2011 Cumberland Div-TCRM Schedule

Sep 24  LA&SL RR Op Session 8:45 am Nolensville TN; Fun Run after the op session
Sep 29  TCRM Life After Thomas Thursday Night Dinner
Meeting at Golden Corral in Hermitage TN
Oct  1  Watertown Mile-Long Yard Sale Trip Watertown TN
Oct  5  LA&SL RR Fun Run afternoon session Nolensville TN
Oct  8  Monterey Standing Stone Festival Trip Monterey TN
Oct 15  Watertown Train Robbery Trip Watertown TN
Oct 22  Cookeville Super Fall Foliage Trip I Cookeville TN
Oct 29  Cookeville Super Fall Foliage Trip II Cookeville TN
Nov  5  Cumberland Division Meet-Model Train Show
      At TCRM Nashville TN
Nov  6-13 HO Modular RR Setup- Adventure Science Ctr
      Nashville TN
Nov 12  Watertown Murder Mystery Trip Watertown TN
Nov 26  Watertown North Pole Express Trip Watertown TN
Dec  3  Lebanon North Pole Express Trips Lebanon TN
Dec 10  Lebanon North Pole Express Trips Lebanon TN

2012
June 1-3  SER Annual Convention Gatlinburg TN
July 29-Aug 4  NMRA 77th Annual Convention Grand Rails 2012
      Grand Rapids MI

No Host Committee - Sept 2011 Meeting
Host Committee resumes with the October 2011 Meeting

September 2011 Meeting & Program
The September 2011 program will be a preliminary report on our results from our 2011 Day Out With Thomas The Tank Engine event. The meeting will start at 6:00 pm Central Time Thursday Sept 29 at Golden Corral Restaurant at 315 Old Lebanon Dirt Rd in Hermitage. The dinner is for all TCRM members who worked the 2011 DOWT event. Anyone wanting to present a program at our Thursday night meetings, please contact Bob Hultman at 615-833-5158; cell 615-513-7187 or E-mail hultman@bellsouth.net

New Members
By Bob Hultman
Richard Davis, Madison TN
Don Martin, Nashville TN
Wayne Martin, Gallatin TN
Tim, Connie, Sean & Brian McDonnell, College Grove TN (Family)
Gary Miller, Nashville TN (Rerail)
Allyson, Rick & William Polk, Thompson Station TN (Family)
Ken Prater, Nashville TN
Steve Rye, Dickson TN
Tara Hodge & Patrick Slayton, Nashville TN (Family)

Welcome our new members as they take part in our activities.

J C Napier School Visits TCRM Sept 8
By Terry Bebout
We hosted approximately 200 students from Napier Elementary School Thursday Sept 8, provided a train ride and photos with Thomas and some take-home fun material. The principal of the school was there and was very complimentary of TCRM providing the field trip as many of the students there could not afford to go if there was a cost involved. News Channel 2 was there filming so we may get some coverage this evening. Thanks to all who came down and participated.

Excursion Train News
By Bob Hultman
Our next trip is the Watertown Fall Mile-Long Yard Sale Trip on Oct 1. Safety meeting starts at 7 am, with departure at 9:00 am. We are always looking for TCRM members to help work these trips. If you want to work these trips, contact Bob Hultman at 615-833-5158; cell 615-513-7187 or E-mail hultman@bellsouth.net

HO Model RR News
By Bob Hultman
Bill & Harriett Griffith attended the National Narrow Gauge Convention in Hickory NC earlier in September. Bill took 1st Place in the Caboose contest with his scratch-built On3 ET&WNC RR 4-wheel bobber caboose amongst 10 entries (popular vote); he also took 3rd place in the Favorite Train contest with his On3 Southdown Plantation (LA) sugarcane train……. Congratulations, Bill!

The HO modular RR once again set up in the Exhibitors Bldg for the 2011 Tennessee State Fair (TSF). We were in pretty much the same location in the Exhibitors Bldg as last year. The RR configuration was the same as last year but with some new modules making an appearance and some stalwart participants missing this time around. The configuration starting from the northwest corner and going clockwise-

CVMR Outside Corner
Leroy Nessen’s Mt Yucca Nuclear Storage & Coal Mine 16’
CVMR Drop-In Module 4’
Fast Eddie J’s Plywood Pacific 4’
CVMR Outside Corner
CVMR Sircy Yard 36’
Horton Monroe’s My-T-Fine Motel 4’
Horton Monroe’s Central of Georgia Yard 12’
Len Hollinger’s Firestone Tire & Rubber 16’
CVMR Outside Corner
CVMR Staging Yard 24’
CVMR Outside Corner
CVMR OTTO Tower 24’
CVMR Outside Corner
CVMR Geezer Gate 4’
Andy & Thomas Mogish’s Seaside Wharf 4’

Thursday Night Meeting – 6:00 pm September 29, 2011 at Golden Corral Hermitage TN
Total distance around the RR was ~ 240’, right at 4 scale miles. The RR ran pretty well………. We had some prototypical rear-end collisions, but nothing we couldn’t fix……. The Digitrax DCC system pretty much behaved itself & everyone seemed to enjoy the setup. Many, many thanks to all who helped take down the RR in the TCRM meeting room, move it to temporary storage, haul & set it up @ TSF and then haul & return to TCRM. Lots of work but the Fair attendees always enjoy the RR and we’re able to promote TCRM, DOWT, our excursion trains and our model RR activities for 10 days.

TCRM Visitor Escorts
By Bob Hultman

The fall travel season is here, meaning TCRM will have more visitors coming to see the Museum and our rolling stock. The Interstate information-direction signs are guiding more visitors to TCRM. Previously we have offered visitors access to our boarding platform when a TCRM member was present and able to escort the visitors. If you're willing to come to TCRM and escort visitors, please notify Marilyn O'Neal at mitrans08@aol.com or call her at 615-244-9001. Normal Museum hours are 9 am to 5 pm Monday thru Friday, 9 am to 3 pm on Saturday.

Monterey Depot News
By Clarice Weist

The Monterey Depot Historical Dinner Theater now has tickets on sale for its annual Dinner Theater. Dates are Saturday Oct 1st 7:00 pm & Sunday Oct 2nd 2:00 pm Tickets- $35.00 per person or $50.00 per couple or $150.00 per table of 6. For information you can call me at 839-6511, 349-2099 or 839-6149. You can also so e-mail me at CupandSaucer1@frontiernet.net This is a very important fund raiser for the Monterey Depot and we would appreciate your support.

Upcoming Conventions- Websites

SER 2012 Regional Convention- June 1-3, 2012 in Gatlinburg TN 