



THE LANTERN



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Superintendent's Report

First – I have **Mark Underwood's** Electrical AP since our AP Chairman, **Larry Smith MMR**, can't make the meeting. Hopefully, Mark can make the meeting and we can present him this certificate.

Second – please note the meeting will be the **2nd Sunday** of December, the 9th, at the **Eastside Branch** of the Lexington Public Library. The address is 3000 Blake James Drive – which is the NE corner of the intersection of Man o' War and Palumbo. Entry is off Palumbo (toward town). This is the old Jaguar/Range Rover dealership building. FYI: Palumbo is the 2nd Light East of Richmond Road on Man o' War. The Bring & Brag has changed, see page 3.

Reason for the 2nd Sunday is that all branches are closed the 1st Sunday for a software upgrade (or so I've been told). Also, we had originally planned for a make and take weathering clinic using the NMRA boxcar shells but that has been deferred till later next year. Since we would have been using weathering powders, we were going to use the Maker Space which is unique to Eastside. Now we will be in the medium conference room – UPSTAIRS.

The tour after the meeting is at my layout – less than 5 minutes from Eastside. Address is on page 4.

OK, now for the regular stuff – or more of my 'ramblings'. With all the mowing and leaf raking pretty well finished for the year, we can start the Winter modeling in earnest. I've been spending a bunch of time at the workbench with a whole list of my "honey-do's" – or is that the "do-be's"? These range from rechecking rolling stock standards to

cleaning up the CV's on a couple engines. I could add re-weighting a couple of engines that seem to have a problem with lead trucks derailing on my #4 turnouts. Thought I had this solved but it reared its ugly head in the last operating session. Have you written down a list for a reminder? Or maybe even a 'this is what I'd like to do' sort of list? Another project is cleaning up the 'to-be' buildings. Actually, I'm thinking about replacing a couple with structures representing different types of industries – for operation destination variation.

I showed the November operators a model of the latest project – adding EZ Line (Berkley) to the power poles already in place on the layout. That's a whole 'nother story. I may have to put together a mini-clinic on that and the pole prototypes. Speaking of clinics, I haven't heard any feedback on the request for clinic subjects. **Jeff Hedge** is canvassing the Division for areas of interest. Until we hear differently, the general trend will continue to be on modeling. Thinking about a follow-up clinic panel on 'Upgrading My Layout' with the panelists who have 'running' model railroads. This may include some of the guys who are doing the December clinic. Would having 2 or 3 'mini' clinics at a meeting be of interest? Mini's don't really count toward AP Author but one could be a building block to a full clinic. (I had to get that plug for AP in – one of my pet topics.)

Have you looked at the 2019 Bring & Brag schedule and new categories, including photos? If not, please check them out on page 3.

— Bob Belt



For the NMRA MC Region officers link to www.midcentral-region-nmra.org/bod2.html

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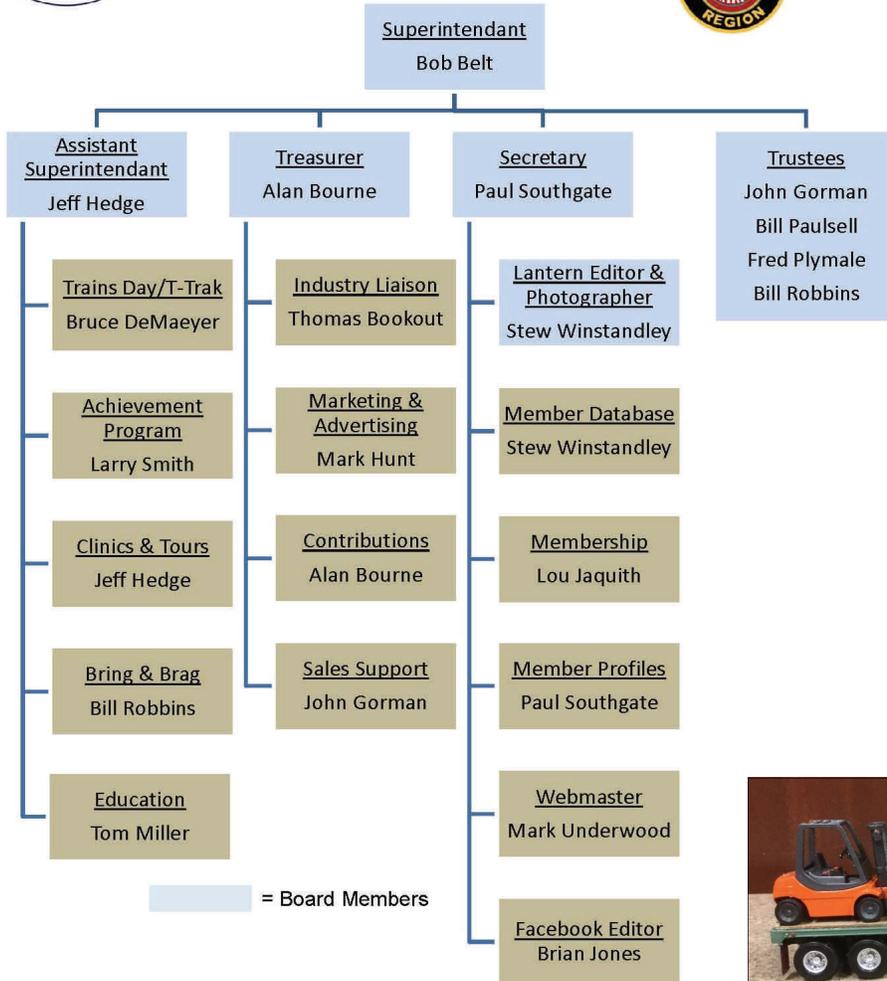
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Organizational Chart

Division 10
 Mid-Central Region
 National Model Railroad Association
<http://nmramcrdiv10.yolasite.com/>
 10/10/2018



[Blue box] = Board Members



November's Bring and Brag resulted in a tie between Bill Parker's truck loads (top) and Stew Winstandley's FEC head end power car.

Division 10 website addresses are: 1) above at top of Org. Chart, 2) <https://www.facebook.com/NMRA.MCR.Div10/> and 3) <http://ttrak.wikidot.com/nmra-mcr-division-10-the-kentucky-division>

Division 10 Treasurer's Report: Oct. 1, 2018—**\$11,270.30**; Expenses: Lantern, \$28.27; Special Projects \$41.96; Deposits: Contribution \$65.00; Balance: Oct. 31, 2018—**\$11,265.07**. Give or send your contribution to Alan Bourne, 438 Queensway Dr.. Lexington, KY 40502

Bring & Brag

We are restructuring the “Bring & Brag” feature of the Division meeting to encourage greater participation.

For December, we will have a photo competition. There will be four categories: 1) Prototype color; 2) Prototype B&W; 3) Model color; 4) Model B&W. Any image that can be seen with the naked eye is acceptable. Must be your own photo. Judging will be by popular vote. Up to 2 images per person, per category may be entered.

For the next year the contests will be:

- January: Steam Locomotive
- February: Diesel/Traction Locomotive
- March: Freight rolling stock
- April: Passenger rolling stock
- May: Railroad company structures (stations, engine facilities, MOW facilities, etc.)
- June: Non-railroad structures (industries, houses, business, etc.)
- July: No meeting
- August: No contest
- September: Non-revenue rolling stock (Mow, etc.)
- November: Caboose
- December: Photos

We will have three categories each month. You can enter Scratch Built, Kit Bashed, or just plain Kit built. This allows anyone to enter anything they are proud of and at any skill level. Judging is by popular vote but if you wish to have your model judged by NMRA rules for the Achievement Program, we will make arrangements for you. — Jeff Hedge

Correction to the Jeff Hedge bio in the last month’s issue: Division 3 of the North Central Region is in Indiana, not in Illinois.



Above: Harold Weinberg and Larry Smith’s two foot snow covered T-Trak module.

Snow on a layout: Text below is from www.009.cd2.com

Snow is one of those very complex things that requires careful study before embarking on modeling. Snow is actually precipitation in the form of ice crystals. These ice crystals are hexagonal prisms that form when snow freezes up

When modeling snow, it is essential to decide on what conditions you are trying for. Is it windblown powder snow which has drifted, conditions where snow still sticks to vertical surfaces or wetter snow that has fallen in large flakes? Has the snow begun to melt or is it still very cold?

Woodland Scenics snow comes in large containers and is a very good color. The grain size is, however too large, but the material is good for building up layers. The 'snowfall' can then be wetted using a mister with detergent added. **Microballoon** is one of the best 'secret weapons' . This is 600 micron glass balloons and is used in the composite aircraft industry to mix with resins to produce lightweight filler. This material is then sifted on to the wet Woodland Scenics snow. Detail can be added at this time using small soft brushes to push the 'snow' around, mimicking, for instance, slippage on a pitched roof.

A snow search on Walthers.com produced 4 pages of results, including: <https://www.walthers.com/scenic-snow-kit> . “Model all kinds of winter scenes with this complete set that includes high brightness Snowflakes, Scenic Bond adhesive and Icy Sparkles.”

Photo below is from <http://model-railroad-hobbyist.com/blog/31531>



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BLAKE JAMES DR. 40509

BRING AND BRAG

PHOTOGRAPHS, FOUR
CATEGORIES

MEETING AGENDA

PANEL DISCUSSION

TOUR

BOB BELT'S HO

AROUND THE BEND

MON.	DAY	HOST	PLACE	EVENT / PROGRAM	TOURS	BRING & BRAG
Dec.	9 (2nd Sun.)	Div. 10	Eastside Library	Discussion—Plans for My Layout	Bob Belt	Your Photos (see B&B on page 3)
Jan.	6	Div. 10	Beaumont Library			Steam Locomotive
Jan.	12-13		Ky' Fair & Exposition Center, Louisville	Great Train Expo Show	T-Trak layout	
Feb.	3	Div. 10	Tates Creek Library	Randy Coffman	Jim Williams HO	Diesel/Traction Locomotive
Mar.	3	Div. 10	Beaumont Library			Freight Cars

Web links to the 2019 MCR Convention, May 2-5, 2019: <https://www.div1-mcr-nmra.org/the-acy-bullet-2019>
<https://www.div1-mcr-nmra.org/tri-fold-brochure>