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Donations

J T Supply Co- One 15 KVA Single Phase Transformer **Mrs Rachel Kuykendall-** Framed poster listing TC Ry employees serving in th US armed services as of October 1, 1944 **Mrs Pamela Schlicht-** \$100 cash

2004 Schedule

Mar 13 Watertown Train Robbery Trip

Mar 18 Thursday Night Meeting-TCRM Nashville TN

Mar 27 Nashville's Trains of Spring Show-TCRM

Apr 3 Watertown Easter Bunny Trip I

Apr 10 Watertown Easter Bunny Trip II

Apr 22-23 Nsv Ntrak at Kid's City Murfreesboro TN

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 28-29 Nsv Ntrak Grundy County Fair

May 28-30 SER Convention Birmingham AL

June 5 Watertown Civil War Reenactment Trip

July 10-11 Nsv Ntrak at Smyrna Library

July 10 Watertown Murder Mystery/Jazz Festival Trip

Aug 14 Nsv Ntrak at Viola Family Days in Viola TN

Sep 4-5 Day Out With Thomas at TCRM Nashville TN

Sep 10-19 Nsv Ntrak at Tennessee 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

Nov 04-Jan 05 Nsv Ntrak at Adventure Science Center Nashville

Program Notes

March-Jill Moody with Tennessee Operation Lifesaver will present an update on Tennessee Operation Livesaver. Also, NERR general manager **Craig Wade** will be present to talk about NERR current activities.

March 2004 Meeting Host Committee

Gale Madison	Robert Marsmaker	Mark Matthews
Porter McGill	Wiley Miller	Charlie Morton
Ron Musick	DeLoy Nelms	Leroy Nessen
Hugh & Marie Nichols Tim O'Neal		Ken Oosting
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Charles Owens Jim Paty
*Host Committee Chair in **Bold** type

New Members

Jon Sirrine. Mt Juliet TN

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

Model Train Show/Open House Update

Our TC Ry Museum Trains of Nashville Open House and Cumberland Division Spring 2004 Division Meet/Model Train Show is fast-approaching! Please volunteer now to help make this event a success. We'll need help in staffing the cars open to attendees, staffing the registration table, the Company Store, the Museum room, the operating HO & N scale model RRs, food service, continuous-playing video tapes, etc. Please contact **Bob Hultman** (615-833-5158 or 615-244-9001, ext 6) or **Terry Bebout** (615-244-9001 ext 4).

Hobby Shop News

TCRM Hobby Shop has 3 new books in stock-The Railroad Press' Illinois Central RR North of the Ohio River, Morning Sun's L&N in Color Vol 1 & Dixie Lines – L&N RR by Hundman Publishing.

Don't forget the shop has the **Cumberland Division** Red Caboose-produced HO scale 500 series & 7900 series TC Ry 40' box car kits- 2 different numbered cars for the 2 series (TC 501, 537, 7923 & 7942). These cars include NMRA RP25 metal wheelsets with narrow wheel treads 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

Well last night (Tuesday, March 9) was a blast! We had 12 of our members at TCRM and one spouse. Three more called in and said that they were sick or had work commitments. A lot of train running was done. Some DCC training was done. Some locomotives were DCC'ed. Some of the old members met the three new members. Some business was taken care of. And a few of us ran trains until 10 o'clock.

So if you missed it we missed you. Come on out next Tuesday and we will have some more FUN running trains and fellowship.

2004 Activity Fee Now Due

This meeting notice is the last one you will receive unless you have paid the 2004 activity fee by the time the April notice is sent out.

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.

Excursion Train News

The March 13 Train Robbery Trip on March 13 is fully sold out! Thanks to all for their efforts in selling out this trip. Now all we have to do is sell out about 4 more trips to finish paying for our new Museum shop building and our insurance premium.

Continuing in the sold-out theme, both of our Girl Scout trips were full on Saturday, March 6. Great weather, alert and courteous crew in all positions brought a very positive excursion train experience to well over 800 Girl Scouts, their leaders, parents, siblings and friends. Another fine day for TCRM!

Continuous improvement points for our excursion train efforts-1-please stow your cleaning materials (paper towels, Glass-Plus bottles, trash bags, etc) somewhere out of passengers' sight (like on the floor behind the trash can under the bottom luggage shelf). 2- Exterior window cleaning- please make sure the window exteriors get cleaned before our Saturday trips. If we are going to be the best museum excursion train in the USA, the windows need to be clean.

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 know modelers scheduled for clinics and panel discussions. The five are: Dave Frary, Dean Freytag, Charlie Getz, Boone Morrison & Sam Swanson. These five are well-known and widely published in the hobby press. Plan now for attending this convention in Birmingham next Memorial Day weekend. More information on the web site: http://www.scd-nmra.org/Convention/clinics.htm

Pacific RR Co to be in Model Railroader

Our own **Dan Cole** reports he has received a letter from the editors of *Model Railroader* Magazine a couple of weeks ago informing him they would be publishing some pictures of Dan's Pacific RR Co. HO layout some time this year in the Trackside Photos section of the magazine. And, if you'd like to see Dan's modeling in person, be sure to come to the combined Cumberland Division Spring 2004 Meet and TC Ry Museum's Trains of Nashville Open House. Dan's Pacific RR Co. will be on the self-guided tour of home model railroads.