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2010 Cumberland Div-TCRM Schedule

- May 3-Sep 30 Nashville's Railroads Exhibit Metro Archives Nashville TN
- June 24 TCRM Thursday Night Meeting Nashville TN
- June 26 Operating Session 8:45 am to Noon LA&SL RR in Nolensville TN
- July 10 Murder Mystery Trip to Watertown Jazz Festival
- July 11-18 NMRA National Convention 75th Anniversary Milwaukee WI
- July 19 Operating Session 6:45 pm to 10 pm LA&SL RR in Nolensville TN
- July 24 Murder Mystery Trip to DelMonaco Winery Baxter TN
- July 31 1st Annual Madison Train Show at City Road Chapel Methodist Church Madison TN
- Sep 4-5, 11-12 Day Out With Thomas The Tank Engine The Celebration Tour 2010 at TCRM
- Oct 2 Fall Mile-Long Yard Sale Trip to Watertown
- Oct 9 Super Fall Foliage Trip to Monterey's Standing Stone Fall Festival
- Oct 16 Train Robbery Excursion Train Trip to Watertown
- Oct 23 Super Fall Foliage Trip I to Cookeville
- Oct 30 Super Fall Foliage Trip II to Cookeville

Host Committee Mike Snider **Glenn Ruppert*** John Sparks Tom Staggs Bill Stewart Tom Spiggle George Stringer George Stoudenmire Don Strong Robert Thurman Ernest Thompson Steve Tomblin Les Trainor Gene Turnage Tom Tyndall *-Host Committee Chairman

New Members

Keith & Tammy Carter Hermitage TN (Family)
Charles Harshaw Madison TN (Family)
Robert Lundregan McMinnville TN
Frank Neiswender & Carroll Young Nashville TN (Family)
Benjamin Perry Hendersonville TN
William & Kay Wiggins Monterey TN (Family)
Please welcome our new members as they get to know us and take part in our activities.

Program

June 24 program will be a DVD from the TCRM video library. Contact **Terry Bebout** 615-479-5758 <u>terry.bebout@earthlink.net</u> or **Bob Hultman** 615-833-5158 <u>hultman@bellsouth.net</u> if you will present a program at our Thursday Night Meetings.

Excursion Train News By Bob Hultman

We have had something of a break in our excursion train schedule, but that break will be interrupted by 2 trains in July- the July 10 murder mystery trip to Watertown's Jazz Festival and the July 24 murder mystery trip to Delmonaco Winery east of Baxter TN. The July 10 trip has a 4 pm departure while the winery trip departure is at high noon. We are always looking for TCRM members to help work these trips. If you want to work these trips, contact **Bob Hultman** at 615-833-5158 or cell 615-513-7187 or Email hultman@bellsouth.net Crew sign-up sheets will be available at the June 24 meeting.

Brush Creek Track Washout T-Shirts By Terry Bebout

'I survived the flooded track at Brush Creek' T-shirts should be available at TCRM at our June 24 Thursday night meeting for those that worked the excursion train on May 1.

Need Carhosts for RTA July 4th Train By Terry Bebout

Music City Star will again run to the July 4 fireworks in downtown Nashville again this year. The RTA has asked us again this year to help carhost this 7-car, 1,100 passenger train. In exchange for our help the RTA makes a generous contribution to the museum. The train will leave Lebanon at 4pm. If you would like to assist with this effort and have not already signed up please contact me ASAP, Cell 615-479-5758 e-mail terry.bebout@earthlink.net

TCRM News By Terry Bebout

Excursion train maintenance update: The lifeblood of our excursion train is our power car that supplies 480 volts of electricity the length of the train for lights, air conditioning and heat. We have been very fortunate in the past 20 years of opera-tions to have purchased used generator sets at a good price that have provided years of service with few failures. When we have had failures we have been lucky that we were either able to get up and running again or were close to the end of the trip and made it back without too many problems.

The current generator sets we have are now old and need to be replaced. We checked into rebuilding the generator sets; it is expensive and then you still have an old generator set that parts may be hard to come by in the future. We are going to purchase two Cummins generator sets to replace the one we have in the 514 power car. We will alternate their use on a trip and will always have a spare if one goes down for some reason. They are on order now and will take about 11-12 weeks to get here. We are going to add some additional safety circuits as well. These improvements will last for many years to come to keep our excursion train going. We will be spending around \$125,000.00 on this project.

We will keep our older power car for now that has the old Caterpillar generator set in it for back-up. Hopefully our Day Out With Thomas event revenues will pay a big chunk of this expense. I look forward to seeing each of you at the meeting and we can discuss this project further and answer any questions that anyone might have.

Day Out With Thomas 2010 is Coming By Terry Bebout

Our 9th consecutive year of hosting the Day out with Thomas The Tank Engine event is be on Sept 4 & 5 and Sept 11 & 12. Please pick up some flyers at the museum and pass them out where ever you can to boost our attendance this year.

Thanks to TCRM member **George Stringer** who is building us a mini golf course this year for the children to enjoy at the Day out with Thomas event.

Hobby Shop News By Bob Hultman

Hobby shop manager **Éddie Justice** has announced a 50% off list price sale on rolling stock & structures.

Reminder- if you've been notified your special order items are available at the shop you need to come in & pick the items up.

Sick Call – DeLoy Nelms By Terry Bebout

TCRM member **DeLoy Nelms** has been in the hospital recently with heart issues and is recovering at home. If you want to send a note or card to him, his home address is 711 Marswen Dr in Nashville TN 37216-1112.

Upcoming Conventions- Websites

NMRA National Convention- http://www.nmra75.org/

NRHS News By Herb Roth

History - On May 10, 1869 at Promontory Summit (not Point) a gold spike was used to mark the completion of the Transcontinental Railroad. The location is 32 miles west of Brigham City, Utah.

R.J.Corman has filed to purchase the NC Railroad's route between Oneida and Devonia, TN, a distance of 42 miles. The line is ex-Tennessee RR, and became part of the Southern Railway. (from Trains, July 2010)

Dedications and Anniversaries By Ralcon Wagner

Now that we are well into June and the great flood of 2010 is behind us, it seems like a good time to recognize some of the positive things that have occurred in our state this month, since in many cases, it has taken years for a couple of these projects to come to fruition.

On June 3rd, Discover Madison, Inc. held the Grand Opening and Ribbon Cutting of the historic Amqui Station and Visitors Center. Elected officials, civic and business leaders, and the Mayor of Amqui, Quebec, Canada, participated in a ribbon-cutting ceremony. On hand to cut the ribbon were Mayor Karl Dean, Congressman Jim Cooper and Joanne Cash Yates (sister of entertainer Johnny Cash). The ceremonies marked the culmination of more than seven years of planning and work to restore the historic L&N structure. For 69 years the combination tower and depot guarded the junction where the L&N main routes to St. Louis and Cincinnati diverged. In addition, the event recognized the centennial of the Amqui station, which opened for business this week in 1910. Several TCRM members were present at the festivities.

The Cowan Railroad Days festival was held in Cowan, TN during June 11-13. The three-day event featured special exhibits, demonstrations, food vendors, arts & crafts booths, entertainment, an antique car show and much more. The attraction was designed to bring attention to Cowan's unique railroad history. All proceeds will go toward sponsoring tourism in Cowan and generating additional funding for the 106-year old depot. First on the agenda for the ancient structure - getting a well-needed coat of new primer and paint, according to Mark Ledbetter, President of the Cowan Railroad Museum. Mr. Ledbetter assured this writer that this time the new colors will be authentic to the original NC&StL color scheme that graced the depot for decades. Cowan Railroad Days will be an annual event but may have be scheduled to another time of the year to avoid conflicting with other events. Terry Coats, W.O. Greene and other TCRM members were on hand for the event.

June 16th marked the fifth anniversary of the groundbreaking of the Music City Star station in Mt. Juliet, TN. Several dignitaries were on hand including Senator Joe Haynes, former Congressman Bob Clement, Terry Bebout, Gene Turnage and others.

Nashville's Railroads – Past, Present, Future By Bob Hultman

Metro Nashville Archives is sponsoring a free exhibit open to the public of photographs, maps, artifacts, memorabilia and working model railroad of Nashville's historic railroads Monday thru Friday, 9:30 am to 5:30 pm May 3 thru September 30. The exhibit is at 3801 Green Hills Village Dr in Nashville. There will be an Open House Saturday, June 19, 10 am to 3 pm, with a round Table Discussion starting at 11 am and going until 12:30 pm. Call 615-862-5880 for additional information.

HO Model RR Items For Sale

Leslie Anne Mathey- has a new-in-box, never-run Bachmann HO scale John Bull train set for sale. The set includes locomotive w/tender, 3 coach cars, oval to sectional track & power pack. She's asking \$75 for the set. E-mail <u>dweller.greyfort@gmail.com</u>

Mark Perry- 2 Athearn Genesis SD75M Santa Fe Cab style locomotives, ATHG 6135 and 6134 price on each is \$45 or 80 for the pair. These have been stripped and ready for painting.

21 Athearn Blue Box 57' Mechanical Reefers, stripped ready for painting, \$6.00 each or the lot for \$115. For the cars and locomotives, the total sale price is \$175 E-mail markperry46@comcast.net

Lee Yoder- A co-worker of mine contacted me wishing to sell his HO scale model RR collection. It is a modest collection. I am not an active model RRer, so don't know current values nor desirability of the items. If you know of anyone who might be interested if they will contact me I will email them an itemized list.

He desires to sell as a lot for \$200 E-mail lyoder@lighttube.net