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### 2018-2019 Cumberland Div-TCRM Schedule

- Oct 6 Mile-Long Yard Sale Excursion Train Trip to Watertown TN
- Oct 11 TCRM Thursday Night Meeting Nashville TN
- Oct 13 Super Fall Foliage Excursion Train Trip to Monterey TN- **SOLD OUT**
- Oct 20 Excursion Train Trip to DelMonaco Winery Baxter TN- **SOLD OUT**
- Oct 27 Super Fall Foliage Excursion Train Trip to Baxter Harvest Festival Baxter TN
- Nov 3 Cumberland Div Meet-Model Train Show at TCRM Nashville
- Nov 10 Muddy Roots Charter Excursion Train Trip to DelMonaco Winery Baxter TN
- Nov 24 North Pole Express Excursion Train Trip with Santa to Watertown TN
- Dec 1 2 North Pole Express Excursion Train Trips with Santa to Lebanon TN
- Dec 8 2 North Pole Express Excursion Train Trips with Santa to Lebanon TN

### 2019

July 7-13 NMRA National Convention in Salt Lake City UT

## **October Meeting Program**

Our October Thursday Night Meeting will be our Life After Thomas dinner. It will be fried catfish & fried chicken catered by Uncle Bud's. There will also be an initial report on results from DOWT 2018.

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 <a href="mailto:hultman@bellsouth.net">hultman@bellsouth.net</a>

### **New TCRM Members**

Charles Burdeshaw Nashville TN - RERAIL Aurora, Blake, Gracie & Lucius Crosslin Madison TN (Family)

Joshua Meiners Old Hickory TN Tanner Peterson Nashville TN Nigel Richardson Nashville TN

Please welcome our new members as they take part in our activities & events.

# Hobby Shop Needs Volunteers By Fred Enters

HELP WANTED to assist opening the TCRM Hobby Shop. It is easy and just 4 hours a month fills a need. All you have to do is learn the cash/credit card sales system. No inventory duties, just open the door, smile, assist customers, and close the shop. It is a good way to meet members and interact with the many visitors to our Museum and city. If interested, please contact **Fred Enters**, entersf@charter.net Thanks

## **Day Out With Thomas 2018 News**

#### By **Bob Hultman**

TCRM hosted Day Out With Thomas The Tank Engine on Sep 1-2 & Sep 8-9 this year, our 17<sup>th</sup> consecutive year for DOWT. Weather was tolerable for the 1<sup>st</sup> 3 days, but rain came on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday.

Tickets sold this year were less than last year; combine that with last year's ticket sales being less than the year before, TCRM has informed Mattel (owner of Thomas & Friends in USA) that TCRM will not host DOWT in 2019.

TCRM has had a good run with DOWT, netting very significant revenue over the years that permitted us to accomplish a lot of things we otherwise would not have accomplished. Many, many thanks to all the dedicated volunteers who worked to make the DOWT events a success!

## **Excursion Train News**

### By **Bob Hultman**

Our 15<sup>th</sup> trip for 2018 is our Fall Mile-Long Yard Sale Trip to Watertown on Saturday Oct 6. Safety meeting on diner 3119 starts at **7:30 am**, boarding at 8:30 am, departure at 9 am with return to Nashville around 3:30 pm.

There are 3 more trips in October as shown in the schedule on this page. Crew sign-up sheets will be available at the meetingdinner on Oct 11.

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 hultman@bellsouth.net

## TCRM Booth at Wilson Co Fair

By **Bob Hultman** 

TCRM member volunteers staffed a booth at the Wilson Co Fair Aug 17 thru Aug 25. The booth was in the Train Museum inside The Fiddlers Grove Village. Many, many thanks to all the volunteers who staffed the booth during the Fair's 9-day run.

## Volunteers Wanted – Baxter Christmas Parade

By Terry Bebout

They are wanting some train volunteers in conductor uniforms to be in their parade on Nov 30 at 7 pm. Notify Terry Bebout 615-479-5758 or <a href="mailto:tbebout@nerr.com">tbebout@nerr.com</a> if you will volunteer.

### Nashville NTrak News

By **Jimmie Guthrie** 

Nashville NTrak conducted a model railroad layout at the Hermitage Public Library 28th and 29th of September. This was the first time we had used this facility and hope for later shows there. We had a layout that was 20 feet by 26 feet and ran with little trouble. We had 350 visitors to our show which we can consider the show successful.

More on the other side

Our next venue will probably be Louisville with Montgomery Bell shortly afterward.

# Sick Call – Patty Owens Update By Charles Owens

After not being home since April 22nd my wife **Patty** will come home on Tuesday October 4th. She has been in Vanderbilt Hospital four(4) times and Skyline Hospital three (3) times plus being at Creekside in Madison for physical rehab. All of this can be attributed to the disease she has. It's called amyloidious. We nearly lost her two times but she is doing much better now. Still a ways to go before she will nearly be back to her original self. No cure for the disease but will be on maintenance chemo for probably many years. **Editor's note**- If you want to send a card or note to **Charles & Patty**, their home mailing address is 1313 Cheyenne Blvd in Madison TN 37115.

### Sad News – Passing of John Lowe By Bob Hultman

Back on Aug 1<sup>st</sup> I learned from Quincy Styke III that longtime TCRM member (member #119) **John Lowe** had passed away on Mar 4, 2018. Quincy learned of John's passing thru his UT alumni magazine. His name has been added to the TCRM Members' Memorial Plaque.

## Sad News – Passing of Larry McClure By Bob Hultman

Back on Sep 21<sup>st</sup> I learned from **Larry McClure's** wife Lois that he had passed away on Aug 14, 2018. Larry was a long-time TCRM member (member #71). However, he was never able to participate much because both he & his wife were pharmacists for Walgreen's drug stores & did get much time off. If you would like to send a card or note to the family, Larry's mailing address was 109 N Scarbrough Ct in Gallatin TN 37066 His name will be added to the TCRM Members' Memorial Plaque.

# HO Model RR News – Part I By Bob Hultman

For the 1<sup>st</sup> time in many years, the HO modular RR did not go to the TN State Fair this year. We just did not have enough folks to do the work necessary to get the RR to the Fair, set it up, staff the RR, then take it down & move back to TCRM, all the while that DOWT was going on. Hopefully we can rejoin the State Fair next year.

During DOWT the Adventure Science Center notified us that they would not be having the Whistlestop Weekend event this year. Instead they will have their own in-house RRs set up from mid-November thru early January 2019.

# HO Model RR News – Part II By Patrick Slota

If you remember in previous newsletters from last year, we have made a decision to keep the HO Model RR (CVMR) located in the museum building as a "permanent" layout and will no longer take it to venues for exhibition. There is another 24' yard setup as well as enough other modules to take on the road should we do so. Also, I am working on a 12' X 10' switching railroad model that we can take to shows, etc., and actually give people (read young people) a controller (read iPhone) and let them switch some cars to get them involved in operating a model

railroad. Also, I would like to see us do some clinics, maybe about an hour long, to give people (young again) a chance to do something hands on with experienced modelers leading them. On that note, if you have a clinic that is put together, I would like to hear about it. The more ready made, the better.

The CVMR crew (HO Model Railroad) has decided to start meeting every Tuesday at 6 pm (formally) until around 9 pm. Right now there is a small group of us but anyone interested in HO modeling and operations is welcome to join us. Now that the weather has cooled somewhat the building is no longer sweltering inside! There are plenty of things to do to make the CVMR a great looking and interesting operating model RR.

Our plan is to work on the CVMR every Tuesday night except for the last Tuesday of the month, which is set aside for operations.

With regard to the CVMR as an operating railroad, once an operating session has stopped all cars/ engines have to remain in their ending position until the next session which will resume from those positions. We will clear the mainline for museum staff to run trains for visitors. However, the CVMR is not to be run by anyone else at any time. Thank you for your cooperation with this.

If you wish to join us on Tuesdays please contact me and let me know of your interest or if you have any questions please reach out. My email is <a href="mailto:patrick@RockstarRealtorNashville.com">patrick@RockstarRealtorNashville.com</a>

## **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 Aug 8, there are 177 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.

## **Upcoming Conventions & Shows**

Nov 3, 2018- Cumberland Div Fall 2018 Division Meet & Modle Train Show at TCRM Nashville TN

July 7-13, 2019- NMRA National Convention in Salt Lake City UT http://www.nmra2019slc.org/