



# The Lantern



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## *Editor's Notes*

There are a lot of exciting things filling up this month's issue! Be sure to read all John has to say in his message. Many of us are getting excited about our upcoming show. Be sure to see the West End Market and NMRA Railpass forms on page 7. Below is printed a list of MMRs who were in a group photo including our own Wendell Greer. I'm looking forward to our October meeting and seeing all what Fred has done to his great layout! See you then.

- Ron

The MMR Group photo on pg 33 of the Aug Scalerails Bulletin Section did not include names. So with the help of many, I have been able to put names to faces.

Rick Shoup, MMR.

First row left to right: Gerry Leone [TLR] Pat Harriman [MCoR] John Lee [MCoR], John Roberts [MCR] Rutger Friberg [BR] Pete Smith [MCoR], Jim Beatty [SSR], Dick Briggs, [MCR]

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## *Message From The Superintendent*

I want to thank Tony Lucio for another great clinic. I know some of us are reluctant to do much weathering. However, using some of Tony's methods you no longer have a reason to put it off!

Our visit to Howard Coleman's home was a treat that I always look forward to. It is great fun to see what he has added and/or improved on his many layouts. I want to thank both Tony and Howard for making our September meeting such a success.

Our October meeting will be at the Beaumont Library at 2pm on the 2<sup>nd</sup>. The clinic will be given by Fred Plymale. He will present a program on what he has learned about modeling over the years and how his layout reflects the progression of his gain of knowledge and experience.

Our tour this month will be to Fred's HO Layout. Here we will get to see first hand what he presented during his clinic. He will also point out all the mistakes he has made and we can have fun giving him a hard time!

We will not have a meeting in November due to the Train Show at Turfland Mall. Also, we will not be mailing a November newsletter.

I am still working on the details of the December meeting which will be held on December 4<sup>th</sup>. Look for more information in the December Lantern or on our web site at: <http://nmra-division10.railfan.net/>.

We are all looking forward to our

Train Show on November 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup>. It will be held in the Turfland Mall and is open to everyone. There will be no charge to see the layouts on exhibit however there will be a small charge to get into the dealer area.

As of this time over 75 dealer tables have been sold so this promises to be our biggest and best show ever. However, we still need volunteers to help with many aspects of setting up on Friday night, running the show both Saturday and Sunday, security for Friday and Saturday nights and cleanup on Sunday. Please let me know if you can help with any of this.

Stew Winstandley will be putting together our Turfland Mall Layout Operating List each month. Please let him know when you want to volunteer to help run the layout. Please remember that Turfland Mall gives us the space we use in return for operating the layout from Noon the 4pm on Saturday and Sunday each week. We can only do this with your help. Stew tries to schedule two people to be there each day, but because of the lack of volunteers many days we only have one person. We need your help; even if you can only be there every other month please let Stew know you are willing to volunteer your time.

And last, it is with great emotion that I say goodbye to a fellow modeler and great friend. Most of you know that Mike Armstrong will be moving to Iowa next month. The emotion is because I am really disturbed about the fact that I won't have someone to make fun of anymore. I have learned a lot from Mike. But the most important is what to do when you don't have any-

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**Mark your calendars! - Division 10 Train Show - Nov. 12 & 13 !!!**



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## “STUFF” & OPPORTUNITIES

Mike Armstrong occasionally knows of *members' overstock* situations and other opportunities to acquire or dispose of “stuff.” Get in touch with him to find out what’s currently available. These liquidations, generally via a web auction, bear a 30 to 35% fee.

In addition, *The Lantern* is in a position to advertise your “overstock” items, for a fee of 10%.

Contact Bill Robbins to arrange for an ad, or Mike Armstrong for liquidations.

## Super’s Message

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one to relieve you at the Mall Layout :)  
Good Luck Mike and please keep in touch!!!

Thanks for all your participation and I’ll see you on the 2nd.

*- John*

## New Members

Let’s give a warm welcome to the following new members of Division 10!

- Ernest Begley of Mt. Sterling, KY
- Jerome Chose of Richmond, KY
- Ed Graves of Lexington, KY
- Luke Petty of Russell Springs, Ky

## Treasurer’s Report

Balance	12/31/04	\$4,066.56
Balance	7/30/05	\$3,034.16

Major Expenses this year:

Last train show mailing	\$473
Newsletter, stamps, internet	246
N-sig group (to purchase Mike A's corner module	280
Ray Grosser-appreciation	150

Bill Robbins - Treasurer

*- Bill Robbins*

## Scale Reproductions Hobby Shop

3073 Breckinridge Lane McMahan Plaza  
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- Special order and mail order service available.

**MCR Division 10**  
wishes to thank  
**Turfland Mall**  
for the use of the space  
to display and run our  
**N Trak Layout**

## In Recognition...

Many thanks to our Patrons and Sustaining Members listed in the next column. (Sustaining Members contribute \$10.00 per year, and Patrons \$20 or more.) We encourage all members to help support *The Lantern* and our website. Division 10 receives NO monetary support from the NMRA. Division 10 is recognized by the US government as a 501c3 corporation and your donations may be tax deductible.

To the right of each contributor's name is the date of his or her latest contribution. Whenever one makes a contribution, his or her date will be updated and for new contributors, their name will be added.

### Support Our Local Hobby Shops

Our advertisers are supporting us with their ads, so let's support them with our business! A strong retail network is vital to keeping the hobby visible to the public, and provides valuable help to newcomers. By our patronage of their stores, they are able to continue bringing more people into the hobby, and promoting our organization.....

win-win!!

Donald Birdsong, Jr.	9/1/2004
Robin Grider	9/1/2004
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Philip Ditchen	4/26/2005
Ron Saylor	7/26/2005
Phil Lester	8/29/2005
Michael Armstrong	9/16/2005



## Bring n' Brag

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great finish. Lou took first place, Don and Dave tied for second, and Bill came in third. Don, congratulations for placing well on your first entry!

There were three photo entries: Dave Battin had a nice pair of digital images of a CSX loco at Manchester, KY, Wendell Greer entered a classy looking Erie steam powered freight train on a viaduct layout scene. Lou Jaquith presented an interesting model and prototype photo pair of a Paducah & Louisville loco at Dawson Tunnel. Wendell took first, Lou second, and Dave third.

The category for our October 2 meeting at the Beaumont Branch Library will be Rolling Stock (all types).

Also, please feel free to bring along any Show & Tell or sale/trade items. See you until next time!

- Ron

## Bring n' Brag September 2005

As our September meeting was held during Labor Day weekend and since there is usually a letdown after our Danville outing, I was somewhat worried about a low turnout. However, my fears were unfounded as we had about twenty in attendance and a decent, if not large number of entrants. Also, Tony Lucio's excellent clinic on weathering without an airbrush was well received. Another excuse for not weathering your models was blown out of the water! "Duh, I can't afford one of those fancy paint set-ups and the wife don't want me to stink up the house!"

First, Don Burris entered a unique locomotive model - an 1804 Trevithick steamer he built from a kit, then Bill Robbins displayed an old time UP passenger train with a 4-4-0 on the point. Dave Battin brought a nice brass PRR H10 2-8-0, and Lou Jaquith had a sharp looking Illinois Central 2-8-0 with a

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## 2005 Bring n' Brag Scores

### MODELS

High to Low or Tie	Sept.	PT
Lou Jaquith (1st)	5	5
Don Burris (Tie-2nd)	4	4
Bave Battin (Tie-2nd)	4	4
Bill Robbins (3rd)	3	3

### PHOTOS

High to Low or Tie	Sept.	PT
Wendell Greer (1st)	5	5
Lou Jaquith (2nd)	4	4
Dave Battin (3rd)	3	3

*Points are awarded for models according to the following rules. Three points for a first place. Two points for second place and one point for third. One point is awarded for your first entry. A second point is given if that entry is "On Topic". A member may submit only one entry per month.*

## Bring n' Brag Schedule 2005

October 2005 - Rolling Stock (All types)  
 November 2005 - NO MEETING  
 December 2005 - Structures (All types)



# AROUND THE BEND

MON.	DAY	EVENT	PLACE/TIME	PROGRAM	TOUR	CONTEST
SEPT. OCT.	29, 30 1, 2	L&NHS	Bardstown & New Haven, KY	Louisville & Nashville Historical Society Convention	KY Railway Museum 100th B-day of L&N 152	
OCT.	2	MCR DIV 10	Beaumont Branch Library 3080 Fieldstone Way (Off Harrodsburg Road)	Evolution of a Layout By Fred Plymale	Fred Plymale	Rolling Stock (All Types)
OCT.	8 & 9	BGRM	Blue Grass Railway Museum Versailles, Kentucky	Clown Days		
OCT.	14	BGRRC	Meadowthorpe Community Center	TBD		
OCT.	21, 21 28, 29	BGRM	Blue Grass Railway Museum Versailles, Kentucky	Halloween Train		
OCT.	29 & 30	MCR DIV 7	Lakota West High School West Chester, Ohio (Just above Ciney. off I-75)	TRAIN SHOW		
NOV.	5	MCR DIV 8	Highland Post, American Legion 2919 Bardstown Road Louisville, Kentucky	TRAIN SHOW		
NOV.	12,13	MCR DIV 10	Turfland Mall	TRAIN SHOW !!!		



## Witless vs. Clueless

*The Continuing Railroad Adventures of  
Rivets O'Reilly and Larry Loungecar*

Created by 'Railroad' Pete Birdsong - Written by Mike Armstrong



Rivets: Hey Larry, why so glum?

Larry: Ya know why, Rivets, I thought ya were my friend!

Rivets: I am your friend, Larry. What is the problem?

Larry: Well, ya know how hard I worked to get ready for my NMRA AP judging and I didn't pass, and you were one of the judges.

Rivets: Larry, if you don't pass locally, you won't pass nationally when I send your stuff in.

Larry: Yeah, right! What was wrong with my layout? I did everything they asked me to do.

Rivets: Aw, Larry, I don't want to get into this with ya.

Larry: Hey, Rivets, I can take it.

Rivets: Well, first of all, Larry, ya know the purpose of the Achievement program is first and foremost to help ya become a better modeler.

Larry: Yeah, so, what's the problem?

Rivets: In a word Larry, your layout had some really creative ideas, but it was a piece of junk.

Larry: That' really hurts Rivets.

Rivets: Well, ya tol' me you could take it. Ask me specific questions and I will give you answers. I think your biggest problem was that you tried to get all of your certificates in one judging and you took too many shortcuts.

Larry: Okay, let's talk about scenery. I had real grass growin' in my lawns. Ya can't get any more prototypical than that! What was wrong with that? I even had people mowin' the lawn.

Rivets: Well, the grass was too tall. It looked like you had a lawn full of cattails. And secondly, three G scale people on an HO layout, mowin' a lawn with hair clippers isn't prototypical. What were you thinkin'?

Larry: I was tryin' for forced perspective from the front yard to the house.

Rivets: Larry, ya have to begin out front with HO scale people and then go smaller and ya need more distance than a front lawn!

Larry: Well, what about my turn table! The directions said I needed a way to turn trains and I did.

Rivets: Larry, ya turned trains all right-about seventy times and sixty nine of those times were in the air!

Larry: Well, I hadn't yet put some kind of throttle on my grandpa's ol' grinder motor. But I did have a place to park trains.

Rivets: Larry, using engines in boxes to use for a retaining wall isn't parking trains. You need track.

Larry: There was track in those boxes. I was only gonna park 'em there 'til I got time to build the wall. But I did have schematics for every thing.

Rivets: Ya had schematics all right! Larry, does the word "spaghetti" mean anything to ya?

Larry: Well, I did have turnout indicator LEDs on the edge of the layout.

Rivets: Larry, ya shoulda tested 'em before we got there. I don't know what ya did, but when ya added power, LEDs started poppin' and shootin' all over the room. It took Joey three hours to work that green LED outta his nose!

Larry: Well, he shouldn't have such a big nose. A baseball could get lost in there! I shoulda at least got a certificate for dispatchin'!

Rivets: I hate to tell ya this, but we had another dispatcher in the other room. And we were listenin' to him. Your head phones just went into the digital system, so ya would think sometin' was goin' on. Larry, yellin' into the head set, "Giver 'er the gun!" or "Full speed ahead!" ain't dispatchin'! That is courtin' disaster! But ya do hold one record, Larry. You're the only guy I know who started out with 120 points in a category and ended up with a negative 87 ½! But don't worry Larry, ya just get back in there and try again. I know ya can do it!

Larry: Really? I feel better already. I have a new idea for turnout machines. I am gonna use the same mechanism that goes into electric car door locks. That ought to hold those points against the rail.

Rivets: Larry, maybe we oughtta have this talk again.







**Next Meeting:**  
**Sunday, October 2**  
**2:00 - 4:00 pm**  
**Beaumont Branch Library**  
**Lexington, KY**

**Program:**  
**The Evolution of a Layout**  
**Presented by**  
**Fred Plymale**

**Tour:**  
**Fred Plymale**

**Bring & Brag:**  
**Rolling Stock**  
**(All Types)**



**NOW is the time to start  
getting ready for our Train  
Show at Turfland Mall on  
November 12 and 13th!**



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