



THE LANTERN



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Superintendent's Report

This year is more than half over. I hope you all have been enjoying yourselves and hopefully getting some model railroading done. When it is hot outside stay inside with the air conditioning and work on the layout.

I did do some model railroading at the Bluegrass train show in July. I spend most of my time working with our Division 10's T-TRAK layout. I thought we had another successful event with the layout. I would like to thank all the members who helped make it a success. They are, in no particular order, Cecil Hestand, Frank Stevenson, Tom Bensberg, Randy Coffman, Ralph Haddock, Stew Winstandley, Harold Weinberg, Bob Belt, and John Lathrop. Their volunteering of time and effort made it a success. Thanks guys. We gave out over 70 certificates with the Junior Engineers. The Junior Engineer is popular with the younger visitors and their parents. I also took some time to see what the vendors were offering. I only found one thing, a passenger car, that I thought I might sometime be able to use. I will have to work on it to add new trucks, lights, and passengers but that is part of the fun. I hoped to see more of our members of Division 10 at the show, but I appreciated those that did come.

Our next meeting will be held Sunday, September 6, at the Eastside Library on the second floor. Our presenter will be John Lathrop who will tell us about "The New River Gorge." It is a very interesting place that is filled with lots of history. I saw the area once when I rode the New River train. It was a very enjoyable ride traveling along the river and seeing all the great scenery. John will be showing the place to us and he will tell us what all is there.

The meeting in October will be on the 4th and the subject will be "3D Printing." Frank Stevenson will show us how he does it and the remarkable things he has done with 3D printing. 3D printing has come far and is still improving. More modelers are getting into it because you can create unique objects that are not otherwise available. One presenter at the recent regional convention was making a whole city full of unique structures with 3D printing at a reasonable cost. You can print a lot of things, not just in model railroading.

We will have a layout tour in August to see Frank Stevenson's evolving N scale layout. A lot of it is done but he is continuing to add to it. The tour will be Sunday August 16, from 1 to 4 PM. His address is 1039 Tamworth Lane, Frankfort KY 40601. Tamworth Lane is off of US127 south of I64 exit 53. Go east on Burlington Lane at the Shell station, then left onto Tamworth. Be pre-

pared to see a very good layout.

Below and on page 3 are the bios of the candidates for Division 10 for next two years. They are ready, beginning in October, to serve in our elected positions leading the division forward.

—Larry Smith

Bradley Lockwood, Assistant Superintendent

I joined Division 10 a few years back. In 2016 my wife Kathy and I relocated from Connecticut to Columbia KY and built our home so I can retire. I hope to be fully retired next April. As part of that build, we created a multi-purpose structure that now serves as a train room and as a guest house. I started Model Railroading as a kid and then set up my first layout (4x8) in 1980. That was short lived as I lived in an apartment at the time and space was limited. So, the layout was dismantled and packed away. Many years passed, but I continued to follow Model Railroading with a few friends and attended the Amhurst Annual Train Show (which now I try to attend every other year) and started picking up DCC. Fast forward several years, in October 2022, I started my current layout, named in honor of our six Siberian Huskies. And so Huskyville was born as a fictitious town in Alaska. Because of my limited space, the layout is loosely based on the old Atlas Central Midland by John Armstrong. As a computer programmer and Health Care consultant by trade, I quickly jumped into JMRI and Digitrax for the electrical system. I recently integrated Arduino with JMRI for route switching in my hump yard. My goals for the layout include, an operating hump yard, with automatic uncoupling at the hump; signaling and scenery. Last year I received the Golden Spike Award and I'm currently working on the Electrical and Scenery AP Awards.

Until recently I was a Sectional Announcer and Sectional Music Coordinator for US Figure Skating. Not only did this skill allowed me to create and run skating events, but I also have had the pleasure to announced and play music at two World Skating events (2009 LA and 2014 Boston) and countless US Nationals. I also love woodworking and I'm a private pilot.

As Assistant Superintendent, I hope to not only learn more about Model Railroading from all of you fine members, but to assist others to continue to grow as well. I'm currently trying to get the Adair County school system to start a model railroad program.



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

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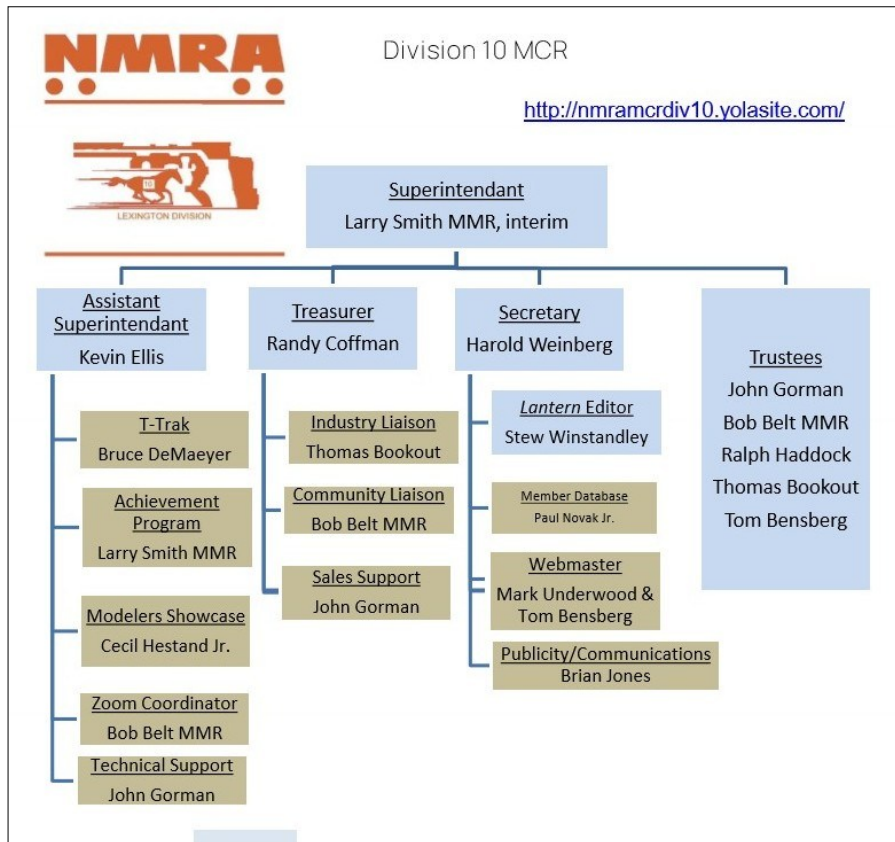
Many thanks to folks listed in the column below. They have given their support for our club. We encourage all NMRA members to help with financial support to *The Lantern* and our website and the Division 10's activities. **Send your monetary contribution to our Treasurer.**

To be listed here your contribution needs to be at least \$20 in cash, or material valued at \$50, or a total of 20 hours time within the last year. Division 10 receives NO monetary support from the NMRA or the MidCentral Region. Div.10 is recognized by the US government as a 501c3 corporation and your cash or material donations may be tax deductible.

Report materials or time to Stew Winstandley. To the right of each contributing member's name is the month 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. Anyone making a contribution will be listed below for 12 months.

Alan Bourne	2/2026
Rich Murphy	12/25
Lou Jaquith	11/25
Randy Coffman	11/25

Below is a photo of Frank Stevenson's yard with some of his many steam locomotives. This photo was taken in 2022. On August 16th go see his layout and his extensive steam collection including some articulated mallots. UP's Big Boy is not a mallet since it uses a simple steam expansion.



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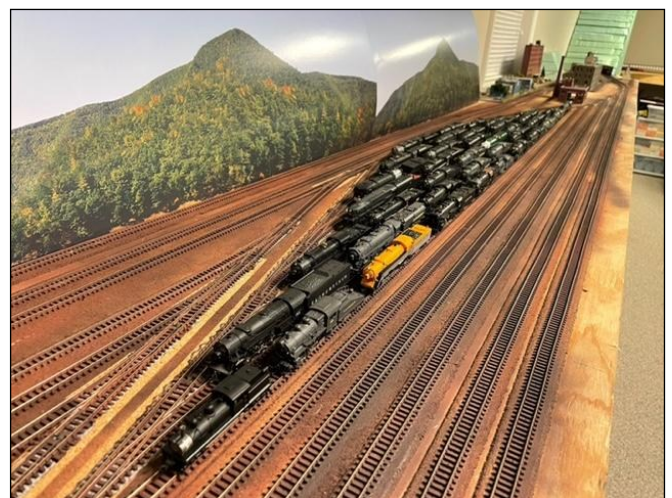
Website addresses are: 1) above at top of Organization Chart,

2) <https://www.facebook.com/NMRA.MCR.Div10/> and

3) <http://ttrak.wikidot.com/nmra-mcr-division-10-the-kentucky-division>

4) YouTube.com search: Division 10 Mid Central Region NMRA, Past Div.10 clinics are available on YouTube.

Contributions to Division 10 are sent to the treasurer, Randy Coffman. His address is 1500 River Circle Dr, Richmond, KY 40475-7907.



Kevin Ellis - Superintendent

I have been an active member of Division 10 since before 2020. I am the current Assistant Superintendent. I first learned of the group after visiting train day at the Tates Creek Library. I have been a member of a couple historical societies in the past (L&N and Southern). I am also an active member of the Bluegrass Railroad Club and serve as a Board Member in our group. My railroad interests include HO modeling leveraging DCC (primarily NCE at home /Digitrax at the clubs). I have a walk-around layout in my basement that is 23 feet long by 6 feet wide, double track circular connection with a very small yard, the width of each section (except the ends) is 1 foot to provide room to walk around it. The lines I model the most are L&N, Southern, C&O, Frankfort & Cincinnati, Union Pacific, and Norfolk Southern. By trade I am a software engineer with UK HealthCare. I have degrees from Western Kentucky University (BS in Computer Science & Math), University of Louisville (MS in Computer Science), and Bellarmine University (MBA). I enjoy running trains, occasional rail fanning, dinner train excursions, train shows, and visiting train stores. Outside of trains, I spend most of my time with my family, wife Christy and two adopted daughters Olivia from Poland and Eda from Bulgaria in various activities (vacations, school, reading, horse riding, soccer, and tennis).

Randy Coffman - Treasurer

I have been an active member of Division 10 since I first learned of the group after moving here from Northern Illinois in 1998. I am now the Division's treasurer having served for two years. I have previously been a treasurer of other organizations including other railroad clubs and our Neighborhood Association of which I was also President for about 10 years. My railroad interests include HO modeling, layout ops, railroad history and photography. I am a mechanical engineer by trade in commercial laundry and oven fields. I like paying attention to details. I like problem solving and helping to improve model railroad operations.

Harold Weinberg—Secretary

Member: Since 2015. Retired University of Kentucky professor.

Board and Offices: Board since 2020 (with brief hiatus). Treasurer 2020 - 24; Secretary since March 2026 (completing Tom O'Connor's term). Trustee 2025-26.

NMRA: Golden Spike. Merit Award - Cars. Achievement Awards - Electrical and Association Volunteer.

Layout: O Gauge.



Cecil Hestand is with Junior Engineer Rowan Banks, operating on the Division 10's T-TRAK layout in July. Seventy certificates were issued to the young attendees.

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NEWSLETTER FOR NMRA DIVISION 10 MCR

210 BRANNON RD.
NICHOLASVILLE, KY 40356-9711
nmramcrdiv10.yolasite.com

AUGUST 16, 1-4PM

1039 TAMWORTH LN,
FRANKFORT, KY 40601

MODELERS SHOWCASE

NONE

MEETING AGENDA

FRANK STEVENSON TOUR

SHORT PRESENTATION

NONE

MONTHLY MODELERS SHOWCASE

The monthly showcase returns in September with Diesel Electric Locomotives. Power Point will no longer be accepted for the display of your models.

The photo is from the July 11-12 Bluegrass Club's train show at Shriners. Left to right: Cecil Hestand, Larry Smith and Frank Stevenson. Larry is holding the Division 10's new banner that was displayed on our T-TRAK layout. Another photo is at bottom of page 3.



AROUND THE BEND

MON.	DAY	HOST	PLACE	EVENT / PROGRAM	TOURS	SHOWCASE
July	27-Aug 2	SER	Chattanooga, TN	2026 National Convention		
August	16	Div. 10	1039 Tamworth Ln, Frankfort	Tour of Frank Stevenson's N scale layout, 1-4 pm	Tour, additional location dirctions are on page 1	
Seot.	6	Div. 10	Eastside Library	The New River Gorge, John Lathrop	None	Diesel Electric Motive Power
Oct.	4	Div. 10	Eastside Library	3D Printing, Frank Stevenson	None	Automation & Lighting
Nov.	1	Div. 10	Library	Operations on Steel Themed Layout, Jeff Hedge	None	