Donations

John Goodman - $10 cash
Larry Wilkes - 5 B&W photos of TC Ry, 2 from last run of regular passenger service July 31, 1955

2017 Cumberland Div-TCRM Schedule

Aug 12 Excursion Train Trip to DeL Monaco Winery Baxter TN
Aug 18 thru 26 Wilson Co Fair Lebanon TN
Aug 26 TCA Music City Chapter Summer Train Show 1st Baptist Church in Donelson
Sep 2-3, 9-10 Day Out With Thomas The Tank Engine at TCRM
Sep 30 Train Robbery Excursion Train to Watertown
Oct 7 Fall Mile-Long Yard Sale Excursion Train to Watertown
Oct 14 Super Fall Foliage Excursion Train to Monterey
Oct 21 Super Fall Foliage Excursion Train to Cookeville
Oct 28 Super Fall Foliage Excursion Train to Baxter Harvest Festival
Nov 4 Cumberland Division Fall Meet at TCRM Nashville TN
Nov 11 Excursion Train Trip to DeL Monaco Winery Baxter TN
Nov 25 North Pole Express Excursion Train with Santa to Watertown
Dec 2 North Pole Express Excursion Train with Santa to Lebanon
Dec 9 North Pole Express Excursion Train with Santa to Lebanon

August Program

The August Thursday night meeting program will be training-orientation for Day Out With Thomas. Your area manager should contact you for specific meeting time & location.

Anyone wanting to present a program at our Thursday night meetings, please contact Bob Hultman landline 615-833-5158 or cell 615-513-7187 E-mail hultman@bellsouth.net

Excursion Train News

By Bob Hultman

Our 15th trip for 2017 is our DeL Monaco Winery trip Saturday, Aug 12. Safety meeting on diner 3119 starts at 7 am, boarding at 8 am with an 8:30 am departure. Return should be around 5:45 to 6 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 615-513-7187, E-mail hultman@bellsouth.net

New TCRM Members

Griffith Haber Nashville TN (Family)
Please welcome our new members as they take part in our activities & events.

Wilson Co Fair – Need Volunteers

By Ron Selliers

Don't forget the Wilson County Fair is the 18th - 26th. There have been concerns over attendance due to recent ride failures and the ride vendors have agreed to an added independent inspection. On the darker side there are hopes that the total eclipse on the 21st will be bringing thousands to the area.

Hope to see TCRM members hawking the attributes of your organization again. Also if you have a few G gaugers let them know that Cheekwood is removing the layout by Applied Imagination in January. I am currently working with them to get on board starting the construction of a replacement as soon as a new site location is approved.

To volunteer to help staff the TCRM booth in the Fiddlers Grove Train Museum, contact Bob Hultman landline 615-833-5158 or cell 615-513-7187 E-mail hultman@bellsouth.net

Day Out With Thomas 2017 News

By Bob Hultman

Area managers for Day Out with Thomas 2017 listed below; phone numbers listed are in this order- home, cell & work numbers. We still need volunteers, so be proactive, call the manager for the area in which you will volunteer & work. This is TCRM’s major fundraising effort each year (our 16th consecutive year for DOWT) - we need your help!

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Lawrence Lilly - 615-860-4757 brucelilly1970@gmail.com
Parking
Allen Hicks - 615-452-1242 canjo3300@bellsouth.net
Cash & Trash
Bob Hultman - 615-833-5158 615-513-7187
Front Gate & Information Booth hultman@bellsouth.net
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Bill Stewart 615-672-6464, cell 615-557-8595
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Don Strong 615-275-8186 jo.strong@comcast.net
Platform & Car Hosts

Nashville NTrak News

By Ed Minnich

Another successful display at the Smyrna Library-NTrakers set up on the evening of June 9 for Smyrna Library’s annual Model Train Display. The event was well-attended as approximately 400 train enthusiasts visited us on June 10 & 11. Our setup filled the community room with club members’ modules and five sections of the club’s rail yard and lift gate. We also put the recently purchased marketing display to test. The free-standing display contained brochures of TCRM, TC Hobby Shop, and Nashville NTrak. Also featured was the

More on the other side

Thursday Night Meeting August 17 6:30 pm at TCRM
current excursion train schedule and DOWT flyer.

Madison Train Show deemed a success- Nashville NTrak members set up at City Road Chapel UMC on July 20 with one of the largest displays of the year. Many of the modules used were recently built by club members and older modules had major overhauls both cosmetically and electrically. As the new Command System features a 20-amp DC power supply in addition to the Digitrax equipment, we were able to put the accessory wiring to a good and successful test. Our pneumatic lift gate also had a recent makeover and operated flawlessly during the entire show. Madison had approximately 300 paid patrons in addition to the numerous vendors that were present.

Remembering WWII in Linden, TN coming up- One of our most attended events last year was the WWII Reenactment in Linden. We have an excellent venue with air conditioning and “necessities” on site just across the street from the courthouse. The main event is scheduled for September 23 and is every bit worth the trip. If you have not experienced this all-day event and street fair, take a leisurely early Saturday drive to Linden on September 23. You’ll be glad you did! Check it out at this link: www.rememberingwwii.com

NTrak Second Saturday Meets- Based upon feedback from guests at our Fun Run Open House, Nashville NTrak will begin meeting at TCRM on the Second Saturday of Each Month at 9 AM starting in October. Guests and Members will have the opportunity to operate trains on the permanent layout, program their DCC locomotives, participate in scenery and track laying techniques, and receive help with electrical and DCC challenges. The Second Saturday meetings will be open to all TCRM members. And, you do not need to be a TCRM member to participate through the end of this year (2017). So, if you know a model railroader who is not a TCRM member, please spread the word. To receive more information about Second Saturday Meets or WIFI Throttle Apps please contact us at nashvillentrak@gmail.com.

Museum N-Scale Layout will soon accommodate smart phone throttles- Engineers will soon be able to operate their N Scale trains on the Museum layout using their smart phone as a throttle. Unlike previous interfaces, this device does not require a computer or router. We have ordered the newly released Digitrax WIFI Throttle interface and should have it installed and operational by our first Second Saturday Meet in October.

Caboose TCRX 1155 On The Road
By Brian McDonnell
This may be of interest for all of us: a video about Stephen Hook & me working on the Operation Lifesaver caboose no. 1155. It briefly chronicles the cabooses’ purpose, 1155’s reactivation and test run, and a message to get people in my generation to take up projects like we did. We would like to gain support for finishing off electrical work and possible repainting into its original SCL orange and black with Family Lines lettering.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=27SvEZmJJCg – The Video
http://m2.i.pbase.com/g9/93/1091893/2/151008232.JEbv1VXY.jpg – What We Are Aiming For
(My apologies to Brian & Stephen….. This was supposed to be in the July Meeting Notice………… Editor)

HO Model RR News
By Bob Hultman
HO modelers have been working on building 2 storage racks For modules 4’ long. The racks are currently in the shed. Many thanks to Randal Brooks, Bob Hultman, Gary Miller, Horton Monroe, Jim Perry, Patrick Slota & Dave Straka for all their help in getting these racks built.

Big news is DOWT gift shop manager Fred Enters & the HO modelers agreed to keep the HO RR in the gift shop for DOWT 2017 by narrowing the depth of the RR by 4’. We’ll take out the pulpwood landing module & the geezer gate & push the front part of the RR up against the rear part. More on this as we prepare the meeting room next week.

Parking Crew Help Needed
By Bob Hultman
The parking crew will need more people to help with parking in 2017. 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. If 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.

Sick Call – Glenn Martin
By Nathan Baker
July 19, 2017 9:29 PM Bob, I just found out from his wife. Glenn Martin is in CCU at Skyline. Been there since July 8, almost died of stroke…… Pulled through, still at Skyline. (Glenn’s mailing address is 2146 Old Russellville Pike in Clarksville TN 37043 ……. Editor)

Thanks for Helping - Madison Train Show
By Nathan Baker
Thank you for attending, being a vendor, running trains or supporting our Madison Train Show. Highlights: 67 revenue vendor tables (from AL, KY, OH, & TN), TC Sales, Received a donation of a NICE Lionel “Thomas & Friends” layout,(for sale), 5 train layouts RUNNING, including Nashville Ntrak (ALL 8 years), 2 Lionel & 1 HO layout; also a 1st year Lego layout. Mark your Calendars: 9th Annual Madison Train Show, Friday, July 27th and Saturday, July 28th, 2018.

Upcoming Conventions & Shows
Aug 26, 2017- TCA Music City Chapter Summer Train Show
1st Baptist Church in Donelson
http://dixiedivisiontca.com/

Nov 4, 2017- Cumberland Div Meet-Model Train Show at TCRM in Nashville TN

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