

## **DRAFT v1 – January 16, 2020**

**2020 ACCRS Theme: The Magic of Model Railroading, Bringing the Past and Present Alive.**

**Concept: Use the layout to show how model railroads bring the past and present to life in miniature. Identify key scenes and items that represent the real world on the layout.**

### **Specific Items:**

#### Interior Isolated Speakers

- O Speaker – intro and overview -station and 50s trains **Budget \$0**
- HO Speaker – switching demo overview? Discuss how the switching represents the real world – even if no demo. **Budget \$0**
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Speaker at Display case – two buttons **Budget \$75-100 plus signage below**
  - Upper – What Railroads carry – freight today and yesterday
  - Lower – Scale and Gauge Clarified – include Bedazzled Lionel

#### Signage/Hand-outs

- Replace the entry banner with a smaller lower one with the logo and theme – **Budget \$60**
- Replace 150<sup>th</sup> signage in display and at aisle locations (including new ones) and Aisle signage on some elements to show how they represent the real world - **Budget \$140**
- New Business Cards - **Budget \$40**
- Rewrite hand-out flyer and print **Budget \$100**
- New larger sign for south end of the building – **Budget \$100**

#### New items (Signage on each tying to the Magic Theme)

- O Scale automated trolley with signage – **Budget \$100**
  - Attempting to see how to make it interactive as well.
- O Scale at Train Station/kids platform – **Budget \$TBD**
  - Need to decide on whether to use the NCE Mini Panel or do something with the station (sound, movement)
- HO Animation – **Budget \$TBD**
- Scheduled event
  - We should discuss whether we can have a scheduled event to be in the daily guide.

#### Scavenger Hunt/Raffle

- Tie in the scavenger hunt to scenes that are “magical”
- Walthers committed to a train set, I will try Bachman also. How do we want to give away? Raffle? Name entry?

#### Stretch Goal and Options

- Video camera and operations for kids – kids control an engine and see the ride on video.
- Barker speaker – set up a speaker outside the front door so the person in the chair can “encourage” people to come on in.

## General Clean-up

- Paint the upper valence blue to match the backdrops.
- Do the floor again.
- Paint/refinish the steps on the kid's platform.

## **O Scale Speaker text:**

Welcome to the Magic of Model Railroading, Bringing the Past and Present Alive. As you view the models and the trains, see how they represent the real world and how railroads changed and are changing our lives. In the 1950s, most long distance travel was by train. The large station behind the trees is based on the railroad stations that dotted the American landscape before airports and airplanes. In the early part of last century, a railroad station showed the wealth and prosperity of a city, often the first and last thing a visitor would see. Enjoy the models and the worlds they represent.