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Michigan Central Depot, Battle Creek, Mich.



Welcome to Clara's!

Serving Mid Michigan since 1992 We celebrate the spirit of the past here at Clara's. Good friends, great food in beautiful surroundings reminiscent of a simpler time.

The Michigan Central Railroad Depot was built in 1888 to support the growing transportation needs of Battle Creek and the U.S. Army training center at Fort Custer. It was heavily used by soldiers departing for overseas duty in World War I and World War II.

Although the Michigan Central Railroad Depot stopped serving passengers in the early 1980's, today the Depot continues to serve customers making stops from all over the country as Clara's on the River.

The River Church 517 Walbridge Kalamazoo, MI



Above - Mid-Michigan Railroad Club
Left - Battle Creek Model RR Club

**Friday - Saturday
OCT 28-29, 2022**

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The NMRA NCR Division 9 is hosting an **NCR ONE DAY Model Railroad Convention** over two days **OCT 28-29, 2022** which will include layout tours, clinics, a special dinner and hopefully some operating session, all of this is over a Friday afternoon through Saturday time frame. The location is in the Kalamazoo and Battle Creek area of Michigan. The Kalamazoo Model Railroad Club will be hosting their annual fall train show and sale on the Sunday (Oct 30) of that weekend if you would like to attend that also. A weekend of railroading activities. Hotel selection in the area is on your own.

The Registration location on Friday will be at the first layout at 3:30pm in Galesburg. You can view the layout and pick up registration related materials. Registration and clinics on Saturday will be at **The River Church**, located at 517 Walbridge, in downtown Kalamazoo. The building is northeast of the Kalamazoo Amtrak Station, and their parking lot backs up to the train tracks.

Oct 28, Friday afternoon, there will be layout open houses from 3:30pm to 6:00pm. You must have a paid registration and convention badge to see the layouts. Registration for the convention will occur at the first layout on the tour.

Oct 28, Friday evening, there will be a gathering of model railroaders for dinner at Clara's Restaurant in downtown Battle Creek starting at 6:30pm. You need to reserve a spot for this event and dinner will be ordered off the menu with individual bills. Who knows what might be scheduled for education, entertainment, and fun!

Oct 29, Saturday, at the River Church, registration from 7:30am to 8:30am and time to visit with other model railroaders. Free refreshments and some breakfast foods during registration and the clinics! Clinic times are- 8:30am, 9:45am and 11am. 12 clinics will be presented between four different rooms. Lunch on your own. Then more model railroad layout viewing 1:00pm to 5:00pm, operating sessions on Saturday evening. 11 layouts will be open for viewing on Saturday afternoon.

More information will all be posted on The NMRA NCR Division 9 website, including information about paying with credit cards for registration and the Friday registration site. The Division 9 website address is - <http://ncr-div9.com/conventionForm.php> Registrations at this time can be check or money order made out to NMRA, NCR, Division 9. Cut off the registration form below and mail it to Division 9 Superintendent and Convention Registrar **Garry Johnson, 371 32nd Street N, Springfield, MI 49037**. Registration fees are to be paid in US Dollars only: Pre-registration is \$25, the late registration fee is \$30 on or after August 31, 2022. Yup, send your money and registration in now and save some money! For more information or question contact Rich Mahaney at 269-214-4221 or rcmahaney@gmail.com

----- **REGISTRATION FORM** **Garry Johnson, 371 32nd Street N, Springfield, MI 49037** -----

NAME _____ NMRA Number _____

ADDRESS _____ CITY _____

STATE _____ COUNTRY _____ ZIP _____

EMAIL _____ PHONE _____

Are you interested or planning to attend the Friday, Oct 28, 2022 dinner at Clara's in Battle Creek, the cost of dinner will be on your own. **YES** _____ **NO** _____

Are you interested in attending operation sessions on Friday or Saturday evening? **YES** _____ **NO** _____
More information will follow in the future as these get set up.