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The Superintendent's Report

Congratulations again to **Tom Miller** on receiving an AP Certificate for Association Volunteer, and to **Larry Smith** for two AP merit Awards for structures.

The August 7 meeting was great, thanks to several members: **Stew Winstandley** and **Rick Cobb** for the really interesting clinic on Scratchbuilding Cars & Locomotives, and **Billy Wilson** for hosting the tour of his superb Lionel and garden layouts in Versailles. Kudos to **Mark Hunt** for the great display tables he built for Bring & Brag. **Brian Jones** and **Tom Krill** did great jobs as usual with the auction and door prize functions. We took in \$330 in the auction!

Thanks also to everyone who participated in Bring & Brag - we had a great turnout for it, excellent modeling, and the usual fine job by **Larry Smith** for coordinating it.

Thanks to guests **Lee Powell** and **Bob Larger** for dropping by the July meeting. Hope you come back again.

Congratulations to renewing members **Tom Bensberg**, **Don Burris**, **Randy Coffman**, **Ray Cox**, **Ken Fortney**, **Pat Gerstle**, **Walter Odenwald**, **Ken Pavelchak**, **Wes Ross** and **Don Smith**.

In September we'll make our annual trek to visit **Ray & Renee Grosser** near Eubank and see what they've done on their acclaimed O Scale layout. They're always gracious hosts and the bucolic setting makes for a great outing. In October, in addition to our regular meeting, we'll also be participating in the Bluegrass Railroad Museum's Trains, Plane & Automobiles show, Saturday, October 1st.

Check out our new Tips & Tricks page on the website and send in your own tips & tricks to **Tom Miller** to be included. Email address is tom.miller@uconn.edu.

Wendell Greer has been recovering from dehydration and other problems in Sayre Christian Village, 3840 Camelot Drive, Room 101, for about 7 weeks. Please add your well-wishes and prayers for Wendell and his speedy recovery.

Thomas Brough, an ex-member, passed away recently. Our condolences to the family.

— Pete Birdsong

Bring and Brag

Larry K Smith

It is August and the beginning of a new year of Bring and Brag. And what a beginning! We had eleven entries for the topic of off track structures and, I believe, that is the most entries we have ever had for any meeting. I used all the letters I had with me. Besides having a lot of entries, we had a lot of well done entries which showed a lot of good work. I was impressed by the showing. Thanks to all of you who brought entries to be viewed and judged.

Bill Paulsell continued to sharpen his scratchbuilding skills by bringing in two entries, one a Railroader's hotel, and another one which was called Wes's Auto repair. Don Burris brought in a nice example of a suburban brick house with two levels. Renee Grosser, who we all know does excellent scratchbuilding, brought in two houses she had build from scratch. One house had a grey roof and the other neighborhood house had a brown roof. For next month's meeting, we will be going to the Grosser's place near Eubank, and it is always a treat to visit with them and see their layout. Stew Winstandley showed off his skills with a couple of buildings in Z scale. Man, I do not think I could work in that small scale but he does a good job. One of Stew's buildings was for Seaside retail with a boardwalk, while the other was a farmhouse. A good looking administration building was brought in by Pete Birdsong. Brian Jones brought a well built Saw Sharpener's shack complete with sharpener and friends. It was a very interesting structure. A very detailed and busy junk yard was brought by Bob Ferguson. His first entry, I believe, and hopefully not his last. The last structure was an unfinished house which was entered by Fred Plymale. It was meant to be unfinished with the scale workers shown putting together the framework of the house.

As you remember, a total score for an entry is the sum of the three average scores for the categories of (1) Construction, (2) Detailing, and (3) Finish and Lettering as scored by the members. The highest score an entry can receive is



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In Recognition...

Many thanks to folks listed in the column below. They have given their time, materials and/or money to support our club. We encourage all NMRA members to help with financial support to *The Lantern* and our website and the Division 10 train shows. **Send your monetary contribution to our Treasurer.**

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To the right of each contributing member's name is the date of his or her latest contribution. Whenever one makes a contribution of money, material or time, his or her date will be updated and for new contributors, their name will be added. Folks who have not made a contribution in one year will be dropped from the list.

John Bowling	6/2011
Ray Grosser	4/2011
Fred Plymale	"
Bill Robbins	3/2011
Dennis Peevy	"
David Battin	"
Randy Coffman	2/2011
Irv Frary	1/2011
Orville Boes	"
John Stokes	"
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Franklin Miller	"
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Pete Birdsong	11/10
Bill Pausell	"
Tom Krill	"
Larry Smith	"
Lou Jaquith	10/10
Alan Bourne	9/2010
Don Burris	"
Mark Hunt	"
John Gorman	9/2010
Tom Bensberg	"
Raymond Cox	8/2010
Ed Fuller	"

Division 10 Treasurer's Report: Balance July. 1, 2011—\$3011.32; Expenses; Lantern (51.74), Internet (80.00) = (\$131.74)
 Deposits; \$0.00 Balance July 31, 2011—\$2879.58

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30.0. After all the scoring sheets were collected and tallied by a spreadsheet (which I had to widen for all the models we had and even lengthen it for all the persons who scored) the results were: Bill Paulsell received a 27.5 (the top score for all entries) for the Railroader's hotel and 25.9 for Wes's Auto repair. The suburban house from Don Burris got 16.4, and the two houses by Renee Grosser received 26.6 for the grey roof and 26.2 for the house with the brown roof. Stew Winstandley received 18.8 for his Seaside retail building and 19.1 for the farmhouse. The Administration building, an entry from Pete Birdsong, received a score of 19.5, and the Saw Sharpener's shack from Brian Jones had a score of 23.5. Bob Ferguson received 26.4 for his junk yard, and the "unfinished" house by Fred Plymale garnered a score of 24.6. There were some really good scores for some really good models.

As mentioned at the meeting by Pete and me, the scoring method for the models remains unchanged, but the scoring for the Top Modeler has been revised. Starting with this month, only one entry per month will be counted toward the calculation of the Top Modeler. We started the revision this month to be consistent with the following months in the year. If a member enters two, or more, models then all the models will be judged and scored, but only the entry which scored the highest will be entered into the Top Modeler point scoring system. Please do not interpret this as saying you can only enter one model, because that is not the intent of the rule change. You can certainly enter more than one model, and you are encouraged to do so to improve your chances, but only one model, the highest scoring one, will go into the Top Modeler computations. We all encourage you to bring in more than one model since the goal of Bring and Brag is to improve our modeling, to share what work we have done with our fellow members, and (last but not least) to have fun and enjoy ourselves. The rules for Bring and Brag are

on our website. The results for the Top Modeler is presented below.

Next month we will be going to the Grosser's so there will not be a Bring and Brag. We will resume in October and the Bring and Brag topic will be a flat car or a gondola car. I hope to see a lot of entries. I need to get busy so I can enter one myself. In November the topic will be a car to carry passengers. I did not wish to say just a passenger car because you might think of a routine passenger car. I hope you might widen your thoughts to include anything which can be, or has been, employed to carry passengers. The list of proposed Bring and Brag topics is on our website if you wish to refer to it in planning ahead for the models which you would like to enter. They include open car loads, a photo of a model, and something scratch built.

Future topics are on the last page of the *Lantern* and the website. If you have any questions or comments, please contact yours truly, the Bring and Brag chairperson. Any ideas for future topics for Bring and Brag are always welcome.

2011 -2012 Bring and Brag Standings

By Total Points from High to Low

<i>Name</i>	<i>August & Total Points</i>
Bill Paulsell	27.5
Renee Grosser	26.6
Bob Ferguson	26.4
Fred Plymale	24.6
Brian Jones	23.5
Pete Birdsong	19.5
Stew Winstandley	19.1
Don Burris	16.4



The Cass trip, Aug. 19-21, was fantastic! The members, pictured here next to Shay #6, Thomas Bookout, Fred Plymale, Pete Birdsong, Brian Jones, Larry Smith and Rick Cobb, spent two nights in a company house at Cass. Shay #6, the last Shay ever built (1945), powered us 11 miles to the top of Bald Knob (at an elevation of 4842 feet, the third highest point in West Virginia) on Saturday. We visited the shops at Cass, got in some bull sessions on the front porch of the house, and ate like kings thanks to the meals cooked by Rick and Brian. We also included a Sunday excursion, headed by a Climax out of Durbin, WV. A great time all around.

We've made reservations for next year, Aug. 17 & 18, so save the date. —Pete Birdsong

Photo by Stew Winstandley

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NEWSLETTER FOR NMRA MCR DIVISION 10

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BRING AND BRAG

NONE

NEXT MEETING

2 PM, SEPT. 4, 1145 LINN
RD., EUBANK, KY.

TOUR

RAY & RENEE GROSSER, 1145
LINN RD., EUBANK, KY.
CARPOOLING INFORMATION AT
THE BOTTOM OF THIS PAGE

AROUND THE BEND

MON.	DAY	HOST	PLACE	EVENT / PROGRAM	TOURS	BRING & BRAG
Sept.	4	Div. 10	1145 Linn Rd., Eubank, Ky.	Tour only, see car pooling information at bottom of this page	Grosser's, near Eubank	
Oct.	2	Div. 10	Watkins Bldg., Central Christian Church	David Battin, Open car loads	Howard Coleman	Flat or gondola car
Oct.	29-30	Div. 7	Lakota West High School, 8940 Union Center Blvd.	Cincinnati Model Railroad Show, (formerly the Div. 7 show) 11AM-5PM		
Nov.	5	Div. 3	Hara Arena, 1001 Shiloh Springs Rd, Dayton, Ohio	Dayton Train Show, 11AM—5 PM	20+ operating layouts	
Nov.	6	Div. 10	Watkins Bldg., Central Christian Church	Dick Briggs, Modeling the Pennsy prototype	Fred Plymale	Passenger cars

A map to the Grosser's is available at <http://www.div10-mcr-nmra.org/meeting-schedule.php>

Or enter 1145 Linn Rd, Eubank, Ky 42567 for a web map using www.mapquest.com

There will be car pooling from the Hobby Lobby lot in Brannon Crossings off of US27 south of Man o' War at noon.