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Mallard 4468 on July 3, 1938 steam speed record of 126 mph  
Picture taken at the Nation Railway Museum in July of 2011  
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# The Head End

by Whit Johnson  
MCOR PRESIDENT

## Happy New Year!

There are many exciting things ahead for our Mid-Continent Region and the NMRA.

I am excited to announce the appointment of Steven August of Bentonville, AR to the position of Mid-Continent Membership Chairman. Steven will be working with NMRA and others in the membership committee to expedite updates and information exchange.

Louis Seibel has been appointed to the position of Area Meet Chairman and has started editing and distributing the Switchlist. Please be sure to keep Louis updated with any activities in your Area or Division so that he can help spread the word.

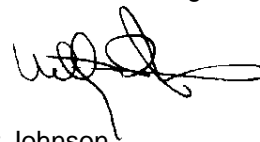
The NMRA Board of Directors is developing a committee to review the Long Range Plan that the membership accepted. The purpose of the committee is to draft a revision to take the NMRA to 2018 and beyond. They have asked for the Region and each Division to take a survey to assist them with some information they may need during this review.

This year our convention will be in Olathe, KS in June. The committee has many things planned for us to enjoy. I look forward to seeing many of you in the Contest Room, Clinics, and layout tours this year at the Convention. Registration information is available at [http://www.mcor-nmra.org/MCoR\\_Region\\_Meet.html](http://www.mcor-nmra.org/MCoR_Region_Meet.html).

**Region Awards:** Please allow me make time to remind everyone about the three awards that the Region presents annually. The Kenny Johns, Kenny

Kline, and Larry Long Memorial Awards are presented for service at the Region or Division Level in memory of individuals who made the NMRA the Mid-Continent Region and the idea of Divisions, a large part of their lives. You are encouraged to look around at your fellow members and submit a nomination for these awards. As each is selected by a different group of members please send your nominations to one of the officers or directly to me. We will be sure to pass them on to the appropriate committee for review. Only you see all the things members do for the NMRA and hobby in your Division or Area please consider a nomination. More information on these awards along with a list of previous honorees can be found on the Region web page at [http://www.mcor-nmra.org/MCoR\\_Awards.html](http://www.mcor-nmra.org/MCoR_Awards.html).

Keep the rails shining!



Whit Johnson

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BY TED TSCHIRHART Editor

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# Mid Continent Region Achievement Program First Quarter 2013 Activity Report

Hello, this is Brad Morneau MMR your MCoR Achievement Program chairman. I took over from Marty Vaughn MMR back in June of 2012. Marty did a good job of showing me the ropes and he also kept very good records on the AP activity for the region. Marty served the region for over 7 ½ years in this capacity and deserves a tremendous amount of thanks for his efforts.

For those of you that don't know me, I've been in the NMRA since 1997 and have held several positions including division superintendent, division director, MCoR secretary for 1 ½ terms. I also was the live auction chairman for the 1998 national convention held here in Kansas City.

So, now that I've done the job for a while I can tell you it's been the most involved of the positions I've held in the NMRA. It's also the most rewarding. I was able to award my good friend, Gary Hankins, his MMR last fall and it was better than when I received my own! Since that time, we have had two other outstanding individuals achieve Master Model Railroader, Don Ball and Joel Priest.

Here's a break-down of the AP certificates earned so far:

Name	Category	Date	Division
Gary Hankins	Cars	7/1/2012	Turkey Creek
Gary Hankins	MMR	7/1/2012	Turkey Creek
Ken Jenkins	Prototype Model	8/28/2012	Turkey Creek
L. Todd Leftwich	Author	8/16/2012	NE Missouri
Robert D. Johnson	Author	9/30/2012	Gateway
Mike Fyten	Electrical	9/30/2012	Turkey Creek
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Eastern Iowa Division is  
hosting an Op Session Week-  
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I have attached a flyer of our  
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# THE SWITCH LIST

FIRST QUARTER 2013 By Louis Seibel

## THE SWITCH LIST – APRIL 2013

\*new since last issue

The Switch List contains all known Mid-Continent Region, NMRA, train shows and Division meetings. It also lists all known club shows and swap meets in the Mid-Continent Region (IA, IL, MO, AR, NE, KS, and OK). To list your event information please

Email: [l-seibel@comcast.net](mailto:l-seibel@comcast.net), or Mail Information: Louis Seibel, 1069 N Logan, Olathe KS 66061. To subscribe, or unsubscribe, to The Switch List send an email to the above link. Look for us on the MCoR web site: [www.mcor-nmra.org](http://www.mcor-nmra.org). **Please put me in your newsletter.**

### DIVISION MEETINGS

#### COWBOY LINE DIVISION (NORFOLK, NE)

meets 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday each month, 7:00 P.M. at Hy Vee East upstairs meeting room. Corner of 1<sup>st</sup> Street and Norfolk, Ave. Info: James B Van Dekden, Div. Dir. ([genjvan@msn.com](mailto:genjvan@msn.com)) (402) 833-5531 for more information.

**\*EASTERN IOWA DIVISION OPERATING SESSION WEEKEND**, April 5-7, 2013. Weekend activity schedule: Friday meet and greet with evening layout tours, Saturday chose from six home layouts to operate with both morning and afternoon sessions. Layouts are located in Cedar Rapids, Iowa City and Coralville, IA. Dinner Saturday evening is at Bartram, IA town hall next to the Union Pacific mainline with clinics and door prizes after dinner. Sunday choose from two different club operating sessions hosted by the Hawkeye Model Railroad Club in Coralville, IA or Midwest Trains in Bettendorf, IA. Advanced registration is required. Visit the EID web site for information on registration and scheduling. <https://sites.google.com/site/eid2013opsessionweekend/home>

**GATEWAY DIVISION (ST. LOUIS, MO)** meets 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday each month, 7:00 P.M. Odd numbered months: Trinity Lutheran Church, 14088 Clayton Road at Woods Mill Rd (Hwy 141), Ballwin, MO; Even numbered months: VFW Hall, O'Fallon, IL <http://www.gatewaynmra.org/division.htm>

**INDIAN NATIONS DIVISION** Unless otherwise specified, all Indian Nations NMRA meets are held at the new Hardesty Library, 8316 E. 93<sup>rd</sup> St., just east of Memorial Rd. in Tulsa, OK. The library opens at 9:00 am and the meetings start at 9:30 am. Web page: [www.tulsanmra.org](http://www.tulsanmra.org) Superintendent - Dave Salamon (918)272-5512 or [drs\\_rr@yahoo.com](mailto:drs_rr@yahoo.com)

**KANSAS CENTRAL DIVISION** Meetings are at 1:00 pm. For the full schedule check the MCoR website or email: [garyonho@cox.net](mailto:garyonho@cox.net)

**KATE SHELLEY DIVISION** meets the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of every month except Nov. which we meet the 3<sup>rd</sup>. Dec. we have no meetings. The Ames Public Library is being remodeled, so contact KSD officers per the NMRA website for latest meeting place. This arrangement is in effect until mid-summer 2014. Business meeting starts at 6 PM and at 7 PM we have a get together, anything railroad goes. The Library is at 515 Douglas Ave. Contact KSD thru the NMRA web site.

#### Indian Nations Division, NMRA

4<sup>th</sup> Annual Layout Design and Operations Weekend

March 22-24, 2013 Tulsa, Oklahoma Operating Sessions Friday night, Saturday night and Sunday morning (see web site for descriptions of the 11 available operating railroads).

Clinics all day Saturday plus a layout design challenge.

This year's presenters include Mike Porter, Robert Bornfleth, Barry Karlberg, Marc Montray, Steve Newton and Jim Senese. Registration fee includes lunch and beverage.

For additional information visit:

[ldopsigmeet.tulsanmra.org](http://ldopsigmeet.tulsanmra.org)

**OK HEARTLAND DIVISION**, NMRA meets in the even months in the Oklahoma City area. All who are interested in Model railroading are welcome. Info: [www.okcnmra.org](http://www.okcnmra.org)

**PLATTE VALLEY DIV. (HASTINGS, GRAND ISLAND, and KEARNEY, NE)** meets 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in members' homes on a rotating basis. Info: John

O'Neill, MMR, Div. Dir., 308-384-5011 or [jponeill@computer-concepts.com](mailto:jponeill@computer-concepts.com).

**TURKEY CREEK DIVISION, NMRA**, Meetings are held on the fourth Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. meetings will be at the Shawnee Mission North High School at Johnson Drive and Metcalf in the Library. Check the Division Timetable at <http://www.tc-nmra.org/TC-Calendar.html> for current information. Info: Louis Seibel, Division Director 913-393-3495 or 913-927-6850 [l-seibel@comcast.net](mailto:l-seibel@comcast.net)

**WESTERN HERITAGE DIVISION (OMAHA, NE / COUNCIL BLUFFS, IA)** meets second Saturday (except June and December) at noon in the Sump Library at 2<sup>nd</sup> & Washington Streets in Papillion (across from Runza). Visit [www.whdnmra.info](http://www.whdnmra.info) for more info and a map. The new web site is found at <http://www.whd.mcor-nmra.org>

**WESTERN KANSAS DIVISION (GARDEN CITY, KS)** Meets every Tuesday evening from 6:30 P.M. to 9:00 P.M. at 4091/2 N. Main St. (second floor above "Stage" department store) 7 layouts on display (2-HO, 5-N) Operating sessions available Info: Robert Simmons, Odsgc Director (620) 521-3591 or [ras@odsgc.net](mailto:ras@odsgc.net)

### TRAIN SHOWS & MEETS

**March 30<sup>th</sup>, 2013 - THE JOPLIN MUSEUM COMPLEX'S TRAIN SHOW AND SWAP MEET** will be held on Saturday, March 30<sup>th</sup> 2013, at the Joplin Museum Complex. The Museum Complex is located at 7<sup>th</sup> and Schifferdecker Streets in Schifferdecker Park. Hours will be from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Attractions to include several operating model railroad layouts along with over 65 tables of items for sale or trade. Admission: \$3.00, adults; children 12 and under admitted free with paid adult. All proceeds at the door go to benefit the Joplin Museum Complex. For more information, call Rick Gardner at (417) 673-4888; e-mail: [rickgardner4449@gmail.com](mailto:rickgardner4449@gmail.com); or visit: [www.tristatamodelrailroaders.com](http://www.tristatamodelrailroaders.com)

**April 5, 2013 – 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Arkansas Railroad Museum Railroadiana Show & Sale**, 1700 Port Road, Pine Bluff, AR, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., adults \$5.00, children 6-12 \$2.00, children under 6 free with paying adult. Memorabilia, model trains, accessories, modular layouts, and more. Proceeds go to benefit

the Cotton Belt Rail Historical Society, Inc. Contact the museum at 870-5635-8819, [arkrrmus@yahoo.com](mailto:arkrrmus@yahoo.com), or [www.arkansasrailroadmuseum.org](http://www.arkansasrailroadmuseum.org).

**April 13-14 – 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Train Show Sponsored by the Nebraska West-Central Division of the National Model Railroad Association**, D&N Event Center, 501 East Walker Road, North Platte, NE. 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Saturday and 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Sunday. Admission \$3.00, children under 12 \$1.00, children under 5 free with paid adult admission. Train layouts, displays, vendor tables, (vendors tables \$12 each until April 1<sup>st</sup>. after April 1<sup>st</sup> they are \$20 each). Union Pacific tours will be available Saturday only as an extra fare item. Contact Gene Tacey, P. O. Box 485, Sutherland, NE 69165, 308-386-2489, [taceys@gpcom.net](mailto:taceys@gpcom.net) for further information.

**April 21-22, 2013 – Western Heritage Division Train Show**, Burke High, 12200 Burke Street, Omaha, NE off of Dodge St. in Omaha, NE. 10am to 4pm General Admission: \$7 Per Adult, \$20 Family Pass, get \$1 off with a non-perishable food and \$1 off with NMRA Membership Card. We'll have operating model layouts in nearly every gauge, from tiny Z-scale to showy G-scale. Clinics will offer instruction on everything from scenery, kit-building to electronics. Bring your models and photos to enter into contests, complete with NMRA Achievement Program judging. Door prize drawings will be held every hour. Visit our vendors who offer everything from toys to railroad memorabilia. Rent a swap space for \$10.00 for an afternoon. Swap space includes one day's show admission and is available by advance reservation only. And we have almost twice the floor space as last year! Contact: Harvey Swanger Jr., E-mail [Show@whdnmra.info](mailto:Show@whdnmra.info), Phone: (402) 681-2700, Website: [www.whd.mcor-nmar.org](http://www.whd.mcor-nmar.org) See [www.whd.mcor-nmra.org](http://www.whd.mcor-nmra.org) for more information.

**May 24-25, 2013 -Cherry Valley Model Railroad Club Train Show and Swap Meet**, Arvon Phillips Recreation Center, Forest Park, corner of Broadway & Heacock, Parsons, KS 67357, Friday - May 24th - 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday - May 25th - 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Free admission! Show includes: modular layouts, swap meet with 6,000 sq. feet of

selling space and a great model railroad atmosphere! Also at this location is the Parsons Invitational Pie Society (PIPS) selling homemade pies and the History Zone with interesting history of Parsons. Dealers can contact: Kevin Blair @ [greatamericantrains@hotmail.com](mailto:greatamericantrains@hotmail.com) Table prices are \$15.00 each

**June 13-16, 2013 – TURKEY CREEK DIVISION OF THE MID-CONTINENT REGION OF THE NATIONAL MODEL RAILROAD ASSOCIATION REGIONAL CONVENTION.** (Kansas City Metro Area) The convention will be held at the Overland Park International Trade Center, 6800 W 115<sup>th</sup> St., Overland Park, KS. Mid-Continent Regional Convention 2013

Hosted by Turkey Creek Division on June 13<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> Clinics, model & photo contest, door prizes, layout tours, proto type tours, banquet on Saturday night, and train show. Train Show Saturday June 15<sup>th</sup> 9am to 5pm and Sunday June 16<sup>th</sup> 9am to 4pm, table rental \$20 per table until April 15 (\$25.00 after that) vendor set up Friday June 14<sup>th</sup> afternoon. Registration Fee NMRA member \$35.00 per person (\$45.00 after April 15<sup>th</sup>), Non-member- \$40.00 per person (\$50.00 after April 15<sup>th</sup>), Banquet fee \$35.00 per person. (Spouse will receive a pass to the train show and contest room but must purchase banquet and any extra fare tour prices). (All rates include sales tax).

Convention hotels now include the following; both are adjacent to the Trade Center grounds: Hyatt Place 6801 W 112<sup>th</sup> St. Overland Park, KS 66211 Phone: 913-451-2553 Fax: 913-451-3098 Rate: \$99.00 (includes breakfast) Must make reservation by 1pm on May 13<sup>th</sup> Reservations will be made via individual call-in to Phone: [1-800-233-1234](tel:1-800-233-1234) or by visiting [www.hyattplaceoverlandparkmetcalf.com](http://www.hyattplaceoverlandparkmetcalf.com). Please use the following group code G-NMRA under CORPORATE/GROUP #. Courtyard Marriott Kansas City Overland Park/Metcalf, South of College Boulevard 11301 Metcalf Ave. Overland Park, KS 66210, Phone: 913-339-9900 Rate: \$69.00 King, \$79.00 Queen-Queen Must make reservation by May 23 Ask for MCoR/NMRA group rate The extended hotel name applies because there is another Courtyard relatively nearby. (All rates include sales tax).

Info: Larry Alfred MMR: [captlalfred@gmail.com](mailto:captlalfred@gmail.com), (home) 913-782-6584 Check the Turkey Creek Division web site at <http://www.tc-nmra.org/> for additional information as it becomes available.

**July 20, 2013 – Rail Fair**, Copeland Park, Rose and Clinton Streets, La Crosse, WI

**June 22, 2013 - MAINLINE TRAIN SHOW** Saturday 9:00 to 4:00 80 tables of trains for sale plus operating layouts, Concessions, and Door Prizes. Adults \$5 Admissions 10 and under free. Washington County Fairgrounds 115 N Delaware, 4 miles north of Bartlesville 1 block west of HWY 75 Dewey OK 74029 More information Contact Kevin Keeler Phone: 417-838-95615 Email: [KLK@mchsi.com](mailto:KLK@mchsi.com)

**October 6<sup>th</sup> 30th Annual Train Show in Washington, Iowa**, KC Hall 606 West 3rd Street Hours 9am to 3pm, Admission- Adults-\$5, Kids 6-12-\$1 All gauges & railroadians, Lunch available. Contact- [meworley@iowatelecom.net](mailto:meworley@iowatelecom.net) or 319-653-3782

**October 19-20, 2013 –Western Kansas Train Show 6<sup>th</sup> Year of Show** Saturday 9:00 to 5:00 Sunday 11:00 to 4:00 Buy and sell new and used model trains 100 tables of trains for sale plus large operating layout, food vendor on sight and door prizes!!!! Adults \$5 Admissions 12 and under free! Ellis Country Fairgrounds 1343 Fairground Rd. Exit 157 on I-70 hays, Kansas 67601 More information Contact Kevin Keeler Phone: 417-838-95615 Email: [KLK@mchsi.com](mailto:KLK@mchsi.com), [www.k-n-d-collectibles.com](http://www.k-n-d-collectibles.com), [www.ozarkexpreehobbies.com](http://www.ozarkexpreehobbies.com)

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## Important information on the Regional Convention

### Update! MCoR 2013 Convention

Some changes have occurred in planning for the 2013 MCoR Convention. It was to be held at the Holiday Inn in Olathe, KS. However, we received notice in late January that the hotel is being sold and our contract for the meeting space has been canceled. Needless to say, we have been scurrying around for the past several weeks to find an alternative convention location. We have done this and the following information now applies. Don't let this near last minute juggling interfere with a fun and rewarding trip to the Kansas City area for this year's convention.

First, the convention dates have not changed...still June 13-16, 2013. The convention will be held at the Overland Park International Trade Center, 6800 W 115<sup>th</sup> St., Overland Park, KS. This facility has comparable space to the Holiday Inn and should work nicely for us.

Convention hotels now include the following; both are adjacent to the Trade Center grounds:

Hyatt Place  
6801 W 112<sup>th</sup> St.  
Overland Park, KS 66211  
Phone: 913-451-2553  
Fax: 913-451-3098  
Rate: \$99.00 (includes breakfast)  
Must make reservation by 1pm on May 13<sup>th</sup> Reservations will be made via individual call-in to Phone: [1-800-233-1234](tel:1-800-233-1234) or by visiting [www.hyattplaceoverlandparkmetcalf.com](http://www.hyattplaceoverlandparkmetcalf.com). Please use the following group code G-NMRA under CORPORATE/GROUP #.  
Courtyard Marriott Kansas City Overland Park/Metcalf, South of College Boulevard  
11301 Metcalf Ave.  
Overland Park, KS 66210  
Phone: 913-339-9900  
Rate: \$69.00 King, \$79.00 Queen-Queen  
Must make reservation by May 23  
Ask for MCoR/NMRA group rate  
The extended hotel name applies because there is another Courtyard relatively nearby.

Both hotels have somewhat limited space, so please make your reservations early.

Now, with regard to registration: If you are already registered for the convention, you don't need to do anything...you will have received this notice by email or have seen this on MCoR website. We will get revised registration forms on the website and distributed at various train show events as soon as we can. In the meantime, you may use the old form to register, just understand that the hotel information on the old form is not now applicable. If you haven't already, you may want to sign up for the banquet. With Kalmbach employee, David Popp as the featured speaker, it should be an enjoyable evening. Other registration options, including Make-and-

Take clinics, Prototype Tours, and Layout Operating Sessions, will be announced as soon as details are available. Watch for these on the MCoR website.

The overall convention planning is coming along nicely...all of the typical events that you are used to participating in will be available. As noted above, the featured speaker for the convention will be David Popp (Producer, MR Video Plus). David will speak at the Banquet, as well as present a clinic about activities at Model Railroader. The clinic lineup is nearly complete and will soon be posted on the MCoR website. A partial listing is given below. A full schedule of home layouts is also nearly complete and again will be posted soon. We are scheduling operating sessions on several home layouts on Thursday and Friday evenings. The number of positions at these sessions will be limited, so be advised to sign up soon after the information is released. Details will be first sent to those that have already registered...then, posted on the MCoR website.

The clinic program is coming along nicely, although there will likely be some additions and also some changes as we approach the convention dates. If you are interested in presenting a clinic, please contact Fran and Miles Hale at [mileshale@sbcglobal.net](mailto:mileshale@sbcglobal.net). The current lineup follows:

David Popp	"What's New at MR"
Ron Morse	"Building Bottle Brush Trees" "The Morse Timber Company"
Dave Roeder	"Design and Construction of Computer Generated Paper Structures"
Paul Myers	"Geared Locomotives" "Control Panels"
Kent Hurley	Fabricating Items with Shapeways Fabricating Items with Personal 3-D Printer Overview of above two clinics
Phil Bonzon	"Building Award Winning Engines" "Weathering Engines"
Larry Diehl	"Meat Packing and the Railroads" "Burma Shave Signs"
Bob Libbey	"Railroad Guard Rails—What They Are, Where They Are, How Are They Modeled"
Marty Vaughn	"Gloss Gel Water" "Making Your Own Figures"
Don Ball	Too be Determined
Ron Williams	"Model Railroading 101" (maybe)

Prototype tours are also being planned, including a likely tour of KCS facilities; however, this is not finalized at this time. Information will be posted on the MCoR website as it develops.

With our requirement to make a last minute change of convention facilities, things have been a little hectic, to say the least. But don't let that interfere with your being here. We're confident that this will be a great convention...don't miss it!

Thanks, and see you there,  
Larry Alfred

Hello all,

I just received word that John Roberts passed away peacefully in Williamsburg, Virginia last evening, March 1, 2013.

John was NMRA President, 2004-2006, Vice President, 2000-2004, Eastern District Director, 2009-2013, MCR President and Trustee, 1989-1993, and over the years held a number of other elected and volunteer offices throughout the NMRA. He was a well-known model railroad author and was the builder of several highly regarded layouts in HO and O scale.

John had contracted Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease, a rare brain condition that causes a rapid decrease of mental function and movement, and inevitably leads to death. John first showed symptoms of the disease in early 2012.

The visitation will be held at 1 pm on Friday, March 8, at the Peninsula Funeral Home in Newport News, Virginia, with the funeral beginning at 2 pm. Interment will be nearby.

John is survived by his wife, Suzie, his children, John (Collette) and Whitney, and two granddaughters.

The family has asked that in lieu of flowers, memorial gifts be sent to the Diamond Club, National Model Railroad Association, Inc., 4121 Cromwell Rd., Chattanooga, TN 37421. Cards and letters may be sent to the family at 104 Heritage Pointe, Williamsburg, VA, 23188.

We will have more information as it becomes available.

Please feel free to pass this information along to those on your NMRA and model railroading lists.

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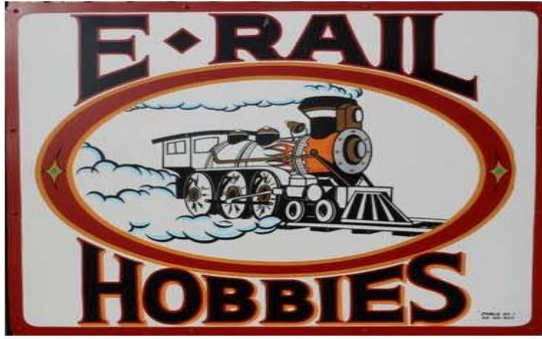
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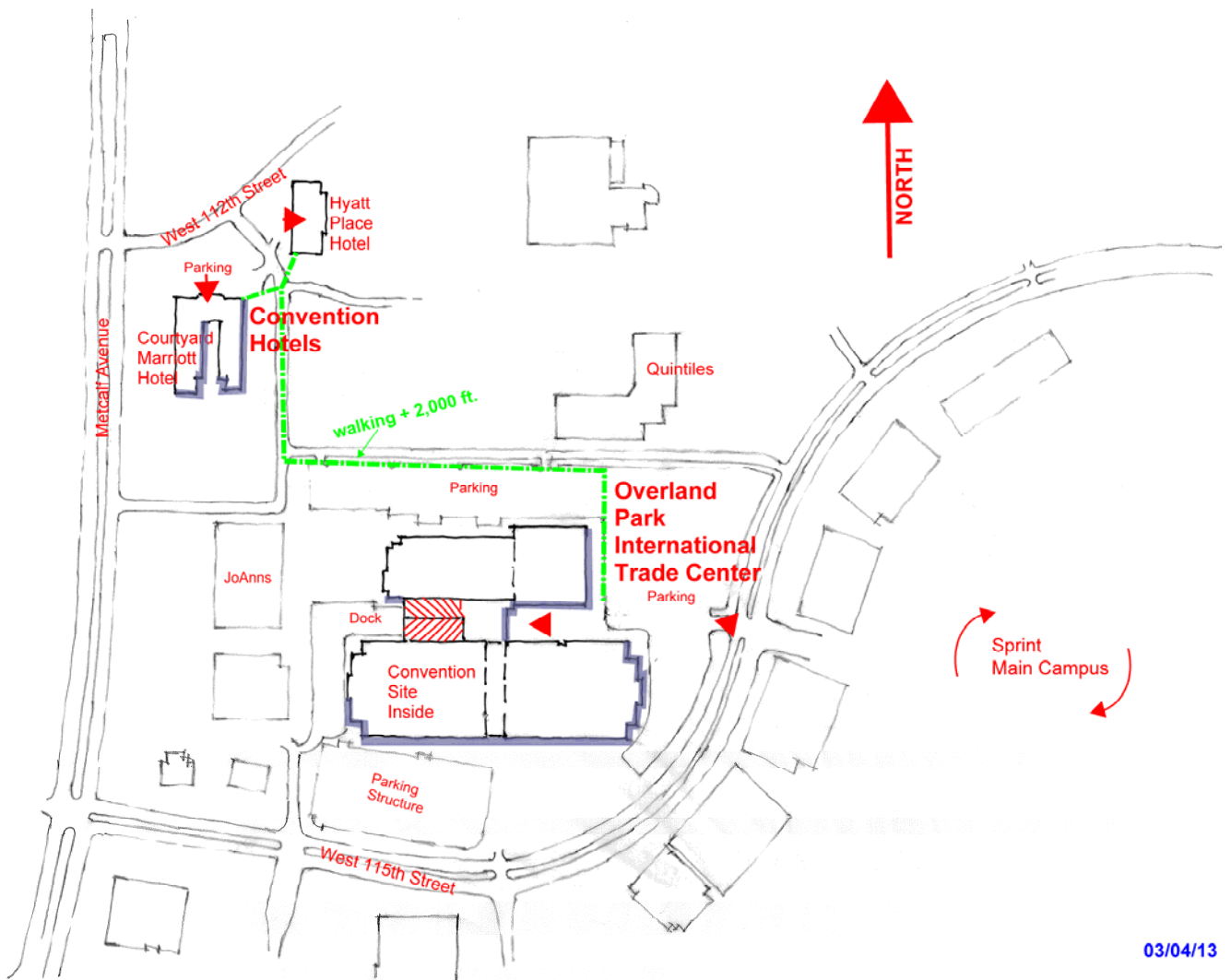


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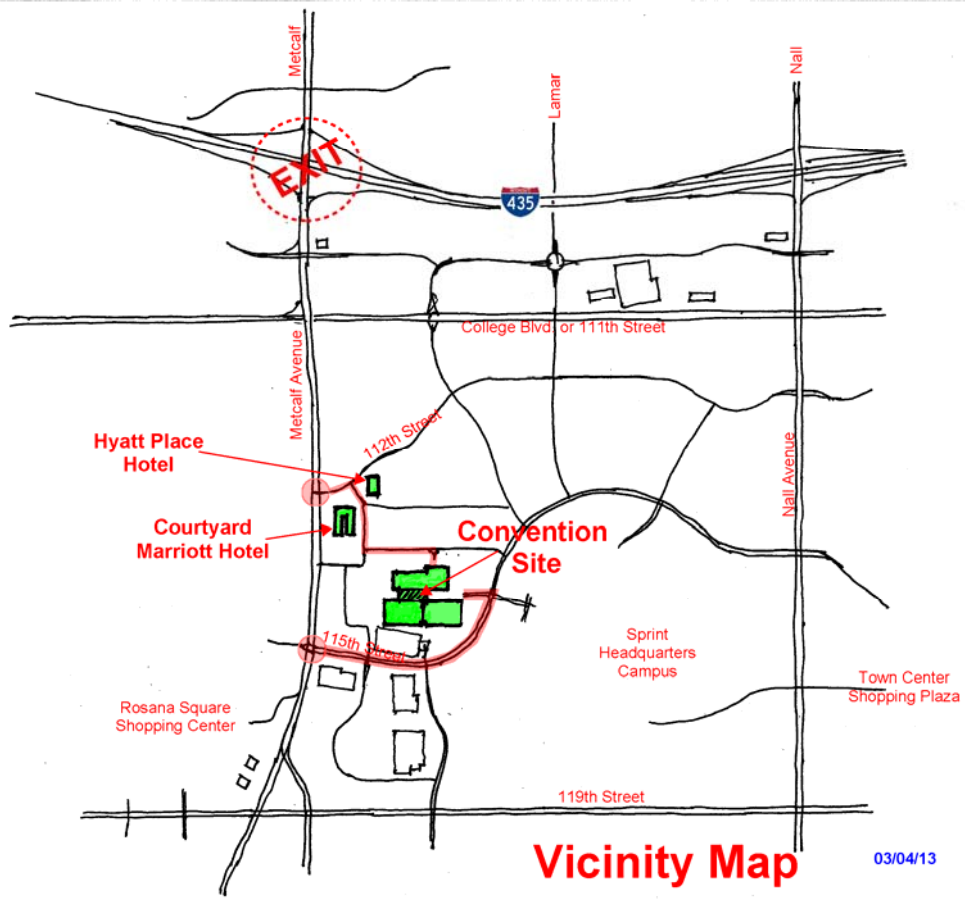
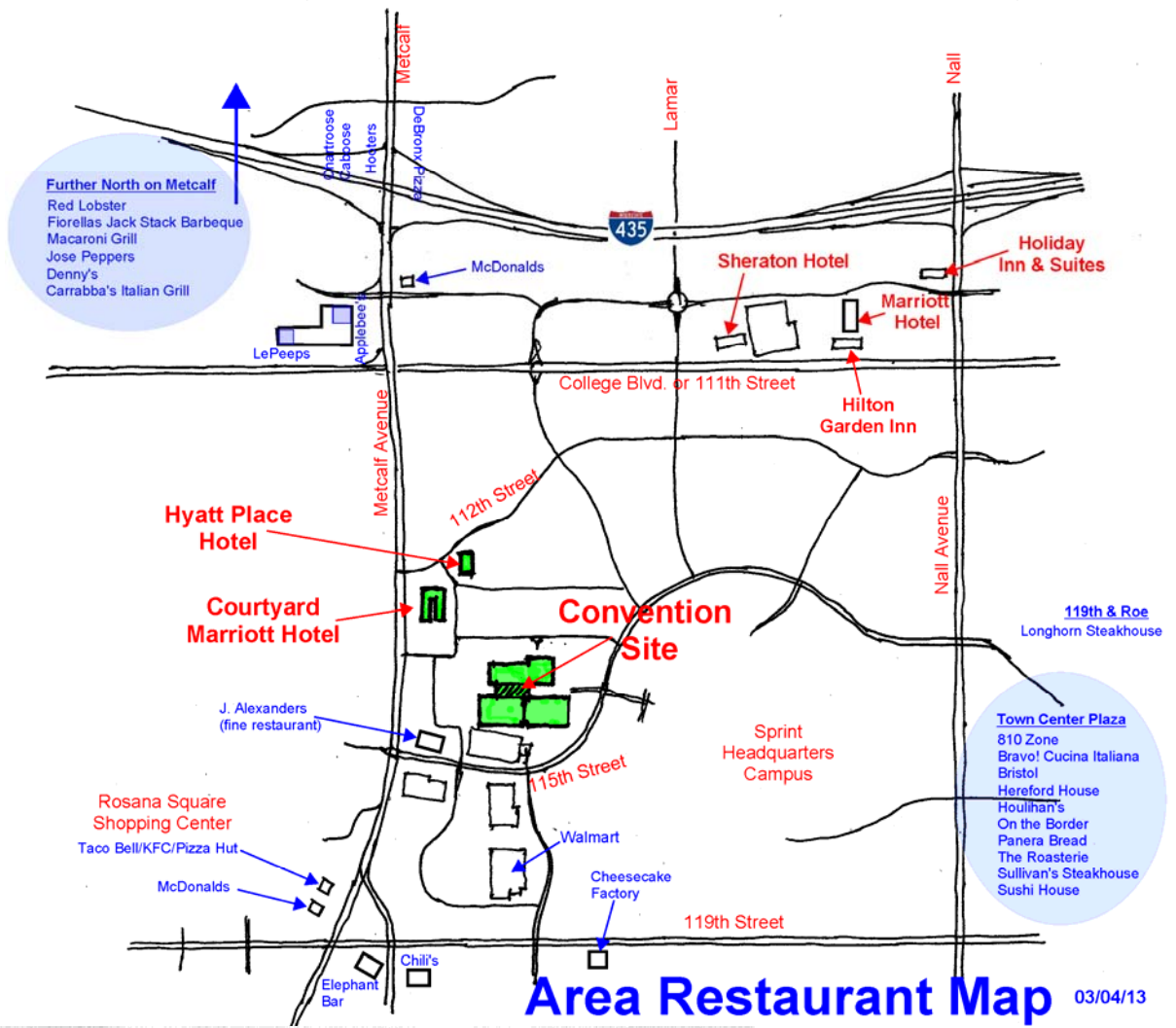
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# NMRA Mid Continent Region Convention 2013



Hosted by  
**Turkey Creek Division**  
**June 13-16, 2013**

To be held at  
**Overland Park International Trade Center**  
**6800 W 115<sup>th</sup> St.**  
**Overland Park, KS**

## Registration Form

Name of Primary Registration: \_\_\_\_\_ NMRA #: \_\_\_\_\_

NMRA membership required to enter model contest.

Spouse's Name (if attending): \_\_\_\_\_

Names of other registrants: \_\_\_\_\_

(Spouse will receive a complimentary pass for admission to the train show and contest room. Extra fare participation must be purchased for each person attending these events.)

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**Registration Fee** (NMRA membership number required for reduced registration fee)

NMRA member - \$35.00 per person (\$45.00 after April 15<sup>th</sup>.)

Non-member - \$40.00 per person (\$50.00 after April 15<sup>th</sup>.)

Cost	# Tickets	Total Cost

**Extra Fare Reservations:**

Banquet - \$35.00 per person

Other extra fare tours are being developed and will be announced at a later date.


TOTAL REGISTRATION: \_\_\_\_\_

**Vendor Tables:**

Train Show - Saturday June 16<sup>th</sup> and Sunday June 17<sup>th</sup>.

\$20.00 per table (\$25.00 after April 15<sup>th</sup>.)

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VENDOR REGISTRATION	

<p><b>Send completed registration form to:</b> Larry Alfred 14633 S. Chalet Drive Olathe, Kansas 66062 <a href="mailto:captlalfred@gmail.com">captlalfred@gmail.com</a> For any additional information call 913-782-6584</p> <p><b>Make Checks payable to: Turkey Creek Division NMRA</b></p>	<p><b>MAKE HOTEL RESERVATIONS DIRECTLY TO EITHER HOTEL</b></p> <table style="width: 100%;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%;">                 Hyatt Place 6801 W 112<sup>th</sup> St. Overland Park, KS 66211 913-451-2553 Ph Rate: \$99.00 (includes breakfast) Must make reservation by May 13 Call 1-800-233-1234 or visit <a href="http://www.hyattplaceoverlandparkmetcalf.com">www.hyattplaceoverlandparkmetcalf.com</a> Ask for G-NMRA group rate             </td> <td style="width: 50%;">                 Courtyard Marriott Overland Park/Metcalf, S of College Blvd 11301 Metcalf Ave Overland Park, KS 66210 913-339-9900 Ph Rate: \$69.00 King, \$79.00 Queen-Queen Must make reservation by May 23 Ask for MCoR/NMRA group rate             </td> </tr> </table>	Hyatt Place 6801 W 112 <sup>th</sup> St. Overland Park, KS 66211 913-451-2553 Ph Rate: \$99.00 (includes breakfast) Must make reservation by May 13 Call 1-800-233-1234 or visit <a href="http://www.hyattplaceoverlandparkmetcalf.com">www.hyattplaceoverlandparkmetcalf.com</a> Ask for G-NMRA group rate	Courtyard Marriott Overland Park/Metcalf, S of College Blvd 11301 Metcalf Ave Overland Park, KS 66210 913-339-9900 Ph Rate: \$69.00 King, \$79.00 Queen-Queen Must make reservation by May 23 Ask for MCoR/NMRA group rate
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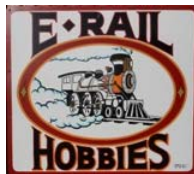
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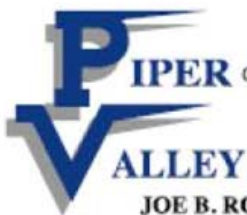
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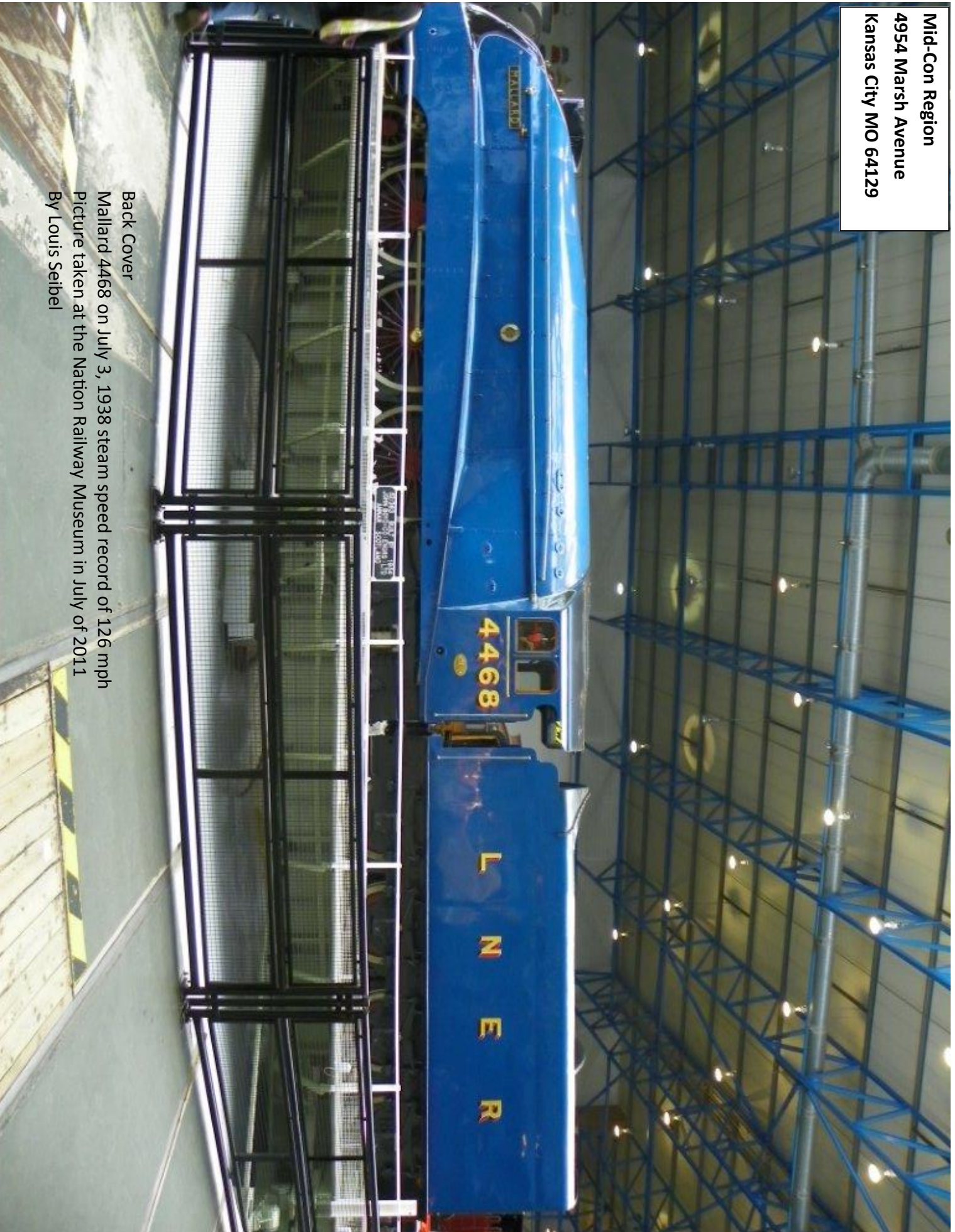


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