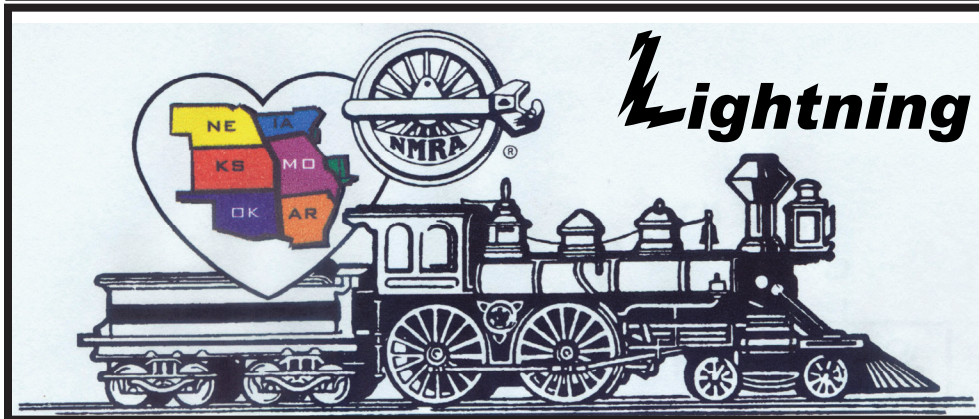


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**Turkey Creek
Division Meeting
Tuesday May 27th
At 7pm
Shawnee Mission North
High School
In The Library
Clinic by Ron Morse MMR
Remembering
The Glory Days
of The
“ Gold Creek Railroad ”**





Hell-o Ray Here

Another month gone by, faster than I needed or wanted.

Hope the last month was good for you. Got to work n that model, layout, module or some reading. Speaking of reading, Dave Jacobs is going to write some book reviews for us the next few months. This might help you in an interest of yours or might get you interested in a new subject. If any of you would like to write a book review, just e-mail it to me (tstwildcats@hotmail.com) and we will see about getting it into the Lightning Slinger.

I would like to thank Steve McKee for his presentation on Geodesic Foam. I missed it but would like to see it some time or get some information.

Our presentation this month will be from Ron Morse, Gold Creek Railroad. We will get to see pictures of some guys that were better looking at one time.

Sincerely,

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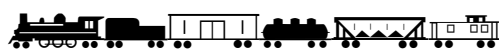
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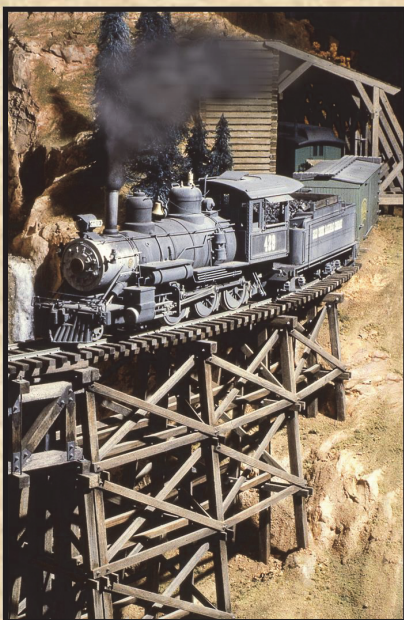
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REMEMBERING THE GLORY DAYS OF THE "GOLD CREEK RAILROAD"



Ron Morse, MMR will be showing his newly created Power-Point presentation of the 'G' scale (1/24=G_N42) "Gold Creek Railroad". Eighteen guys began construction of this 48' x 18' sectional railroad on March 1, 1990 and the railroad was dismantled on November 16, 2002.

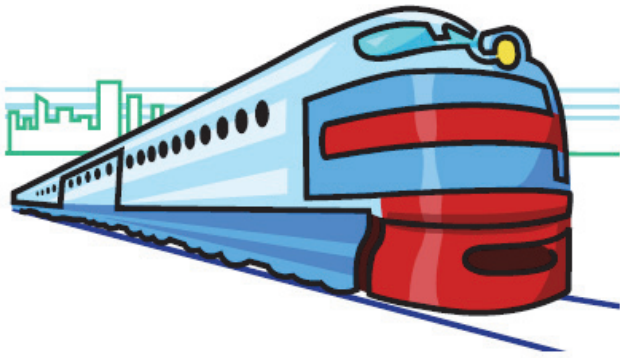
The GCRR appeared in print eight times and won a number of awards during its life. This PowerPoint also includes video clips of the Gold Creek Railroad in operation.



We were
some
younger
then...

A trip back in time
on the award win-
ning Gold Creek
Railroad





2nd Annual Train

Swap Meet and Luncheon!

What: Trains and accessories including track, Plasticville buildings and transformers, along with an assortment of S and O Gauge Trains will be offered for sale or trade. Vendors are local S and O Gauge Collectors.

Date - Sunday June 1st Set- up begins at 11:00

Lunch served - 12:00

Swap and Shop - 1:00 - 3:00

Join in the fun - \$15 for a table and 1 lunch

If not buying a table- just do lunch! - \$5 a person

(includes sandwich, side and drink) Cash Bar available

Open to the public - no charge!

Deadline to reserve space?? Yes, please contact Bill Hutton if you are coming by Thursday, May 29th.

Place - THE CORKhouse

509 Armstrong

Kansas City, Kansas

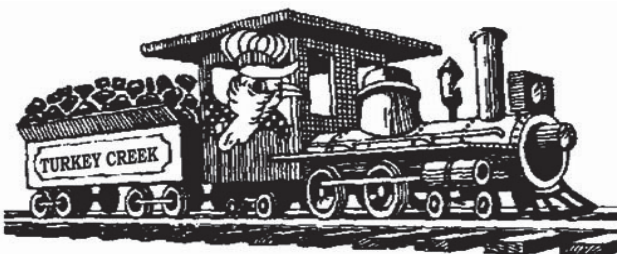
Please call Bill Hutton to make your reservation! 913-371-1944!!







**Turkey Creek Division
Annual Train Show
July 26, 2014**



**Shawnee Mission North
High School**

**7401 Johnson Drive
Overland Park, Kansas 66202**

Show Times 8:00 am to 3:00 pm Layout Tours 3:30 pm to 8:30pm

Clinics start at 9:00am – Clinics covering many aspect of the hobby

Model & Photo Contests – by NMRA judging and popular vote. Each model you entered into the contest will give you a chance in the special drawing to receive one \$50.00 gift vouchers, up to a maximum of 5 chances.

Special Youth Award- for the best overall youth model entry

Door Prizes – From lots of different manufacturers and local hobby shops

Display Layout and Layout Tours – IN addition to the display layout at the meet, several local modelers will be opening their homes to layout tours in the afternoon and evening.

Swap Tables and Railroad Groups – expect to find more than 90 tables from area dealers, local hobbyists and other railroad groups.

Food and Beverages – will be available

**Turkey Creek Division Annual Train Show 2014
Vendor and Registration Form**

Vendor and Advance Registration Form

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ **State:** ____ **Zip:** _____ **Telephone:** _____

E-Mail address: _____

Eight Ft Space \$20.00 No. of Spaces: _____ **Total amount: \$** _____

Advance Registration for the Train Show of \$4.00____ **per person (does include Sales Tax)**

Total Enclosed: \$ _____ **Check #** _____ **Electrical: Yes** ____ **No** ____

Set up from 2 to 8 on July 25 must be out by 5 on the 26

Make checks payable to “Turkey Creek Division”

Mail to: Turkey Creek Show, C/O Robert Spurgat, 3305 Westwood Drive, St. Joseph, Mo, 64505
For More information contact: Louis Seibel, l-seibel@comcast.net, 913-927-6850 or 913-393-3495
1069 N Logan Olathe KS 66061



Bluff City Division *and the*
 Memphis Railroad & Trolley Museum
Present
SER/MCoR NMRA CONVENTION
Harding Academy
1100 Cherry Rd.
Memphis, TN 38117



June 13th – 15th, 2014

Name _____ NMRA # _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____ Name on ID Badge _____

Spouse/Other Attendees _____

Regular Registration Postmarked before 5/10/14 \$65 x _____ = \$ _____

Postmarked after 5/10/14 \$80 x _____ = \$ _____

Spouse/Children Postmarked before 5/10/14 \$45 x _____ = \$ _____

Postmarked after 5/10/14 \$50 x _____ = \$ _____

Prototype Tours MATA Trolley Shop \$15 x _____ = \$ _____

BNSF Tennessee Yards \$15 x _____ = \$ _____

NS Rossville Yard \$15 x _____ = \$ _____

CN Harrison Yard \$15 x _____ = \$ _____

FedEx Hub (Thurs or Fri) \$15 x _____ = \$ _____

Please circle your choice

TOTAL \$ _____

CC Type _____ Name _____ CC# _____

Exp. _____ CVV Number (on Back) _____

Banquet Event at the **Hilton Hotel** (indicate quantity; one meal per full time attendee)

Beef _____ Chicken _____ Vegetarian _____

To reserve hotel accommodations we recommend:

Hilton Hotel
 939 Ridgeland Blvd
 Memphis, TN 38119
 901- 684-6664

Hilton Hotel Discount Rate Code
SE0612

Make registration check payable:

Bluff City Div. 2014 Convention

Mail to:

Rails Across the River
 Memphis Railroad & Trolley Museum
 545 S. Main St. Ste. 121
 Memphis, TN 38103
 901-590-3099 or 901-461-7138



34th Annual Narrow Gauge Convention

Welcome to the 34th Annual Narrow Gauge Convention Registration page.

You now have the opportunity to REGISTER ONLINE!! You can click the link below and you will be taken to the ONLINE REGISTRATION page. There you can register for the convention and pre-pay for your Convention shirts as well.

[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER ONLINE!!!!](#)

The links below will take you to downloadable PDF documents for both Attendees and Manufacturers/Vendors. These forms are dynamic and can be filled out on your computer.

Once you have filled out the necessary information, you can either print the form and mail it in with your payment or you can email the form to registration@34thnngc.com

You can also mail your completed form to:
34th NNGC
14633 S. Chalet Drive
Olathe, KS 66062

Be sure to download the Form to your computer and open the file so you can type your content into the fields. If you elect to you can also print the form and fill it out by hand.

[Attendee Registration Form](#)

[Manufacturer/Vendor Registration Form](#)



NMRA AP Group Rules and Regulations

The NMRA Achievement Program Yahoo Group is for those who are members of the NMRA and are working on their Achievement Program Certifications. Here you can get questions answered, find a mentor/coach, or get a kick in the pants to get you started. The group is about helping people.

We REQUIRE that you be an NMRA member and if you are signing up, please provide us your NMRA membership number. Not a member? Please join! www.nmra.org. While you are there, read the rules and regulations for the Achievement Program.

<http://www.nmra.org/education/achievement/>

90% of the questions that are being answered on the forum are in the regs.

Naturally things turn to the dark side from time to time, so here are some guidelines.

BEFORE YOU HIT SEND, ASK YOURSELF...

- Did I ask for help?
- Did I help someone?

If your message can't pass the test then you are probably talking about NMRA politics, whining, complaining or way off topic. Please be on your best behavior. This is a fun site and we would like to keep profanity and rudeness off the list. The moderator has an itchy trigger finger!

Topics that are allowed:

- AP Topics on any of the 11 possible AP Certificates
- MMR questions

- National/Regional/Divisional/International AP Chairman questions
- Questions about contest rules
- Questions about model research, assembly, et al.
- Questions about merit judging

Topics that are NOT allowed:

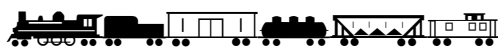
- NMRA politics
- Recommendations for improving/modifying or changing AP guidelines (send those to the NMRA)
- Politics in general
- Religious topics
- Off topic gags and jokes
- Accusations or criticism of any member

This is a PRIVATE group for friends that are working on their NMRA and Moderators are not required to warn members of being put on moderate status or suspension or removal of membership. While we are not an NMRA sanctioned group, we do follow NMRA rules and will act to promote the organization.

If you are moderated/banned from the group and you think it was done unfairly, you are welcomed to contact the list owner Scott Perry at scottgperry@comcast.net.

Please address questions to Scott Perry at scottgperry@comcast.net. We're glad to have you aboard!

Scott Perry
List Owner



THE SWITCH LIST May 2014

*new since last issue

The Switch List contains all known Mid-Continent Region, NMRA, train shows and Division meetings. It also lists all known club shows and swap meets in the Mid-Continent Region (IA, IL, MO, AR, NE, KS, and OK). To list your event information please

Email: l-seibel@comcast.net, or Mail Information: Louis Seibel, 1069 N Logan, Olathe, KS 66061. To subscribe, or unsubscribe, to The Switch List send an email to the above link. Look for us on the MCoR web site: www.mcor-nmra.org . **Please put me in your newsletter.**

DIVISION MEETINGS

COWBOY LINE DIVISION (NORFOLK, NE) meets 3rd Thursday each month, 7:00 P.M. at Hy Vee East upstairs meeting room. Corner of 1st Street and Norfolk, Ave. Info: James B Van Dekden, Div. Dir. 402 833-5531 or genjvan@msm.com for more information.

Eastern Iowa Division: Winter Meeting will be Saturday, February 22, 2014 from 9:30AM to 4:00PM. The meeting location will be the Hawkeye Model Railroad Club, 860 Quarry Rd. Coralville, Iowa 52241. There will be a business meeting in the morning starting at 10:00 followed by NMRA judging for our second photo contest. Lunch will be on your own for the day. In the afternoon the Hawkeye Model Railroad Club will be hosting an operating session. For more information please contact EID Superintendent, Tony Bowen MMR at: railroadteacher@gmail.com for other division activities check out our website monthly at: <https://sites.google.com/site/easterniowadivision/> or the division's Facebook Page at: Eastern Iowa Division

GATEWAY DIVISION (ST. LOUIS, MO) meets 3rd Monday each month, 7:00 P.M. Odd numbered months: Trinity Lutheran Church, 14088 Clayton Road at Woods Mill Rd (Hwy 141), Ballwin, MO; Even numbered months: VFW Hall, O'Fallon, IL <http://www.gatewaynmra.org/division.htm>

INDIAN NATIONS DIVISION Unless otherwise specified, all Indian Nations NMRA meets are held at the new Hardesty Library, 8316 E. 93rd. St., just east of Memorial Rd. in Tulsa, OK. The library opens at 9:00 am and the meetings start at 9:30 am. Web page: www.tulsanmra.org Superintendent - Dave Salamon (918)272-5512 or drs_rr@yahoo.com

KANSAS CENTRAL DIVISION Meetings are at 1:00 pm. For the full schedule check the MCoR website or email: boxcar75@wamego.net.

KATE SHELLEY DIVISION meets the 4th Thursday of every month except Nov. which we meet the 3rd. Dec. we have no meetings. The Ames Public Library is being remodeled, so contact KSD officers per the NMRA website for latest meeting place. This arrangement is in effect until mid-summer 2014. Business meeting starts at 6 PM and at 7 PM we have a get together, anything railroad goes. The Library is at 515 Douglas Ave. Contact KSD thru the NMRA web site.

OK HEARTLAND DIVISION, NMRA meets in the even months in the Oklahoma City area. All who are interested in Model railroading are welcome. Info: www.okcnmra.org

PLATTE VALLEY DIV. (HASTINGS, GRAND ISLAND, and KEARNEY, NE) Meets quarterly in members' homes on a rotating basis or at sites of interest. New members are always welcome. Info: Todd L. Petersen, Div. Dir. 308-832-2200 or todd@gtmc.net

TURKEY CREEK DIVISION, NMRA, Meetings are held on the fourth Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. meetings will be at the Shawnee Mission North High School at Johnson Drive and Metcalf in the Library. Check the Division Timetable at <http://www.tc-nmra.org/TC-Calendar.html> for current information. Info: Louis Seibel, 913-393-3495 or 913-927-6850 L-seibel@comcast.net

WESTERN HERITAGE DIVISION (OMAHA, NE / COUNCIL BLUFFS, IA) meets second Saturday (except June and December) at noon in the Sump Library at 2nd & Washington Streets in Papillion (across from Runza). Visit www.whdnmra.info for more info and a map. The new web site is found at <http://www.whd.mcor-nmra.org>

WESTERN KANSAS DIVISION (GARDEN CITY, KS) Meets every Tuesday evening from 6:30 P.M. to 9:00 P.M. at 4091/2 N. Main St. (second floor above "Stage" department store, rear entrance from parking lot) 6 layouts on display (1-O27, 2-HO, 3-N) Operating sessions available Info: Robert Simmons, Division Director 620-521-3591 cell or 620-272-0444 Home e-mail: trainman55@hotmail.com

Monthly News in a Glance

NRHS

May 16 - Wichita Chapter, Great Plains Transportation Museum, 700 E Douglas, 7:00 Informal dinner gathering, Riverside Café, 739 W 13th, 5:30 Information: 316-263-0944

Friday, May 23 - Kansas City Chapter, Union Station, Arthur Stillwell Room, 7:00. Information: Deek Deitrick, adeitrick@swbell.net

MODEL RAILROAD CLUBS

Thursday, May 15 - Kansas City Narrow Gaugers, members' layouts, 7:00. Information: Dean Windsor, On3@worldnet.att.net

Monday, May 19 - Topeka Model Railroaders, Topeka/Shawnee Co. Public Library, 1515 SW 10th, 7:00. Information: Tony Fox, tfox57@gmail.com

Every Sunday Weekend N'gineers 16624 W 126th St Olathe at 1:00 Information: Ken Clark, hapheart@swbell.net, or Mark Huff, 816-455-9779

Every Monday - Garden City Model Trains, 408 N. Main, back entrance, 6:30. Information: Robert Simmons, trainman55@hotmail.com

Every Wednesday, Saturday & Sunday - Kansas City Society of Model Engineers, Great Mall of the Plains, Store 190, 20070 W. 151st St., Olathe, I-35 exit 215. Information: Steven Boeck stevejayneboeck@yahoo.com

Every Thursday - North East Kansas Model Railroaders, HO gauge 7:00. Information: Otto Wick, 913-367-7536, or Steve Schaefer, 913-367-6202

Every Friday Cherry Valley Model Railroad, Leatherock



Hotel, 2nd floor, Cherryvale, 7:00. Information: John R. Dhooghe, JRDhooghe@aol.com
Every Saturday Mid Kansas Model Railroaders 1130 E. Kansas, McPherson Information: John Snell, jsnell@cox.net
Every Saturday & Sunday – North East Kansas Model Railroaders, 12" scale, 1440 N. 6th St Atchison, Sat. 10:00-4:00, Sun. noon-4:00. Information: Otto Wick 913-367-7536, or Steve Schaefer, 913-367-6202

DIVISIONS

Tuesday, May 27 Turkey Creek, Shawnee Mission High School Cafeteria, Johnson Dr. & Metcalf, 7:00. Information: Louis Seibel, l-seibel@comcast.net

Every Monday Western Kansas, 409½ N Main, Garden City, 6:30-9:00 Information: Robert Simmons, trainman55@hotmail.com

Every Wednesday – Greater Kansas City Model Railroad Club, 6060 N.W. Waukomis Dr., Kansas City, MO, 7:00. Information: J.D. Spicher, jdspicher@aol.com, or W. L. Ohrnell, wohrnell@sbcglobal.net

Every Saturday Boothill Model Railroad, 1:00 Information: Robert Simmons, trainman55@hotmail.com
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GARDEN RAILROADS

Saturday, May 17 – Wichita Area Garden Railway Society, members' layouts. Information: Claudia Rollstin, claudia@gardenrailwaygizmos.com

Sunday, May 25 – Northeast Kansas, members' layouts. Information: J. Merritt, jmerritt@jccc.net

Thursday, May 29 – Tulsa Garden Railroad Club, Freewill Baptist Church, 1190 N. Mingo Rd, Tulsa, 7:00. Information: info@tulsarailroadclub.org

HISTORICAL CLUBS

Wednesday, May 14 – Heart of the Heartlands, Webb Center, Carona, 7:00

Every Tuesday – Just a group who meets at 9:00 for breakfast and to watch trains, Spangles, K-15 & Pawnee

SHOWS and CONVENTIONS

Tuesday-Saturday, June 10-15 NRHS National Convention 2014, Springdale, AK Trains on the Arkansas & Missouri Railroad, Ft. Smith Trolley Museum, Eureka Springs N. Arkansas Railroad, Tour of Eureka Springs and War Eagle Mill, Crystal Bridges Museum of American Art, Walmart Visitor Center, Botanical Garden of the Ozarks

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TRAIN RIDES

May 30-June 1 – Day Out With Thomas, Midland Railway, 1515 High St, Baldwin City, KS 66006. Departure times every 45 minutes beginning at 9:45. Tickets are \$18.00 each. Information: www.midlandrailway.org or 913-721-1211

June 6-8 – Day Out With Thomas

August 29-September 1 – Railfest, Midland Railway, 1515 High St, Baldwin City, KS 66006, steam 9:00, 11:00, 1:00, Adult \$15.00, child \$10.00, Diesel to Ottawa, 2:30, Adult \$16.00, child \$8.00. Information: www.midlandrailway.org

August 30-31 – Little Balkan's Day, Pittsburg, 9:00, 11:00. Load at Elm & Monroe

September 28 – Artist Alley, Chanute, KS 10:00, 1:00, 3:00. Load at depot

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Train Shows

May 30, 31 June 1, 6, 7, & 8, Day Out With Thomas, Midland Railway, Baldwin City, Kansas (Details pending) For more information check website www.midlandrailway.org

June 14-15, 2014 Memphis 2014 Rails Across the River: The Memphis Railroad and Trolley Museum and the Bluff City Division of the NMRA are proud to host the 2014 Joint Convention of the Southeastern Region and Mid Continent Region of the NMRA. The convention will be held at the Harding Academy, 1100 Cherry Rd, Memphis, TN 38117. For more information, registration and hotel information please visit the website www.ser-nmra.org

July 26, 2014 Turkey Creek Division Train Show Shawnee Mission North High School 7401 Johnson Drive Overland Park, Kansas 66202 Show Times 8:00 am to 3:00 pm Layout Tours 3:30 pm to 8:30pm vendors eight ft. space \$20.00, Advance Registration \$4 tax included admission day of show \$6 Make checks payable to "Turkey Creek Division" Mail to: Turkey Creek Show, C/O Robert Spurgat, 3305 Westwood Drive, St. Joseph, Mo, 64505 For More information contact: Louis Seibel, l-seibel@comcast.net, 913-927-6850 or 913-393-3495 1069 N Logan Olathe KS 66061 Web site <http://www.tc-nmra.org/>

August 2, 2014 Train Show and Swap Meet 10am to 2:30pm Sponsored by Central Missouri Railroad Association at Warrenton Elks Lodge 1101 E Veterans Memorial Parkway, Warrenton, MO 63383 Adults \$5 12-17 \$3 under 12 Free for updates and more information www.cmrraclub.com

August 10, 2014 Mid America Train and Tow Show KCI EXPO CENTER 11730 N. Ambassador Dr. Kansas City, MO 64153 Open 9am - 2pm Admission \$5, 12/Under Free Trains,



Models, RR Collectibles & More Models, RR Collectibles & More Collectible Toys, new & used Free Train Movies Door Prizes 200 Dealer Tables Free Parking 913-651-5864 steve@midamericatrainandtoyshow.com

September 16th 2014 Railroad Swap Meet sponsored by the Boeing Employees Railroad Club at Greensfelder recreation Complex at Queeny Park 550 Wiedman Rd , St Louis MO 63011 10 to 3 Admission \$3 (children under 12 Free) for registration information contact Wayne Schimmel at 636-668-6313 or email wmschimmel@gmail.com

August 29, 30, 31 and September 1, Railfest, Midland Railway, Baldwin City, Kansas Steam train departures 9:00 AM, 11:00 AM and 1:00 PM; Diesel to Ottawa at 2:30 PM Fares, Steam Adult \$15, Children \$10; Diesel Adult \$16; Children \$8 For more information check website www.midlandrailway.org

KANSAS, OVERLAND PARK (Metro Kansas City, MO),

September 3-6, 34th National Narrow Gauge Convention KANSAS, OVERLAND PARK (Metro Kansas City, MO), Info: kansascity2014.com

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October 17-18, Maple Leaf Weekend, Midland Railway, Baldwin City, Kansas Hourly departures, 10:00 AM-4:00 PM \$8.00 all For more information check website www.midlandrailway.org

October 17-18 & 24-25 Night Trains of Terror (Halloween Train) Midland Railway, Baldwin City, Kansas 6:30 PM, 8:30 PM and 10:30 PM Adults \$18; Children (2-11) \$12 For more information check website www.midlandrailway.org

Dec. 6-7; and Dec. 13-14, 2014 Santa Claus Express Midland Railway, Baldwin City, Kansas 10:00 AM, 1:00 PM and 3:30 PM Adults \$16 and Children (1-11) \$10 For more information check website www.midlandrailway.org

June 4-6th 2015 Mid Continent Region Convention hosted by South Central Missouri Area Jefferson City Missouri at the Capital Plaza Hotel for information or to help contact Brad Slone bradslone@yahoo.com

The Switch List is a service of Mid-Continent Region, NMRA.

Secretary's Report

for April 22 meeting of Turkey Creek. Bob Spurgat made his treasures report. We have a balance of \$4900 in checking and petty cash as of April 22, 2014. He also gave up an update on our investment with Commerce Bank. Everything is completed now and the funds have been transferred there and invested. He also gave us an update from his treasures report on the upcoming Turkey Creek Show. Dave Jacobs has volunteered to do book reports for the next 3 months on various educational Railroad books. After that we will be looking for volunteers to continue the book reports on good RR books our members could use in their modeling. Larry Long is looking for volunteers to go to the region convention in Memphis Tn. to put on clinics. I was put in charge of the April meeting since our leader had some personal matters that required his attention tonight and could not make the meeting this month. I also put on the clinic for this month on Geodesic foam scenery. Because of various reasons its hard to hear people presenting clinics sometimes.

This even happened to me this night. Jim took time to find us a system that cost \$600.

That's when Miles Hale said he would bring a sound system with cordless mics so for future clinics so we won't have that problem. Because a lot of our members are hard of hearing or the presenter is facing the wrong direction sometimes or because people sitting too far away we need to have something like this for all future speakers. Thanks go to Miles for volunteering this system to fix this problem. Maybe if this system turns out to be what we need we might convince him to sell it to us.

