



THE LANTERN



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Superintendent's Report

Here's a quick rehash of the February meeting at Tates Creek Branch – if you missed it. **Bob Ferguson's** 'Layout Filming Project' clinic was nothing short of fantastic. That one definitely set a new benchmark, not only for ideas but also for presentation. Since the meeting, Bob has put up his video on YouTube [<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vHR-DrUwjuU&feature=youtu.be>]. See bottom, page 3

We also had a guest, **Jackie Gallimore**, the Children's Education Coordinator from the UK Arboretum, who gave us a run down on this year's upgrade plans for the G-scale railroad in the Children's Garden. **Bruce DeMaeyer** did a short summary of the Louisville Great Train Show T-Trak operating display that incorporated most of our Division's modules. (Side comment – our builder's skills got a lot of



favorable comments from attendee's families.) **Micheal Rehorn** and **Stew Winstandley**

each brought steam engines for Bring & Brag, and I demonstrated a whistle for the Arboretum. **Brian Jones** brought his T-Trak module that models a piece of the Red River Gorge.



OK, so what's the theme for

this month? It seems like the ground swell of T-Trak is making significant inroads in the national media and our Division activities are right up there in timing. If model railroading is FUN, this really seems to be catching on. Yeah, it is a thinly disguised marketing scheme by KATO for their Unitrak, but you have to admit that whoever there came up with this business model more than 10 years ago really got a hit – almost viral in the latest vernacular. And more importantly, the appeal to all ages, particularly the younger ones, is very important for our hobby. Talk about a recruiting tool! The interest (and participation) shown by the range of kids though young adults is nothing short of remarkable.

Dr. Jerry Rose from the UK Civil Engineering Department has invited us to show the Division's T-Trak at their 'E-Day', March 24th. **Bruce DeMaeyer** has the lead and is planning a couple of kiosks in addition to our module layout. One kiosk will be for a programming track and computer to demo DCC programming using JMRI Decoder Pro. The second will be for a smartphone with a Digitrax Wi-Throttle to let prospective students run a train. We'll keep you posted and report on this at the March meeting.

Now to switch topics and hit on another favorite bugaboo of mine – kits to be done. What brought that on was a cleaning and re-arranging of boxes in the work room. Not only were there un-opened boxes of structures but also several (read many) of rolling stock. These are nearly the infamous 'To Be' buildings except the results will eventually be much more presentable. The list goes on and on. One stack looks like a Walther's catalog of structure kits and another looks like a rat's nest of miscellaneous cars. One of these days..... And there are too many half and quarter done projects in the





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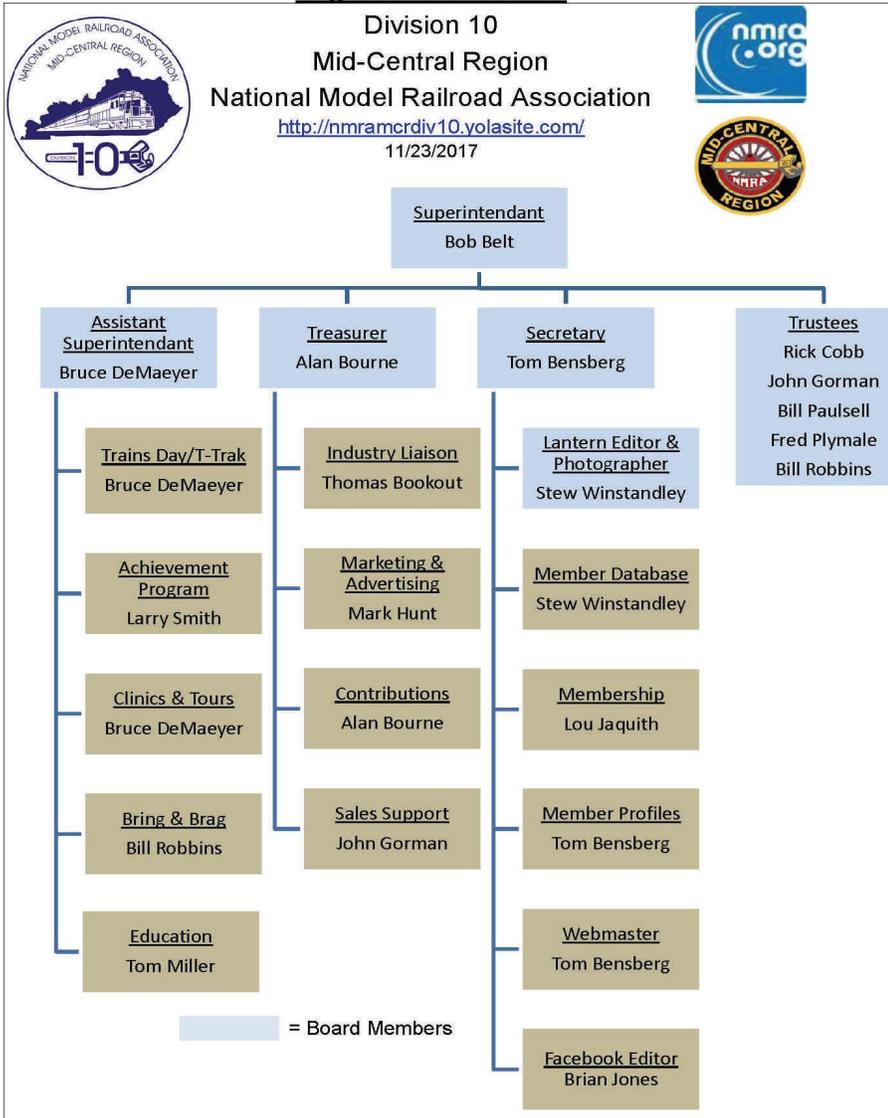
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Left: Larry Smith, right, presenting an AP award to our Superintendent Bob Belt, at the February meeting.

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MARCH 4, 1:30

BEAUMONT BRANCH LIBRARY

BRING AND BRAG

CABOOSES/CABIN CARS

MEETING AGENDA

SMART PHONE THROTTLES,
MARK UNDERWOOD

TOUR

BOB BELT'S TOUR ON MARCH
31ST, 2-4 PM

AROUND THE BEND

MON.	DAY	HOST	PLACE	EVENT / PROGRAM	TOURS	BRING & BRAG
March	4	Div. 10	Beaumont Library	Smart Phone Throttles, Mark Underwood	Tour at Bob Belt's, Saturday, Mar. 31	Cabooses / Cabin cars
March	10	Div. 7	5050 Tylersville Rd, West Chester, Ohio	Flea Market / Train Show 10-3	LAYOUTS	
March	24	Div. 8	4615 Fegenbush Ln, Louisville	Swap Meet / Train Show	LAYOUTS	
April	7	KRM	St. Catherine Academy, New Haven, Ky.	Train Show & Sale, 9—2	N scale T-Trak layout	Div. 10 T-Trak modules will be included in the layout
April	8	Div. 10	Tates Creek Library	Foam Board & Model Builder Software, Bob Belt	W. Va. Ops @ Weinheimer's, Apr. 21	Non-traditional Structures

Message from Bill Robbins: "I would like to buy your unneeded HO train stuff; locomotives, cars, structures, etc." My phone number is 859-230-7342 or email me at 1bear1lion@gmail.com.