



Telegraph

Newsletter of the Central Iowa Garden Railway Society

Flower, Lawn & Garden Show Event Schedule

Thursday March 19 CIGRS Show Set Up 8:00 AM-Set up complete

Friday March 20, 1:00 PM-8:00 PM

Saturday March 21, 10:00 AM-7:00 PM

Sunday March 22, 11:00 AM-4:00 PM

Thursday, March 19 Build-out: Goal is to be running trains by 5:00 or before

Doug Doggett will lead the build-out. Volunteers for build-out arrive starting at 8:00 AM. Bring milk crates, Park benches and any other personal materials for build-out. Leave when necessary or when layout is completed.

What to bring: Gloves, knee pads, hand tools such as circular saws, brad and staple guns with brads and staples for trestle installation, sawsall, extension cords, scoops shovels, 5 gallon buckets, ball drivers for securing rail with splitjaws, wheelbarrows for moving mulch, if we get it in bulk, boulders for landscaping.

Friday, March 20, Display Build: Goal is to create interesting areas around the layout.

Plan to arrive at 9:00 AM or after to add buildings and complete display set up.

What to bring: Structures and props for creating scenes, rolling stock to build trains and display for the duration of the show. Set up tables for display and staging trains. Request extra folding chairs for volunteers as needed.

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Sunday, March 22, Display tear down 4:00—6:00 PM

Several members have signed up to staff the display at the last meeting. If you are available to volunteer or have questions, contact Ole directly at 515-306-9699 or email at olsenj725@me.com .

Special Thanks

To Joe Godfroy for making the arrangements for the Legion Hall in Redfield



2015 Meeting Schedule

March meeting at the IOWA STATE FAIR GROUNDS VARIED INDUSTRIES BUILDING

March meeting will be the Flower, Lawn & Garden Show. Please come and talk to others about Model Railroading, advertising our Tour in June and bring something to run. It will get you in the mood for summer.

April 19th CIGRS Meeting at the Hotel Pattee

Jay Hartz, owner of the Hotel Pattee in Perry will host the April Club meeting. Whether you spend the night in one of the 40 individually decorated and themed guest rooms, join other club members for breakfast between 7:00 and 10:30, or just come for the club meeting at 1:30, the hotel is a setting rich in history. If you have yet to visit the hotel, you will want to see the unique G-scale display members worked with Jay to create.

May meeting in Boone at Howard Hoy's B&RGW

On the Mend

Renee Kidman, John Olsen, Bill Joy, Ron Huntimer, and Karla Gunzenhauser have recently experienced health challenges.



Save the date:

2015 Home and Garden Show March 20-22

April 19 Meeting at the Hotel Patee

**Dues are now due – still \$15.00 a year. Send to
CIGRS at 615 S Marshall St., Boone IA 50036**

Resource Library Has a New Home

There was a great deal of discussion at the January meeting about the need for a cart for the resource library. The resource library consists of books, videos, and magazines available to members for planning and creating their layouts. Typically, those who have served as club librarian, dutifully load the boxes of books, videos and magazines into their vehicle and transport the lot to the club meetings. Ron Huntimer, club librarian, recommended the club consider purchasing a portable cabinet to house the collection.

At last month's meeting, Ron shared pictures of the new storage unit he created. With a minimal investment Ron created a portable cabinet to store and showcase our reference materials. At the February meeting members unanimously approved reimbursement for the costs Ron incurred for the cart. Thank-you Ron, for your commitment and service to the club members!

Kit Bashing Contest April 19

We have several members skilled at “bashing”. Of course, that would be kit bashing. For those unfamiliar with the term, my husband, Richard, explained that “kit bashing” is when you take a kit, or the components thereof to create something other than the original kit item. Be sure to bring your favorite kit bashing projects with you to our April 19th meeting at the Hotel Pattee.

Although this is a contest for which there is no prize, the real pay-off is what we can learn from one another. So, come prepared to show off your work and share tips with your friends, April 19th, Hotel Pattee, be there or be square!



February Show & Tell

Howard Hoy showed members a top-notch baggage cart created from a Banta Model Works kit. With a couple of modifications, Howard created a unique G-scale baggage cart. Look for the cart in Howard's layout in Boone at the May meeting.



Ron Huntimer was back again this month with some great diorama components. He shared a tip about how to create lasting dioramas that will survive the elements. Ron recommends using Ethibond 3 a waterproof glue. Ron used the glue to create “gravel” roadways and buildings. When asked if the glue would stand up to Iowa weather, he ran water over the display to demonstrate the durability. He advised he uses it for everything.

2015 Garden Railroad Tour June 27, 2015

Gordon Cox and Ole Olsen will direct the tour which will be held on the fourth Saturday in June from 9:00 AM-4:00 PM.

If you wish to host this year, contact Gordon Cox or Ole (John) Olsen before the CIGRS meeting at the Hotel Pattee, April 19.



A Special Thank-you and a Request

Wanted: Meeting Hosts

Ready to share your layout? We are looking for hosts for the June, July, September and October meetings. If you are interested in hosting the meeting, please contact Joe Godfroy to reserve your date.

John receiving his virtual appreciation plaque from Joe.





Joe Godfroy (It's Classified) 0-00

Mary Ann Nolan	3-1
Murray Bouschlicher	3-1
Cindy Doggett	3-7
Louis Miner	3-18
Caleb Renes	3-20
Gordon Cox	3-21
Marilyn Shellenberg	3-25
Dawn Paeth	3-28
Anniversaries	
Mike & Renee Kidman	3-7
Phil & Barbara Deats	3-17

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Birthdays

Nancy Swessinger	4-5
John Kilmer	4-11
Sandra Paeth	4-12
Mary Buczek	4-18
Phil Deats	4-28
Ron Mash	4-29

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at the IOWA STATE FAIRGROUNDS
MARCH 20TH THROUGH THE 22ND
VARIED INDUSTRIES BUILDING
WATCH FOR EMAILS REGARDING VOL-
UNTEER NEEDS FOR SET UP ON
THURSDAY, MARCH 19TH



The Central Iowa Garden Railway Society has regular monthly meeting at which we discuss one another's current project, hobby news, and the latest products on the market.

Programs are presented at some meetings, either by one of our members, or by someone brought in from outside the organization. The programs generally cover some element of the hobby, from the history of local and other Railroads, to rolling stock to track work, to locomotive, includes electric operation, batter-powered and trains that actually run on live steam.

Most of our members have, or hope to have, gauge G, or gauge 1 railways in their gardens or back yards.

Meetings are generally held on the third Sunday of each month. Specific dates and times, as well as program topics, are announced in the CIGRS Telegraph. Club members are encouraged to involve themselves in any of a variety of functions, including special model railway exhibitions that are staged in the area.

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