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2013 Cumberland Div-TCRM Schedule

Mar 30 Easter Bunny Excursion Train Trip II to Watertown
Apr 4 TCRM Thursday Night Meeting Nashville TN
Apr 20 Excursion Train- Watertown 24th Spring Mile-Long
Yard Sale
Apr 20 Dixie Line Days Train Show Wartrace TN
May 2-4 Mid-South Live Steamers Spring Meet Maury Co Park
Columbia TN
May 4 Excursion Train- Spring Dogwood Festival Monterey
TN
May 10 TCRM Evening Cookout & Thurs Nite Meeting on
Friday
May 18 Train Robbery Excursion Train to Watertown
July 14-20 NMRA 2013 Nat'l Convention Atlanta GA

April 2013 Program

Our April 2013 program will be a DVD presentation from the TCRM video library. Anyone wanting to present a program at our Thursday night meetings, please contact **Bob Hultman** 615-833-5158, cell 615-513-7187 E-mail hultman@bellsouth.net

Host Committee – April 2013 Meeting

Michael Day	Jerry Jones	Don Marlin
Rich Marsh	John Marshall	Robert Marsmaker
Glenn Martin	Kevin Matthews*	Mark Matthews
Daniel McKee	Dave Miller	Gary Miller
Vaughan Miller	Gene Mims	Ed Minnich

*- Host Committee Chair

New Members

Jim Cox Columbia TN
Earl Henry Nashville TN
Roger Justus Spring Hill TN
Beth, Carl & Charlie Meyer White House TN (Family)
Vaughn Miller Franklin TN
Dennis Roberts Nashville TN
Paul Vodicka Jacksonville FL
Welcome to our new members as they take part in our activities.

Activity Fee for 2013 - Renewals

By **Bob Hultman**

Please mail your activity fee renewals (the fee remains \$30 individual, \$35 for family members of the same household) payable to TCRM to TC Ry Museum at 220 Willow St in Nashville TN 37210-2159 Attn – **Marilyn O'Neal**. If you prefer to renew via credit-debit card, please call **Marilyn** at 615-244-9001 or stop by the Museum to do so in person.

ATTENTION NRHS Members – NRHS members need to pay their TCRM activity fee directly to TCRM, not to NRHS to

be later relayed to TCRM. This policy was established by the Board of Directors a couple years ago and published in the Dec 2011 Order Board. The Board did this because of the confusion and administrative problems it was causing. Please adhere to it. Also, include any updated roster information (name, address, phone numbers and current E-mail addresses) with your renewal.

Excursion Train News

By **Bob Hultman**

Our next trip for 2013 is the Easter Bunny Trip II to Watertown on Mar 30. Safety meeting starts at 7 am, with departure at 9:00 am; return to Nashville should be about 3 pm or so. Sign-up sheets for the Apr 20 Yard Sale Trip and the May Trips will be at our Apr 4 meeting. Also, a 4th DelMonaco Winery trip for 2013 to has been added for Nov 16.

We are always looking for TCRM members to help work these trips. To do so, contact **Bob Hultman** at 615-833-5158; cell 615-513-7187 or E-mail hultman@bellsouth.net

TCRM Member E-mail Group Update

By **Bob Hultman**

We have been having multiple problems since early Feb using the Starjade E-mail server that hosted TCRM Members E-mail Group. When E-mails sent by Starjade to a particular E-mail address bounced back to Starjade, Starjade disabled that address after so many bouncebacks. That is why some TCRM members were not getting the group E-mails. Why a particular Internet service provider (ISP) would bounce E-mails from Starjade, who knows..... Usually the ISP (Comcast, Bellsouth, MSN, Yahoo, etc) is considering the incoming Starjade E-mails to be spam.

John Graves is the administrator for our TCRM Mbrs E-mail Group on Starjade. He normally goes into Starjade and manually re-enables the E-mail addresses. However, because of the numerous E-mail address disabling by Starjade & thus me not knowing who is and is not receiving TCRM Members E-mail Group msgs, I resorted to sending TCRM-wide E-mails to 11 groups (now 8 groups as of Mar 27) of TCRM E-mail addresses. I will continue that until all TCRM members wanting to receive TCRM information via E-mail have joined TCRM_Members Yahoo E-mail Group.

John Graves established the Yahoo E-mail Group TCRM_Members & has invited all of the members to the new group. As of mid-day March 27, there were 58 different E-mail addresses in this Yahoo Group.

Members who have received John's E-mailed invitation to join TCRM_Members Yahoo Group can reply to the invitation if they want to continue to receive the E-mails. **John** emphasizes that TCRM members do not have to set up a Yahoo! ID or a Yahoo account. Details from one of John's previous E-mail messages: "You do not have to sign up for a Yahoo id. If you click the link at the Join page that reads "As an alternate option, you may join the mailing list instead", then no Yahoo ID is required."

Thursday Night Meeting – April 4, 2013 6:30 pm at TCRM Nashville TN

If you have any questions regarding joining the TCRM_Members Yahoo Group. Just E-mail me at hultman@bellsouth.net or **John** at jagraves@gmail.com

New HO Scale TC Ry Caboose Kit Planned

By **Steve Johnson**

I have been corresponding with AMB/LaserKits about them offering an HO scale kit of the TC's (and NC&StL's "standard version") ex-Florida East Coast cabooses. I figured that since they already produce kits of the FEC side door caboose (and the branchline passenger version of the NC&StL's NE-3 class caboose), that the TC and NC&StL versions without the side doors would be possibilities. Per their response below my message, they are willing to sell their FEC caboose kits with sides without the side door cut outs, at no extra charge.

The TC's ex-FEC cabooses were acquired in May 1937 and were numbered 9850-9857. A few were later sheathed with plywood, so the modeler would still be on his own with those. Burl Rice once offered HO scale decals for these cabooses, but he is out of business now, although I believe WrightTrak may have all his decal artwork. Photos of these cabooses can be seen on Burl's old Web site:

<http://www.burlrice.com/TC9850/prototype/proto.html>

The TC cabooses also incorporated roof ribs, and some cars had window awnings, details which shouldn't be too difficult to replicate. Anyway, a bit of good news for TC HO modelers. Message from American Model Builders/LaserKits:

You can go ahead and special order Kit No. 872 FEC Caboose with the side door cutouts removed and there will be no extra charge for the alteration. Just make a notation as such when either placing the order on line with the shopping cart or via mail.

Regards, American Model Builders, Inc.
8229 Brentwood Industrial Drive
St. Louis, MO 63144 314-646-8588 Voice 314-646-8583 Fax
www.laserkit.com

TCRM Hobby Shop News

By **Ed Minnish**

We're pleased to announce that **Mike Embree** has joined your Hobby Shop Crew. **Mike** comes to us with a wealth of experience in retailing. He's been a TCRM member for over a year and models in HO scale. **Mike's** first day "in the barrel" was Tuesday, March 19. Welcome **Mike**, from **Fred**, **Jimmie**, **Charles** and **Ed**.

Also, if you ordered the InterMountain HO or N scale EMD F3As/Bs awhile back, there has been a significant price increase for these locomotives. If you wish to change your order, please contact the hobby shop to do so.

Head Start Classes Visit TCRM

By **Misty Graves**

We had a wonderful time with Miss Katie's class from North Head Start this morning, March 13. She said that they will definitely be back next year. On hand to help were Don Ey, George Jackson, Gale Madison, Kevin Matthews, Jim Perry & Steve Price. Thank you, gentlemen, for volunteering your time to help with these kids!

By **Marilyn O'Neal**

[Mar 12, 2013 Nashville] We are having a great time with the children from Berry Head Start. We were fortunate to have so many parents come with them. **Daniel McKee** and **Frank Holt** escorted the children from their bus. **Mr Jim** was in the Museum talking about trains, history and our artifacts. **John Kennedy** and **Bob Hultman** walked with the children and talked about the N & HO scale railroads. Today we have **Marene Bilbrey** and **Steve Price** running the HO RR and **George Jackson** and **Kevin Matthews** running the N scale RR. The children are so happy and eager to learn. Next they get to go see our excursion train and they are so excited. This group is so well-behaved and that just gives us more time to teach all we can about train safety and share our love for our museum and our trains. **Horton Monroe** and **Fred Enters** have both been here this morning to get the meeting room ready for the kiddos.

This morning when I got here **Kevin Matthews** and **Daniel McKee** were here ready to work on the meeting room. They worked hard and at a fast pace getting the tables moved and the chairs back in place. When **Bob Hultman** got here he carried all the trash away I had stacked up yesterday.

Thank you to our members that took time out of their day to be here and help with these children. Once all was over and we saw a lot of happy smiles we gave the teacher the children's packets with coloring books, hats, crayons, pencils, DVD, ruler, key-chains and other goodies with our name on the schedules. Lots of happy children who were able to tell us what they have learned. That makes it all worthwhile.....

Mid-South Live Steamers Spring Meet

By **Hank Sherwood**

Mid-South Live Steamers 2013 Spring Meet will be May 2, 3 & 4; Train Rides go from 10 am to 4 pm in Maury County Park Columbia, TN.

Upcoming Conventions & Shows

Dixie Line Days Train Show Wartrace TN Apr 20, 2013

4th Annual Madison Train Show July 26-27 2013

NMRA 2013 National Convention, The Peachtree Express in Atlanta GA July 14-20- <http://nmra2013.org>

Dixie Line Days in Wartrace April 20th

By **Jerry Fox**

Wartrace, TN - Dixie Line Days is sponsored by The Dixie Flyer train shop in Wartrace and the Tennessee Valley Model Railroad Club from Murfreesboro. The Nashville Ntrak club will set up and operate over 30 feet of their N scale model railroad empire at the Walking Horse Hotel. The all day train show will feature operating model trains, dealer swap tables, how-to-clinics for model railroaders, switching and model contests, Q & A with a steam locomotive engineer, live music by The Dixie Flyers, food, and door prizes.

Show hours 9 am to 5 pm Saturday April 20th. Admission \$5, children under 12 admitted free. The Walking Horse Hotel will provide lunch and offer snacks and drinks throughout the day. For information about the model contests or dealer tables call 615-428-7366 or e-mail contact@thedixieflyer.net