## July Whistle

## We did it!

I'm happy to report that last Saturday, at the national board meeting of the NMRA in Salt Lake City, Division 1 & 3 of the Lone Star Region, were awarded the national convention for 2023! The vote was overwhelming in favor of our proposal.

This event promises to be a once in a lifetime extravaganza! The last time a national convention was in the LSR was 1989. I'm curious to know how many of us were in the NMRA in 1989. Yes, I know some of you "lifers" were, like Packer, Kaiser and Ross to name a few, but by and large, most of us weren't. As convention chair, I promise to work hard to make this an event that will be remembered for years to come.

Once again, thank you to everyone who have worked hard to make our bid successful. Most of all David Kranda, who's tireless work and expertise, composed a video that left everyone in the room speechless and received an ovation when it concluded. Obviously a job well done!

Ok, back to business at hand. By now you have received the information about the water pipe break at the Texas Western Model Railroad Club, our normal meeting location. The information I have is that the water damage was so severe that we will probably not be able to meet there for at least the next three months. Thanks to the gift of a generous benefactor, our next meeting (THIS COMING WEEKEND) will be held at the Haltom City Recreation Center. The meeting will begin at 10:30 instead and of our normal time due to the hours of the building. The meeting location is:

## 4839 Broadway Ave. Haltom City, Texas 76117

This month's program is a fantastic program by Division 1 MMR, and former Lone Star Region President, Jim Packer. Jim will be doing a clinic on "How to measure a structure so you can reconstruct it in scale for your layout." Don't miss this informative session that is filled with interesting information.

See you at the next meeting (July 13th)...and bring a friend!

Keep training,

Mike Mackey, MMR

Director, Cowcatcher Division