



# The Lantern



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## ***AP Judging Event A Great Success!***

The Division 10 Achievement Program Judging Event (August 6, 2005) was a great success! More than 20 attended, with eight entrants and 28 entries: 5 engines, 13 cars and 10 structures. There were 2 N-scale, 11 HO, 4 Sn3 and 11 On30 entries.

Because time ran out, only 17 were able to be judged on Saturday, but all but three of the remaining were judged on Thursday night, August 11. 17 of the 25 models judged qualified for certificates, receiving scores of 87 1/2 or more.

The Entrants were Pete Birdsong (7 certificates), Chris Cord, Pat Gerstle (4 certificates), John Gorman (2 certificates), Lou Jaquith (2 certificates), Tony Lucio (1 certificate), Bill Robbins, and Tom Wheeler (1 certificate). Many of the models were displayed at Danville on Sunday, August 7. Many thanks to all who participated, and especially Dave and Wendell Greer and Fred Plymale for judging.

*- Pete Birdsong*

## ***Random Tidbit***

A scout is trustworthy, loyal, helpful, friendly, courteous, kind, obedient, cheerful, thrifty, brave, clean and reverent.

A model railroaders (sic) is old, grouchy, forgetful, prone to overeating, slow to change, set in their ways, and usually the most considerate and helpful people I know.

From: Scott Perry

## ***Message From The Superintendent***

Our August Meeting was great! I want to thank John Bowling, Bob Lawson, Robin Grider and the Danville RR Club for their gracious hospitality. The layouts, food and all around atmosphere were, as always, just what we all needed to motivate us back to modeling after a hot summer.

This month we will meet on September 4<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 pm at the Beaumont branch library off of Harrodsburg road. Tony Lucio will be presenting the clinic. Then we will visit Howard Coleman's home to see his many layouts.

Tony's clinic will be on weathering without an airbrush. He will discuss many different methods or weathering and the materials used. He will also demonstrate several techniques.

Howard has one large N scale layout, an O scale table layout, a ceiling level O scale layout and a new Garden Railroad. There is enough to see here to keep you busy for at least an hour. Don't miss this meeting, it will be a good one!

We have a real treat lined up in October! I am not going to disclose the details yet, but I will say that it will be a clinic and layout tour that will open your eyes to what you can learn and do in just a few years if you set your mind to it.

Our "Fall Train Show" will be November 12<sup>th</sup> - 13<sup>th</sup> in the Turfland Mall. We have a great two day show planned and I hope all of you will attend. I know many of you will want to buy a table and we have a special deal for club

members. Contact Bill Robbins (his phone no. and addresses are on page 2) for more information and/or to reserve a table or two.

During the first week of October we will start selling raffle tickets for the HO layout. I know we had a slow start but after many months this layout is taking shape. It will be raffled off complete with buildings, scenery, twin power supply, two engines and many cars. I think when you see the completed layout you will be pleasantly surprised. Tickets will be \$1.00 each. Buy a dozen or two! The profits will go toward purchasing railroad and railroad modeling books and magazine subscriptions for selected Central Kentucky public and school libraries.

I hope to see all of you at the Beaumont Library on September 4<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 pm for our meeting!

*- John Gorman*

## ***Editor's Notes***

As much as I love the springtime and warm summer days, it's nice to see that fall is soon approaching and these dog days will soon be over. We are now getting back to our regular meetings in Lexington and we have two outstanding clinics to be presented by our members for our September and October meetings. From what I hear, our September tour host has been doing a great deal on his layouts and I am looking forward to seeing his progress.

One might think that the second weekend in November is quite a ways off, but trust me, the time will here before we know it! What am I talking about?

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



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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.

## Editor's Notes

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I am talking about our train show at Turfland Mall on November 12th and 13th. NOW is the time to start going through any surplus or unwanted items you want to find a new home for. As usual, many great new items will be coming out this winter by the manufacturers. Some of us will be wondering where to get all the money put together to endure the continuing onslaught to our credit cards and milk money from Atlas, Athearn, Walthers, BLI and others. Having some extra cash in mid-November is a nice thing to look forward to!

Be sure to check out this month's *Witless and Clueless!* It is a classic. Hopefully many of us will be visiting the subject place of Mike's song after the show.

We also have an interesting article on the Kalmbach Memorial Library at NMRA Headquarters in Chattanooga, Tennessee. This was sent to us with the third quarter issue of the “Kingpin”. With due apologies to Howard and Ivan, we will publish the main body of the *Kingpin* in next month's issue due to space limitations this month.

If you are ever in Chattanooga or passing through there on the way to Florida, I highly recommend a visit to NMRA's offices in Chattanooga. It is near the Tennessee Valley Railroad Museum and they have an extensive collection of books, magazines, and other items one can use for research or general browsing. I haven't tried their long distance or Web services yet. Check out Thomas Mossbeck's fine article for more info.

Until next time, I have some fall cleaning to do with my stash. Take care and happy modeling!

- Ron Kercheval

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**Turfland Mall**  
for the use of the space  
to display and run our  
**N Trak Layout**

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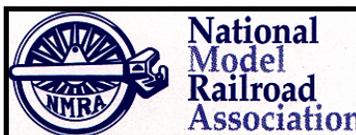
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## Railfanning From the Comfort of Your Own Home!

How in the world do you do this? The answer is easy. If you have internet access, visit [www.railpictures.net](http://www.railpictures.net). They have an excellent search engine where one can view a tremendous selection of railroad photos mainly from the sixties to the present day. There is a section for fallen flag carriers as well as current operators. You can either search by keyword or by many other methods on their home page by pull down lists.

As an example, I went to the "by photographer" list and scrolled down to our own Tom Bookout! Tom had 172 images as of this afternoon. Many a lunch hour and cup of coffee has been consumed by my visiting this site. Consider yourself forewarned - this place can be addictive!

- Ron



## Bring n' Brag Update 2005

Some of you may be wondering why my byline says "Update 2005" rather than "August 2005", and why do the standings tables still say "June"? To make a long story short, we did not have a Bring n' Brag at our August meeting in Danville, and of course we did not have a meeting in July when the National Convention was going on.

There were a number of excellent models displayed in Danville which participated in the AP Judging event the day before in Lexington. As that Sunday afternoon in Danville was so full of wonderful things to see and do at three separate locations, we felt that having a Bring n' Brag would only add to the confusion. My apologies to anybody who was expecting to participate. Rest assured, our Bring n' Brag will resume at our next regular meeting on September 4.

The category for our September 4 meeting at the Beaumont Branch Library will be Locomotives (all types), which was postponed from August. We will then be back on schedule!

Also, please feel free to bring along any Show & Tell or sale/trade items.

- Ron

## 2005 Bring n' Brag Scores

MODELS		
High to Low or Tie	June	PT
Pete Birdsong (2nd)	4	15
Lou Jaquith		7
Fritz Dutro (1st)	5	5
Bill Robbins (3rd)	3	5
Tony Lucio		4
David Batten		4
Stew Winstandly		4

PHOTOS		
High to Low or Tie	June	PT
Randy Coffman (1st)	4	8
David Greer		5
Lou Jaquith		4
Wendell Greer		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

September 2005 - Locomotives (All types)  
 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.	3,4	BGRM	Blue Grass Scenic Railroad Versailles, KY	Civil War Weekend		
SEPT.	4	MCR DIV 10	Beaumont Branch Library 3080 Fieldstone Way (Off Harrodsburg Road)	Weathering By Tony Lucio	Howard Coleman	Locomotives (All Types)
Sept.	9	BGRRRC	Meadowthorpe Community Center 7:30 pm	TBA		
OCT.	2	MCR DIV 10	Beaumont Branch Library	Good Modeling By Fred Plymale	Fred Plymale	Rolling Stock (All Types)
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! It looks like you've been shoppin' !

Larry: I have, Rivets! I found a new train shop and man is it great! Good deals and just about anything I need, I can get there!

Rivets: Well, Larry, is there anything left?! It looks to me like you bought out the whole store. What are you gonna do with all this stuff?

Larry: Oh, come on, Rivets! You know as well as I do that you can't ever have enough train stuff.

Rivets: Larry, wasn't it just last week that your daughter said she thought you already had enough stuff to open your own store?

Larry: Yeah, she said it, but she really didn't mean it.

Rivets: Larry, you told me she said she wasn't ever goin' to buy you any more train stuff you had so much!

Larry: Oh, Rivets, you know how teenagers are; they'll say anything no matter how stupid!

Rivets: So, where you gonna put all this stuff?

Larry: I don't know, yet. My closets are full.

Rivets: So how far did ya have to drive to find this store?

Larry: That is the beauty of it, Rivets. It is right here in town. All ya have to do is come to the weekly meetings at the Dew Drop Inn. All you need is a stock number and a little bit of your wife's grocery money.

Rivets: So what are you doin', sittin' in the middle of a room full of railroad stuff strummin' on a guitar.

Larry: I was so excited about the store that I decided to write a railroad song about it. I couldn't think of a tune, so I decided to use the tune from Arlo Guthrie's Alice's Restaurant. Want to hear it?

Rivets: Well.

Larry: It goes like this:

*You can get anything you want, at Johnny G's Railroad Shop.*

*You can get anything you want, at Johnny G's Railroad Shop.*

*Walk right in; it's beneath the house.*

*Everyting there's stacked around in piles.*

*You can get anything you want, at Johnny G's Railroad Shop.*



*You can get anything you want, at Johnny G's Railroad Shop.*

*He'll make a deal on anything, from a turnout to a hop.*

*You won't believe what's in that hovel.*

*When you shop, better bring a shovel!*

*You can get anything you want, at Johnny G's Railroad Shop.*

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*On your layout his figures look good, from a hobo to a cop.*

*He's got cows and pigs and horses and chickens;*

*Get there early for the best of pickens!*

*You can get anything you want, at Johnny G's Railroad Shop.*

*You can get anything you want, at Johnny G's Railroad Shop (excepting Johnny).*

*He can meet all your railroad needs, so ya better plan to stop.*

*Be careful sifting through all those piles, but if ya knock 'em over Johnny don't get riled.*

*You can get anything you want, at*

*Johnny G's Railroooooad Shoooooop!*

Rivets: Larry, that is the most interestin' song I ever heard.

Larry: Thanks, Rivets!

Rivets: I have just one question, Larry.

Larry: Yeah?

Rivets: Who is Johnny G? The head of the railroad mafia?!



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

**Program:**  
**Weathering Without**  
**An Airbrish**  
**Presented by**  
**Tony Lucio**

**Tour:**  
**Howard Coleman**

**Bring & Brag:**  
**Locomotives**  
**(All Types)**

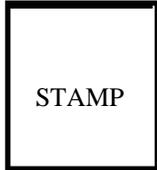


**NOW is the time to start**  
**getting ready for our Train**  
**Show at Turfland Mall on**  
**November 12 and 13th!**



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