

# ***ALL ABOARD!!***

## ***Spring & Summer 2015***

### **Newsletter**

## ***Music City Chapter TCA***

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## ***President's Message***

I would like to thank all the vendors and attendees at our April show. Our once small 20-table show (this is when I came along) has grown to 50 tables! Everyone had a great time talking trains, buying, and selling. Special thanks to Vic for selling tables and working the door, and Joe for the coffee and donuts. Don't miss the great pictures taken by John Blake and shared with members via email.

On May 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> I attended the 2015 annual S Spree Show in Dayton, Ohio. There was a great turnout of S Gaugers with approximately 100 sales tables, all S Gauge, and 5 layouts. A couple of exceptional cars on display - Baker's Chocolate Tank Car (\$2800), and White's Department Store Boxcar (\$2500). Both MTH and Lionel's new 2015 S Gauge cars were available for purchase.

I would like to extend my sympathies to the families of Bill Jorgensen and Dickie Corley. They will be missed.

Our August 15<sup>th</sup> show is fast approaching. If you would like to rent tables for the show, please contact Vic as soon as possible. The April show was a sellout. Remember, all TCA members get in FREE. Thanks again for your support.

### *Hot Weather -Cool Hobby*

Take a break from the heat and work on your model train in the cool or visit a train layout. Pretty cool stuff!

*See you in August!*

***Ron Hirst***  
**President**

## ***In Sympathy***

*Richard "Dickie" Corley* passed away peacefully on March 28, 2015. He was a graduate of Cameron High and Nashville Tech and served with honors as sergeant in the U.S. Marine Corps. Dickie was a frequent participant at our train meets.

*Charles "Bill" Jorgensen* passed away on May 31, 2015. Bill was a TCA member since 1976. He was a World War II veteran and received the Bronze Star for his service to our country. He enjoyed his club membership and coming to our shows.

In celebration of Bill's love of trains, his daughter, Susan, has donated two freight cars from his collection to our Chapter. These cars will be drawn at our August train meet.

## ***Music City Chapter Summer Train Meet***

**Saturday, August 15, 2015**

**9:00 AM to 1:00 PM**

**Donelson First Baptist Church**

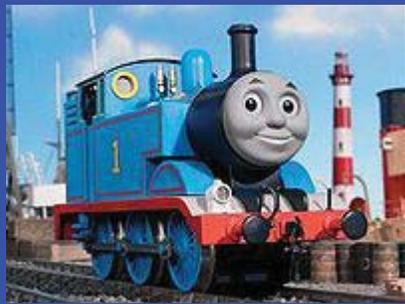
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## Did You Know?

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### Louisville and Nashville Railroad

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The **Louisville and Nashville Railroad** (reporting mark **LN**) was a Class I railroad that operated freight and passenger services in the southeast United States.

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Chartered by the Commonwealth of Kentucky in 1850, the road grew into one of the great success stories of American business. Operating under one name continuously for 132 years, it survived civil war and economic depression and several waves of social and technological change. Under Milton H. Smith, president of the company for thirty years, the L&N grew from a road with less than three hundred miles of track to a 6,000-mile system serving thirteen states. As one of the premier Southern railroads, the L&N extended its reach far beyond its namesake cities, stretching to St. Louis, Missouri; Memphis, Tennessee; Atlanta, Georgia; and New Orleans, Louisiana. The railroad was economically strong throughout its lifetime, operating both freight and passenger trains in a manner that earned it the nickname, "The Old Reliable."

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The railroad started with the construction of 285 miles (459 km) of 5 ft (1,524 mm) <sup>[2]</sup> gauge.

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At the end of 1925 L&N operated 5,038 miles of road on 7,885 miles of track; LH&StL operated 199 route-miles on 268 track-miles. At the end of 1970, L&N's totals were 6,063 and 10,051, not including the Carrollton Railroad.



## Train Trivia

Submitted by *Joseph Marabeti*

In what year were the first  
freight cars made and used on  
railroads?

**Answer:** The Granite Railroad in Quincy, MA used primitive 4 wheel flatcars to carry granite slabs between a quarry and the river transport system beginning in 1825.