



# THE LANTERN



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## The Super's Column

Read the election message at the bottom of page 4.....

Thanks to Randy Coffman for a fine program on the uses of the variety of clamps he has invented. They are valuable aids in model building. His company's web address is [www.coffmaneng.com](http://www.coffmaneng.com). Visit his site for clamp information.

Thanks also to Fred Plymale for hosting a layout visit. Fred's layout has an interesting track plan, magnificent structures and scenery, and Fred's unique touch in a couple of areas.

Our next meeting will be a visit to Danville to see a couple of layouts. We have been to John Bowling's before. It is a huge, beautiful pike showcasing the towns and scenery of Kentucky. His layout was illustrated in the May issue of *The Lantern*. A look at Robin Grider's will be a new experience for most of us. John's is at the rear of 406 Maple Ave., and Robin's is on Stanford Ave. near the Pioneer Playhouse. We will meet at Hobby Lobby in Brannon Crossing at 1:00 PM for carpooling. A map is on page 2.

The Mid-Central Region convention in Charleston, W. Va. was a good event. It was well organized, well attended, and ran smoothly. The hotel was excellent. Two hundred twenty-one people were there. Thanks to Bob Weinheimer and his group for all their hard work.

Division 10 was well represented. Pete Birdsong, Lou Jaquith, Brian Jones, Bob Lawson, Fred Pymale, Larry Smith, and myself represented our club. Lou and Larry brought their wives along.

As with all conventions, some clinics were better than others, but I enjoyed all the ones I attended and, as usual, learned new things. Pete Birdsong presented two clinics on logging.

The regional board meeting was pretty routine. It was reported that the 11 divisions in the region lost 22 members last year, although some divisions reported growth. Our latest report from headquarters listed 50 members, half of whom we never see but would very much like to have at our meetings. That seems to be the situation with all of the division.

The next convention will be at Geneva-on-the-Lake in northern Ohio April 28-May 1, 2011. Three of the northern Ohio and Pennsylvania division are bidding to host the national convention in Cleveland in 2014.

Pete, Larry, and I served as judges in the contest room, which was an interesting experience. We all have previous training as

judges. The NMRA has rather exact regulations for judging, and it was a good experience to work with them.

Pete won two Merit Awards for super detailing locomotives. Those are not easy standards to meet, so we congratulate Pete for fine work. Naturally, he did not judge his own models. The three of us judged only the scratch building aspects of the models. Other group judged construction, detail, conformity, and finishing and lettering. That means that five different groups of judges judged each model. Judging is a thorough process.

We will not meet again at Central Christian until October. Meanwhile we will take trips to Danville in June, Eubank in August, and Cincinnati in September. More information on the latter two will appear in future issues of the Lantern. We will follow our usual practice and not meet in July.

— Bill Paulsell

## Bring and Brag

By Larry K Smith

Our meeting in May was the last month for Bring and Brag for this season (2009-2010) and we had a great showing of models. We had a total of six. My thanks goes to those who brought in models for the rest of us to examine and admire, and then for us to judge. The topic was non-revenue cars and passenger cars. We combined the topics for the last two months due to our June layouts tour in Danville.

Lou Jaquith brought in a  train which featured an engine, a gondola containing rail, and a caboose. Lou built or kitbashed all three cars adding many extra details before weathering all the cars with paint and powders. Pete Birdsong brought in a couple models, one which was a water tender (or car) and the other one was a tool car, which he built from kits and added a lot of extra details to both. The purpose of the water tender was to make water available for a number of purposes on a logging railroad. After painting the models, Pete had weathered both with Doc O'Brien powders. Don Burris brought in a nice Santé Fe caboose in G scale. Stew Winstandley had a model of a **MONON** heater car which he converted from a troop kitchen car and then added extra details. The purpose of this type of car was to furnish needed heat and power to passenger cars when not con-

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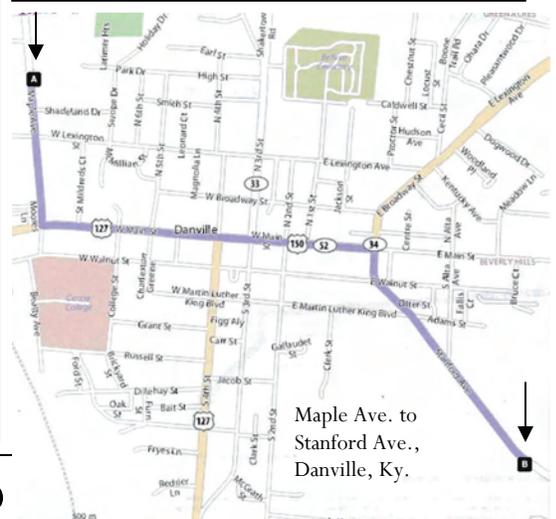
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Apr. 30, 2010 Balance	\$2748.46

## Witless & Clueless

### The Continuing Saga of Larry Loungecar and Rivets O'Reilly

Written by Mike Armstrong

Rivets: Hey, Larry! Where ya been?

Larry: Hi Rivets! I just got home from a seminar in Nashville, Tennessee.

Rivets: What kind of seminar was it?

Larry: My job sent me down there, all expenses paid but, to be honest about it, Rivets, I can't rightly say.

Rivets: You mean you went to a seminar and didn't learn anything?

Larry: Not exactly, I went to a couple of sessions.

Rivets: A couple of sessions?

Larry: Yeah, I missed most of the seminar.

Rivets: Were ya sick?

Larry: Naw. One of the things I like to do when I am in other cities is to check out the hobby shops.

Rivets: And?

Larry: Well, I could only find one in Nashville, so I had to branch out from town a little.

Rivets: What's that mean?

Larry: It means I drove to others cities. I had to drive back to Louisville to find some good shops and there were so many good ones, I had to stay over night to see 'em all. And while I was so close, I went to Cincinnati and checked out a couple more.

Rivets: All the time you still had a room in Nashville?

Larry: But I didn't get to stay in it when I drove back, because I headed on down to Memphis to check out the hobby shops there. When I got to Memphis, I remembered I had forgot to check out the shop in Elizabethtown, so I headed back up there.

Rivets: Driving through Nashville again?

Larry: Yeah, I guess so, but I stayed on the Interstate so it didn't really feel like I was drivin' through Nashville.

Rivets: So you checked out quite of few shops?

Larry: I did, and when I got back to Nashville I found they had the Tennessee Train Museum there so I check it out.

Rivets: I sounds like ya didn't spend too much time in yer hotel. How much of the seminar did ya attend?

Larry: Actually, none.

Rivets: But ya checked out all these hobby shops.

Larry: Pretty much.

Rivets: How many nights did ya spend in yer hotel?

Larry: Actually, none.

Rivets: What?!

Larry: Well I got there and checked in, went to check out hobby shops, and by the time I got back it was time to check out.

Rivets: So basically ya learned nothin'.

Larry: No, I learned that it was a bad idea to go to a seminar in a city where they don't have a lot of hobby shops.

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nected to an engine. Stew also brought an N scale model of a **MONON** passenger car which he had painted and detailed.

After the judging sheets were collected and tallied, the highest score for the May meeting went to Lou Jaquith, with a score of 25.2 for the total of the averages of Constructing, Detailing, and Finishing & Lettering. Pete Birdsong was next with a total score of 23.9 for the water tender and a total of 23.6 for the work car. Stew Winstandley received a total of 20.5 for the passenger car and the heater car conversion had a total score of 20.3. Don Burris received a total of 15.5 for the G scale Santé Fe caboos. I would like to thank all of them for participating. I would like to thank everyone who participated in Bring and Brag this year, whether you brought in a model to share or whether you assisted in judging the models. I would also like to thank Ron Kercheval, the previous Bring and Brag chairperson, for his help and others in the club who have made this job easier. I agreed to be the one to continue Bring and Brag not really knowing what to expect and you all have made it a pleasant experience.

As I mentioned, this was the last month of Bring and Brag and Lou Jaquith is the Top Modeler for the 2009-2010 year. Congratulations to Lou on all his work and for sharing all his very nice models with us. The final scores and standings are below. The March diorama judging is not included in the Bring and Brag figures.

We will have Bring and Brag next year but it will be somewhat different since we want to do things a little differently. I really do not know all the changes, but we do know we would like some different Bring and Brag topics for the monthly meetings. I can think of a couple, but do you have any suggested topics for Bring and Brag? If so, please mention it to me or one of the board members. Hopefully we will generate some more participation next year. I brought in a couple models this past year, but I would like to try and participate more. Maybe we can all bring in one more model or item next year.

We will begin Bring and Brag again in October. As always, if you have any questions or comments, please contact yours truly, the Bring and Brag chairperson.

### Final 2009– 2010 Bring and Brag Standings

#### By Total Points from High to Low

Name	May 2010	Total Points
<b>Lou Jaquith (Top Modeler)</b>	25.5	118.4
Stewart Winstandley	40.8	98.7
Don Burris	15.5	84.7
Pete Birdsong	47.5	70.8
Brian Jones		43.8
Larry K Smith		43.3
Tom Miller		17.5

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## NEXT MEETING

CARPOOL FROM BRANNON  
CROSSING'S HOBBY LOBBY @  
1PM, SUNDAY, JUNE 6, TO  
DANVILLE, KY.

## BRING AND BRAG

NONE

## TOUR

BOWLING & GRIDER, DANVILLE

## AROUND THE BEND

MON.	DAY	HOST	PLACE/TIME	EVENT / PROGRAM	TOURS	BRING & BRAG
June	6	Div. 10	406 N. Maple Ave. and Stanford Ave., Danville, Ky., 2 PM	Visit two Danville layouts	John Bowling & Robin Grider	None
July	11-18	NMRA	Milwaukee, Wisc.	NMRA 75th Anniversary Convention	www.nmra75.org	
Aug.	1	Div. 10	near Eubank, Ky.	Grosser's O scale layout www.grossernostalgiatrip.com	Ray Grosser, MMR	
Sept.	11 (Sat.)	Div. 10	north of Cincinnati, 10:30 AM	Lawson's HO layout & Entertainment Junction	Bob Lawson	
Oct.	3	Div. 10	Watkins Bldg., Central Christian Church, 2 PM	Seven Simple Structures, Sam Swanson	Pete Birdsong	

Check out the new Division 10 web site at <http://www.div10-mcr-nmra.org/>

The ballot to elect new officers for Division 10 will be in the August issue of *The Lantern*. Nominations for offices may be made by a petition signed by two members and submitted to Fred Plymale. No member shall be nominated without his prior approval. Fred's address is on page 2.