



Twin Cities Division Year End News Update December 11, 2023

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Great news, Damian Kostron has taken over the TCDNMRA website and is kicking off the cobwebs from years of disuse. Right now, the events page has been updated and there you will see up to date news of everything we have coming up. Bookmark it and watch it as it continues to improve.

THOUSAND LAKES REGION FUSEE HITS THE STREETS

Did you get the latest Thousand Lakes Region Fused? The email version just came and it will soon be up on the website. (thousandlakesregion.org) If you cannot wait, email me at info@tcdnmra.org and I will send you an email copy. It is full of great news about the 2024 Convention in Eau Claire and it features Ken Borowski on the cover!

HOT NEWS!

This Sunday, December 17th, the North Metro Model Railroad Club has invited us to an operations session on their beautiful layout. The session is from 1:00 until 5:00 (you can take a short shift). It does not matter if you are a seasoned operator or just getting started, there are many different jobs to be run and mentors to help you learn. The Club is at 1929 Coon Rapids Blvd NW, Coon Rapids, MN 55433. Send us a note at info@tcdnmra.org so we know we have enough cookies!

WEEKLY CROSSING GATE LIVE

Reality, in the form of Tom Gasior's work schedule has caused us to move the Crossing Gate Live from Friday night to Wednesday night. Oh sure, this could change on the whim of the Union Pacific but we will keep the Facebook and Website up to date for everyone. We will continue to do our variety of informative and entertaining model railroad content and invite you to

chime in. Soon after the live show closes down, you can find the show posted on Youtube at TCDNMRAMEDIA.

GET RECOGNIZED!

While it officially called the achievement program, it is really an opportunity for you to enhance your model railroading skills and be recognized for them. Dave Hamilton, the Division Achievement Director has had a busy year and we have awarded many Certificates and Golden Spikes. While that is great, we know YOU... yes, you are sitting out there needing to be recognized. Not interested in going after the MMR designation? No problem, let us recognize you for what area you are most interested in.

MEMBERSHIP!

November was a great month for new and renewed members in the Thousand Lakes Region. We have 82 new and renewed members last month and this is why the Thousand Lakes Region is near the top for retention and membership in the NMRA. Are you nearing renewal or know of a member who may have forgotten to renew? The success the Division has is because of the great support we get from local model railroad clubs and because we are working hard to make sure we offer fun activities and the support you want that will help you enjoy the hobby. See you at North Metro, and on our Winter Zoom meetings. Because of the success of our last Skills Day event, we are trying to organize another skills day for January. Watch your mailbox! Considering not renewing? Drop us a note at info@tcdnmra.org