



A VIEW FROM THE CAB

Spring must be here! I can see the grass greening up, but I also see a big raking job ahead, as I try to rid the lawn of the winter's deposit of dead sticks and slightly used acorns.

If you decided to look at the pictures in this edition of the newsletter before reading my note, you will have seen that we had an excellent event at our first Quarter Auction, and it was very profitable as well. You can see that we had a great support team helping to run the event and it seems everyone had a great time. Hats off to a very hard working Fundraising Committee; especially Bill and Gladys Mixon for "pounding the pavement" to acquire tons of items to auction off.

Looking back on our display opportunities at the Preston and Seaford train shows, we seemed to have had good exposure there as we were able to sell two layouts as a result of folks hearing about us at those shows and learning more with a follow-up visit to our club house. So these are the things to remember when a question comes up if it as good idea to display our traveling layouts at other shows. There is often a lot of work involved, but the rewards are not always immediately tangible.

We will be doing the planning for our Spring Train Show at Roxana as we enter into April, and the sign-up for that will be available at our next meeting, April 12th at 3:30 P.M. at the club.

There will also be talk of perhaps making changes/expending the S gauge modular layout to give it a little more interest when we use it for other shows.

The team has been busy making improvements to the S gauge display in the club. While the original two main runs were kept available, work to provide a third main line on the lower level has proceeded trains are now running on that level as well. Wiring and landscaping will continue.

John Hodges

Spring Fling

TRAIN & TOY SHOW

Saturday, April 29th 9 am - 2 pm
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Largest model railroad train museum in the U.S. opening soon in Gulfport. In June 2023, the total redesigned south station of the Mississippi Coast Model Railroad Museum: Traintastic will open its doors with 50,000 square feet of exhibit space. Train layouts are being produced by world class design teams that replicate the Mississippi Gulf Coast. The overall investment in property and museum content will cost seven to 10 million dollars. "This is a unique property and it will have unique features. The museum will include a climbing structure, birthday party rooms, roleplay train exhibits, workshop areas, a toddler area, STEM activity centers, and displays that teach the history and fun of trains. For more sneak peeks, visit Traintastic Gulfport on YouTube.

THANK YOU

As chairperson of the fund-raising committee, I would like to thank all of our members and families for their help on making the quarter auction a success. A special thanks to Mike and Jane Bonczewski, Bill and Diane Ziegler and my wife Gladys for their assistance..

Bill Mixon

Quarter Auction – March 21, 2023

\$3,700 +

