



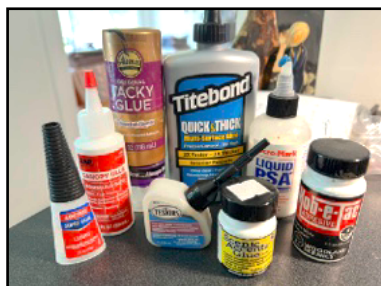
POTOMAC DIVISION NEWSBRIEF

SEPTEMBER 2026 

WHAT'S COMING UP?

Sept. 12, 9AM, AP Clinics:
Chief Dispatcher &
Author with Ernie Little
MMR and Martin
Brechbiel MMR, Silver
Spring B&O Station (with
DC & Maryland layout
tours following)

Sept. 20, 3PM, Virtual
Clinic: History of the Pere
Marquetter with Dean
Pyers



WHAT'S COMING IN THE OCTOBER-NOVEMBER FLYER?

Adhesives: What model
railroaders recommend;
Meet Jim Hellwege;
Martin Brechbiel MMR
builds Donovan's Shop; and
much more, including the
Member's Choice
Challenge.



NEW NMRA DUES AND NEW AP CATEGORY

At its Chattanooga convention, the NMRA announced a new lower annual dues fee of \$50 is now in effect. It includes a digital subscription to NMRA Magazine. \$74 with print magazine. The organization also announced a new AP category for Modular Railroading.

MID-EASTERN REGION

CONVENTION

October 15-18, 2026: [Tracks to Tidewater](#), Holiday Inn, 5655 Greenwich Rd, Virginia Beach, Virginia 23462



POTOMAC DIVISION

AUGUST MEET

On August 8th, the Division held another meet featuring two more in its series on Achievement Program Categories: Motive Power with Alex Belida MMR and Electrical with



Ernie Little MMR. Greg Cassidy presented a third clinic — this one on his western-themed On18 Micro Layout. Details in the October-November *Flyer*

CONGRATULATIONS BERNARD KEMPINSKI MMR

Bernie's Civil War Machine and Engine Shop won Best In Show, The National Judges Award, NMRA Editor's Favorite Model, and the Hunterline Award for best scratchbuilt wooden model at the NMRA Convention in Chattanooga. Wow!

THE POTOMAC DIVISION 2027 MODEL CONTEST FOR CARS, ENGINES AND STRUCTURES



TO ENTER, BUILD A MODEL OF AN ENGINE, A PIECE OF ROLLING STOCK, OR A STRUCTURE—SCRATCHBUILT, KITBASHED OR KIT—AND SEND PHOTOS (WORK IN PROGRESS OK) TO THE POTOMAC FLYER BY MARCH 15TH, 2027 WITH A BRIEF DESCRIPTION. WINNERS WILL BE DETERMINED BY A PANEL OF VETERAN MODELERS AT OUR 2027 ANNUAL MEETING, EXPECTED IN MAY. ALL SUBMISSIONS WILL APPEAR ANONYMOUSLY IN THE APRIL-MAY ISSUE OF THE FLYER. PRIZES WILL BE AWARDED, INCLUDING ONE FOR BEST OVERALL BY A POPULAR VOTE BY THOSE ATTENDING THE ANNUAL MEETING.

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