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#### **Donations**

**Dr Art Cushman** - \$550 cash for Artrain April 2007 **Bill Strong -** \$1000 cash to Palm Beach campaign

#### 2007 Cumberland Div-TCRM Schedule

Jan 11 Thursday Night Meeting at TCRM Nashville TN

Feb 10 Valentines Day Murder Mystery Trip to Watertown

Mar 10 Mother Goose Fairyland Trip to Watertown

Mar 17 Spring 2007 Cumberland Division Meet at TCRM

Mar 31 Easter Bunny Trip I to Watertown

Apr 7 Easter Bunny Trip II to Watertown

Apr 14-15 Artrain Public Tours at TCRM

Apr 16-17 Artrain Educational Tours at TCRM

Apr 28 Mile-Long Yard Sale Trip to Watertown

May 4-6 Mid-South Live Steamers Spring 2007 Meet

May 5 TC Ry Rendezvous Trip to Cookeville

May 19 Train Robbery Trip to Watertown

### **Program Notes**

**Jan 11, 2007**- Car host safety certification training class by **Terry Bebout**. A make-up class will be scheduled for those who cannot attend this meeting.

Board of Directors meeting at TCRM prior to the 7 pm general membership meeting; all are welcome to attend.

### **Host Committee - January 11, 2007 Meeting**

John Coles	Will & Jean Crowthers	Mike Curtis
Jack Dill	Chris Dotye	Brian Ehni
Fred Enters	Keith Ericson	Don Gage
Jack Garner	Don Garrison*	Mike Gers
George Gilbert	WO Greene	Bill Griffith

<sup>\* =</sup> Host Committee Chair

#### **New Members**

Bob Fladung, Murfreesboro TN (Family) T R Frederick, Jasper GA Warren Goodwin, Franklin TN Anthony Don Hendricks, McMinnville TN John Neely, Nashville TN Tom Weatherman, Franklin TN

Please welcome our new members and make them feel at home at TCRM!

### TCRM Membership Renewals - 2007

By **Bob Hultman** 

It's now renewal time for your TCRM membership. Activity fee for 2007 will stay at \$30/individual or \$35 for family members of the same household. Please make your checks payable to TCRM and mail to TC Ry Museum Attn- Jenny Smith at 220 Willow St in Nashville TN 37210-2159. TCRM will acknowledge your renewal via E-mail or USPS.

#### **Full Diner Car Arrives at TCRM**

by Terry Bebout

TCRM has recently purchased Amtrak Diner 8519 to use for excursion train service. Work by Museum volunteers has begun to restore the car to service. The car was originally built by Budd in 1948 for the New York Central System as diner NYC 450. The car then became Penn Central 4550 and in the early days of Amtrak became 8330. It was revamped as a Phase III Amtrak Heritage diner in 1991 and became AMTK 8519. The 8519 was in a derailment on train 91 (Silver Star) in Hinesville GA on May 6, 2003. Amtrak never put the car back into service and it was stored at the Beech Grove shops until it was placed in an Amtrak sealed bid auction in late 2006. The car is complete and only has some damage to the exterior fluting done during the rerailing of the car. TCRM has acquired new fluting to replace the damaged sections.

Several members have requested photos of the newly purchased AMTRAK diner 8519. Please E-mail Bob Hultman at <a href="https://hultman@bellsouth.net">hultman@bellsouth.net</a> to arrange return E-mail of the photos. The photos are not included in the E-mailed version of this meeting notice because the file would be ~ 4 MB in size. Initial plans are to use the diner for regular seating for excursions and additional seating for sold out Thomas trains.

#### **NRHS Notes**

By Herb Roth

Happy New Year!! If you have not already done so please mail your 2007 Dues to me, **Herb Roth** at 8135 Devens Dr in Brentwood TN 37027-7130. Make sure you include the TWO Dues Statement cards with your check. Thanks

#### Sick Call

#### By Bob Hultman

John Lowe's wife recently suffered a serious stroke and has been hospitalized. Joe Butler has also suffered some serious medical difficulties including kidney problems. Allen Hicks was to have shoulder rotator cuff surgery on 3 Jan 2007. Doug Roberts' mother in Louisville KY also suffered a very serious medical condition but has miraculously had some improvement in her condition. Please keep all these TCRM members and their families in your thoughts and prayers.

## Sad News – Passing of James Jones' Mother

By **Bob Hultman** 

We just received word that **James Jones'** mother passed away in Chicago in 31 Dec 2006.

### **Hobby Shop News**

New in the shop – A whole bunch of Athearn HO RTR 50' ATSF ice bunker refrigerator cars – more than 10 new variations!

Stop in the shop and see what else is new and what's been added to the sale table!

Also, many thanks to **Pete Boehme, Eddie Justice** and **Mark Perry** who have been hard at work installing and bringing on line the hobby shop point-of-sale computer system. The computer is now connected to the TCRM local area network and Fast Eddie can now place Walthers orders on-line and can also check the Walthers backorder list. Our goal is to be able to scan the bar codes on hobby shop merchandise and generate a print-out sales ticket. Entering all the items in the hobby shop on the point-of-sale computer program also significantly reduces the work required to obtain a year-end hobby shop inventory.

#### **TCRM Excursion Train News**

#### By Bob Hultman

Our next excursion train is the Feb 10 Valentines Day Murder Mystery Trip to Watertown. This trip is a 9 am departure with return to Nashville around 3:20 pm. Notify **Bob Hultman** at 615-833-5158 or E-mail <a href="mailto:hultman@bellsouth.net">hultman@bellsouth.net</a> if you will to work this trip.

#### **Nashville Ntrak News**

#### By Jimmie Guthrie

We have another new member- his name is Warren Goodwin. Let's welcome him to the organization. We also are coming upon an end to our stay at the Adventure Science Center, if you have not seen the layout please come out and enjoy it. Mike and Mark Perry are coming a long way with the semi-permanent layout at the TCRM. Also David Broadway and Tom McEwen are on the "Geezer Gate" committee; if anyone has any ideas please contact them.