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William Lorenz- Southern Ry System sign from the side of a Sou Ry piggyback trailer van.

Old Timer's Day Association Dickson TN- \$500

TDOT Public Meeting- TN Rail System Plan

On **Wednesday, November 13**, at 6:00 pm, there will be a TDOT sponsored Rail System Plan Public Involvement Meeting. The meeting will be held at the Howard Metro Office Auditorium, 700 Second Avenue South which is not far from our museum. I urge you to attend if possible. The plans that TDOT has will affect us in a positive manner if they can get them implemented. Support is needed since most public meetings have opposition instead of support. We will discuss this more at our Thursday night meeting.

October Meeting Host Committee

Marvene & Brenda Bilbrey	Brian Bingham
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Paul Brock James Brooks	Bill Brown
Jim & Cheryl Brown*	Charles Burdeshaw
Brandon Bussell Gene Caldwell	Charles Campbell

* Host Committee Chair

Program Notes

October- Effective Phone Answering or How to Get It Right the First Time by **Bob Hultman**.

Board of Directors Meeting after the general business meeting.

New Members

Robert Cunningham (Family), Murfreesboro TN

O D Glaus Jr- Nashville TN

George Jackson (Family), Nashville TN

Jack Rouviere, Fuqua-Varina NC

John & Ilene Teeple (Family), Crossville TN (Ilene is **Brenda Bilbrey's** sister)

Carl Wildow, Mt Juliet TN

Derrick Wilson, Clarksville TN

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

TCRM Jackets for Sale

Brenda Bilbrey advises she will have TCRM jackets for sale at the October meeting. Prices TBA.

Years 2002/2003 Schedule

Oct 12 Watertown Fall Flea Market Excursion Train
Oct 17 Thurs Night Meeting- at TCRM Nashville
Oct 19 Cookeville Super Fall Foliage Excursion Train
Oct 26 Cookeville Super Fall Foliage Excursion Train
Nov 2 Model Train Show at TC Ry Museum
Nov 8-17 Cumberland Science Museum Whistlestop Weekend
Nov 9 Veterans Excursion Train
Nov 23 Lebanon Victorian Christmas Excursion Train
Dec 7 Watertown Santa Excursion Trains
Dec 14 Cookeville-Silver Point Santa Excursion Trains
Jan 17-20 RPCA Convention at TCRM, host organization
Feb 15 Valentines/Murder Mystery Excursion Train- Watertown
Feb 22 Watertown Fairyland Express Trip
Mar 15 Model Train Show at TC Ry Museum
Mar 22-23 GATS Show Nashville TN
Apr 12 Watertown Easter Bunny Trip I
Apr 19 Watertown Easter Bunny Trip II
Apr 26 Watertown Mile-Long Yard Sale Trip
May 3 Cookeville TC Ry Spring Rendezvous Trip
June 7 Lebanon Civil War Re-enactment/Train Robbery Trip

Winners Versus Losers

The Winner is always a part of the answer;
The Loser is always a part of the problem.

The Winner always has a program;
The Loser always has an excuse.

The Winner says, "Let me do it for you;"
The Loser says, "That's not my job."

The Winner sees an answer for every problem;
The Loser sees a problem in every answer.

The Winner says, "It may be difficult but it's possible;"
The Loser says, "It may be possible but it's too difficult."

~Author Unknown

Sad News

By **Herb Roth, Robert Thurman Jr & Rancon Wagner**

David Cooper, a 32 year member of the Nashville Chapter NRHS, died of cancer (attributed to smoking) on August 31. **Mr Cooper** lived in Paris, TN and taught in the Psychology Dept. at UT Martin. For 16+ years he was the editor of "**The Nashville Flyer**", a monthly newsletter published by the local NRHS Chapter. He'll be missed by his many "railroading" friends. He was a great person and had a wealth of knowledge. Unfortunately,

NEXT MEETING Willow St Building Thursday October 17, 2002 7:00 PM

with all of his wisdom, he would not quit smoking. He loved trains and rail travel. We will all miss him and his wit.

David was also a lifelong fan of the L&Na member of NRHS groups in Madisonville & Owensboro, KY and the Memphis chapters and a charter member of the L&NHS. Some of his L&N photos were published in some L&N books. He had been employed at UT Martin in the Psychology Dept since 1969. His dad worked for the L&N for more than 30 years, first at the Paris, TN depot during the 1930s and 1940s and later at the Bowling Green KY depot. **David** was a lifelong fan and historian of the L&N, especially the Memphis line. **David** often reflected about his childhood in Paris and watching the changing of steam power there, exploring the roundhouse and getting to hang out at the yard and station with his father. By the late 1940s, **David's** father had been transferred to the Bowling Green Station. Once there, **David** enjoyed seeing new diesel power on the point of the South Wind, Hummingbird, and other primary passenger trains. **David** returned to Paris in 1969 when he began teaching at UT in nearby Martin. His apartment (converted from an old hotel) faced the KWT railroad and former NC&StL depot. His primary pastime and passion was riding on Amtrak and special charter trains between semesters. He had always talked of retiring from teaching to spend more time riding the rails. Those of us that really knew him, knew that **David** loved UTM and academia too much to ever retire. **David** was 68 at the time of his death. He'll be missed.

HO Locomotives For Sale

Ed Branding is a contact for another party (his boss) who has approximately 200 HO scale locomotives for sale. His numbers for contact are 313-6555 and 397-6932.

Sick Call

Len Hollinger continues his recovery from surgery for a detached retina. He has progressed so well he's back helping with the HO model railroad on Saturdays.

TN-KY Threshermens Show Report

by Allen Hicks

P Hoadley, "**Fast**" **E Justice**, **C Owens**, **J Sircy** & **B Swanner** were already on site when **A Hicks** arrived. **J Paty** arrived a bit later. The RR was rearranged for better visual display & modules were set up, awaiting arrival of **W Frey**, **G Gilbert** & **Q Styke III**. **J Sircy** provided another 4' module to complete the RR. Configuration of the RR clockwise was- **QS III** Stykedale (12'), **P Hoadley** & **G Gilbert** 4' modules bracketing the **Bilbrey's** 8' module. The end modules were **QS III's** 4' Styrofoam Desert (for excursion train flyer display) and the 4' drop-in module (for easier duck-under access). Things were running by 1:30 pm after figuring out the electrical Walrus. DC analog was used for the weekend. Other than a faulty 100 VAC supply, Friday was uneventful, with small crowd.

Saturday the crew started out with **B Swanner**, **M & J Bilbrey**, **T Davis**, **A Hicks**, **G Gilbert**, **A & D Griswold**, **C Owens**, **QS III & IV** and others arriving at various times during the day. Crown was heavy all day with everyone taking advantage of the cooler atmosphere in the gym building. **Swanner's** fan was turned on to help circulate air better. Shut down was a 6 pm.

Sunday opening saw **B Swanner**, **E Justice** and **A Hicks** starting things off and with the help of some junior operators kept

things going until the arrival of others that included **D Gage**, **J Garner**, **D Griswold** and friends, **B Hultman**, **R Marsmaker**, **C Owens** and **J Sircy**. Crowd was very sparse over the day. Tear-down began at 3:30 pm with **QS III** taking "Last Arrival" honors. Hopefully next year we will have Volunteer Yd back in service such that train operation will be more realistic and interesting to the operators. Thanks again to all who participated.

Veteran's Day Excursion Train

Our Nov 9 Salute to America's Veterans excursion train needs some more promotion for ticket sales. An article in the Tennessean is to come out this week. Please do what you can to promote ticket sales for this trip. It's our very first veterans' trip, so let's make it a good one! **Gordon Smith** is heading up the organizing for this train. If you have any suggestions for this trip, please contact **Gordon** at 615-822-2641 or E-mail milwsmith@earthlink.net.

E-mail Addresses

Have E-mail and want to receive Cumberland Div/NRHS/TCRM updates & news via E-mail? Well, send your E-mail address to hultman@nashville.com & you'll be added to the E-mail group maintained for these organizations.

Access to TCRM Sites

On Saturday & Monday workdays park along Willow St and walk to Museum work areas or park in the Southern Junction Yard parking area directly behind our work area. During weekdays we do have permission to drive through the TCW main gate off of Stanley St to the Museum work site. The only vehicles that should use the track gate on Saturdays crossing the Hertz-Penske lot are service vehicles delivering directly to the excursion train. Our agreement with Hertz-Penske is that crossing their lot will be kept to a minimum.

Excursion Train/Division Meet Sign-Up Sheets

Sign-up sheets will be present for the Oct 19 and 26 Excursion Train trips. There will also be sign-up sheets for the Nov 2 Cumberland Division Meet/Model Train Show. We still need help to continue putting on top quality events for our patrons. Please sign up for something, even if it's just answering phones for a Saturday or working the hobby shop on a Saturday. We also need folks to answer phones on Tuesdays and Thursdays during the week.