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2018 Cumberland Div-TCRM Schedule

- Apr 7 Cumberland Div Spring Meet & TCRM Open House Nashville TN
- Apr 14 Excursion Train Trip to DelMonaco Winery Baxter TN- **SOLD OUT**
- Apr 14 Train Collectors Assoc Music City Chapter Spring Meet at 1st Baptist Church in Donelson Nashville TN
- Apr 21 Spring Mile-Long Yard Sale Excursion Train Trip to Watertown TN
- May 5 Excursion Train Trip to DelMonaco Winery Baxter TN- **SOLD OUT**
- May 10 Thursday Night Meeting Fish Fry TCRM Nashville TN
- May 19 Train Robbery Excursion Train Trip to Watertown TN
- June 16 Muddy Roots Charter Excursion Train Trip to DelMonaco Winery Baxter TN
- July 7 Murder Mystery Excursion Train Trip to Watertown TN
- July 21 Charter Excursion Train Trip to DelMonaco Winery Baxter TN

No April 2018 Meeting – Fish Fry in May

We will not have a Thursday Night Meeting in April. Since there are 3 consecutive Saturday activities in April, our next Thursday Night Meeting will be the **Fish Fry** on May 10.

Anyone wanting to present a program at our Thursday night meetings, please contact **Bob Hultman** landline 615-833-5158 or cell 615-513-7187 or E-mail <u>hultman@bellsouth.net</u>

New TCRM Members

Demi Johnson Wartrace TN (Family) **Roman Kotylo** Nashville TN **Bill Lee** Knoxville TN

Chad, Logan, Lucas & Theresa Moore Nashville TN (Family) Please welcome our new members as they take part in our activities & events.

TCRM Hobby Shop News

By Bob Hultman

The Hobby Shop has a great staff willing to serve all your hobby needs. We could always use some more help to staff the shop. If you could volunteer 4 hours a month, we can use you. We will train you and you do not need expert knowledge in all areas of railroading. Contact **Fred Enters** at <u>entersf@charter.net</u> if you want to help.

Excursion Train Repairs

By Terry Bebout

TCRM needs your help with multiple repairs on our excursion train cars. **Mike Volle & Bill Howard** will be reviewing car report forms for repairs needed in the various cars. E-mail Bob Hultman at <u>hultman@bellsouth.net</u> & he will put you in touch with **Mike & Bill**.

Excursion Train News By Bob Hultman

Our 6th trip for 2018 is to DelMonaco Winery on Apr 14. Safety meeting on diner 3119 starts at 7 am, boarding at 8 am, departure at 8:30 am with return to Nashville around 5:30 pm.

Our 7th trip for 2018 is for the Spring Mile-Long Yard Sale in Watertown on Apr 21. Safety meeting on diner 3119 starts at 7 am, boarding at 8:30 am, departure at 9 am with return to Nashville around 3:45 pm.

We are always looking for TCRM members to help work these trips. To do so, contact **Bob Hultman** landline 615-833-5158 or cell 615-513-7187, E-mail <u>hultman@bellsouth.net</u>

Activity Fee for 2018 - Renewal

TCRM annual membership renewal is now due. Please mail your activity fee renewals (**\$35 individual, \$40 family membership**), made payable to TCRM to TC Ry Museum at 220 Willow St in Nashville TN 37210-2159 Attn – **Shakela Lawler**. TCRM admin office is open 9 am-4 pm Tuesday thru Friday, 9 am to 3 pm on Saturday. If you prefer to renew via credit or debit card, please call **Shakela** 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 & current E-mail addresses). Also be aware that the TC Hobby Shop will no longer take payments for new memberships or renewals.

As of Mar 25, there are 156 renewed & new TCRM members in **George Gilbert's** membership database. Over the next month, we will be further updating our rosters and E-mail lists. If you want to continue getting meeting-news notices, please renew promptly if you have not already done so.

Parking Crew Help Needed By Bob Hultman

The parking crew needs more folks to help with parking for our 2018 excursion trains. It only requires 2-3 hours per any Saturday that you can help. It's not glamorous but is a very important part of our excursion trips. If there's enough volunteers to help out they would only have to help 1 or 2 Saturdays a month. All help would be greatly appreciated. **Lawrence Lilly** is our parking crew manager. If you'll help out, contact **Lawrence** at 615-319-5646 or 615-641-2415 or E-mail <u>brucelilly1970@gmail.com</u>. Thanks ahead of time for the help.

TCRM Admin Staff – Temporary Change By Bob Hultman

TCRM's administrative staff, **Shakela Lawler**, will be gone for a couple months thru the end of April. In the meantime, **Nakeya Belser** will be TCRM's admin staff. **Nakeya** had worked as TCRM admin staff prior to **Shakela**, so **Nakeya** is familiar with TCRM operations.

More on the other side

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Very Sad News – Passing of Jim McMahon By Bob Hultman & Bill Stewart

Sending on the very sad news from Bill Stewart- long-time TCRM member & car host **Jim McMahon** passed away this morning (Mar 24). As we get more information on funeral arrangements, I'll sent it on promptly. Please keep Jim's sister Belinda & the rest of his family in your thoughts & prayers during this difficult time.

Jim's mailing address is 1413 Latimer Ln in Hendersonville TN 37075 if you wish to send cards or notes. Alexander Family Heritage Funeral Home in Gallatin, TN was in charge of arrangements. The funeral was Wednesday, March 28, 2018 at noon.

Sick Call Update – John Ellis By Bob Hultman & Estelle LeClaire

Sent on from **Estelle LeClaire** regarding John Ellis. John's home mailing address is 3048 Lobelville Hwy in Linden, TN 37096.

From **Estelle**, Mar 30- **John Ellis** is quite ill and has been fighting both diabetes and serious cancer. He has been in the hospital on and off and fighting to overcome all of this. So his membership, like everything else are a bit scrambled. He is not necessarily near death, but the roller coaster of care is exacerbating the ordeal as one set of medications affects the other treatments and their effectiveness. The doctors are having a hard time keeping him stable, and he needs his strength to enter the next level of cancer therapy.

Prayer is asked for John, and his family.

HO Model RR News

By Patrick Slota

I was able to get to the museum on Friday (Mar 30) for a good portion of the day and get a few Tortoise switch machines installed.

So here is my proposed schedule for April, May and June for work sessions and operations.

Tuesday April 10 and Tuesday April 17, work sessions from 6 pm to 9 pm. Tuesday April 24, operating session 6 pm to 9 pm

Tuesday May 8 6 pm to 9 pm and Sunday May 20, 1 pm to 4 pm work sessions and Tuesday May 29 6 pm to 9 pm operating session

Tuesday June 12 and Tuesday June 19, 6 pm to 9 pm work sessions and Tuesday June 26 6 pm to 9 pm operating session.

Times Are Changing By Ted Brown

We hope you've adjusted to the change to Daylight Saving Time if your region observes it! Railroad historians note that the standard time zones came about in 1883 because railroads had great difficulty with their scheduling and safety when so many towns observed their own local (sundial) time.

But did you know that when the Federal government sought to implement Daylight Saving Time in 1918, the American Railway Association strongly opposed it, saying that our railroads had 1,698,818 clocks and watches that would have to be changed twice a year, with risk of error and confusion? They finally agreed when they were asked what time of the day the least number of trains were in operation, and the change-over time was set at 2 AM. (From the TCA Spring 2018 Newsletter)

DOWT 2018 Color Flyers Now Available By Bob Hultman

Terry Bebout has advised that color flyers for our 2018 Day Out With Thomas The Tank Engine event are now available at TCRM. TCRM needs everyone's help in publicizing DOWT 2018 so we can do better than DOWT 2017. Please come by TCRM, pick up some of the flyers & start spreading the word. The link to TicketWeb for buying DOWT tickets is already active on TCRM's Website Home page.

Thank you in advance for all your help......

Upcoming Conventions & Shows

Apr 7, 2018- Cumberland Division SER-NMRA Spring Meet & TCRM Annual Open House at TCRM in Nashville TN 9 am to 3 pm



Directions: I-40 East to Briley Parkway North Exit, right on Lebanon Pike, East. The church is on the left past the 2nd traffic light. Drive around the back on the right side of the complex to the gym.

May 24-27, 2018- SouthEastern Region NMRA Convention in Lake Junaluska NC

www.ser-nmra.org/convention/ser-2018-convention-blue-ridge-rails

July 27-28, 2018- 9th Annual Madison Train Show at City Road Chapel UMC in Madison TN

Aug 5-12, 2018- NMRA National Convention in Kansas City MO http://www.kc2018.org/