2018 Cumberland Div-TCRM Schedule

Feb 10  Valentines Murder Mystery Excursion Train to Watertown-- SOLD OUT
Feb 17  Excursion Train Trip to DelMonaco Winery Baxter TN-- SOLD OUT
Feb 17  17th Spring Bowling Green Train Show at L&N Depot in Bowling Green KY
Mar 24  Excursion Train Trip to DelMonaco Winery Baxter TN-- SOLD OUT
Mar 31  Easter Bunny Excursion Train Trip to Watertown TN
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 Association 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
May 19  Train Robbery Excursion Train Trip to Watertown TN

No February 2018 Meeting

Our next meeting will be in March. 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
Jonesy, Kimberly, Link, Nathan & Sony Lawson  Nashville TN (Family)
Please welcome our new members as they take part in our activities & events.

Freeze Protection – Excursion Train
By Terry Bebout

It’s the time of year where we will be leaving the cars’ electrical systems on (in layover) from time to time in the cold weather to keep the water lines from freezing up. If you come to the Museum to work on cars, clean cars or escort visitors, please make sure you leave the electric locker breakers exactly as you found them. Please double check before locking the car up.

Surplus Property – TCRM Wheelchair
By Bob Hultman

TCRM has decided our wheelchair is now surplus property. Reason is liability exposure…. Our insurance company & EMT’s recommended against providing a wheelchair for use by visitors or excursion train passengers. So, if anyone wants to buy the chair from TCRM, contact Bob Hultman landline 615-833-5158 or cell 615-513-7187 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 membership), 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.

Excursion Train News
By Bob Hultman

Our 2nd trip for 2018 is our Valentines Day Murder Mystery trip to Watertown on Feb 10. Safety meeting on diner 3119 starts at 7 am, boarding at 8:30 am, departure at 9 am with return to Nashville around 3:15 pm. Our 3rd trip is to DelMonaco Winery on Feb 17. 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.

We are always looking for TCRM members to help work these trips. To do so, contact Bob Hultman landline 615-833-5158 or cell 615-513-7178, E-mail hultman@bellsouth.net

Stanley Steemer carpet cleaning occurred several days before our 1st trip for 2018, which was on Jan 27. On Jan 26, Fred Enters, Bob Hultman & Bill Sapp got 5 repaired seat bottom cushions & 9 seat back upholstery covers reinstalled in car 4719 (that’s cutting it too close!)

Parking Crew Help Needed
By Bob Hultman

The parking crew will need more people to help with parking for 2018 excursion trains. Lawrence Lilly is our parking crew manager.

Parking for our excursion trips only requires 2-3 hours per any Saturday that you can help. It may not be glamorous but is a very important part of our excursion trips. The parking crew can get enough volunteers to help out they would only have to help 1 or 2 Saturdays a month. All help would be greatly appreciated. If you want to part of this crew you may contact Lawrence at 615-319-5646 or 615-641-2415 or E-mail brucelilly1970@gmail.com. Thanks ahead of time for the help.

TCRM Needs Volunteers
By Bob Hultman

Lots of visitors come to TCRM on Saturdays to visit. Most of the time there are no TCRM members available to escort them around the grounds. TCRM can certainly use your help 1 Saturday every 6 months escorting visitors around the grounds. In this

More on the other side

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manner you can help “sell” TCRM to our visitors and, who knows, you could be encouraging more folks to join & take advantage of the railroad-related activities & events we offer. Please consider helping out………..

N Scale Model RR Items for Sale
By Carl Eisemann
I am in the process inventorying, downsizing & selling much of my 46 year N Scale collection. Much of it is New in Box. Counting locomotives, rolling stock, structures and accessories, there will be close to 1500 items. If any of the N Scale guys/gals or maybe the Hobby Shop, would like a list when finalized, please pass on my email to them- eiseca@prodigy.net
Carl Eisemann- Cumberland River & Eastern Railroad (in receivership)

HO Model RR News
By Quincy Styke III
Kudos to Patrick Slota for organizing a very productive work session for Sunday afternoon Jan 20 to return the HO railroad to its former grandeur. The temperature outside was 63° F, making it very comfortable in the building.

Present were: Nathan Lawson, Brian McDonald, Patrick Slota & Quincy Styke. Patrick began by conducting a tutorial to make the yard turnouts DCC friendly. This is a much-needed improvement and when finished, a DCC engine should be able to traverse any track/turnout in the yard with ease. Brian recorded the procedure with his video camera in hopes of training others. Patrick also replaced the Digitrax power supply in the DCC station and will remove the MRC Throttle Pack DC units to make room for adding the Tortoise switch machine DC power supply taken from the former Marsmaker Otto Tower module group.

This was a great event and I hope future work sessions will have increased participation. Patrick is leading us and we need to support him.

HO Model RR Work Sessions
By Patrick Slota
Next work sessions are planned for Tuesday Feb. 13 @ 6 pm – 9 pm and Sunday Feb. 18 @ 2 pm - 5 pm. First Ops session on Tuesday, Feb 27 @ 6 pm - 9 pm. Anyone wanting more information on the HO RR work sessions or planning for operations sessions, E-mail Patrick at patrick.slota@me.com

2 4x8 Sheets of Homasote FREE!
By Glenn Schirg
I have two pieces, 4 feet x 8 feet of brand new Homasote board that I do not need. I will give it to anyone who would like it, no charge. I will bring it to the next membership meeting or make arrangements with whoever wants it. Call Glenn at 615-533-4416 or E-mail tennglenn@att.net If the Museum or the HO/N gauge clubs need it, they are welcome to it.

TCRM Hobby Shop News
By Bob Hultman
Just received in the shop- Trainworx HO 40’ dropframe piggyback trailers in both L&N & TC Ry paint-lettering schemes. Hobby shop manager Fred Enters said he also received at least 1 N scale trailer.

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.

Last item- The hobby shop will no longer be taking payments for TCRM memberships, new or renewals. TCRM’s admin staff, Shakela Lawler, is at TCRM whenever the hobby shop is open, so see her for your membership payments.

Missing N-Scale Magazines
By Bob Hultman
TCRM Librarian Don Strong asked me to send a message to TCRM membership regarding some missing N Scale model RR magazines. These magazines are supposed to go to the Library…….. However, he is missing several recent issues. If anyone knows what happened to those issue, please get in touch with Don E-mail address jo.strong@comcast.net

Cumberland Division-TCRM
BoD Meeting on Feb 1
By Bob Hultman
The Board of Directors met on Feb 1, 2018 & approved the budget for CY 2018. The other major item decided was to go ahead with hosting Day Out With Thomas The Tank Engine for 2018. This marks the 17th consecutive year we will have hosted DOWT starting in fall 2002. This is by far our largest fund-raising effort each year & hope all member will participate in some manner.

Upcoming Conventions & Shows

Feb 17, 2018- 17th Spring Bowling Green Train Show 9 am-3 pm at the L&N Depot, 401 Kentucky St in Bowling Green KY. 45 vendor tables. Free parking. Admission is $2. Contact Kevin Comer 270-792-3316 kcomer300@yahoo.com for more info.

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

Apr 14, 2018- Train Collectors Association Music City Chapter Spring Meet at 1st Baptist Church Donelson in Nashville TN 9 am to 1 pm

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