



# THE LANTERN



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## Bring and Brag

By Larry K. Smith



There were some nice non-steam locomotive entries at the January meeting. Stewart Winstandley brought a very nice looking R J Corman GP38-2 in the familiar bright red color scheme. Don Burriss entered a Santa Fe diesel in the popular war bonnet paint scheme. The last model entered was an interesting Southern diesel, a H24-66 Trainmaster, which Lou Jaquith brought along with a book which explained more about the unique green diesel. After the scores for judging were received and tallied, Lou Jaquith received the highest score for the afternoon with a total of 21.6 for the sum of the averages for construction, detailing, and finishing and lettering. Congratulations to Lou for a fine showing. The next highest total was 20.0 which Stewart Winstandley received for his R J Corman diesel. Don Burriss and his Santa Fe diesel received a total of 16.6 for the averages of the three categories. Thanks for all three gentlemen for bringing a model for us to enjoy.

The Bring and Brag topic for next month is Off-line structures and I hope we will have a good turnout of entries in February. An off-line structure would be any type of structure which is not usually found beside a railroad track. That definition leaves it pretty wide open and means that there is a wide variety of structures that could be considered to be off-line and brought to the February meeting. Look around your house and see what you might bring.

The rules for Bring and Brag are on our website for Division 10, MCR. Future topics are on the last page of the *Lantern*. If you have any questions or comments, please contact yours truly, the Bring and Brag chairperson. The standings through January are on page 3.

## The Super's Column

By Bill Paulsell



I was amiss last month in not thanking Alan Brock for hosting our layout visit in December. He was a beautiful layout. Alan is a fan of the Monon and has built some interesting rolling stock that is unique to that railroad. He also has an outstanding collection of locomotives and rolling stock that we all viewed enviously.

Our January meeting was privileged to have Bob Weinheimer, MMR, for our program. He made a pitch for the May regional convention in Charleston [the web address for the Coalfield Express is on the bottom of page 4]. I have sent in my registration and I hope others will also. I always learn new things at these events that help improve my model railroading skills. Bob then made a presentation on operation. He has a great layout for operation, and several of our members have operated on it.

The visit to Pete Birdsong's layout was a real treat. I often refer to it as a work of art. It is not often that we see a fully finished layout, but Pete has done a beautiful job reproducing a logging railroad.

By the time you read this our three open houses will have taken place, and we can give a report. All of the flyers left at Hobbytown were taken, so more were put in place. Berkshire Trains also gave out some. We hope the event will produce some new members for us.

For February, Wendell Greer will present a clinic on making signs. The presence of signs gives a spark to any layout, and Wendell will show us how to make them. Lou Jaquith's Paducah and Louisville will be the site of our layout visit this time. We have seen his layout in the past. One of Lou's many talents is painting locomotives, so we can see that he has done lately. Lou had a winning entry in January's Bring and Brag.

If we have any new people show up I hope everyone will welcome them. We are off to a great start this year, and I hope I will see you on February 7<sup>th</sup>.

Reminder: **March 7th is DIORAMA judging day.** Read Fred Plymale's article in the November *Lantern*. The size of your diorama can be from 12" x 14" up to 16" x 24". It should be an "on line" project with some ballasted track and finished scenery.



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Expenses: Lantern	-69.00
Honorarium	-75.00
Contributions	140.00
Jan. 31, 2010 Balance	\$2927.87

**Witless & Clueless: The Continuing Saga of Larry Loungecar and Rivets O'Reilly**

Created by Pete Birdsong, written by Mike Armstrong

Rivets: Hey, Larry! Whatcha readin'?

Larry: I'm catchin' up on my issues of "Scale Rails".

Rivets: What did ya find interestin'?

Larry: I always find somethin', but I am havin' fun readin' 'bout all these different opinions about NMRA standards for G Scale.

Rivets: Yeah, I like readin' that stuff! Seems like there is a lot of distance between what people think we need.

Larry: Well, if they were to ask my opinion, I'd be happy if all the couplers matched. I remember when I first got started in garden rail-roadin', I couldn't figure out why the cars wouldn't couple. I even got a thirty foot run to couple the cars.

Rivets: Well, how did that turn out? Did they couple?

Larry: Sort of, if ya want to count a small reefer inside a steel sided boxcar.

Rivets: Larry, you know better than ta run two cars together at speed.

Larry: They weren't at speed...they were wide open. I was frustrated.

Rivets: Expensive cars?

Larry: I don't wanna talk 'bout that either.

Rivets: What I know is that USA and Aristo-craft couple pretty well. And Bachmann and LGB couple pretty well.

Larry: I know that now. Thanks for the tip!

Rivets: Jus' tryin' ta help.

Larry: Well, they just get into this discussion about different scales runnin' on the same track. I don't care 'bout that! I just want my cars to couple. So I figured out a system.

Rivets: This oughta be good.

Larry: On the back loop, I run LGB and Bachmann. On the front loop I run Aristo-craft and USA. The common point is on the middle loop where the yard is.

Rivets: That makes classification more of a challenge.

Larry: You're tellin' me! The other day, while I stopped for lunch, those hoodlum kids of Boiler Bob Billins came in and moved my cars around and nothing was couplin' and I couldn't figure it out.

Rivets: You sure it was them?

Larry: Yeah, I came out just as they were leavin'. I yelled at 'em and said I was gonna get my Bowie knife and cut off their fingers.

Rivets: I'll bet that scared 'em.

Larry: They told their ol' man, Boiler Bob, and he came to talk to me.

Rivets: Uh-oh.

Larry: Not really, he said that if I did that to give him a call. He'd been wantin' to do that for years.

Rivets: Ah, the love of a father!

Larry: Well, Larry, there's bein' a father and there's bein' a model rail-roader. Sometimes a man has to make a choice.

Rivets: Larry, I don't know what's wrong with you and Boiler, but it's scary.

**2009 -2010 Bring and Brag Standings  
By Total Points from High to Low**

Name	Jan. 2010	Total
Stew Winstandley	20.0	57.9
Don Burris	16.6	46.3
Lou Jaquith	21.6	45.2
Brian Jones		22.9
Larry K Smith		21.5
Tom Miller		17.5



**McCormick-Stillman Railroad Park**

The city of Scottsdale, Arizona has a railroad themed park. A scale Paradise & Pacific Railroad with a steam train can be ridden around the park. The Scottsdale Live Steamers Club operates miniature locomotives built to various scales.

The Scottsdale Railroad Museum includes a Pullman car that was used by Presidents Herbert Hoover, Franklin D. Roosevelt, Harry S. Truman and Dwight D. Eisenhower before Air Force One.

A bunkhouse, part of the original McCormick Ranch, houses three model railroad clubs. They are the Scottsdale Model Railroad Club (HO gauge), Paradise and Pacific Tinplate Club (O gauge), and the Sun-N-Sand Club (N gauge). The N scale layout is pictured above and below. The N layout is about 3.5 scale miles of Ntrak standard modules.

A new building to house these layouts is now under construction. The Sun-N-Sand Club is currently constructing new modules which will expand their layout considerably in the new building.



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## NEXT MEETING

2 PM, SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 7  
WATKINS BLDG., CENTRAL  
CHRISTIAN CHURCH

SIGNS

## BRING AND BRAG

OFF-LINE STRUCTURES

## TOUR

LOU JAQUITH'S HO PAL

## AROUND THE BEND

MON.	DAY	HOST	PLACE/TIME	EVENT / PROGRAM	TOURS	BRING & BRAG
Feb.	7	Div. 10	Watkins Bldg. Central Christian Church, East Short St., 2 PM	Wendell Greer—Signs	Lou Jaquith	Off-line Structures
Mar.	7	Div. 10	Central Christian Church, East Short St., 2 PM	John Gorman—Cab Control	Bill Crace	Dioramas
Apr.	11	Div. 10	Central Christian Church, East Short St., 2 PM	Bill Pausell—Operations	Larry K. Smith	Steam Locomotives
May	2	Div. 10	Central Christian Church, East Short St., 2 PM	Randy Coffman—Clamps	Fred Plymale	Non-revenue cars
May	13-16	Div. 9 MCR	Embassy Suites, Charleston, W.Va.	The Coalfield Express	Yes	

NOTE: The April meeting has been moved to the second Sunday of the month.



The Coalfield Express web site- [http://www.coaldivision.org/coalfield\\_express.html](http://www.coaldivision.org/coalfield_express.html)