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Central NY Large Scale Railway Society is now on Facebook!

By Paul Torrey

It's 2014 and I'm a newbie to things like Facebook and am lucky that I can "post" comments and "like" things without having the Department of Homeland Security knocking at my door. The opportunity for us to share pictures, videos and comments as we enjoy our hobby has never been easier.

To that end, I've created a Facebook "group" for us. What does this mean for you? If you click on the link below, you will be able to ask to become a member of the group on Facebook. This will then allow you to post on the group's home page and will provide

newsfeed updates to all who are members. You will become connected to others to share ideas more quickly than we ever thought possible before.

There is no cost to you, it's all part of sharing social experiences. I only ask one thing...let's keep the comments polite and cordial. I will be managing the group page. As they used to say, "try it, you'll like it." So click, become a friend of the group and "like" it!

Visit our page today at: <https://www.facebook.com/CNYLSRS>



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*....and more!*

## An Inspiration from the '14 East Coast Large Scale Train Show brought to CNYLSRS

Inspired by what we saw at this year's East Coast Large Scale Train Show, "a house on fire" has been added to the layout at Burdick's. Built by Hank Resseguie and installed with light and fire effects by Bob Loran. Nice job Hank and Bob!



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Article by Carl Cramer

## Workshop ....weathering clinic

Real trains spend years out in the elements and many show signs of this long and hard service life. So Roger Caiazza decided to show us his techniques of weathering to make our trains look more realistic. We each brought a car to try out his artistry.

Weathering of rolling stock can take many forms Roger explained; rust, grime, faded letters and paint. There are almost as many ways to recreate the ravages of time and nature, but Roger prefers, and has perfected, the use of plain old "chalk." Weathering can be intimidating, but not impossible as Guy and Kathie Garnsey, Michael Prell, John Spencer, and Carl Cramer found out.

Roger explained the steps and commented that with practice, you'll be adding years of realism to your rolling stock in no time with pastel chalks. Pastel chalks are great for weathering.

- Using a mild grit sandpaper, scrape the chalk stick into a fine powder.
- Dip a brush or sponge into the powder and then dab or brush the chalk onto the surface to be weathered.

Roger explained that drab orange and brown mixtures simulate rust around fasteners. Black can be used to create the illusion of soot from smoke stacks.

After Roger's instructions and all of our hard work weathering our rolling stock, we were amazed at the artist that was found within. All who attended enjoyed the evening and the education as well as the "train chat" that occurred.



*Thanks Roger for an enjoyable evening and a well-organized clinic!*

**FOR SALE**

## For Sale

Contact Carl Cramer  
(e-mail: [carlc1ny@gmail.com](mailto:carlc1ny@gmail.com)) if interested in any of the following items:



(2) Aristo-Craft GE U-25B NYC Diesels (used) \$125/ea.



(1) Aristo-Craft Train Engineer Transmitter (used) \$25



(1) Aristo-Craft Lil' Critter "Teddy Bear" Train (used) \$100

## Got Something to Sell?

Members that have items to sell can send information to [Paul Torrey](#) and he'll make sure that they get advertised in the next newsletter.



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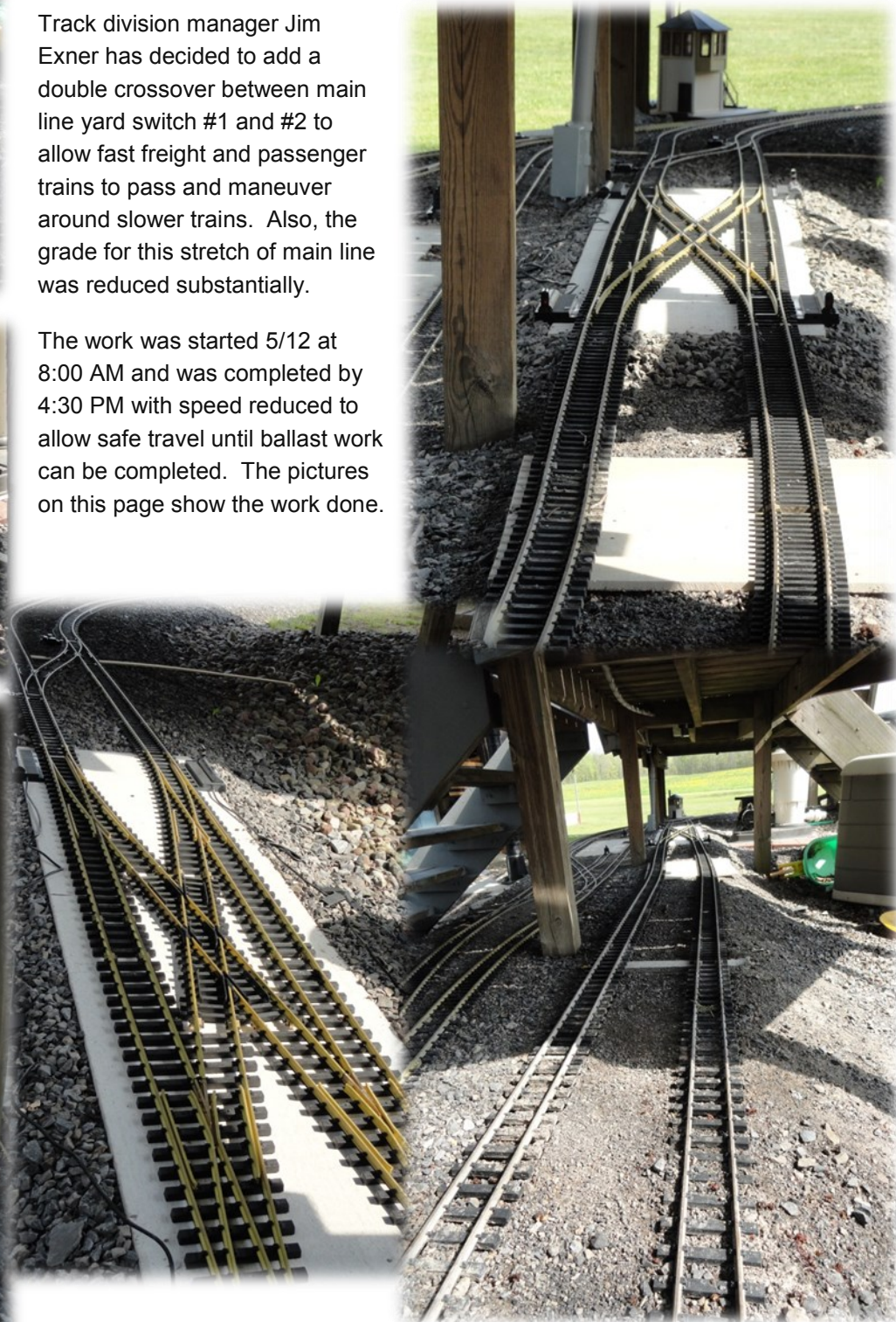
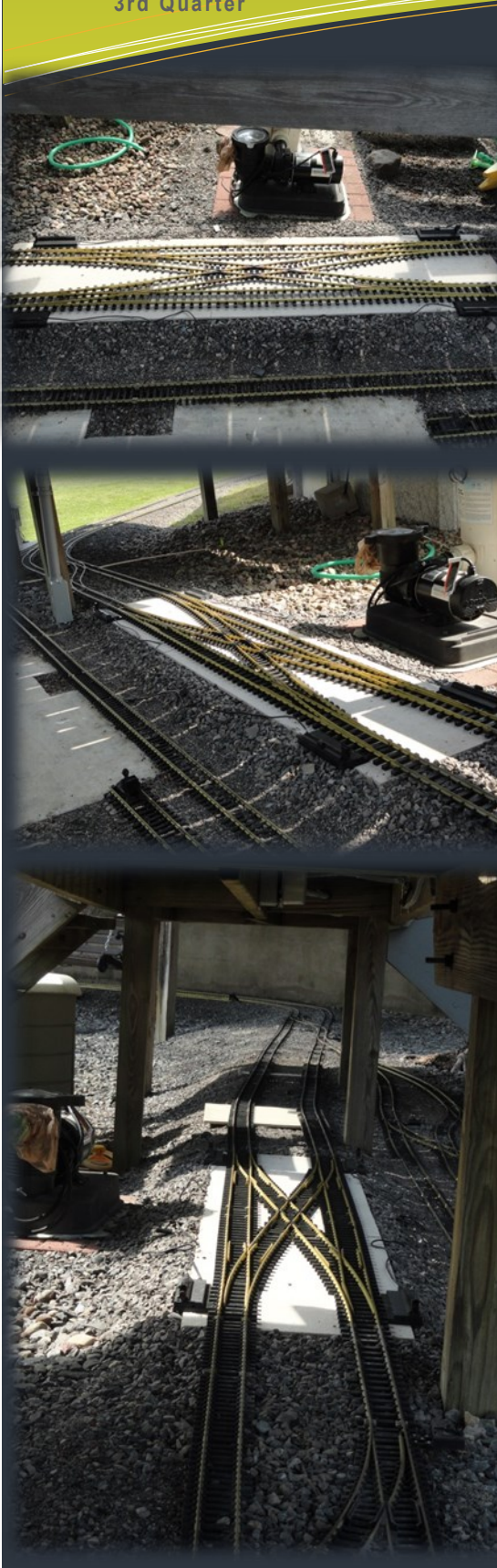
## New York Central Railroad

Article submitted by Jim Exner

### *....Syracuse Division Track Construction*

Track division manager Jim Exner has decided to add a double crossover between main line yard switch #1 and #2 to allow fast freight and passenger trains to pass and maneuver around slower trains. Also, the grade for this stretch of main line was reduced substantially.

The work was started 5/12 at 8:00 AM and was completed by 4:30 PM with speed reduced to allow safe travel until ballast work can be completed. The pictures on this page show the work done.





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Article submitted by Bruce Haney

## An Addition to our Open House Schedule

Please mark your calendars for an indoor summer open house on **Saturday, August 16th** from 10:00 AM—3:00 PM at the layout at Burdick's Driver's Village. So far we have Al Friedman, Hank Resseguie, Jon McCumber, Stacy Hedden and Paul Torrey to help that day. I hope more members can come to run trains as well as others who just want to learn more about the layout.

August 16th was chosen because we have July and September open gardens, but not much going on in August. We also thought by opening the indoor layout, people could see the difference between an outdoor "living and growing" garden layout and an indoor "static scenery" layout.

I hope you all can stop in for this added open model railroad layout event!

### Club Officers

President

**Guy Garnsey**

VP Layout

**Jim Exner**

VP Shows

**Gordon Davis**

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**Jon McCumber**

Treasurer

**Bob Loran**



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Pictures submitted by Gordon Davis

Jim Rooney was a former member and he recently took a special train ride from Charlotte to Spencer, North Carolina for a rail fest. Looks like a lot of fun!



Jim Rooney Rail Fest... Charlotte to Spencer, NC



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## Calendar of Upcoming Events

DATE(S)	CLUB	EVENT
Saturday, 7/12/14	CNYLSRS	Loran Open House 11:00 AM—4:00 PM
Saturday, 7/19/14	CNYLSRS	Cramer Open House Noon—4:00 PM
Friday-Sunday, 8/1-3, 2014	FLLS	FLLS Invitational & Picnic (non-public)
Saturday, 8/9/14	CNYLSRS	Club Picnic & Meeting at Marie & Bob Loran's 4:00 PM
Friday, 8/15/14	CNYLSRS	4th Quarter Newsletter Input Cut-Off Date
Saturday, 8/16/14	CNYLSRS	Layout Open to Public 10:00 AM—3:00 PM
Saturday, 9/13/14	CNYLSRS	Leach & Kostoroski Open House Noon—4:00 PM
Saturday, 9/20/14	CNYLSRS	Membership Meeting 9:30 AM Driver's Village
Friday-Sunday, 9/26-28, 2014	FLLS	FLLS Fall Open House
Wednesday, 10/1/14	CNYLSRS	4th Quarter Newsletter Publish Target Date
Saturday-Sunday, 11/1-2, 2014	CNYLSRS	State Fair Train Show – CNYLSRS Layout
Saturday, 11/15/14	CNYLSRS	Membership Meeting 9:30 AM Driver's Village
Saturday, 11/15/14	CNYLSRS	1st Quarter Newsletter Input Cut-Off Date
Saturday, 11/29/14	CNYLSRS	Family Train Day @ DV Layout 10 AM – 1 PM
Saturday, 12/13/14	FLLS	FLLS Annual Meeting
Saturday, 12/20/14	CNYLSRS	Annual Meeting 9:30 AM Driver's Village
Saturday, 1/10/15	CNYLSRS	Annual Member/Spouse Dinner (to be confirmed)

# '14 Garden Railway Tours



The Central New York Large-Scale Railway Society invites you to visit their varied garden railways throughout this summer and early fall. We have spaced them throughout the season for your convenience. Garden railroading is a combination of gardening and model railroading. One may find model railroads operating in a shade garden, a miniature village, small layouts and large, a night operation...no two layouts are the same! For your convenience, you can obtain directions to each site by going to [www.mapquest.com](http://www.mapquest.com). For further information, we have included the host's



**A few courtesies..** please don't block your host's or their neighbor's driveways, no pets, keep children under control, observe the open dates and times, and don't ask to use your host's bathroom. For those taking photos or videos, please do not obstruct their subject. Of course, Rule #1 is to have fun! Visit our web site at: [www.cnylrs.net](http://www.cnylrs.net)

## Saturday, July 12, 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Robert & Marie Loran, 102 Mohawk Ave, Central Square, NY 13036 (668-9582)

*A magnificent large layout with distinctive water features and multiple operating trains.*

## Saturday, July 19, 12:00 Noon – 4:00 PM

Carl & Thelma Cramer, 7141 East Carter Rd, Rome, NY 13440 (336-4941)

*The C & T Castlerock Shortline RR is a 500 square foot layout. Come see the town of Castlerock, the airport, the pond and flowers.*

## Saturday, July 26, 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM

Mr. & Mrs. Gordon Davis, 315 Viking Place, Liverpool, NY 13088 (451-3199)

*The Near Madding & Far Fromit Light Railway is a European themed layout of modest size populated by storybook and cartoon characters with an occasional troll living under the bridge. A pirate ship floats on the pond. Trains operate from a variety of European countries and occasionally the island of Sodor. There is no rain date.*

## Saturday, August 16, 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM

Burdick's Driver's Village, Cicero, NY (at the CNYLSRS layout near the clock at the old Penn Can mall location)

*Although not a "garden" outdoor railway, come out and visit our club's indoor layout which is guaranteed to impress with multiple tracks and beautiful scenery.*

## Saturday, September 13, Noon—5:00 PM

Mr. Keith Kostoroski, 209 Syracuse Street, Oswego, N.Y. 13126 (342-3409)

*This garden railway features a Marine theme starting at the garage, running along a retaining wall to the back yard. New additions keep the crew busy and entertained.*

## Saturday, September 13, Noon to 4:00 PM

Mr. Jim Leach, 10 Harris Street, Fulton, N.Y. 13069 (402-2399)

*A constant work in progress...this front yard garden railroad includes the original oval and access to a 3 track staging yard. Trains will run rain or shine. The basement layout is a forced perspective with HO & N scale trains.*