2018 Cumberland Div-TCRM Schedule

Apr 7  Cumberland Div Spring Meet & TCRM Open House
Nashville TN
Apr 14 Excursion Train Trip to DelMonaco Winery Baxter
TN-- SOLD OUT
Apr 14 Train Collectors Assoc Music City Chapter Spring Meet
at 1st Baptist Church in Donelson Nashville TN
Apr 21 Spring Mile-Long Yard Sale Excursion Train Trip to
Watertown TN
May 5 Excursion Train Trip to DelMonaco Winery Baxter
TN-- SOLD OUT
May 10 Thursday Night Meeting – Fish Fry TCRM Nashville
TN
May 19 Train Robbery Excursion Train Trip to Watertown TN
June 16 Muddy Roots Charter Excursion Train Trip to
DelMonaco Winery Baxter TN
July 7 Murder Mystery Excursion Train Trip to Watertown TN
July 21 Charter Excursion Train Trip to DelMonaco Winery
Baxter TN

No April 2018 Meeting – Fish Fry in May
We will not have a Thursday Night Meeting in April. Since
there are 3 consecutive Saturday activities in April, our next
Thursday Night Meeting will be the Fish Fry on May 10.
Anyone wanting to present a program at our Thursday night
meetings, please contact Bob Hultman landline 615-833-5158 or
cell 615-513-7187 or E-mail hultman@bellsouth.net.

New TCRM Members
Demi Johnson Wartrace TN (Family)
Roman Kotylo Nashville TN
Bill Lee Knoxville TN
Chad, Logan, Lucas & Theresa Moore Nashville TN (Family)

Please welcome our new members as they take part in our
activities & events.

TCRM Hobby Shop News
By Bob Hultman
The Hobby Shop has a great staff willing to serve all your
hobby needs. We could always use some more help to staff the
shop. If you could volunteer 4 hours a month, we can use you.
We will train you and you do not need expert knowledge in all
areas of railroading. Contact Fred Enters at entersf@charter.net
if you want to help.

Excursion Train Repairs
By Terry Bebout
TCRM needs your help with multiple repairs on our excursion
train cars. Mike Volle & Bill Howard will be reviewing car
report forms for repairs needed in the various cars. E-mail Bob
Hultman at hultman@bellsouth.net & he will put you in touch
with Mike & Bill.

Excursion Train News
By Bob Hultman
Our 6th trip for 2018 is to DelMonaco Winery on Apr 14.
Safety meeting on diner 3119 starts at 7 am, boarding at 8 am,
departure at 8:30 am with return to Nashville around 5:30 pm.
Our 7th trip for 2018 is for the Spring Mile-Long Yard Sale in
Watertown on Apr 21. Safety meeting on diner 3119 starts at 7
am, boarding at 8:30 am, departure at 9 am with return to
Nashville around 3:45 pm.

We are always looking for TCRM members to help staff these
trips. To do so, contact Bob Hultman landline 615-833-5158 or E-mail hultman@bellsouth.net

Activity Fee for 2018 - Renewal
TCRM annual membership renewal is now due. Please mail
your activity fee renewals ($35 individual, $40 family member-
ship), made payable to TCRM to TC Ry Museum at 220 Willow
St in Nashville TN 37210-2159 Attn – Shakela Lawler. TCRM
admin office is open 9 am-4 pm Tuesday thru Friday, 9 am to 3
pm on Saturday. If you prefer to renew via credit or debit card,
please call Shakela at 615-244-9001 or stop by the Museum to
do so in person. Also, be sure to include any updated roster
information (name, family member names, mailing address,
phone numbers & current E-mail addresses). Also be aware that
the TC Hobby Shop will no longer take payments for new
memberships or renewals.

As of Mar 25, there are 156 renewed & new TCRM members
in George Gilbert’s membership database. Over the next
month, we will be further updating our rosters and E-mail lists.
If you want to continue getting meeting-news notices, please
renew promptly if you have not already done so.

Parking Crew Help Needed
By Bob Hultman
The parking crew needs more folks to help with parking for
our 2018 excursion trains. It only requires 2-3 hours per any
Saturday that you can help. It’s not glamorous but is a
very important part of our excursion trips. If there’s enough
volunteers to help out they would only have to help 1 or 2
Saturdays a month. All help would be greatly appreciated.
Lawrence Lilly is our parking crew manager. If you’ll help out,
contact Lawrence at 615-319-5646 or 615-641-2415 or E-mail
brucelilly1970@gmail.com. Thanks ahead of time for the help.

TCRM Admin Staff – Temporary Change
By Bob Hultman
TCRM’s administrative staff, Shakela Lawler, will be gone
for a couple months thru the end of April. In the meantime,
Nakeya Belser will be TCRM's admin staff. Nakeya had
worked as TCRM admin staff prior to Shakela, so Nakeya is
familiar with TCRM operations.

More on the other side

NO Thursday Night Meeting for April
Very Sad News – Passing of Jim McMahon
By Bob Hultman & Bill Stewart
Sending on the very sad news from Bill Stewart- long-time TCRM member & car host Jim McMahon passed away this morning (Mar 24). As we get more information on funeral arrangements, I'll sent it on promptly. Please keep Jim's sister Belinda & the rest of his family in your thoughts & prayers during this difficult time.
Jim's mailing address is 1413 Latimer Ln in Hendersonville TN 37075 if you wish to send cards or notes. Alexander Family Heritage Funeral Home in Gallatin, TN was in charge of arrangements. The funeral was Wednesday, March 28, 2018 at noon.

Sick Call Update – John Ellis
By Bob Hultman & Estelle LeClaire
Sent on from Estelle LeClaire regarding John Ellis. John's home mailing address is 3048 Lobelville Hwy in Linden, TN 37096.
From Estelle, Mar 30: John Ellis is quite ill and has been fighting both diabetes and serious cancer. He has been in the hospital on and off and fighting to overcome all of this. So his membership, like everything else are a bit scrambled. He is not necessarily near death, but the roller coaster of care is exacerbating the ordeal as one set of medications affects the other treatments and their effectiveness. The doctors are having a hard time keeping him stable, and he needs his strength to enter the next level of cancer therapy.
Prayer is asked for John, and his family.

HO Model RR News
By Patrick Slota
I was able to get to the museum on Friday (Mar 30) for a good portion of the day and get a few Tortoise switch machines installed.
So here is my proposed schedule for April, May and June for work sessions and operations.
Tuesday April 10 and Tuesday April 17, work sessions from 6 pm to 9 pm. Tuesday April 24, operating session 6 pm to 9 pm
Tuesday May 8 6 pm to 9 pm and Sunday May 20, 1 pm to 4 pm work sessions and Tuesday May 29 6 pm to 9 pm operating session
Tuesday June 12 and Tuesday June 19, 6 pm to 9 pm work sessions and Tuesday June 26 6 pm to 9 pm operating session.

Times Are Changing
By Ted Brown
We hope you've adjusted to the change to Daylight Saving Time if your region observes it! Railroad historians note that the standard time zones came about in 1883 because railroads had great difficulty with their scheduling and safety when so many towns observed their own local (sundial) time.
But did you know that when the Federal government sought to implement Daylight Saving Time in 1918, the American Railway Association strongly opposed it, saying that our railroads had 1,698,818 clocks and watches that would have to be changed twice a year, with risk of error and confusion? They finally agreed when they were asked what time of the day the least number of trains were in operation, and the change-over time was set at 2 AM. (From the TCA Spring 2018 Newsletter)

DOWT 2018 Color Flyers Now Available
By Bob Hultman
Terry Bebout has advised that color flyers for our 2018 Day Out With Thomas The Tank Engine event are now available at TCRM. TCRM needs everyone's help in publicizing DOWT 2018 so we can do better than DOWT 2017. Please come by TCRM, pick up some of the flyers & start spreading the word. The link to TicketWeb for buying DOWT tickets is already active on TCRM's Website Home page.
Thank you in advance for all your help........

Upcoming Conventions & Shows
Apr 7, 2018- Cumberland Division SER-NMRA Spring Meet & TCRM Annual Open House at TCRM in Nashville TN 9 am to 3 pm

SPRING TRAIN MEET
Saturday April 14, 2018

May 24-27, 2018- SouthEastern Region NMRA Convention in Lake Junaluska NC

July 27-28, 2018- 9th Annual Madison Train Show at City Road Chapel UMC in Madison TN