

## President's Message



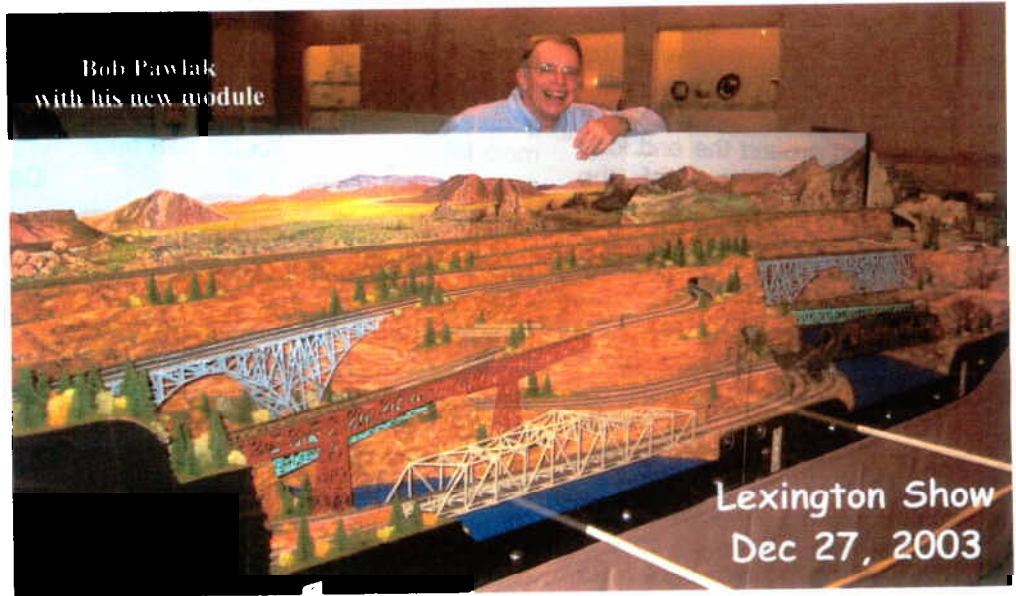
Well, its that time again! Winterfest! This is the biggest convention in the Northeast. Well at least for our region. Our Patriots have WON the Super Bowl. This year is our 10th year and there will be a lot of surprises. It should be a fun weekend for all.

Last month I spoke of members coming to shows and leaving early, I got a few calls about that comment. What I was trying to say is, if you come to the show help out. Talking to people, working the tower, keeping an eye on the trains.

In August there will be a convention in Chantilly, Virginia. It will feature the **WORLDS LARGEST NTRAK LAYOUT**. The convention is sponsored by Northern Virginia NTRAK and the N-Scale Collector. The layout will be bigger than the Edison, New Jersey layout. For more information on the convention go to [www.ntrak2004.org](http://www.ntrak2004.org). The date of the convention is August 4th to the 8th. There are a few of our members going. Hope to see you there.

Till Next Month  
 Mark

## Bob Pawlak's New Bridge Modules Stole the Show at Lexington



Bob Pawlak's new bridge Modules were the talk of the show in Lexington. It has been over two years in the building and it was well worth it. He has put together a wonderful layout and the over 3,000 that attended were very impressed. They were three and four deep looking at it and watching all the trains running within the module. It ran great with three trains running within his module in addition to the normal three tracks around the whole layout. The layout has the option to let three viewers run DCC trains from either behind the layout or in front, so the kids can have fun running trains at the shows. Bob congratulations on a job well done.

## Excellent Crowd at Museum Show by Bob Pawlak

The show was well publicized by the National Heritage Museum in Lexington, MA and resulted in an excellent crowd. The crowd was enthusiastic, seemed generally pleased with what they saw, and usually 2 or 3 people deep most of the time. The museum staff was

very helpful and accommodating. They let us store modules overnight on Friday and Sunday nights, let us borrow a 4-wheel dolly for hauling our equipment, allowed us to come in earlier than the agreed upon time on Sunday morning, and helped us get lunch from the otherwise closed café on Saturday.

Just eight members provided all the modules to build a 22' square plus a

### Schedule of Shows for Coming Year

Date	Set-up	Show Time	Show	Place	Show Coordinator
Feb 6	1pm		Amherst Railway Society	Big "E" Exposition Center, Springfield, MA	John Dunne, 508-697-7635
Feb 7	7am	10am to 5pm	(Winterfest 2003)		
	8	10am to 5pm			
Feb 29	8am	10am to 4pm	Mystic Valley Show	Sheraton Hotel, 37 Forbes Rd, Braintree, MA	Ron Wood, 603-899-0741
Mar 27	8am	10am to 4pm	Greenberg Show	Shriners Auditorium, Wilmington, MA	Ernie Poole, 978-658-9563
	28	9am			
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Apr 25	8am	10am to 4pm	Hooksett Lions Club	Hooksett Cawley Middle School, Rte 27, Hooksett, NH (NEW LOCATION)	Ron Wood, 603-889-0741
May	7am	9am to 3pm	Children's Hospital	300 Longwood Dr., Boston, MA	Robert Pawlak, 781-862-2485