at United Way Building, Bremerton

November 11, 2017 – Boeing Employees' Model Railroad Club SWAP Meet, 9:30 – 4:00 at Kent Commons, Kent

November 11 & 12, 2017 – Great Train Show, 10:00 – 4:00 at Western Washington Fairgrounds, Puyallup

November 14, 2017 – NMRA 4<sup>th</sup> Division Clinic, 7:00 P.M. at United Way Building, Bremerton



# The Semaphore Board

## November 2017



The Lynden Lions Model Train Show was October 6-9. Those of you who were not able to make it missed a good show. I'll have to admit that it was a little hectic at times, but that seems to happen when everyone wants to arrive or leave at the same time and we are short handed. For setup and take down, we did have some additional help in the form of some wives, Debra Snyder, Diana Cripe, Judy Jensen, and Eileen Barrett. I can't begin to thank them enough for their help.

Starburst Mine was scheduled to operate only about 3 hours total, however thanks to Judy, Eileen and Rick, it operated most of the time. Rick operated it even while his trains continued their scheduled run! Though their efforts, one of the layout's attractions was fully presented.

Hopefully future shows, especially at Lynden and Monroe, will draw more members so that all members have a chance to shop or to relax. This year, at Lynden, we were short handed and shopping or break time was at a premium.

Again, as at the fair, we had a DCC only show. No DC operation occurred that I know of except for testing of a visitors "new" locomotive. At this show, we made quite a bit of use of the yard leads to stage trains if the operator didn't want to chase the train that is already out there. Other than problems with bridge tracks on the branch line, I think we had few operational problems.

Our next show is at the Retsil Veterans Home the first weekend in November. The sign-up sheet was in the last Flimsy Board. I hope to see you all there. This is a laid back but well appreciated show. The show is for the residents' entertainment and the Home has asked that we not invite non-members to the show unless it is cleared with them. They have had problems with folks wandering through the halls at other events and have asked that we not invite others without letting them know.

In December, we will be having our elections. All offices, except for two director positions, are up for election. If you are interested in a position, please let your preferences be known. There are eight positions on the Board, nine if you include the Sergeant-of-Arms, and unless our membership increases, that is a majority of the membership. We need help from all of you.

Tom Barrett

## **BNMR Year Schedule:**

**November 3-5 2017 – SHOW – Retsil Veteran’s Home Show, Port Orchard**

November 6, 2017 – Board meeting, 6:00. Contact the President to confirm.

**November 6, 2017, 7:00 p.m., BNMR Business meeting, at United Way Building, Bremerton**

November 14, 2017 – NMRA 4<sup>th</sup> Division Clinic, 7:00 P.M. at United Way Building, Bremerton,

December 4, 2017 – Board meeting, 6:00. Contact the President to confirm.

**December 4, 2017 – Annual Election Meeting, at United Way Building, Bremerton**

December 12, 2017 – NMRA 4<sup>th</sup> Division Clinic, 7:00 P.M. at United Way Building, Bremerton,

**January 8, 2018, 6:30 p.m., Annual Dinner & BNMR Business Meeting, (delayed one week because of New Year's Day being a holiday) at The Family Pancake House on Kitsap Way, Bremerton.**

January 9, 2018 – NMRA 4<sup>th</sup> Division Clinic, 7:00 P.M. at United Way Building, Bremerton,

January 12-15, 2018 – Pacific Science Ctr Show, Seattle (no K W layout)

February 5, 2018 – Board meeting, 6:00. Contact the President to confirm.

**February 5, 2018, 7:00 p.m., BNMR Business meeting, at United Way Building, Bremerton**

February 13, 2018 – NMRA 4<sup>th</sup> Division Clinic, 7:00 P.M. at United Way Building, Bremerton,

**February 23-25, 2018 – SHOW – United North West Train Show & Marketplace, Monroe**

March 5, 2018 – Board meeting, 6:00. Contact the President to confirm.

**March 5, 2018, 7:00 p.m., BNMR Business meeting, at United Way Building, Bremerton**

March 13, 2018 – NMRA 4<sup>th</sup> Division Clinic, 7:00 P.M. at United Way Building, Bremerton

April 2, 2018 – Board meeting, 6:00. Contact the President to confirm.

**April 2, 2018, 7:00 p.m., BNMR Business meeting, at United Way Building, Bremerton**

**April 6 – 8, 2018 – SHOW – Retsil Veterans’ Home Show, Port Orchard**

April 10, 2018 – NMRA 4<sup>th</sup> Division Clinic, 7:00 P.M. at United Way Building, Bremerton

**April 27 – 29, 2018 – SHOW – Brookdale Montclair Poolsbo**

May 7, 2018 – Board meeting, 6:00. Contact the President to confirm.

**May 7, 2018, 7:00 p.m., BNMR Business meeting, at United Way Building, Bremerton,**

May 8, 2018 – NMRA 4<sup>th</sup> Division Clinic, 7:00 P.M. at United Way Building, Bremerton

June 4, 2018 – Board meeting, 6:00. Contact the President to confirm.

**June 4, 2018, 7:00 p.m., BNMR Business meeting, at United Way Building, Bremerton,**

June 12, 2018 – NMRA 4<sup>th</sup> Division Clinic, 7:00 P.M. at United Way Building, Bremerton

**June 16, 2018 – BNMR Swap Meet, Bremerton**

July 2, 2018 – Board meeting, 6:00. Contact the President to confirm.

**July 2, 2018, 7:00 p.m., BNMR Business meeting, at United Way Building, Bremerton,**

July 10, 2018 – NMRA 4<sup>th</sup> Division Clinic, 7:00 P.M. at United Way Building, Bremerton,

August 6, 2018 – Board meeting, 6:00. Contact the President to confirm.

**August 6, 2018, 7:00 p.m., BNMR Business meeting, at United Way Building, Bremerton,**

August 14, 2018 – NMRA 4<sup>th</sup> Division Clinic, 7:00 P.M. at United Way Building, Bremerton,

**August 19 – 27, 2018 – SHOW – Kitsap County Fair, Bremerton (TBC)**

September 10, 2018 – Board meeting, 6:00. Contact the President to confirm.

**September 10, 2018, 7:00 p.m., BNMR Business meeting, (delayed one week because of Labor Day) , 7:00 P.M. at a location to be determined.**

September 11, 2018 – NMRA 4<sup>th</sup> Division Clinic, 7:00 P.M. at United Way Building, Bremerton.

October 1, 2018 – Board meeting, 6:00. Contact the President to confirm.

**October 1, 2018, 7:00 p.m., BNMR Business meeting, at United Way Building, Bremerton**

**October 5 – 7, 2018– SHOW – Lynden Lions Model Train Show, Lynden**

October 9, 2018 – NMRA 4<sup>th</sup> Division Clinic, 7:00 P.M. at United Way Building, Bremerton

# NEUMANN'S CROSSINGS



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**MTH** (<https://mthtrains.com/>): Multiple scales: October 27, 2017 - On October 19th, the Union Pacific Railroad revealed a commemorative locomotive honoring the U.S. Armed Forces at San Antonio's Sunset Station. UP's No. 1943 will kick off the railroads Salute to the Military Tour with a series of community displays across Union Pacific's network. The locomotive's unique livery is based on the schemes and colors from each branch of the U.S. Military and is a recognition on the railroad's part of the military service of many Union Pacific employees. In fact, 17 percent of UP employees have served in the military - one of the reasons the Union Pacific has been recognized in the Best Companies for Veterans Top 10 list the last two years running. M.T.H. Electric Trains will be releasing the Union Pacific Spirit SD70ACe in cab No. 1943 in three versions; a Premier Line O Scale Model, a semi-scale RailKing Imperial O Gauge model and an HO model in both a DCC-Ready version and a Proto-Sound 3.0 28-Function DCC equipped version. Each will be offered with a series of freight cars decorated in the colors and logos of each Military branch. An additional car will also be featured in POW livery as a nod to Union Pacific's inclusion of the POW/MIA symbol at the rear of the locomotive. MTH has also announced a limited production (150) O Scale Premier Southern Pacific GS-4 4-8-4 Northern #4449 with Christmas LED Lights. Available separately are a Southern Pacific 4 Car 70' Streamlined Passenger Set With Christmas LEDs and a Southern Pacific 2 Car 70' Streamlined Sleeper/Diner Set With Christmas LEDs.

**Rapido Trains Inc** (<https://rapidotrains.com>) Announced an ordering extension, now November 20<sup>th</sup>, on their Budd Mid-Train Dome. Available lines: Amtrak Phase I; Baltimore & Ohio; Canadian National (Noodle); Canadian National (American Spirit); Canadian Pacific (Maroon); CP Rail; Delaware & Hudson; Illinois Central; Missouri Pacific (Eagle); Norfolk & Western; Seaboard Coast Line; VIA Rail Canada; Wabash; and Stainless Steel Finish, Unlettered. Model Features: Fully decorated



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and assembled with factory-installed grab irons; Realistic stainless steel finish; Full underbody with air, steam and electrical lines; Fully detailed and decorated interiors; Window blinds at different heights for each car; Operating diaphragms with etched-metal end gates; Magnetic metal knuckle couplers at the correct height; Free-rolling trucks with metal Wheelsets; Track-powered interior lighting including dome lights; 22" Minimum radius (can be modified for 18" minimum); and Several car numbers per paint scheme.

### RAILROAD TRIVIA

Did the Chicago, Milwaukee & Gary Railway ever reach Chicago, Milwaukee, or Gary?

(Answer in next month's Flimsy)

### Answer to last month's question:

What was the western terminus for the Capitol Limited of the B&O?

- Houston
- Detroit
- Chicago
- St. Louis