

ENCHANTED FOREST SHOW REPORT, November 2010

For the 3rd consecutive year, we supported the “Enchanted Forest” Holiday Show sponsored by the Junior League of Northern Virginia. We set up our “wine bottle” layout in the Reston Sheraton Hotel. Our layout and show was a complete success with nine Trackers bringing 15 modules and four Trackers assisting with set up and operating the layout.

We set up on Friday P.M. (11/19) starting at 4:15 using assets from the Krash1 Trailer which included two sets of 45° corners and two 90° corners. All of the Trackers participated and, with the help of Steve Kehn, we were running trains by 6:00. We had no “shorts” and both command systems were functional. The remainder of the time, ‘till about 8:00, was spent setting up and decorating individual modules.

A particularly nice touch was the partial 3rd track set up by George Tsakiris and Matthew Kehn. This track ran around the lower end (or “neck” of the “wine



Bernie's Scene

bottle”) and George ran his bump-n-go trolley back and forth along this long track. The track extended through Bernie’s, Jake’s and Chris’ modules.

Bernie had his outstanding “Holiday Scene” along his module, complete with action figures and lighted houses and streets. This made a nice greeting to the crowd upon entering the room.

Chris proudly showed off his three newly created modules. The trestle bridge he built was particularly impressive.

All of the modules were very impressive in their own ways. George had a nice snow/winter scene. Matthew had a very entertaining Holiday display. Don “out did himself” with an intricate Holiday display. He probably put up more individual pieces than anyone as he put much effort into it. Although not



everyone is mentioned by name, each and every module was beautifully done.

We successfully utilized a “run roster” (designed by George) and ensured that everyone had multiple time slots to run their trains. This show was a huge success as everyone fully participated and knew what they were doing.

The Junior League continues to be grateful for the NCT participation. They presented us with a generous donation during the event.

Respectfully submitted,

Joe Helsing
“Enchanted Forest” Trackmaster