

# THE FLAGMAN



...a semi occasional newsletter of the Tri-State Model Railroaders, Inc.

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**NEXT MONTHLY MEETING:** Saturday, March 7<sup>th</sup>, 9:30 a.m., Mineral Bluff Depot

**OPERATING SESSIONS:** Saturday, March 21st, 9:00 a.m., Mineral Bluff Depot

**WORK SESSIONS:** Wednesday, March 4, 11, 18, 25, Mineral Bluff Depot, 9-Noon

**HO LAYOUT CLEANING PROGRAM:** Many of our members have put a lot of work in our layout and take pride in it. It would be a shame to let it deteriorate with dust, insects and dirt. So to keep the appearance of the layout looking good, we will undertake a program to clean it and generally spruce it up.

Layout cleaning days will be on the Wednesday before the third Saturday (prior to Open House or Operating Session). The cleaning work sessions will be held every three months starting on Wednesday, **March 18, 2015**. The purpose is exclusively to clean the layout track, buildings, scenery and rolling stock of dust, cobwebs, insect and any dirt. The cleaning of other areas of the Depot will not be on the agenda and will be done at other appropriate times. It may not be possible to clean the entire layout in one session so – if need be - the following session will be a continuation. I would like to encourage as many members as possible to attend; bring any appropriate tools needed to accomplish our goal (mini-vacuum, paint brushes, bright boys, etc).

Please contact me ([patchboom@aol.com](mailto:patchboom@aol.com)) with any comments...

Thanks Ken Kelley HO superintendent.

## EVENTS:

**TRAIN SHOW (ASHEVILLE):** Friday & Saturday, March 6 & 7, North Carolina Agricultural Center, admission \$5, under 13 FREE. All scales, all gauges, collectibles, artifacts, operating layouts, Thomas, the tank engine, hundreds of vendor tables. Information: [www.asheville-trainshow.com](http://www.asheville-trainshow.com) or [tsinfo@wncmrr.org](mailto:tsinfo@wncmrr.org)

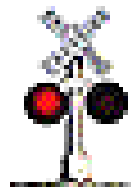
**SILENT AUCTION:** Saturday, March 7<sup>th</sup>, Mineral Bluff Depot, 9:30 a.m. – Noon (in conjunction with TSMRI March monthly meeting).

**THE MODEL TRAIN SHOW (ATLANTA):** Saturday & Sunday, March 13-14. See flyer below

**BIRTHDAYS:** John O'Brien – March 15<sup>th</sup>. *We're collecting birthdays (month and day only to protect us old guys), so please let Thomas Roskelly ([thomasroskelly@gmail.com](mailto:thomasroskelly@gmail.com)) have that information...Thanks.*

**REMINDERS:** Annual Dues are still due...still \$65 for current members. Please make checks payable to "TSMRI."

**THANK YOU...**to one of our members, **Jim Steed**, for sharing a very interesting article about his 64-year old Lionel 773 Hudson locomotive which appeared in the April/May edition of O-Gauge Railroading. The article will be posted on the Club's bulletin board in the Depot.



# The Model Train Show



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