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**Cumberland Division SER-NMRA Inc**  
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## Donations

**Ken Oosting-** \$500 cash for TCRM general operations.  
**Bill Stong-** Framed 19" x 38" print of a drawing of an aerial view of Nashville in the 1880s.

## 2009 Cumberland Div-TCRM Schedule

Sep 11-20 Tennessee St Fair HO Model RR Setup  
Sep 17 Life After Thomas Dinner at Ryan's Steakhouse  
Hermitage TN starting at 6 pm  
Sep 23-26 Mid-South Live Steamers Fall 2009 Meet at Maury Co  
Park in Columbia TN  
Sep 26 Train Robbery Trip to Watertown  
Sep 26 Op Session LA&SL Ry Nolensville TN 8:45a - 1:00 pm  
Oct 3 Fall Mile-Long Yard Sale Trip to Watertown  
Oct 8 Home Schoolers Excursion Train  
Oct 10 Super Fall Foliage Trip to Monterey Standing Stone Fall  
Festival  
Oct 12 Op Session LA&SL Ry Nolensville TN 6:30 pm- 9:30 pm  
Oct 15 Thursday Night Meeting at TCRM Nashville TN  
Oct 17 Super Fall Foliage Trip I to Cookeville  
Oct 24 Super Fall Foliage Trip II to Cookeville  
Oct 31 Op Session LA&SL Ry Nolensville TN 8:45a - 1:00 pm  
Nov 7 NMRA Cumberland Division Meet at TCRM  
Nov 14 Murder Mystery Excursion Train Trip to Watertown  
Nov 28 North Pole Express Train Trip with Santa to Watertown  
Dec 5 2 North Pole Express Train Trips with Santa to Lebanon  
Dec 12 2 North Pole Express Train Trips with Santa to Lebanon

## Program

Program for the September Thursday Night Meeting will be dining and fellowship with a brief preliminary report on Day Out With Thomas 2009 results. Contact **Terry Bebout** 615-479-5758 [terry.bebout@earthlink.net](mailto:terry.bebout@earthlink.net) or **Bob Hultman** 615-833-5158 [hultman@bellsouth.net](mailto:hultman@bellsouth.net) if you want to present a program at our Thursday Night Meetings.

## No Host Committee – September Meeting

No host committee for the September meeting. Next Host Committee will be for the October meeting.

## Day Out With Thomas - 2009

By **Bob Hultman**

Well, DOWT has come & gone from TCRM for the 8<sup>th</sup> consecutive year. Notable this year are the slightly more moderate temperatures and ticket sales pretty close to last year's, although the gift shop purchases per person are yet to be determined. I want to thank everyone who worked before, during or after the event to make it the success it was. No one got really hurt, nothing of real significance was lost (there is a Thomas sippy cup in the lost-found box) & our customers seemed happy with DOWT 2009. Everyone who worked the event is welcome to the Life After Thomas dinner this coming Thursday at Ryan's Steakhouse.

## Excursion Train News

By **Bob Hultman**

Our next trip is the Watertown Mile-long Yard Sale Trip on Saturday, Sept 26. Safety meeting starts on board diner 3119 at 7:00 am CDT the day of the trip. If you want to work this trip please contact **Bob Hultman** at 615-833-5158 or cell 615-513-7187 E-mail [hultman@bellsouth.net](mailto:hultman@bellsouth.net) or mark up on the crew sheet at our September 17 Thursday Night Meeting.

## HO Model RR News

By **Bob Hultman**

Cumberland Division set up a large HO modular RR for the TN State Fair this year. The Fair coordinator changed the booth layout in the Exhibitors Bldg such that visitors are routed past every booth if they come in the south entrance and were going to the Annex Bldg. Our RR is parallel to the long wall of the Exhibitors Bldg. The RR is about 34' wide & 78' long. **Len Hollinger** calculated the distance of the main tracks at about 230+ feet, or almost 4 HO scale miles. Modules in the set-up starting at the northwest corner are-

Cumberland Division- Outside Corner  
**Leroy Nessen-** Mt Yucca- 16'  
Cumberland Division- Drop-In Module- 4'  
**Quincy Styke III-** Styrofoam Desert- 4'  
Cumberland Division- Outside Corner-  
Cumberland Division- Sircy Yard 36'  
**Don Garrison-** Switch Haven 16'  
**Len Hollinger-** Rockville 16'  
Cumberland Division- Outside Corner  
Cumberland Division- New Cumberland Yard- 24'  
Cumberland Division- Outside Corner  
**Robert Marsmaker-** 24'  
Cumberland Division- Outside Corner  
Cumberland Division- Geezer Gate- 4'  
Cumberland Division- Inside Corner  
**Jack Sircy-** Sircy Circus- 12'  
Cumberland Division- Inside Corner  
**George Gilbert-** Forge Creek 4'  
Cumberland Division- Outside Corner  
**Quincy Styke III-** Stykeville- 12'

The State Fair runs thru Sunday Sep 20.

## Sad News – Passing of Jim Paty

By **Bob Hultman**

Long-time TCRM member and life-long railfan **Jim Paty** passed away Thursday morning Sep 10. He was 68 years old. He had worked for the TC Ry for several years back in the early 60s. Visitation and a 2 pm memorial service were held in Ashland City TN on Saturday, Sep 12. If you wish to send a card or note to the family, please mail to Fay Paty at 115 Oak St in Ashland City TN 37015.

**Thursday Night Meeting – Ryan's Steakhouse Hermitage TN 6:00 pm September 17, 2009**

## **Sick Call - Homer Thompson**

By **Bob Hultman**

**Homer Thompson** returned home about a week ago after overcoming serious intestinal & lung ailments. He was hospitalized for quite a few days, but is now recovering at home. His address is 359 Ocala Dr in Nashville TN 37211-6147 if you'd like to send him a card.

## **NRHS News**

By **Herb Roth**

Bob - Drove thru Willow St this past Sunday afternoon (Sep 6)- looked like TCRM had a large throng. The guys on the parking and road control duty were doing a great job.....Here's my column.....

Here is some information from a note in TRAINS concerning the Nov 2007 collision in Chicago's South Side between Amtrak "Pere Marquette" and a NS freight. The Amtrak engineer misinterpreted a wayside signal, a "restricting signal", which required him to operate at a slow speed and be prepared to stop short of other trains. However, the engineer thought it was a "slow approach" signal and proceeded at a faster speed than he should have. The result - he plowed into a stopped NS intermodal train. The National Transportation Safety Board recommended standardized signaling and installation of positive train control. The crash caused 70 injuries.

## **Mid-South Live Steamers Fall 2009 Meet**

By **Hank Sherwood**

The Mid-South Live Steamers will hold their Fall 2009 Meet starting Wednesday, September 23 thru Saturday September 26, 2009 at the Maury Co Park in Columbia TN. Go to- <http://www.midsouthlivesteamers.org/> for additional information.

## **Music City Star Commuter Train Third Anniversary**

By **Terry Bebout**

Sep 18 is the 3<sup>rd</sup> anniversary of the beginning of Music City Star commuter train operation in Middle Tennessee. A ceremony will be held at Riverfront station from 4 pm thru 6 pm.

The Music City Star will operate a demonstration commuter train service from Lakewood to Riverfront station beginning Oct 13 running thru Oct 23. There will be one inbound trip departing Lakewood City Hall at 7:10 am; the outbound trip departs Riverfront station at 5:10 pm. The trips on Oct 13 are free, while the remaining trips are at normal fare.

## **2008 Financial Audit Complete**

By **Terry Bebout**

The annual audit of Cumberland Division SER-NMRA Inc and Tennessee Central Railway Museum performed by Frazier, Dean and Howard, PLLC is complete for calendar year 2008 and is available to any member that would like a copy. Please contact Allen Hicks or myself if you want a copy.