

# February 2007

**The Rocky Mountain Region, NMRA, 2007 Convention  
Aurora, CO - Thursday through Sunday - May 24 through 27, 2007**

## Update

**Time is running out! - Late fees start March first. Register now and save.**

**Charlie Getz: Speaker and Clinician** - Well known modeler, author, and model railroad speaker, Charlie Getz, will speak at the banquet on Saturday evening. In addition, both Charlie and his wife, Margaret, will present clinics during the convention. Charlie frequently writes articles for the NARROW GAUGE AND SHORT LINE GAZETTE. He is highly in demand as a speaker at model railroad events and regularly speaks at the National Narrow Gauge and NMRA national conventions.

**Train Show** - Our train show will be open to convention attendees only on Friday morning and evening. It will be open to the public all day Saturday and Sunday. This show will include both vendors and modular layouts with some that have never been shown at RMR conventions..

**Clinics** - In addition to the Charlie and Margaret Getz clinics, we have a wide variety of both rail and non-rail programs, including: Transportation Tokens, D&RGW Operations, Scrapbooking, Mason Bogies, Scale Trucks and Cars, Hand Laying track and Switches, Painted Ladies, and a Trunk Show. A number of other programs are in the works. Clinics will run Friday morning and evening and Saturday morning.

**Contest** - See elsewhere in this Callboard for contest information.

**Layout Tours** - To date, we have layouts from N-scale to Live steam lined up. Maps and directions will be provided. Layouts are being scheduled for Thursday evening plus Friday – Sunday afternoons.

**Prototype / Industrial Tours** – Several tours will have a limit on attendance plus a fee. These include: RTD Light Rail – dispatch, yards, service area, and shops with transportation on Light Rail included. InterMountain Railway Company – design and molding factory with travel by bus. Coor’s Brewery rail yards, loco servicing, transfer table, grain cars and more – travel by bus. Colorado Railroad Museum – guided tour includes some equipment not normally open – travel by bus. Other tours have been listed in previous issues of the Callboard. NOTE: the Urich locomotive Works tour is cancelled.

**Local Transportation** - With most tours being self-guided, detailed maps and instructions will be provided. RTD has just completed an extension of their Light Rail system to near the hotel. Here is a chance to experience the Light Rail System and avoid parking. Information on the system, including charges, will be provided in the registration package.

**Location** - Our headquarters will be the Radisson Hotel ([www.radisson.com/auroraco](http://www.radisson.com/auroraco)) which is located at Parker Road and I-225 in Aurora. They have offered us a rate of \$59+ tax per room (one or more people). Reservations received after May 10, 2007 will be at the group rate on an availability basis only. Their reservation line is 303-695-1700, or **1-888-201-1718 THIS IS A CORRECTED PHONE NUMBER.** Be sure to specify you are members of the **Timeless Rail Group**. The mail address is **Radisson Hotel Denver Southeast, 3200 South Parker Road, Aurora CO 80014**

# Review prior Callboards for additional information or address questions to:

US Mail: Send SSAE to: Timeless Rails, 832 Geneva Street, Aurora CO 80010-3941

Web site: www.TimelessRails.org E-mail: TimelessRails@ecentral.com

## Convention Registration Form

Primary Registrant must be over 18 years old.  
Is primary a **current Member** of the NMRA?  
YES / NO \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, NMRA # \_\_\_\_\_  
If yes, the immediate family is considered to be members.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Show all names as you want them on convention badges.

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Names of other immediate family members (residing in the same household) on this registration. Include age if under 12 at the time of the convention. Grandchildren may be included on grandparents registration as immediate family.

Number	Item	Fare	Total
_____	Primary Registrant	\$ 40	\$ _____
_____	Spouse / Other Immediate Family Members	\$ 20	\$ _____
_____	Children under 12 (with registered adult)*	N/C	
_____	Banquet	\$ 27	\$ _____
_____	Sunday morning hobo breakfast	\$ 15	\$ _____
_____	Non-NMRA member surcharge	\$10 per person, \$20 Family Maximum	\$ _____
_____	Late Fee (After February 28)	\$10 per person, \$20 Family Maximum	\$ _____

\*Children under 12 must be with parent / guardian at all times.

Cancellation Policy: Full refund prior to April 16. Full refund less \$10 /person, \$20/family after April 15 to May 15. No refunds after May 15.

**GRAND TOTAL** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Make check payable to: Timeless Rails. Mail to 832 Geneva Street, Aurora CO 80010-3941**

**For more info: www.TimelessRails.org TimelessRails@ecentral.com or US mail as above. 6-28**

**Vendors, exhibitors and modular groups should contact us for more information.**

### From the editor:

For those members that are pursuing their Master Model Railroader and need to get author points, here is a way to get them. Since we publish an online version of the Callboard, we can add your articles to this publication. That will get you author points and there is no space limitations. There are only so many points you can earn this way, you need to check with Mark Evans, but this is your publication so take advantage of this offer. This is where I received some of my author points. Kurt S. Kramke MMR editor

**Sunrise Division Moves.** The sunrise Division meeting location has changed to the Aurora Municipal Center. We still meet the first Thursday evening of each month at 7:15 pm. For any questions, email [hunterrl@ecentral.com](mailto:hunterrl@ecentral.com) or call 303-364-4814.

**Model RR Collection for Sale.** I will be handling the model rail items for one of our long time members and supporters. These items include a number of out of production craftsman kits and pilot models from Builders in Scale. The rare items will be sold on e-bay and the regular items by direct sale and other means. If you want to be notified of what is there and where it will be sold, send SSAE to Richard Hunter, 832 Geneva Street, Aurora CO 80010-3941 or email to [rrestates@ecentral.com](mailto:rrestates@ecentral.com)

**Rio Grande Division** upcoming schedule, meetings held at Redeemer Lutheran Church, 210 Alvarado ST SE, Albuquerque from 1 - 3 p.m. unless otherwise noted:

March 3, 2007; Blaine Bachman to present a clinic on the Modeling Contest and Achievement Program. Contest will be Maintenance of Way. We will have a publicity report and sample flyer for the 2008 convention.

May 5, 2007; Layout tours of Bill Sedevic and Stan Kravitz's layouts in Placitas. We will meet at the church at 1 p.m. and carpool. You won't want to miss these!

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NOTE: If you attempt to contact one of the above without success, contact the RMR President or Secretary.

**Here is an opportunity for anyone interested in giving clinics at a National Convention.** This is for the convention in 2008 in for the PSR National Convention. You have plenty of time to prepare. If you are interested, please contact Sandy at the address below with your phone number and e-mail address.

Sandy Friedfeld, Clinic Liaison, Rancho Palos Verdes, CA 90275, 310-541-1917, san-nan@cox.net

The North Platte, Nebraska, Nebraska West-Central Division NMRA is holding their 13<sup>th</sup> annual train show and swap meet on April 21 and 22. It will be held at the D&N Event Center, 501 East Walker Road, North Platte, NE. For more information, contact Gene R Tacey, P.O. Box 485, Sutherland, NE 69165, 303-386-2486 taceys@gpcom.net.

### **Message from your President Fred Carlson MMR**

I recently proposed to the BOD that we should change our website and have it handled by a professional. My reasoning was that with a slick, professional looking website we might attract more interest in our region, and hopefully more members and increased participation. Chris Fox has said that he is willing to handle the website for \$200 for the initial set up and \$25 per hour for major revisions thereafter. I consider this to be a deal. The motion was put before the board for an email vote, and I'm happy to report that the motion carried 16 to 5. Chris, who runs the Pikes Peak Division website, has begun to work on the region website, and I'm very pleased with his preliminary work. I hope that the website will be ready for public consumption by the time you read this. The challenge now will be to keep the website up to date. Any revisions or changes should be routed through me or Jack Sousa. There will be room for photos of member's layouts and model work, so I encourage you to submit photos of your best efforts. And division superintendents will be responsible for updating information on their divisions.

Remember that three at-large director positions have to be filled in the spring election. If you want to serve on the board, or if you know of someone who does, please contact our vice-president, Harold Huber.

### **Achievement Program News Mark L. Evans – RMR AP Chairman**

We've had some great work accomplished in the Achievement Program the past couple of months. The following awards have been earned by Region members:

Michael Berg – Association Volunteer and Association Official, William L. Roberts – Association Official,  
Richard J. Sons – Master Builder – Structures, John Volp - Association Official, Golden Spike: Christopher Fox  
Golden Spike: Bernard J. Strouth

This is also a great time to be building your entries for the Region Model Contest. We had great participation at last year's convention. If you have any questions on earning maximum points on your model, drop me an email or give me a call. I would be glad to guide you through the forms. I will also need help with judging the contest. You will receive 2 time units towards your Association Volunteer certificate for participating as a Region Contest Judge.

The Region is currently with out a Contest Chairman. If any one is interested in this position, please contact me. The job of Region Contest Chairman does not require a big time commitment during the year. This is a great chance to earn 2 time units/month throughout the year. This means you could earn your Association Volunteer certificate in a little over 2 years. . I would be glad to discuss the details with you if you are interested.

Also remember, you aren't required to have your AP work judged at Division meets or Region contests. All you need to do is find a couple of other currently registered NMRA members to work with. If you form a small group, you can work on your AP requirements no matter where you live.

Please contact me if you have any AP related questions or need help with anything. You can contact me by phone at 801-254-1312 or email at [mevans@slco.org](mailto:mevans@slco.org)

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