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Superintendent's Report

I begin this month's Superintendent's Report with a sad heart at the passing of Wendell Greer. Wendell was a MMR and an awesome engineer. His layout was a tribute to his mastery of this hobby we all love. From the lighting turning daylight to night, to a drawbridge that he engineered, to his buildings that he created from scratch replicating different buildings in Lexington, he was a true craftsman. He was a lifelong Railroad buff and was involved in many volunteer programs. Wendell will be greatly missed in more ways than we can image. Photo of his layout is on page 3.

December's meeting brought out a large number of Bring and Brag entries. There were twelve caboose entries. It was good to see that many entries and it says that we have a lot of talent in this group. Ed Butcher and Bob Ferguson tied for first place. Thanks to all that entered.

Congratulations to Lou Jaquith, who received a Merit Award for structures at the meeting.

Thomas Bookout provided the program for the group. He had a nice presentation of railroads in and around Central Kentucky and The Steam Project at Stearns. It was very interesting to see the progress at Stearns with the steam engine. Thanks Thomas for the program.

A big thank you to Bob Ferguson for opening his home and sharing his great layout with the club. The detail that Bob has put in his layout is incredible.

This is a busy time of the year for all of us, with Christmas shopping, family gatherings, parties, and finally a visit by the big jolly old fellow, we sometimes put our modeling on the shelf. This is a time that we may want to get away from the Christmas hustle and slip off to work on that special project. Sometimes the peace and quiet is awesome. I enjoy this time and sometimes my best work comes from these days.

Our Auction is looking for a few donations. If you have items that you cannot use on your layout and you've wondered what to do with them, here is an opportunity to help the Division and clear up some space. Donations can be tax deductible. Contact Larry Smith if you have any donations, or bring them to the next meeting.

Bob Belt has been elected by the Board of Directors to be our Assistant Superintendent to complete the term after Brian Jones resigned.

— Rick Cobb

2013-2014 Bring and Brag Standings

Lou Jaquith has 33 points, Ed Butcher and Bob Ferguson have 15 points, Pete Birdsong has 10 points, Rick Cobb and Bill Robbins 8 points each, Bruce DeMaeyer and Don Burris 3 points each, Tom Miller, Dave Battin, Rick Cobb, and Bob Belt each with 1 point.

Our January meeting is scheduled for the 5th, hope to see you there. The clinic will be a two part presentation (see page 4) by Lou Jaquith and Fred Plymale. Below are photographs from Lou's and Fred's layouts. Top one is Lou's Green River bridge, and the bottom one is of the Greer Manufacturing on Fred's. At the meeting you'll learn about Fred's streets and Lou's bridge.





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Division 10 Treasurer's Report:

Balance Nov. 1, 2013—\$3595.69;
 Expenses: \$0.00 ;
 Deposits: Contributions \$0.00;
 Balance Nov. 30, 2013—\$3595.69



Witless & Clueless

*The Continuing Saga of
Rivets O'Reilly and Larry Loungecar*
Written by Mike Armstrong

Rivets: Well, Larry, how was yer Christmas?!

Larry: Great Rivets. This year I got a lot of new Lionel Christmas cars for under the tree.

Rivets: Wow! I thought Bonnie stopped buying you trains for Christmas.

Larry: Rivets, these were Christmas presents "from me to me". Bonnie got so mad when she saw our Visa bill that she said she wasn't buying me anything for Christmas.

Rivets: So she didn't give you anything?!

Larry: Actually, she did give me something. A stocking with a lump of coal in it.

Rivets: Wow! She is hard core!

Larry: I was up early Christmas morning and checked it out. When I saw there was a lump of coal in the stocking, put in a new bottle of scented smoke for my Polar Express engine. It smelled like coal.

Rivets: So Bonnie didn't say anything when you reached in and pulled it out?

Larry: She watched to see my reaction when I fingered the lump of coal. I said, "Bonnie, this feels like a rock." Then when I pulled out the bottle of scented smoke, I said, "The saints be praised! It's a miracle. The rock turned into scented coal smoke."

Rivets: Then what happened?

Larry: She grabbed the stocking, reached in, and pulled out the lump of coal. I started laughing and she stuffed the lump of coal in my mouth. Then she started ranting about how we don't have a place to put anymore train stuff and how I ruined Christmas for her and whatever I bought for her, she didn't want it, and I could kiss her...sort of.

Rivets: So how could it be a great Christmas?

Larry: Well, she forgave me when she saw the grandkids playing with the trains. I sort of hinted that I bought the

new trains for them, and well she kind of melted.

Rivets: It is a wonder she hasn't clubbed you upside the head.

Larry: Christmas was a long day and I was lookin' forward to a good night's sleep, but when I put my head on the pillow that night, it was stuffed full of coal. I looked at Bonnie and she began to laugh...which is always a good sign. And that is when she did give me my Christmas presents.

Rivets: What did ya get?

Larry: Let's just say I have enough socks and underwear and coal to last the year.

Rivets: So ya learned yer lesson?

Larry: Yep, I surely did.

Rivets: And what was it ya learned?

Larry: Next year, I gotta get that Visa bill before she sees it.

Rivets: Good thinkin'!



Above is a scene from Wendell Greer's Dew Valley HO layout. From Wendell's obituary, "His specialty at IBM was power conversion circuit development. He transferred to Lexington in 1975. He was a lifelong railroad buff and was very interested in the history of railroads. He was an active model railroader" and a MMR. His contributions to our Division 10 were extensive.

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JANUARY 5

BRING AND BRAG

NON-REVENUE CAR, OTHER THAN
A CABOOSE

MEETING AGENDA

KITBASHING A BRIDGE—LOU
JAQUITH & MODELING ROADS
AND SIDEWALKS—FRED PLYMALE

1:30 PM

TOUR

PETE BIRDSONG'S ON30
LAYOUT

AROUND THE BEND

MON.	DAY	HOST	PLACE	EVENT / PROGRAM	TOURS	BRING & BRAG
Jan.	5	Div. 10	Central Christian Church, Watkins Bldg., E. Short Street	Kit bashing a bridge to match prototype—Lou Jaquith, and Roads and sidewalks—Fred Plymale	Pete Birdsong, 2308 The Woods Lane	Non-revenue car, e.g., MOW
Feb.	2	Div. 10	Central Christian Church, Watkins Bldg., E. Short Street	SMD LEDs—What, where & how—Bob Belt		Offline Structure
Mar.	5	Div. 10	Central Christian Church, Watkins Bldg., E. Short Street	Operations panel—Bill Paulsell, Pete Birdsong & Bill Robbins	George Campbell, Winchester	Online Structure
Mar.	8	Div. 7	Lakota West Campus, 5050 Tylersville Rd., West Chester, Ohio	Spring Flea Market & Swap Meet, Saturday 10 AM to 5 PM \$4	Layouts	
Apr.	6	Div. 10	Central Christian Church, Watkins Bldg., E. Short Street	Scratch building with styrene—Ed Brennen MMR		Small Mfg.—two structures—kit & scratch built

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