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2013-2014 Cumberland Div-TCRM Schedule
Nov 2  Cumberland Div Fall Meet-Model Train Show at TCRM
Nov 7  TCRM Thursday Night Meeting at TCRM Nashville
Nov 9  Murder Mystery Excursion Train to Watertown
Nov 15-17  Whistlestop Weekend at Adventure Science Center
            Nashville – N & HO modular RRs set up
Nov 16  Fall Excursion Train to DelMonaco Winery at Baxter
        Nov 16 trip is SOLD OUT
Nov 30  North Pole Express Excursion Train with Santa to Watertown
Dec 7  North Pole Express Excursion Train with Santa to Lebanon – 2 Trips
Dec 12  Christmas Party & Annual Road Kill Buffet at TCRM
Dec 14  North Pole Express Excursion Train with Santa to Lebanon – 2 Trips
Feb 8  Valentines Day Murder Mystery Trip to Watertown
Feb 15  Excursion Train to DelMonaco Winery at Baxter
Mar 15  Excursion Train to DelMonaco Winery at Baxter
Mar 22  Cumberland Div Spring Meet-Model Train Show & TCRM Open House
Apr 12  Easter Bunny Excursion Train I to Watertown
Apr 19  Easter Bunny Excursion Train II to Watertown
Apr 26  Spring Mile-Long Yard Sale Excursion Train to Watertown

November 2013 Program
Our November 2013 program will be a presentation by
Ralcon Wagner on Trains Across Illinois: A PowerPoint
presentation of railroad action through the Land of Lincoln
during 2011-2013. Subjects include Amtrak, commuter, light
rail, transit, shortlines, BNSF’s transcon line, and more.
Anyone wanting to present a program at our Thursday night
meetings, please contact Bob Hultman cell 615-513-7187 E-
mail hultman@bellsouth.net

Host Committee – November 2013 Meeting
Jim Adair  Phil Baggett  Nathan Baker
Terry Bebout  George Benson  James Bilbrey
Brenda-Marvene Bilbrey  Eddie Branch*  Ronda Brewster
Ralcon Wagner  Lee Ware  Pete Weaver
Jay & Michelle Wilson  Steve Wright  Nicho Young
* Host Committee Chair

HO Model RR News
By Bob Hultman
The HO modular RR will be setting up at Adventure Science
Center’s 2013 Whistlestop Weekend, Nov 15 thru 17. See the
2013 Whistlestop Weekend item for more information.

Fall 2013 Division Meet on Nov 2
By Bob Hultman
Our Fall 2013 Cumberland Vision Meet & Model Train Show
will be Saturday, Nov 2, at TCRM. Dealer tables are selling
well, TCRM member Russ Schneider has agreed to do a clinic
on an automated method for speed-matching locomotives using
the JMRI computer program. All the other usual activities will
be part of the Meet. If anyone wants to present a clinic, please
contact Bob Hultman at cell 615-513-7187 or E-mail
hultman@bellsouth.net

2013 Whistlestop Weekend Nov 15-17
By Bob Hultman
Adventure Science Center’s 2013 Whistlestop Weekend
will be Nov 15 thru 17. This is 1 week later than previous years.
ASC’s Larry Dunlap-Berg said the reason for ASC moving the
date 1 week later into November is ASC hopes to increase
attendance with the event closer to the holidays. Once again both
Nashville Ntrak & Cumberland Division’s HO modular
railroaders will be setting up modular RRs at ASC with the N
scale RR being set up for several weeks into early January while
the HO RR will be set up starting Sunday Nov 10 with takedown
on Nov 17. Anyone interested in participating in the HO
modular RR effort, please contact Bob Hultman at cell 615-513-
7187 or E-mail hultman@bellsouth.net

Excursion Train News
By Bob Hultman
Our next trip for 2013 is the Murder Mystery Trip to
Watertown on Nov 9. Safety meeting starts at 7 am, with
departure at 9:00 am; return to Nashville should be about 3:15
pm or so. Sign-up sheets for the three November trips, Nov 9
Murder Mystery, Nov 16 DelMonaco Winery & Nov 30 North
Pole Express will be at our Nov 9 meeting.
We are always looking for TCRM members to help work
these trips. To do so, contact Bob Hultman at cell 615-513-
7187 or E-mail hultman@bellsouth.net

SER 2014 Convention in Memphis TN
By George Gilbert
SouthEastern Region, Nat’l Model RR Association, 2014
Annual Convention will be a joint convention with Mid-
Continent Region, to be held in Memphis June 13thru June 15
2014. This promises to be a better than average Region
Convention and it is a short drive for us. The Memphis Railroad
and Trolley Museum and the Bluff City Division of the NMRA
are proud to host the 2014 Joint Convention of the Southeastern
and Mid Continent Regions of the NMRA.

http://mrtm.org/convention

Thursday Night Meeting – Nov 7, 2013 6:30 pm at TCRM Nashville TN

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Nashville Traction Researcher Needed

By Don LeCroy

As I related in our phone conversation this morning (30 Oct 2013), I had volunteered to act as local researcher to locate as many vintage photographic images as possible for a new book by Mr. David Steinberg, who has published at least four volumes on Chattanooga streetcars and railroad stations so far. He has amassed a considerable amount of obscure historical data relative to Nashville's transit heritage, but needs about 90-100 more photos to make-up the required content for the publisher, Arcadia. The target date of approximately March 2014 allows plenty of time for continuing the efforts I have already started, were it not for my recent diagnosis of cancer which will unavoidably sideline me, and since David is in New York and cannot commute back and forth for this work, my situation will cause a valuable tome not to reach market, and Nashville will remain unknown in its traction contribution.

It occurred to me that this facet of rail history would be a great project for TCRM as it would without doubt increase its contribution to historic preservation and spread its reputation wide and far as the book would be distributed through major vendors such as Barnes and Noble, Amazon etc., and would likely be sold widely in the subject area, Middle Tennessee.

I would hope that someone, particularly if they have an interest in the fascinating history of traction in Nashville, Murfreesboro, Columbia and Clarksville, might volunteer to contribute a little time following-up on the tremendous work Mr. Steinberg has already done and the effort I have started to bring this forgotten chapter to light as it so deserves.

Ed Note- If you want to help out with this effort, contact Don LeCroy directly at jameslecroy@tds.net Thank you for your consideration........... James D. Le Croy

Sad News – Passing of Jim FitzGerald

By Bob Hultman

Jim Fitzgerald, N-Scale pioneer, and the father of Ntrak has passed away.  
http://4dpnr.org/grabiron/?p=3423

Upcoming Conventions & Shows

Nov 2  Cumberland Division Meet & Model Train Show at TCRM

Mar 22 Cumberland Division Spring 2014 Meet-Model Train Show & TC Ry Museum Open House at TCRM

July 13-19 NMRA 2014 Cleveland National Convention in Cleveland OH July 13-19 
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