2004 Schedule
Feb 14  Watertown Valentines Day Murder Mystery Trip
Feb 19  Thursday Night Meeting- TCRM Nashville TN
Feb 28-29  GATS Show Nashville Municipal Auditorium
Mar 13  Watertown Train Robbery Trip
Mar 27  Nashville’s Trains of Spring Show- TCRM
Apr 3  Watertown Easter Bunny Trip I
Apr 10  Watertown Easter Bunny Trip II
Apr 24  Watertown Mile-Long Yard Sale Trip
Apr 29-May 2 Mid-South Live Steamers’ Spring Meet
May 1  Cookeville TC Ry Spring Rendezvous Trip
May 28-30  SER Convention Birmingham AL
June 5  Watertown Civil War Reenactment Trip
July 10  Watertown Murder Mystery/Jazz Festival Trip
Aug  Nsv Ntrak at Viola TN
Sep 4-5  Day Out With Thomas at TCRM Nashville TN
Sep 10-19  TN State Fair
Sep 11-12  Day Out With Thomas at TCRM Nashville TN
Oct 2  Watertown Train Robbery Trip
Oct 9  Watertown Mile-Long Yard Sale Trip
Oct 16  Cookeville Super Fall Foliage Trip I
Oct 23  Cookeville Super Fall Foliage Trip II

Program Notes
February- A clinic/demonstration on resin kit assembly by
Garrett Rea & James Bilbrey is planned, so get those
Westerfield, F&C and other resin kits ready!
March- We’re working on getting an Operation Lifesaver update program.

February 2004 Meeting Host Committee
Pete Hoadley  Len Hollinger  Frank Holt
Bob Hultman  Barbara Hutton  Mike Ingling
Dave Johnston  James Jones  Jerry Jones*
Eddie Justice  Scott Kammerer  Mike Keipp
John Kennedy  Dave Lawrence  John Lowe
*Host Committee Chair in Bold type

New Members
John Ralph, Goodlettsville TN

Please welcome these new members as they join us in making our organization even better for the future.

Hobby Shop News
TCRM Hobby Shop has added some Athearn HO Ready-To-Roll cars to its stock. If you haven’t seen these cars from Athearn, they now include more detail, metal wheelsets and plastic knuckle couplers. There’s also additional Branchline HO kits including some of the long-awaited passenger cars in stock. Also, be sure to see what specials shop manager Eddie Justice now has going on.

Don’t forget the shop has the Cumberland Division Red Caboose-produced HO 500 series & 7900 series TC Ry 40’ box cars. They now include more detail, metal wheelsets and realistically tapered metal axles. Price for local delivery (no shipping involved) is $16.50 each, $64/set of 4. Mail-order price is $17.50/car postpaid, $68/set of 4 postpaid.

Nashville Ntrak News
By Tom Staggs

Some members of the Louisville KSONS Ntrak club will bring modules, help set up the layout and run trains with Nashville Ntrak at the Nashville GATS. We will be meeting the next two weeks preparing for the Nashville GATS. We have a new member, J. P. Ralph from Goodlettsville. He joined the TCRM last Tuesday night. Also last Tuesday, Jimmie Guthrie returned from a 5-week stay in Germany. We spent much of last Tuesday night’s meeting listening to his stories of riding numerous European prototypes. It made us wish, so much, we could do the same.

2004 Activity Fee Now Due
If you have not yet paid your 2004 activity fee, please do so promptly- $30/yr for individuals, $35/yr for individual and family in the same household. Please send your payment to Membership Chairman George Gilbert at 750 Rodney Dr Nashville TN 37205-3016. Please include any updates to your mailing address, phone # or E-mail address so George can maintain an accurate roster. Don’t forget we accept American Express, Discovery, MasterCard & VISA credit/debit cards in payment of activity fees. Also, you need to pay your 2004 activity fee if you want to maintain your TCRM Hobby Shop discount.

SER News - 2004 Convention Information
Our own George Gilbert is on the NMRA SouthEastern Region’s ballot this year, standing for election to SER’s Board of Directors. If you’re an NMRA/SER member, then please help get one of our own on the SER Board by sending in your ballot.

The 2004 SER convention at Birmingham has 5 nationally well known modelers scheduled for clinics and panel discussions. The five are: Dave Frary, Dean Freytag, Charlie Getz, Boone Morrison & Sam Swanson.

These five are all well known, and are widely published in the hobby press. Plan now for attending this convention in Birmingham next Memorial Day weekend. For more information, see the web site: http://www.scd-nmra.org/Convention/clinics.htm

Model Train Show/Open House Update
Jim Adair reports that Gene Caldwell has added his HO scale railroad to the self-guided layout tour for our March 27 Trains of Spring Show at the Museum. This event will feature many different activities including extra promotion efforts to the Mid-South news media. There’s lots more going on for this show than pervious shows, so please help publicize this show and also by volunteering help for the show.

NEXT MEETING Willow St Building Thursday February 19, 2004 7:00 PM