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2014-15 Cumberland Div-TCRM Schedule

- Nov 1 Cumberland Div Fall Division Meet-Model Train Show
- Nov 8 Murder Mystery Excursion Train to Watertown **SOLD OUT**
- Nov 13 Thursday Night Meeting at TCRM Nashville TN
- Nov 14-16 Whistlestop Weekend at Adventure Science Center Nashville
- Nov 15 Excursion Train to DelMonaco Winery at Baxter **SOLD**OUT
- Nov 29 North Pole Express Excursion Train to Watertown
- Dec 6 2 North Pole Express Excursion Trains to Lebanon
- Dec 13 2 North Pole Express Excursion Trains to Lebanon
- Feb 14 Valentines Day Murder Mystery Excursion Train to Watertown
- Feb 21 Excursion Train to DelMonaco Winery at Baxter
- Mar 21 Excursion Train to DelMonaco Winery at Baxter
- Mar 28 Easter Bunny Trip I Excursion Train to Watertown
- Apr 4 Easter Bunny Trip I Excursion Train to Watertown
- Apr 11 Cumberland Div Fall Division Meet-Model Train Show & TC Ry Museum Open House
- Apr 18 Spring Mile-Long Yard Sale Excursion Train to Watertown

Host Committee – November 2014 Meeting

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Hugh Nichols	Marilyn-Tim O'Neal*	Billy Odom
Ken Oosting	Charles Owens	Rich Palmieri
Jim Perry	Fred Pfeiffer	Matthew Pitts
Steve Price	Joe Sapp	Russ Schneider
Wayne Sharpe	Ricky Smith	Gordon Smith

*- Host Committee Chair

November 2014 Program

For our November program writer Betsy Thorpe will discuss her new book, "The Day the Whistles Cried", the story of America's deadliest train wreck at Dutchman's Curve in July 1918. After her talk and Power Point presentation, Betsy will answer questions from the audience and will be available to sign copies of her book. It has been awhile since TCRM had an author speak about a train-related book they recently published so this will be a treat for us. The book is a very well-documented account of the horrific train collision that occurred in West Nashville 96 years ago that has only recently gotten the documentation it deserves.

Anyone wanting to present a program at our Thursday night meetings, please contact **Bob Hultman** cell 615-513-7187 E-mail hultman@bellsouth.net

Activity Fee for 2015 - Renewal

TCRM annual membership renewal is just around the corner. Please mail your activity fee renewals (the fee remains \$30 individual, \$35 for family members of the same household for 2015), made payable to TCRM to TC Ry Museum at 220 Willow St in Nashville TN 37210-2159 Attn – **Marilyn O'Neal**. If you

prefer to renew via credit-debit card, please call **Marilyn** at 615-244-9001 or stop by the Museum to do so in person. Also, be sure to include any updated roster information (name, family member names, mailing address, phone numbers and current E-mail addresses).

Excursion Train News

By Bob Hultman

Our next trip is our Watertown Murder Mystery Trip on Nov 8, departing TCRM at 9 am & returning around 3 pm. This trip is sold out, all 11 revenue cars will be in the consist. Safety meeting at 7 am. Then our next DelMonaco Winery trip is Nov 15, safety meeting at 6:30 am.

We are always looking for TCRM members to help work these trips. To do so, contact **Bob Hultman** at cell 615-513-7187 or E-mail hultman@bellsouth.net

HO Model RR News

By **Bob Hultman**

The HO modelers will be setting up the traveling HO modular RR at Adventure Science Center (ASC) Sunday Nov 9. Module loading at TCRM starts at 8:30 am and move-in at ASC as soon as we get there. The RR will stay at ASC until Sunday Nov 16 for ASC's Whistlestop Weekend event, Friday thru Sunday, Nov 14-16. The RR will be available to members during the week during ASC's public open hours. We will need to staff the RR & operate it for the ASC members-only event Thursday Nov 13. Many thanks to **Len Hollinger** for drawing up the RR configuration for this setup. Call **Bob Hultman** at cell 615-513-7187 or E-mail hultman@bellsouth.net for additional information.

Nashville NTrak News

By Jimmie Guthrie

The Nashville NTrak group will be setting up at the ASC on the 11th of Nov and will be operating thoughout the rest of Nov, Dec and part of Jan. We have a new module by **Russ Schneider**, a new module by **John Ellis**. We hope to exhibit these modules at the ASC. Charlie McCoy, the great harmonica player has some Japanese N Scale Locomotives that he wishes to loan the club. Also in the works is a possible layout at Montgomery Bell Park in January. **John Ellis** will be gathering the pertinent info for this.

Cumberland Division Meet Report By Bob Hultman

Our Fall 2014 Cumberland Division Meet & Model Train Show was held last Saturday Nov 1 at TCRM. Close to 200 people attended. Activities included the Company Store (staffed **Allen Hicks, Pete Hoadley & Steve Johnson**) dealer tables, the N scale & HO scale model RRs, food service by **Jerry Gray** & **James Jones** on 3119 dining car & the self-guided tour to the

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large HO Los Angeles & Salt Lake RR in Nolensville. I want to thank all who worked to make the Meet a success..... We'll do it all again next April 11.

Attention N-Scale Model Railroaders!! By Ed Minnich

Are you willing and able to give a child a happy day? Would you like to run your long train on a lot of track in a great environment? Have you learned everything about DCC set-up and operations? Do you want to hang out with a great bunch of model railroaders? Now's your opportunity! Each year Nashville N-Trak, the N-scale modular club of Tennessee Central Railway Museum, exhibits a large layout at the Adventure Science Center starting with Whistle Stop Weekend. The layout is operational every day except Christmas and New Year's from 10 AM until 5 PM beginning on November 14 through January 5, 2015. You are cordially invited to participate in the set-up and operations of our layout any time during this period. This is a great opportunity to learn more about Nashville N-Trak and its members with no obligation. Bring your DCC equipped locos, lots of rolling stock and Digitrax throttle (club will provide if you do not have one). If you do not have a DCC equipped loco, simply bring yourself. And most importantly, you can put a smile on a child's face! Please contact either Steve Wright at swrite@comcast.net (615.479.9942) or Ed Minnich at ebminn@gmail.com (615.261.8564) for further details and to schedule times and admission to ASC.

Sick Call – Bill Griffith Update By Harriet Griffith

Bill was discharged from the hospital Sat. afternoon (10/25). He spent 10 days in the hospital after his surgery to reverse the temporary ileostomy. He is doing fine, but might have a little complication. He (with a cane) and his physical therapist walked up and down our driveway a couple of times today, Oct 30--then he was tired.

Upcoming Conventions & Shows

Apr 11 Cumberland Division Spring 2015 Meet-Model Train Show & TC Ry Museum Open House at TCRM

June 5-6, 2015 SER Annual Convention Greenvile SC Aug 23-30, 2015 - NMRA Nat'l Convention Portland OR

Child's Caboose Playhouse For Sale By Jamy Lewis

I have frequently visited your Museum and train rides in the past years and have an item for sale that may interest one of your hobbyists and/or railroad enthusiasts. I made this for my son recently and he is uninterested so I am selling. I will not have a problem selling this but I was hoping to sell it to an individual who may appreciate the novelty of this and could have some fun with it. It can be seen on craigslist (Nashville location) under playhouse search.

Jamy Lewis 615-202-6822

