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Welcome! LENS is a group of people with a common interest in modeling N scale railroads using NTRAK and TTRAK modules. Any time we meet and/or display our work and promote this hobby, we would love to have you join us. This means that **ALL** of us have chances to participate in the hobby by helping with any or all of the following:

- Setting up / tearing down
- Running trains
- Sharing your knowledge
- Learning something new
- Answering questions
- Hosting a meeting

Notice that **NONE** of the above requires a module. We need your help... so bring yourself, your enthusiasm, your interest and your trains. Thanks in advance for helping! Hopefully, we will continue to see you at the meetings and display events. **Come and join in the fun!**

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For information or questions regarding our Society, please visit our website by scanning the QR code or visit us at

LENSOhio.org



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This is from RailSmith for our BNSF fans in the club. There is a single dome car and a pair of dome cars for available, each with their own number. Pair price is \$144, and the single is \$72. These prices are a little higher from when it was listed in Model Railroader but because of tariffs, I'm sure you understand why. The link attached will take you to the entire Empire Builder page where more cars are offered. [RailSmith GN-1967 Empire Builder](#)



Micro Trains has this car available for pre-order at Train World. It is to commemorate the 80th anniversary of the end of WWII. Odd, however, to place a Tiger 1 on the car instead of an M4 Sherman. Pre-order is \$31.99. [Train World Micro Trains 80th Anniversary](#)



Also available for pre-order at Train World. Micro Trains is offering two ACY box cars. Price for the pair is \$51.99. [Train World Micro Trains ACY Pre-Order](#)



Another interesting car is this gondola out now on Train World. This is made by Micro Trains and is a mill gondola carrying the tail ends of a C-130 plane. Currently \$29.99. [Train World Micro Trains Mill Gondola](#)



OOOOOOOOH YEAH. Available for pre-order at Train World is this Canada VIA Rail locomotive featuring a Kool-Aid paint scheme. This kool loco is being produced by Rapido. Available in DC and DCC/Sound for \$146.99 and \$251.99, respectively. [Rapido Kool Aid F40 DCC/Sound](#)

LENS EVENTS

1. Railroads in the Park

- We will be setting up NTrak and TTrak on Friday May 30th for the 2-day event. Times are 9-5 as before. The club is also staying an extra 2-hours Sunday night for a special needs group. If you are unable to stay the two hours, please omit your module from the layout.

2. Mentor on the Lake Library

- LENS is all set for the library this October the 17th and 18th. We will set up Friday morning to display and tear down Saturday evening. It is being advertised as “Trick or Trains.” To be festive we plan on handing out Halloween candy!

No Meeting This Month
See you at the Farmpark!

A red Great Northern Railway boxcar, numbered X599, is shown from a side-on perspective. The car features a large circular logo with a moose and the text "GREAT NORTHERN RAILWAY". Below the logo, the text "RADIO EQUIPPED" is visible, along with a lightning bolt symbol. At the bottom of the car, the words "BE WISE BEWARE BE SAFE" are painted. The car is on tracks, and the background is a clear blue sky.

See You At The
Next Station!

F.R.E.D.