Cumberland Div/TC Ry Museum Donations

Craig Hatter- 2 EMD diesel builder’s plates, 2 rolling stock trust plates, various RR public & employee TTs and other RR publications

Albert Marks- $200

T&T Family Foundation- $1,000 grant (John Stoecker assisted in this grant)

Program Notes

December- The Famous Road Kill Buffet- this is for Cumberland Div/Nashville Chapter NRHS/TCRM members only!! Special program and, as always, great food!

January- Excursion Train Crew Safety Certification Class and BoD meeting

Dave’s Portable Railroad- A Milestone
By Dave Johnston

Dave Johnston’s portable railroad representing the Clinchfield RR attained its 50th public setup Oct 28-31, 2002 at Madison Health Care in Madison TN. He gave each of his helpers a gold dollar as a memento of the occasion. Helpers were Harry Batey Jr, Tom Batey, Bill Carroll, Donald Ey, Clyde Green, Ralph Hinson, Joe Tipton and LuAnn Johnson, administrator of Madison Health Care. Dave also presented a gold dollar to Mrs Wayne Hammontree, widow of Wayne, who had helped set up and operate the railroad for 32 of 49 times. Wayne passed away on October 19, 2002. He usually let the legs down while others kidded him that they were going to let the railroad down on his head. His grin will be in my memory forever.

New Members

James Jones, Nashville TN
Joseph Mitchell, Nashville TN
Johnny Thoni Jr (Family), Franklin TN

Please welcome these new members as they join in helping make our organization even better in the future.

2003 Annual Activity Fee Now Due

Fee is $30 for individuals and $35 for family household. Please complete the blue name/address/phone/ E-mail form mailed to you previously & give/mail with your payment so Membership Chairman George Gilbert has as accurate a membership roster as possible. George’s address is 750 Rodney Dr Nashville TN 37205 Don’t forget we accept Discovery/MasterCard/VISA credit & debit cards in payment of activity fees.

NEXT MEETING Willow St Building Thursday December 19, 2002 7:00 PM

Years 2002/2003 Schedule

Dec 14 Cookeville-Silver Point Santa Excursion Trains
Dec 19 C Div/NRHS/TCRM Members Only Road Kill Buffet
Jan 9 C Div/NRHS/TCRM Thurs Night Meeting at TCRM
Jan 17-20 RPCA Convention at TCRM, host organization
Feb 15 Watertown Valentines/Murder Mystery Excursion Train
Feb 22 Watertown Fairyland Express Excursion Train
Mar 15 Model Train Show at TC Ry Museum
Mar 22-23 GATS Show Nashville TN
Apr 12 Watertown Easter Bunny Trip I Excursion Train
Apr 19 Watertown Easter Bunny Trip II Excursion Train
Apr 26 Watertown Mile-Long Yard Sale Excursion Train
May 3 Cookeville TC Ry Spring Rendezvous Excursion Train
May 31 Watertown Excursion Train
June 7 Lebanon Civil War Re-enactment/Train Robbery Trip

Sick Call

Cecil Tidwell fell on the job and injured his knee Oct 29. He had surgery Nov 11 to repair tendons torn from his kneecap. Rehab will be 2-3 months. Send well wishes to Cecil and his wife Betty at 2614 Pennington Bend Rd in Nashville 37214.

New E-mail Address

Bob Hultman’s new E-mail address is bob.hultman@mach10internet.com Have E-mail and want to receive Cumberland Div/NRHS/TCRM updates & news via E-mail? Well, send your E-mail address to Bob & you’ll be added to the E-mail group maintained for these organizations.

Nashville Ntrak Report

We have been having a great setup at the Adventure Science Center with members attending the layout 50% of the time the ASC is open. They have their own train that runs when we are not there.

The ASC has also been nice enough to let us meet on Tuesday evenings to work on the layout in preparation for our trip to the Louisville GATS on January 10-12. We will be participating in a very large Ntrak layout with other clubs from Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Kentucky, and Tennessee. The layout will occupy a 90’x90’ area in the exhibit hall and will have 600-700 linear feet of mainline running for three of the Ntrak lines. That is 18-21 scale miles long!

Carried forward to the January 2003 Meeting Notice- A Railway Accident Report almost too incredible!! Stay tuned!

A Merry Christmas and Happy Hanukkah to one and all! Hope Santa or his elves bring you that special RR item!