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Wendell Greer Receives Master Model Railroader Award Number 298!

Accomplishments Span decades of Modeling

Wendell Greer has been in model railroading a long time, and a distinguished craftsman from the beginning. Some of the work for which his A.P. certificates have been awarded date back to the early years, and can still be seen on his "Dew Valley" HO layout.

Wendell started model railroading in 1959. His first layout was on a 5 by 10 foot table. The current Dew Valley layout was started in 1976.

For more information on Wendell and his modeling career, see his Member Profile in the March, 2000 edition of *The Lantern*. (And son David's is in the February 2000 issue.) We may be looking at a future father/son MMR combo!

Wendell's individual Achievement Program awards are: Master Builder: Cars, Motive Power, Structures and Scenery; Model RR Engineer: Civil and Electrical; and Model Railroad Author. Seven is all you need, but Wendell isn't stopping.

See photos on Page 5.

David Greer Presents Award

Wendell Greer's son, David, the Achievement Program Chair for Division 10, presented the award to his dad at Wendell's home on November 18, 2000. The award will be re-presented at a future Division 10 general meeting, so that Wendell's achievement can be more widely acknowledged, but the special father-son relationship in this circumstance virtually mandated this special presentation. See the accompanying photographs on page 5.

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NEWS, EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Congratulations!

To Wendell Greer on his Master Model Railroader award.

General meeting:

The meeting started at 2:00 pm, Sunday, November 7. Fred pointed out that the Division was a little over a year old, and expressed appreciation to all who had helped make it happen.

Clinic:

Marty Vaughn, President of the Mid Central Region, conducted the Division 10 Clinic for November.

The subject was "Resin Casting," and Marty covered it from A to Z, discussing various methods and materials for mak-

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win-win!!

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NEWS, EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

ing one or two-part molds, mold release materials and methodologies, casting materials and techniques, and various tips and pointers all along the way.

The clinic began with a slide presentation illustrating the wide variety of objects which can be cast, and the degree of realism and detail that can be achieved, even in N-scale. A handout was also provided at the beginning of the clinic, as well as some free "mold injectors" at the end. The entire presentation was very well done, and inspirational to many of us to begin to use these very useful techniques.

Website Updates

The secondary website, <http://pages.prodigy.net/rrpete> was **discontinued** as of **October 21**, since all its features have been incorporated into the **main website** (see box below). We hope you'll visit the site often for the latest updates, and send in any news you'd like to have on the site. We try to keep the latest stuff in the scrolling banner at the bottom of the screen. In addition to the on-line version of *The Lantern*, we also have the text of the MCR newsletter, *The Kingpin* on the site now.

Looking ahead...

Lots of the guys are already talking about making plans for the two big, close-to-home events next year:

- *The Thoroughbred Express in Louisville May 17 - 20*
- *The NMRA Gateway 2001 national convention in St. Louis July 8—15.*

Both of these should be on our "hit list" for activities next year.

Operations Group

We'll be starting an operations group early next year, with two objectives:

1. Have fun operating layouts
2. Earn Achievement Program points towards the Chief Dispatcher certificate.

If you're interested, let me know.

Pete

Member Aid

For help with modeling problems, call Joe Holbrook, Member Aid Chairman, for expert, free help, cheerfully given.

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Check out the improvements to our website at:

<http://nmra-division10.railfan.net/>



David Greer presents the Master Model Railroader Award to his father, Wendell Greer. We can all only imagine the mutual pride of such an event!



A couple of examples of Wendell's handiwork: coal mine and viaduct.



Message from the Superintendent

As we approach the Thanksgiving holiday, I want to thank all of the members who have worked hard to make Division 10 a success. Our advertisers will receive a letter thanking them for the financial support they provided when we needed it the most.

My comments this month are about people, not modeling activities. Mike Baskette and Franklin Miller have agreed to serve another term as Trustees. I applaud them. It's a pleasure to announce Bill Richardson and Alan Brock have agreed to serve as trustees for the coming year. Pete will have profiles of our new trustees in future Lantern's.

A very special thank you to Jack Greene and Joe Holbrook for their service as trustees during the critical first twelve months of our reactivation. Jack's counsel and financial support is greatly appreciated. Joe has agreed to continue to serve as Member Aid Chairman and no one is better qualified for that important position. He was one of three members who helped dismantle our first estate sale, and conducted two clinics, hosted two layout

tours and an open house for new members at his home. Without Joe's help, my layout would be getting power from a drop cord from a ceiling light. Many thanks! And very special congratulations to Wendell on such a significant achievement!

Next year will be an important year for the NMRA in Central Kentucky. We need your active involvement on a committee in several areas. The chairmen of our committees on membership, advertising, company store, train show/conventions, estate liquidation, contest, raffles, and community activities may be calling you in the near future for your help and support. We have great plans that can only be achieved with your help and support. The more members involved the less the load on any one person.

Have a happy holiday season. Lots of trains under the tree!

Fred



Wendell in front of his Dew Valley layout, with many of the award-winning features in evidence.



Many Lexingtonians will recognize some of the buildings in this scene as being in Victorian Square. Wendell did them as castings. You should see the night scene lighting effects!

AROUND THE BEND...

NEXT MEETING:

December

(NO DECEMBER MEETING!)

Dec. 2 & 3rd: GATS in Cincinnati

Dec. 3rd: Train Show, Fairgrounds, Springfield, OH

January

Jan 7: NMRA MCR Div. 10: 2:00pm, Beaumont Library

Clinic: Pat Gerstle on Western USA scenery

Tour: David Greer—N Scale

February

Feb. 4: NMRA MCR Div. 10: 2:00pm, Beaumont Library

Clinic: Pete Birdsong - DCC 101

Tour: Pat Gerstle, HOn3

March

Mar 4: NMRA MCR Div. 10: 2:00pm, Eagle Creek Library

Clinic: Mike Baskette on Detailing & Painting Diesels; Franklin Miller on Coal Loads

Tour: Pete Birdsong N-scale

April

Tentative: Danville Trip

May

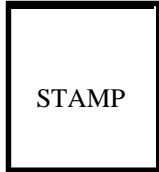
May 5: NMRA MCR Div. 10: **LIVE STEAM!** Clinic & Tour at J.O. Johnson farm

May 17-20: MCR convention: *The Thoroughbred Express*, in Louisville



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