

2017 Charity Chug Homes

Saturday, Dec. 2, 1-5

Bob Ford, 135 Osprey Ln, Moneta, 721-3958. Highly-detailed HO layout featuring miniature forests of hand-made trees and even a picnic on the hillside! Work-in-progress sections show some of this craftsman's tricks for achieving such realism. Multiple digitally-controlled locomotives run on several operating loops plus additional unique running stock displayed around the room. **Directions: Route 616 (Scruggs Rd.) about 4 miles from Westlake, to LEFT on Bremble Rd., (just BEFORE Waterfront), then 1.5 miles to RIGHT on Osprey. #135 is at end in cul de sac.**

Ken Salley, 1470 Dudley Amos Road, Moneta, 721-9542. A large hobby room loaded with a remarkable collection of operating HO, O-Gauge and Z-scale locomotives and cars on display shelves and highly realistic layouts. Incredibly detailed scenes of small towns and surrounding countryside representing early 1950's. Complete sets of 50 state-logo boxcars in O and Z gauges. **Directions: Route 616 (Scruggs Rd.) EAST to Dudley Amos Rd., Rt. 601 (5.5 miles from Westlake and about a mile past Blackwater Café, across from Emerald Bay subdivision). Turn RIGHT and go about a mile to #1470, gray house high on right.**

Herbert Cosby, 15 Lake Forest Terrace, Waverly, 721-5773. Multiple HO loops and sidings, mountain tunnels and overpasses, highly detailed village scenery, some 250 hand-crafted buildings (one is even on fire!), trestles and bridges, realistic lakes & streams. Over 600 feet of ballasted track amid breathtakingly-realistic buildings and scenery created by a superb craftsman with an eye for impeccable detail. **Directions: Route 616 (Scruggs Rd.) EAST to Waverly entrance, about 6 miles from Westlake. RIGHT on Island Point Lane, then quick LEFT on Waverly Lane. House is .2 miles on right, at corner of Waverly Lane and Lake Forest Terrace.**

Hans Weidig, 652 Mallard Point Rd., Wirtz, 721-4797. The outdoor G-Scale "Gills Creek Rail Road" winds over trestles and through forests of live landscaping. Many interesting scenery features include buildings crafted from bird houses, a saw mill, farms and cabins. There's even a Dudley Saloon and Burnt Chimney Station. **Directions: Return to Waverly entrance and turn left onto Scruggs Rd. Follow about 4 miles to left onto Lovely Valley (trash depository site). Follow Lovely Valley to stop sign and turn left, passing Napoli Cowboy. In 1/10 mile, angle left onto Mallard Point. No. 652 is 0.6 mile in on right. Walk around to back of house from driveway.**

Jerry Hale, 1015 Oakshire Ln, Wirtz, 721-7222. Several Lionel and MTH O-Gauge sets running on multiple loops through mountain scenery. American Flyer, G-scale trains and some antique trains also on display, plus a tiny N-gauge loop at kids' eye level. **Directions: Return to Burnt Chimney and turn left, going 0.6 mile further Southeast, then sharp RIGHT onto Crafts Ford; immediate LEFT onto Oakshire; follow Oakshire around to left for 1 mile--do not go into Boxwood Green. House is**

on LEFT with SML flag on tree. Driveway is steep and parking near the house is for folks with bad knees. Slippery when wet--use care walking down.

Sunday, Dec. 3, 1-5 PM

Tom Huhn, 1074 Lake Oaks Ln., Goodview (Bedford Side), 525-9384: O-gauge layout with five MTH Digital Command locomotives and Lionel cars features scenery based on the Roanoke Valley, including drive-in movie, saw mill, sandlot baseball game, junkyard, ponds, illuminated Star and downtown Roanoke roof-top signs, all set against area backdrops painted by Tom's wife Mary. **Directions: Turn off Route 122 onto Diamond Hill Road at Stellar One. Travel 4 miles to stop at General Store; turn LEFT onto Horseshoe Bend Rd. for 1/10 mi., then RIGHT at white church onto Goodview. Go 6 miles, then LEFT on Lakes Edge Dr. (shortly after Thomasson Mill). Go 150 yards to gravel Lake Oaks Lane on LEFT. #1074 is second house, up the hill.**

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Sheldon Mankes, 235 Old Plantation Road, Rocky Mount, 238-2012. Highly detailed 16' x 8' HO layout depicts a small town with two railroad stations, residences, stores (some with rendered interiors), vehicles and bustling townsfolk activities. There are two main lines, myriad spurs and railyards, an oil storage depot, a very realistic salvage yard, a hotel fire and much more. **Directions: Return to Scruggs Road and turn RIGHT. In approx. 1.5 miles, turn LEFT onto Brooks Mill Rd., Rt. 834. At first stop, turn right onto Burnt Chimney Road (Rt. 670) west and follow to stop intersection with Rt. 122. Turn LEFT and follow. Rt. 122 South approx. 1.0 mile to a right turn onto Rt. 697—Kingdom Hall Church sign is at this corner. Follow Rt. 695 5.0 miles to the stoplight intersection with Rt. 220 (Dairy Queen on right, Tractor Supply on far side**

of Rt. 220). Turn LEFT for about 0.2 miles, passing Duncan Ford and taking next RIGHT onto Iron Ridge Rd. Follow Iron Ridge 3.2 miles to stop intersection with Grassy Hill Rd. Turn LEFT on Grassy Hill and watch for Callaway Rd. Turn RIGHT for 0.1 mile, then LEFT onto Old Plantation Rd. Another $\frac{1}{4}$ mile brings you to #235 (RR Crossing sign at the driveway). Plenty of parking in and alongside driveway. Coming from Rocky Mount on 220 North, turn LEFT at stoplight onto Grassy Hill and travel approx. 5 miles to LEFT on Callaway Rd., then LEFT onto Old Plantation.