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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 4-24 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

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 disablings 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.”

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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
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Vaughan Miller Franklin TN
Dennis Roberts Nashville TN
Paul Vodicka Jacksonville FL
Welcome to our new members as they take part in our activities.

April 2013 Meeting
Thursday Night Meeting – April 4, 2013 6:30 pm at TCRM Nashville TN
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 N&C&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 N&C&StL’s NE-3 class caboose), that the TC and N&C&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 doors would be possibilities. 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.

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

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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!