



Membership Application

About Midwest RAILS...

We are Midwest RAILS (Railroaders Active In Large Scale). Our club, whose current members are located 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 the first weekend in June.
- Railroad Daze in Franklin Park, usually the second Saturday in June.
- West Chicago Railroad Days in West Chicago, usually the second weekend in July
- iHobbyExpo at the Renaissance Convention Center in Schaumburg, usually in October
- Trainfest at State Fair Park in West Allis, Wisconsin, usually the second weekend in November.

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

Currently, we are a group of about 15 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 and to broaden exposure to Large Scale Model Railroading, we are always interested in new members for the club.

Our annual dues are \$30. If you have any questions about the club or our expectations for members, talk to the member who gave you this application, contact Chuck Martschinke (cmartschinke@comcast.net) or contact Bert Lattan (blattan@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 \$30 payable to Midwest RAILS. Then mail your check and form to Bert Lattan, 145 Heathrow Ct, Lake Bluff, IL 60044-1922.

If you would like to “try before you buy,” contact the member who gave you this application or Bert Lattan to make arrangements to participate in our next show.

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Spouse Name*: _____			
Address: _____			
City, State & Zip: _____			
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Home:	_____	Work:	_____
Home Fax:	_____	Work Fax:	_____
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Phone Preference (Circle):	Home	Mobile	Work
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