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Donations

DeLoy & Ann Nelms- \$100 cash towards PA system in TCRX 9400 dome car.

2005 - 2006 Schedule

- Dec 15 Christmas Road Kill Buffet at Willow St Building
- Dec 17 Nashville-Watertown-Polar Express
- Dec 17-18 Model Train Show at The Factory in Franklin TN
- Feb 11 Nashville-Watertown Valentines Day Trip
- Mar 11-12 Hobbies Unlimited (formerly GATS) Train Show Nashville Municipal Auditorium
- Mar 18 Cumberland Division/TC Ry Museum Model Train Show & Open House
- Mar 25 Nashville-Watertown Mother Goose Fairyland Trip
- Apr 8 Nashville-Watertown Easter Bunny Trip I
- Apr 15 Nashville-Watertown Easter Bunny Trip II
- Apr 22 Nashville-Watertown Mile-Long Yard Sale Trip
- May 6 Nashville-Cookeville TC Ry Spring Festival Trip
- May 20 Nashville-Watertown Train Robbery Trip

Program Notes

December 15- Christmas Road Kill Buffet – Dinner Served starting at 6:30 pm. Program to be presented by **Doug Lindgren** and **Ralcon Wagner**

January 2006- TCRM Car Host Recertification/Safety Training

No Host Committee for Dec 2005 Meeting

TCRM Excursion Train News By Terry Bebout

Thanks to **Gene Turnage**, **Robert Marsmaker** and **Mark Matthews** our EMD SW8 switcher loco #52 has a newly installed air compressor. In addition, #52 received a new cab radio thanks to **Allen Hicks** and **Steve Tomblin**.

Thanks to **John Stoecker**, we have negotiated a deal on a set of used but like new Whiting 35-ton jacks for our passenger car maintenance. A photo of this type of jack was E-mailed out a couple of weeks ago by me. The asking price for these jacks was \$58,000 USD. John flew to Montreal and made an inspection and then negotiated the final sale price of \$50,000 USD (These jacks new from Whiting would have cost us \$81,000 USD) Day Out With Thomas event revenue will be used to purchase these much needed items. Many thanks, **John**, for your efforts in this deal!

There will be a sign-up sheet at the Road Kill Buffet for those qualified car hosts who will work the Dec 17 Polar Express trip.

Hobby Shop News

Stop in the shop to see what the latest arrivals are. The shop also has current issues of most of the popular modeling and railfan magazines for browsing (these magazines then go into the Library collection). Also check with Manager **Eddie Justice** to see what's been added to the sale shelf. There's plenty available for stocking stuffers and those model railroaders in your family. Also check with **Eddie** on the latest items from Digitrax and Soundtraxx.

Still available- the **Cumberland Div HO scale TC Ry 40' box car kits 500 series & 7900 series** produced by Red Caboose- Price for local delivery (no shipping involved) is \$16.50 each, \$64/set of 4. Mail-order price is \$17.50/car postpaid, \$68/set of 4 postpaid.

2006 Activity Fee Now Due By Bob Hultman

The activity fee for 2006 stays at \$30 for an individual and \$35 for a family of the same household. You can pay the fee in cash, check, money order or credit card. If you have a family membership and you want C Div/TCRM membership cards for family members, you need to provide family member names to Membership Director **George Gilbert**. His address is 750 Rodney Dr in Nashville TN 37205-3016; E-mail at grgilbert@comcast.net As members renew for 2006, they will receive a TCRM member sticker to apply to the inside surface of clear glass (vehicle, most likely). Thanks to **Ben Gerth** for seeing the TCRM membership sticker project through to completion.

HO Model Railroading News By Bob Hultman

The Adventure Science Center Whistlestop Weekend (Nov 10-13) was once again a great event for both the Cumberland Valley Model Railroaders with their HO RR and Nashville Ntrak with their N scale RR. New this year was the TCRM display banner, a very eye-catching way to publicize the Museum and our excursion trains.

The next setup for the modular RRs will be at the train show at The Factory in Franklin TN Dec 17-18, 2005. This show is sponsored by Southbound Trains, whose owner recently donated \$500 to TCRM.

Wedding on Board TCRM Excursion Train! By Doug Roberts

TCRM members **Sherry McCreery** and **Doug Roberts** will marry on board the Dec 17 Polar Express trip to Watertown. They have bought 30 seats for family members, friends and guests. After the Watertown arrival, the wedding party will proceed to the 9400 dome car where the wedding service will be held. All TCRM crew members are invited to attend. The wedding party will then move to the dining car for lunch, cake and punch.; again, TCRM crew members are also invited to join the happy couple.

NRHS News

by Herb Roth

As usual the NRHS General Office is late in getting renewal material to me. I did not have by Dec 7. Costs have increased (what hasn't?). NRHS National dues are \$22. Additional family members are \$4 each. TCRM fee - which we call Chapter dues - is \$30, with family members \$5 each. I will mail renewal cards as soon as I receive them.

NEXT MEETING Willow St Building Thursday December 15, 2005 6:30 PM