



Membership Application

About Midwest RAILS...

We are Midwest RAILS (Railroaders Active In Large Scale). Our club, whose current members are located primarily in the suburbs of Chicago, is based on the idea of constructing a layout with modules built to the club's standards. Some modules are owned by individual members; others are owned by the club. When these modules and our large or small "corner" modules are brought together, the result is a layout that has a variety of interesting scenes and is much larger than most individually-owned indoor layouts.

Although we hold an annual business meeting each year, club activities are focused on setting up our modules at model railroad shows and other venues. We participate in several shows annually:

- High Wheeler at Harper College in Palatine, usually the first weekend in March.
- Kenosha Public Museum in Kenosha, Wisconsin, usually in late May or early June.
- Railroad Daze in Franklin Park, usually in late May or early June.
- iHobbyExpo, usually in mid October. In 2012 this show is at the I-X Center in Cleveland.
- Trainfest at State Fair Park in West Allis, Wisconsin, usually the second weekend in November.

In 2012 we also expect to participate in the World's Greatest Hobby show in Schaumburg in January and the National Garden Railway Convention at Pheasant Run in St. Charles in August.

When dates for shows are known, we add them to our website at <http://www.midwestrails.org>.

Currently, we are a group of about 20 beginner and intermediate modelers who focus on enjoying our hobby by socializing, running trains and exchanging "how to" information. We would like our members to participate in as many of our activities as possible. About half of our current members participate in all or substantially all of our activities. To improve our flexibility in staffing shows, we would like to add 5-10 members.

Our annual dues are \$60. If you have any questions about the club or our expectations for members, talk to the member who gave you this application, call Evelyn Tennyson at (630) 497-2516 or e-mail Evelyn at eltennyson@comcast.net.

While e-mail isn't a requirement, all of our current members have it. We use it extensively to coordinate arrangements for shows.

To join the club, complete our application form and make your check for \$60 payable to Midwest RAILS. Then mail your check and form to Evelyn Tennyson, 11 W Jonquil Ct, Streamwood, IL 60107-3313.

If you would like to "try before you buy," contact the member who gave you this application or Evelyn Tennyson to make arrangements to participate in our next show.

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