



# The Call Board

## Northern Ohio Association of Railway Societies

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The **Northern Ohio Association of Railroad Societies (NOARS)** was formed to a) be a blanket organization with a desire to help all area 'rail groups' communicate with each other and to promote their common interests in the community; and b) help eliminate the common problem of seeing railroad collections hopelessly dispersed by providing a safe and centrally located alternative for accessibility and perpetuation of railroad collections.

### Society Members of NOARS

- Akron, Canton & Youngstown Historical Society
- Akron Railroad Club
- Division 4, Mid-Central Region, National Model Railroad Association
- Division 5, Mid-Central Region, National Model Railroad Association
- Forest City Division Railroad Enthusiasts
- Jefferson Depot, Inc.
- New York Central System Historical Society
- Nickel Plate Road Historical & Technical Society
- Midwest Chapter - NRHS
- Midwest Railway Preservation Society
- Northeastern Ohio Railroad Historical Society
- Northern Ohio Railway Museum
- Sebring Model Railroad Club
- Western Reserve Historical Society

### Editorial

Of interest to all the NOARS societies should be the NMRA national convention to be held here July 13 to 20, 2014. The convention planning committee from the beginning intended to involve as many of the area's railroad related organizations as possible, including NOARS and NOARS societies. The event should draw well over several thousand model railroaders from across the nation and beyond to the Cleveland area. This will be a great opportunity for our organizations to show what they have to offer to a large interested audience.

One of the primary ways that NOARS and its societies can be involved with this event is to provide railroad subject matter experts as clinicians to the convention. If your organization has members who are well versed in a railroad topic and have given good presentations on the topic, maybe they would be interested in giving the presentation at the convention. The convention planning committee has extended an open invitation for individuals to offer to make a presentation. If anyone is interested in making a presentation, they can contact the undersigned, or Dave Neff at [theneffers@sbcglobal.net](mailto:theneffers@sbcglobal.net). I know that there is a wealth of railroad knowledge within the membership of the NOARS societies. It would be great to see some of this knowledge shared to the wide audience that the NMRA national convention offers.

I have learned much over the last few months regarding taking a professional approach to managing the archives and manuscript collection of the NYCSHS. Though NOARS I have met the gentlemen who manage the Erie Lakawana HS collection. I have also had the pleasure of some valuable guidance from Bill Barrow, the curator of the CSU Library Special Collections. At the recent NOARS meeting on September 8, 2011, Bill continued the discussion stemming from his presentation titled "How Should Special Collections Address Local Railroad History?". His PowerPoint presentation is available on the NOARS website at:

<http://www.railsandtrails.com/NOARS/NOARS%20Railroad%20History.pdf>

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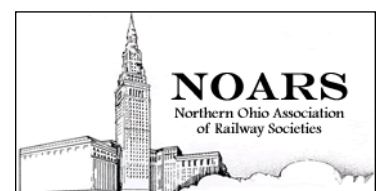
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### List of Officers

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## Meetings

Please feel free to attend or send a representative to the NOARS quarterly business meetings. The next meeting should be sometime in December at CSU Library Special Collections. Watch the website for further information.

## Upcoming Events

The Western Reserve Model Railroad Museum will have its Fall Open House and Train Show-Oktoberfest on Saturday and Sunday, September 24 & 25, 2011 from 10 am to 6 pm. See <http://www.wrmrm.org/Up%20Coming%20Events.htm> for details.

The Nickel Plate Road H&TS will have its 2011 Convention in Cincinnati Ohio from September 29 thru October 2, 2011, sponsored by the Cincinnati Railway Company, at the Marriott Cincinnati Northwest. See <http://www.nkphts.org/convention/> for details.

The Erie Lackawanna Historical Society will hold its annual convention in Scranton, PA at the Radisson Lackawanna Station hotel on September 30 thru October 1, 2011. See [http://www.erielackhs.org/index.php?option=com\\_content&view=article&id=85:annualmeeting&catid=5:events&Itemid=7](http://www.erielackhs.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=85:annualmeeting&catid=5:events&Itemid=7) for details.

The Akron RR Club has tickets on sale for the October 1 charter trip over the Greater Cleveland RTA rail system. Tickets are \$25 for ARRC members and \$30 for non-ARRC members. The trip will cover the Green, Red and Waterfront Lines and include a tour of the 55th Street shops. For further information, including how to order tickets, click on the link below:

<http://akronrrclub.wordpress.com/2011/07/15/arrc-to-hold-charter-trips-on-cleveland-rta/>

NMRA Division 4 will have its annual Carnival of Model Railroading on Saturday and Sunday, October 1 and 2, 2011 at the Cuyahoga County Fairgrounds in Berea Ohio. They will also have their annual Model Training Day! on Sunday, November 13, 2011, 11 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at Rocky River Presbyterian Church, 20141 Detroit Rd, Rocky River, OH. See <http://www.div4.org/> for details.

The Akron, Canton & Youngstown RRHS will have their annual convention and fall meeting on Saturday, October 15, 2011, at Zwisler Hall, St. Sebastian Church, 476 Mull Ave, Akron, OH. See <http://www.acyhs.org/> for details.

NMRA Division 5 will have their Promo Day on Saturday, November 5, 2011, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the AFC Gym, 7700 Clocktower Drive, Kirtland, OH. See <http://www.mcr5.org/NMRA/events.htm> for details.

There are many other interesting events taking place in northeast Ohio. Please visit the NOARS web-site and/or the various societies' web-sites for further information.

## Items for Sale

NOARS publications developed and available:

Port Cities (from the NMRA convention)	\$9.95
AMC (from the Van Sweringen Symposium)	\$6.95
Consolidation Map (of greater Cleveland)	\$10.00

Please watch for these items to be available for purchase at many of the upcoming events listed above.

**New item: Consolidation map in color. See the following website for purchase information:**

[http://www.zazzle.com/cleveland\\_railroads\\_unification\\_map\\_1934\\_poster-228937066011526166](http://www.zazzle.com/cleveland_railroads_unification_map_1934_poster-228937066011526166)

## Website

Visit our website at: <http://www.noars.org>