2008 Cumberland Div-TCRM Schedule

Feb 16 Valentines Day Murder Mystery Trip II to Watertown
Feb 21 Thurs Night Meeting at TCRM Bldg Nashville TN
Mar 15 Easter Bunny Trip I to Watertown
Mar 22 Easter Bunny Trip II to Watertown
Mar 29 Spring 2008 Cumberland Div Meet-TCRM Open House
Apr 19 Spring Mile-Long Yard Sale Trip to Watertown
May 3 TC Ry Spring Festival Trip to Cookeville
May 16-17 NC&S&T Ry Preservation Society Annual Reunion
May 17 Train Robbery Trip to Watertown
July 12 Murder Mystery/Jazz Festival Train Trip to Watertown
Aug 30-31 Day Out with Thomas the Tank Engine
Sept 6-7 Day Out with Thomas the Tank Engine
Sept 27 Fall Mile-Long Yard Sale Trip
Oct 4 Train Robbery Trip to Watertown
Oct 11 Super Fall Foliage Trip I to Cookeville
Oct 18 Super Fall Foliage Trip II to Cookeville
Oct 25 Super Fall Foliage Trip III to Cookeville
Nov 15 Murder Mystery Train to Watertown
Nov 29 North Pole Express with Santa to Watertown

Program Notes

February 21, 2008- Program will be video of the ex-TC Ry right-of-way between Watertown and Monterey back in April 1987 with narration by Allen Hicks. This will be good for comparison with the R-o-W we’ll see during the March 1, 2008 TCRM members’ trip to Monterey.

Host Committee – Feb 21, 2008 Meeting

Charles Dillingham Bill Howard Bob Hultman
George Jackson Pat & Tommy Jones Matt Josephson
Owen Kelly John Kennedy Rusty Lacy
Dave Lawrence Mark Lindecker Bill Lorenz
Robert Marsmaker Glenn Martin Kevin Matthews
* Host Committee Chair

Cumberland Division-TCRM 2008 Activity Fee

By Bob Hultman

The 2008 activity fee ($30 individual, $35 family) for Cumberland Division-TCRM is now due. Make checks, money orders, etc payable to TCRM and send-bring them to TCRM, 220 Willow St in Nashville TN 37210-2159 attention Jenny Smith. If you wish to pay by credit or debit card, call Jenny at 615-244-9001, give her your card information or pay in person at TCRM.

New Members

Norman & Carolyn Curtis Brentwood TN (Family)
Gary Miller Nashville TN (Rerail)

Please welcome our new members as they join in the many activities our organization provides.

TCRM Excursion Train to Monterey Mar 1

By Terry Bebout

A special excursion for TCRM carhosts and their immediate families is scheduled for Saturday, March 1, departing the Museum at 7am. It is not necessary to make reservations for this trip, but please be timely and be on board by 7am. Frank Holt will have breakfast and lunch available on the diner during the trip. This trip is an orientation trip for TCRM carhosts on the Algood-Monterey section of the NERR that has not had any excursion trains since 1967. We may stop along the way to discuss significant historical sites that were on the TC Ry. This will be an all-day trip so plan appropriately. I am meeting with the officials in Monterey on the 21st to discuss future excursions on this section of the line. Hope to see all of you on March 1st.

Hobby Shop News

By Bob Hultman

The Hobby Shop is back open after taking 2007 inventory. Mark Perry & Fast Eddie Justice changed out the rolling table for a metal table we salvaged from Bellevue Center Mall. They’ve also built a high-level shelf on which are being installed an N scale & HO scale test tracks. New in the shop are WaltherHO scale Flexi-Van L&N trailer kits, Athearn HO L&N PS2 2600 ft³ covered hoppers & some Athearn HO ethanol tank cars. Stop in and see what else is new in Hon3 rolling stock, DCC items and tools.

Cumberland Division – TC Ry Museum 2006 Financial Audit Available

By Bob Hultman

Cumberland Division & TC Ry Museum had a financial audit covering CY 2006 recently completed. Any member who wants a copy of the audit report is welcome to get one; they are available at the Museum office.

Nashville Ntrak News

Reported by Jimmie Guthrie

We welcome two new members, Norman Curtis and Warren Goodwin. They arrived tonight and ran some trains. JP Ralph brought in his new Geezer Gate and hooked it up and it operated quite well. It lifts using compressed air. It is not completed as of yet but we are waiting on pins and needles to use it. Hats off to JP for his work on this project.

Thursday Night Meeting - TCRM Willow St Building February 21, 2008 6:30 PM
We are also working on two sections of our yard with new rail, scenery and wiring. Also in the works are the bridges for the two new loops which we plan on using during the June Show in Louisville Ky.

**Sick Call**

Reported by **Bob Hultman**

**Don Gage** has returned home from St Thomas Hospital. He was in for several days with respiratory difficulties. He’s at home for a month for evaluation. Hopefully he’s recovering enough to be able to resume normal activity. His address is 215 Raindrop Ln in Hendersonville TN 37075.

**Tim Laskey** experienced some abdominal problems while on a business trip to California. He was hospitalized & had surgery for diverticulitis. He’s recovering at home now, having returned within the last week or so. His address is 1606 Hillmeade Dr in Nashville TN 37221.

**Bob Hultman**’s father is hospitalized in Canonsburg PA with some pneumonia, drug reaction & kidney function problems (I’m headed to Canonsburg this coming Fri morning, not returning until next Monday afternoon).

Please keep these members and their families in your thoughts & prayers.

**Nashville Ntrak Geezer Gate Photos**

Reported by **Bob Hultman**

The 3 photos below are of the “Geezer Gate” being built by JP Roberts. It will be air-operated with a vertical air cylinder pushing up and lowering the “lift bridge”. The hoses supply compressed air to the fittings. To pass thru, you turn a valve to let air into the cylinders, walk under the bridge, turn another valve to let air out and that’s it…. **Len Hollinger** is building a geezer gate for the HO modular RR, but to a different design.

Photos omitted to reduce the size of the file.