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**HUGE THANKS TO ALL OUR
VOLUNTEERS WHO PARTICIPATED
AT FIDDLERS GROVE TRAIN
MUSEUM FOR THE 2022 FAIR**
8,244 VISITORS at the GROVE MUSEUM
Submitted by Randal Brooks, BoD Member # 10



Record breaking attendance this year at the fair made for a busy busy fair week for all our volunteers.

This year's Tennessee State Fair/Wilson County Fair was a huge success for us promoting TCRM. The total fair attendance was up from 221,000 from last

year, 2021, to almost 800,000 in 2022. At the Train Museum in Fiddlers Grove we had a total of 8,244 guests pass by our booth during the 10 day run.

Many thanks to those volunteers who gave up their time to promote TCRM, especially to those who worked multiple shifts! **Dave Anderson, Randal Brooks, Alex Clark, Bill daGator, Ron and Valarie Fleitz, Carol Grandstaff, Allen Hicks, Gary Miller, Ross Musgrave, Larry Norton, Gary Sagaser, Susan Thomas, Margaret Ann Trail, and Gary Willoughby.**

Several of the trips sold out during this week. Past members of TCRM came by as guests, and many who had taken our excursions before. We passed out stacks of flyers for the November 5 Open House. We can expect to see an increase in bookings, an increase in attendance at the November Open House, and some new members and car hosts. One of our new car hosts who has already worked an excursion is **Joe Novak**. He met **Margaret Ann Trail** who was volunteering at Fiddlers Grove. She described some of the activities available to members, and Joe signed up. That's how we keep our membership growing, vibrant, and dynamic, with new faces, fresh ideas and a passion for RR history and preservation. And Oh, by the way, liking to converse with our passengers, sharing the stories, and having a passion for RR history helps too!

Thanks again to all our volunteers and especially to the Fiddlers Grove Train Museum folks - They were such gracious hosts.

Member Opportunity to VOLUNTEER

At the TCRM Open House Sat. Nov. 5

Mark your calendars, and plan to participate with a table or volunteer. We will need car hosts for tours of the cars, to cook and serve in the diner, to host in the Caboose, to greet our visitors, docent the artifact room, set up and run the company store. And of course, to set up and take down the dealer tables the day before. Contact Randal at randalbrooks@yahoo.com or cell 615-477-2039 to find out where you would best fit.

TCRM Fall 2022 Museum Model Train Show & Open House

Admission – FREE!

When: 9 am to 3 pm Saturday, November 5, 2022

Location: TC Ry Museum at 220 Willow St Nashville TN

For more information, E-mail randalbrooks@yahoo.com

Dealer tables: E-mail cando3300@bellsouth.net

or call 615-519-0129 for information about future shows and dealer table availability.

Our Fair volunteers passed out our flyer and described all our interesting activities at the WilCo/State Fair, and of course, the "Free Admission" drew a lot of interest. More info on page 9. The final page of this Order Board is a flyer that you can print and pass out to friends, post at work, in local libraries etc.

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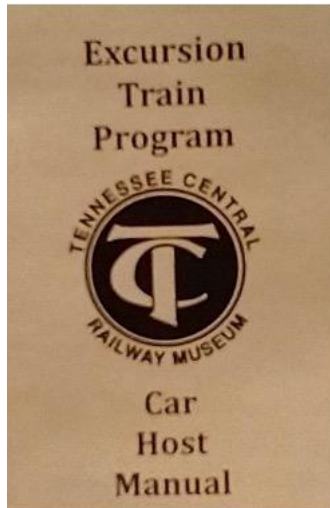
Upcoming 2022 TCRM Excursions*

Ted Brown has already taken over responsibility for the crew calls from **Bob**. To mark up for future trips E-mail **Ted** at ted4714@aol.com or call his cell # 570-956-8810.

- Sep 24 Watertown - Train Robbery
- Oct 8 Watertown - Fall Yard Sale/Christmas Market
- Oct 9 Charter with EverClear Enterprises**
- Oct 15 Watertown - Wine Tasting Excursion
- Oct 22 Oktoberfest 4½ hour 90 mile round trip
- Oct 29 RT Fall Foliage Excursion. 100+ mile 5½ hours

*Dates and destinations subject to change

** newly added to the calendar



Excursion Train Car Host Procedures Training Corner By Ted Brown

We all know that one of the key tasks for a car host is to make sure the windows are clean. Particularly when it is a ride with small children. But big kids sometimes really smear a window pretty good.

However, how often do you remember to check the end door windows or rest room mirrors?



It only takes a moment more to make sure all smudges and finger prints are washed off the mirrors before boarding. The same goes for the door windows. However there might be a bit more dirt and work. Often the outer surface on the windows are fairly dirty from the day to day environmentals. Another issue with door windows can be scratches. But if we make things as good looking as possible we'll all be better off. Appearance matters!

TCRM Vintage Car Maintenance Team

Ken Fagan is down at TCRM one or two mornings most weeks. He would welcome assistance from other TCRM members. If you would like the opportunity to learn maintenance skills on vintage rail cars contact **Ken** at 2kenfagan@gmail.com

Repaired Excursion Train Maintenance Issues from August 16 to September 19, 2022 Submitted by Steve Tomblin, Recording Secretary TCRM BoD Member # 377

Car hosts: It is so important to report any issues you notice in the vintage cars. Catching an issue early and protect our history.

3113 – Wall covering in hallway loose. Repaired.

4719 – Seats 13/14 armrest loose. Repaired.

4719 – Seats 15/16 footrest will not go down. Repaired.

4719 – Seat 4 armrest loose. Repaired.

4733 – Woman's lounge bathroom door not staying closed when unlocked. Repaired.

4733 – Seat 28 footrest broken. Repaired.

9400 – Women's room light out. Repaired

If you would like to help volunteer on the maintenance team, to help close our open work orders, and more that are opened every week from car host after trip status reports, please reach out to **Ken Fagan** 2kenfagan@gmail.com

TCRM Hobby Shop

By Hank Sweetman, TCRM Member # 247

New at the Hobby Shop this month are some newly donated items. PFE reefers and IC coal hoppers in HO scale have been added to our stock. The coal hoppers come with loads, either coal or gravel.



N scale track sections have been added to our normally stocked selection of N scale turnouts.



The L&N freight car kits that we have received from Accurail are still in stock.

We still have a good supply of the Tennessee Central hoppers and box car kits from Accurail. We also have some additional decals for both kits to allow you to create new road numbers for your layout.

Stop in and check out these new items as well as our stock of all your modelling needs.

We continue to need volunteers to staff the Hobby Shop. Our goal would be to only need a person to work every 6 weeks or so. The system we use is not difficult, and training is provided. This is a great way to meet fellow enthusiasts and learn more about the hobby. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Hobby Shop manager **Hank Sweetman** at hanksweetman@gmail.com or by phone at 615-406-6917.

If there are items that you would like to have the Hobby Shop stock, please let us know. As always, we are ready to special order items for you.

TCRM Member Spotlight

Submitted by Gary Willoughby

Edited By Susan Thomas, Order Board Editor

Name: Gary Hearn Willoughby

Membership #: 970

TCRM OB: When did you join the Organization?

GHW: I am the son of an L & N ticket agent, grandson of a Railroad Post Office agent. I've been with the TCRM since the mid 90's, member # 970.

TCRM OB: What was your primary interest or reason for joining?



GHW: While knowing about the rail line out of Nashville by way of the Broadway Dinner Train, I only found out about the museum later on. My dad was a ticket agent in Paris, TN in the late 50's and early 60's, so I had an early pass to the local rail yard and depot. (My first cab ride was in the yard switcher, an EMD switcher; I remember all the glass windows! Couldn't have been much more than 5 or 6.)

My dad had been moving around the West Tn. region for several years, working for the bus lines in Kentucky, Missouri, and Memphis, but he and mom had finally settled in Paris, and after I was born, they stayed put. For me, though, the traveling bone was embedded and in the DNA.

Watching the taillights of the Pan American recede, or even the caboose of leaving freights, left me with an empty feeling of needing to know what lay over that horizon.

I stayed put too, however, finished high school and a few years in UT Martin and Knoxville, but got out on the road, driving for dad's business on regional and local runs, and eventually doing long haul trucking with a friend and then a local cabinet factory. Railroading was always my passion, but I had learned just how much freedom train crews had (close to zilch) so trucking was my way to go.

TCRM OB: Do you have a home layout and what inspired you to build it?

GHW: From early on, there was always some form of railroad in my life, be it a Marx tinplate oval or real life rail yard and locos. Two of my childhood friends had their dad's layout in the basement, and my first big attempt was in our attic on the 4 x 8 sheet of plywood that later expanded to include the entire space. It wasn't a big house, but it was going to be a Big layout!

Later on, when long haul trucking work became somewhat normal with time off between runs, I did manage to create a 5 x 13 HO layout in an upstairs bedroom of our cape cod, and this was a great learning curve, mostly on how not to build a layout! Working on other layouts was also instructional, and I kept mental notes on what was and was not desirable.

When we finally sold our home of 29 years and found a slightly larger house closer to town, we now have the proper room for our hobbies. A well lit room for my wife's genealogy office, a separate garage for my cabinet shop and Studebaker, and an unfinished attic over the two car garage.

The layout I created in this room is the culmination of all I have learned.

I model the NC & St.L from Chattanooga to Bridgeport, Tn. in the transition era, with a second main to represent the Southern RR., which shared trackage rights, and allows much expanded operations. I have about 100 lineal feet of main line, including staging yards and reverse loops.

(Editors Note – we will have an expanded feature on Gary's layout in a future Order Board)

TCRM OB: How has your interest or participation changed over the years?

GHW: My interest in all things related to railroading has always been a mainstay, and involvement with the TCRM is a natural extension. How could any railhead resist working with a real life streamliner? Not to mention a first rate model HO and N scale operation, free for the offering? (O.K., 35 bucks a year. Big deal) And the 576 project? It doesn't get any bigger than that.

There is no one thing that stands out in my experience with the museum. It has appeal on so many levels....the history, equipment, the train set alone has so much appeal. So many of our riders have shown such enjoyment at just riding for a day... It really gives meaning to my personal love of the rails....that others can share this enjoyment.

TCRM OB: What area of volunteering or activity do you participate in?

GHW: Helping out in the Hobby Shop

TCRM OB: Do you think that you will still be a member in 5 years?

GHW: I cannot see any loss of enthusiasm for the museum. There are always things that can be improved or updated; that is just natural evolution that any savvy museum accepts and adopts. For now, I intend to continue working in the Hobby shop, and to present my '56 Golden Hawk as part of the experience of being at our museum and riding our streamliner.



Car hosting has to be balanced with parking duties; working on the HO layout is fun but challenging when I live 2½ hours away. I have been retired from the road for several years, and still don't seem to find all the time I want to dedicate to certain projects, but the TCRM is still big on my entertainment list.

We spotlight long-term members, the foundation of our Museum, and our new members who bring fresh energy, passion and ideas to the group. We look forward to your participation.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



We need more volunteers to work excursions in the diners at the counter with our expanding menus that have been quite successful.

Contact Terry Bebout to sign up.
Terry.Bebout@rjcorman.com

TCRM Volunteer Recognition

Compiled by Susan Thomas, Order Board Editor

TCRM leadership thanks and recognizes our dedicated volunteers, members and friends who participated in many activities in August and September. Volunteers made our September excursion possible. Also, members who keep the Hobby Shop running, and organizing the shelves and cabinets of the Library, staffing the office on Saturdays, rolling stock and grounds maintenance, and setting up maintaining and running our model train layouts.

Parking, Passenger Greet, and Station Master Check In:
Randal Brooks, Lawrence Lilly, Gary Miller, Dave Anderson, Bill daGator, Leenie Newton and Susan Thomas

Car Hosting:
Robert Bartley, Ted Brown, Alex Clark, Joyce Chapman, Scott Frick, Steve Gibson, Dina Glardon (Trng), Bill Howard, Hugh Lowe, Don Marlin, Joe Novak (Trng), Margaret Ann Trail,

Food Service:
Terry Bebout, Thomas Jones, Steve Tomblin, Randal Brooks, Gary Miller, Brenton Jones, Doug Uhler

Concessions:
Peggy Bebout

Train Crew:
Tim Bebout, Bob Donovan, Eric Henry, Brent Thompson, Lee Ware, Rick White

Maintenance:
Randal Brooks, Ken Fagan, Brenton Jones, Steve Tomblin

Library:
Carter Newton, Allene "Leenie" Newton

TC Hobby Shop;
Ed Davies, Ron Fleitz, Mark Henry, Hank Sweetman, Gary Willoughby

HO Layout for Excursions:
Robert Blanchard

N Scale Layout for Excursions:
Steve Ders, Alex Robinson, Steve Wright

TN State Fair/Wilson County Fair:
Dave Anderson, Randal Brooks, Alex Clark, Bill daGator, Ron and Valarie Fleitz, Carol Grandstaff, Allen Hicks, Gary Miller, Ross Musgrave, Larry Norton, Gary Sagaser, Susan Thomas, Margaret Ann Trail, and Gary Willoughby.

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Apologies if we have left someone off the list, we have tried to include everyone from the crew call sheets and other activities. If you volunteered, and are not included, please let the editor know.

September 3, 2022 Brews and Blues Excerpts from Passenger Comment Sheets

Car 3113 – No surveys

Car 3119 – **Margaret Ann Trail** – Very Enjoyable trip – volunteers are great!

Car 4711 – **Margaret Ann Trail** – Margaret Ann was friendly and made the trip very pleasant.

Car 4717 – **Scott Frick and Joe Novak** – Wonderfully helpful and friendly staff – Had a wonderful time

Car 4719 – **Robert Bartley** – Our car host was very friendly, and Robert was the real MVP, the chuck Norris of the car. All of the volunteers were delightful, but if I could request Robert's car for the future, I would.

Car 4733 – **Hugh Lowe** – Loved the ride, Hugh's stories and meeting new friends. Hugh is personable and interacted with ALL guests. He was full of information.

Car 4739 – **Scott Frick and Joe Novak** Scott was super nice

Car 7602 – **Ted Brown** Ted is funny and a good conversationalist

Car 7628 – **Joyce Chapman** – Joyce was amazing!

Car 9400 – **Don Marlin and Dina Glordon**– The Staff were knowledgeable about the history of this car and about the railway in general.

And A Little HumorWhat, if anything, did you least enjoy about the trip? My drunk friends!

**Help Support Reopening the Museum
on Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays
You can help make it successful!
We need our dedicated volunteers to
commit to a schedule of 3 hours or 6 hours,
(9 am – 3pm) once a month
now that is doable for anyone!
Training provided.**

Let's further promote and reopen the museum on Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays. In order to do this, we need dedicated volunteers that will commit to a schedule of once a month, welcome visitors and give tours. We want to give everyone the opportunity to participate and volunteer. The HO railroad is being refurbished as well as the N scale. The museum artifacts room has been re organized.

Ideally, if we had 2 volunteers for each day, one to work 9.30 – 12.30 pm and one to work 11.30 – 2.30 pm, that's 3 hours per volunteer, or 1 person for 6 hours, then it is not a burden on any one person.

If you would like to help on a Thursday, Friday or Saturday, once or twice month, please respond or call or text board member **Randal Brooks** at 615- 477-2039 or email randalbrooks@yahoo.com. Or email **Terry Bebout**.

Operating Crew Update Submitted by Tim Bebout B of D Member # 1042 Congratulations to Bob Donovan On completion of Brakeman training



Bob Donovan has completed his training a brakeman. Congratulations to him for this!!!!

Bob has become a wonderful addition to our operating crew and maintenance team.

Bob has completed many hours of in service training and had to complete the railroad operating rules test.

He is integral in assisting with brake work, battery maintenance and many other maintenance tasks.



Bob Donovan taking a quick break while working on the brake project featured in last months Order Board.

The reality of joining the Operating Crew – it can be hot or cold dirty greasy work!

Aleks Dmitriev is also in training to qualify as a Brakeman. He also got hot, sweaty, and covered in dirt and grease. But very satisfying work.



SO YOU WANT TO JOIN THE OPERATING CREW?

Here's How

Submitted by **Tim Bebout, B of D Member # 1042**

Crew members start as car hosts. This allows a prospective crew member to understand the internal operation of the train set, learn the railroad and stations, get to know the responsibilities of each position in the crew and they coordinate to safely operate a passenger service train.

The train chief, the car hosts, the electrical tech and food service is critical to every trip. It takes time to understand how this all works together and the role each position performs on the train.



Crew member trainees must be at least 18 years old and possess a high level of understanding of mechanical and operating processes.

We follow the Federal Railway Administration (FRA) Code of Regulations pertaining to training.

Additional railroad specific training is also followed.

Crew member trainees are expected to assist with the maintenance of the train set on Tuesday evenings and Saturdays.

Crew member trainees must be physically fit and able to pass a Department of Transportation (DOT) physical.

Crew member trainees will be required to pass a series of exams including operations, signals, TSA, brake inspections and brake operations.

Crew member trainees will then start training as a brakeman when the assessment is approved and proper testing completed. The training is very involved and the individual is paired with a trainer at all times.

Train service positions are expected to be heavily involved in multiple ways within the entire museum.

The train service positions are the face of TCRM to the RJ Corman Railroad. All rules and regulations must be followed 100% of the time. No exceptions.

Again Congratulations to **Bob Donovan** for completing his training as a Brakeman.

Riding the Rails - Railroad Excursions Member Stories

Riding the Williams to Grand Canyon RR Submitted by Bryan Turner Member # 69



Passengers waiting to board the train in Williams

On the day I rode (mid April) we drove through snow on the way to Williams, AZ. During the days at various times there was snow, sleet, rain, bright sunlight and even a thunderstorm in the distance.

The line gains a lot of altitude from Williams to the canyon. Outside of Williams the terrain has a sparse desert appearance with mesas visible in the distance. As the altitude rises greenery appears, and there are large trees in the vicinity of the canyon.



Not all locals enjoy the RR



The interior of a heavily modified Amtrak snack car (sister to TC's 3113 and 3119)

The Grand Canyon Railroad started as a Santa Fe branch, opened in 1901, built to take passengers from the Santa Fe main in Williams, Arizona to the south rim of the Grand Canyon.



Many of the basic coaches were originally Budd Rail Diesel Cars, with flip-over commuter seats

In addition to building the railroad and Grand Canyon Depot the Santa Fe also built the El Tovar Hotel just yards from the canyon. In the early decades the line was very busy, but with the arrival of the auto and better roads (Route 66 came through Williams) the passenger business declined.



Passenger service on the branch ended in 1968 (and only a handful of people rode that last train). There was some freight business then on the line, but that ended in the mid Seventies.

Not all of the accommodations are coach seating

Several companies tried to return the line to operation, but excursions didn't return until 1989.



Alco on display by Grand Canyon Depot near the south rim

At one time passenger trains were pulled by an Alco cab unit and steam locomotives were used regularly, but now the steam operations are infrequent and diesel power is provided by F40 locomotives bought from Amtrak and New Jersey Transit.



A pair of the cowl units wait at the head of the train at Grand Canyon Depot



Grand Canyon Depot, where there had been snow earlier. All photos by Bryan Turner

Memories of Working on the Railroads in Russia – Story and Pictures

By Aleks Dmitriev, TCRM Member # 1403

What I liked best about my job.

Today I will tell a couple of examples of situation about what I most liked in my job.

When I worked as the station operator of Zavodskaya station, during each shift there was a train meeting at my station. Usually, one of the trains stopped at one of the station tracks, and another train passed through the station on another track. On the single track line, one train had to stop at the station. But on this day two freight trains were approaching my station from different directions. One of these trains was 71 cars long, the other freight train was maybe one third shorter. I prepared the routes for each train: the long train to track #2, the short one to track #3. I called each one of the engineers of these trains on the radio and told them that I am accepting them to the station with stop and the departure signal on red.

Of course, I warned everyone at the station about the arrival of these trains over the loudspeaker.

And when both trains at the same time were entering my station, I was on the platform to meet the locomotives of the trains. After the heads of both train passed by me with 3 short whistles (this signal means that the train will stop at the station) I ran back to

my office and looked at the console. After the last car of the short train left the switches, I turned the switches to make the departure route of the long train and turned on the green light on the signal. A couple of seconds after I saw through the window how the train that was moving slowly along track #2 jerked and then began to pick up speed. And very soon its last car left the switches at the other end of the station. I then turned the switches to prepare the departure for the short freight train and turned on the permissive aspect on the departure signal. The short train was still moving along track # 3, albeit slowly, but it was moving. And after a few seconds, the second train started to move faster. I went out from the office and checked the tails of the both trains. I was glad – it was good job.

Why it is so important? Because an especially heavy train starting from full stop at 0 mph, it expends rather more energy (diesel or electric) than if the same train was moving at least 1 mph.

Before I tell the next episode let me explain something from my education history.

In 2012 and 2013 I studied in the Railway University and the vocational school at the same time – it was hard time for me. Close to the graduation of the courses of assistant of locomotive engineer for AC electric engine, I had 3 months practice in the trains. I worked with one train crew (engineer and assistant) on the locomotive VL-80S which pulled the freight trains from the big sorting station Agryz to Izhevsk and back. I worked with two men older than me, and they had same first name Valera. We worked good together, and I learned a lot from them.

After graduation we didn't meet again for almost 2 years when I started work as the station master of the Uski station.

At one night when I worked hard (please read one of my previous stories) there was crew change on the freight train and this train crew that I worked with came to my office to check in. We were happy to see each other.



The freight train Izhevsk – Agryz on the Track #2 of the station Uski. The locomotive is the VL-80S

One day I was working in my station master's office, and the station was under control of the train dispatcher. I came to the station operator office (at that moment there was no one at the

control console) to take and check some documents. As usual, I looked at the control console and saw the route for the train from Agryz was to the stop at track #1. I checked the computer and saw that this route was for the train that I worked with crew of two Valeras. I saw that there was enough time for this train to make it to the next station to meet with a passenger commuter train, but the train dispatcher didn't want to take any chances. I took the radio and called the engineer of the freight train and asked if they would make it to the next station by that time. He replied: "open it - we will be in time".



The freight train with the two Valeras crew on the track near the Uski station.

I called the dispatcher and assured her that they would make it. And I saw how the green light for this train lit up on the control console. A few minutes later, I stood on the platform with my hand raised and greeted a freight train passing at top speed. Valera also greeted me with a long beep. I was sure that they would arrive on time and at the terminal station Izhevsk they would have enough time to have lunch without haste. Similar situation was pretty often. I loved in my work when trains go

Operation Lifesaver By Jill McClintock, Executive Director, TN



2022 Rail Safety Week:

Governor Lee has proclaimed September 19- 23 as Rail Safety Week in Tennessee! The best way you can help is to repost on social media the safety messages Operation Lifesaver posts on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and LinkedIn. Each day will have a theme so every day will bring a new message to share on your sites. As always, we are accepting applications for new Volunteers to help save lives in Tennessee. You can complete an

application on our website www.oli.org under the tab "Become a Volunteer." Everyone is welcome to come aboard and make a difference!!

Test your rail safety and rail history knowledge. **See if you can get correct answers to all 16 questions!** Come back each month for a new challenge; new games release the first Tuesday of each month throughout 2022.

<https://oli.org/tuesday-train-track-trivia-september>

TCRM Fall 2022 Museum Model Train Show & Open House

Admission – FREE!

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Location: TC Ry Museum at 220 Willow St
Nashville TN



What there is to do:

- Tour Restored Passenger Train Cars
- Dealer Tables
- Operating N & HO Digitrax DCC Model Railroads
- Tour a Restored Caboose
- Company Store
- Tour the NC&StL Ry #576 Steam Loco Restoration
- Tour a Diesel Locomotive Cab
- Food Service on 8510 Dining Car

A great family event for everyone!

For more information, E-mail randalbrooks@yahoo.com

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Our Fair volunteers passed out our flyer and described all the interesting activities at the WilCo/State Fair, and of course, the "Free Admission" drew a lot of interest.

Monthly Thursday Meetings On Hold

First it was the pandemic, and then the damage from the storm in March 2021. Monthly member meetings will resume in 2023.

TCRM Limited Reopening

Randal Brooks continues to be at TCRM most Saturdays from 9 to 3 pm Central Time. The Museum room & meeting room will be closed to visitors until the meeting room is completed. The Hobby Shop is open most Saturdays from 10 – 2pm, The Library is open most Saturdays from 10 – 1pm

TCRM Passenger Car Tours

Tours of the passenger cars are conducted on Saturdays when the train is at the station. The building continues to be open on Saturdays. On any other days tours of the property can be arranged by contacting **Randal Brooks** at randalbrooks@yahoo.com or by calling cell 615-477-2039. Tours are free but donations are welcomed.

Alex's Quiz Question

A little mystery for readers: what do the letters VL mean in the name and number of the locomotive?

Answer: Vladimir Lenin

2022 TCRM Excursion Calendar*

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Oct 22 Oktoberfest 4½ hour 90 mile round trip
Oct 29 RT Fall Foliage Excursion. 100+ mile 5½ hrs
Nov 19 North Pole Express AM & PM 2½ hrs
Nov 26 Lebanon - North Pole Express
Dec 3 North Pole Express 2½ hour rides RT AM & PM
Dec 10 North Pole Express 2½ hour rides RT AM & PM
Dec 17 North Pole Express 2½ hour rides RT AM & PM
*Trip dates, destinations, events and equipment subject to change.
** Newly added

2023 TCRM Excursion Calendar*

Feb 11 Valenshines Excursion – 3 hour ride
Feb 18 Watertown - Wine Tasting Excursion
Mar 4 Mardi Gras Excursion – 3 hour ride
Sep 11 Watertown – Murder Mystery
Mar 25 Watertown - Wine Tasting Excursion
Apr 8 Watertown – Easter Bunny Excursion
Additional excursions tba
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Other RR Events of Interest 2022

Sept 30 – Oct 1 L&N Historical Society, Southern Railway Historical Association, and the Tennessee Valley Railroad Museum are holding a joint convention in Chattanooga. Details and registration can be found on the website.
<http://www.lnrr.org/Convention.aspx>

Oct 8 Music City Mini-Meet. Murfreesboro, TN. The Mini-Meet is open to all model railroaders. For more info
<http://hansmanns.org/mini-meet/>

Nov 5 9am – 3pm TCRM Open House
220 Willow Street Nashville TN

Nov 5-6 10am – 4pm Crossville Model Railroad Club Over 5000 square feet of space is available. Rental tables will be available for \$15 per 8 feet. Admission is free. The CMRC layouts will be open just down the hall. Their location is just off of I-40, about 60 miles east of Nashville. An address and map are on their webpage.
<http://crossvillitrains.org/Welcome/>

Dec 10 9 – 4 pm Christmas TCA Show at Nashville Fairgrounds Expo # 2 building. Admission \$7 cash only, under 13 free. Operating layouts, door prizes drawings all day, snack bar for breakfast and lunch. For info call 615-417-3094
<http://www.dixiedivisiontca.com>

For the following listed events we need more info and are subject to change – please email the OB editor as details become available

11-19-22 Evansville Indiana
Feb 2023 National guard Armory, Jeffersonville Indiana
Spring 23 - Evansville Indiana
Spring 23 – Jeffersonville IN
Spring 23 – TCRM Open House
Spring 23 – TCA Casey Jones, Germantown TN
Spring 23 - TCA Music City Chapter Volunteer State Community College, Gallatin TN
Jul 14-15 Annual Madison Model Train Show, City Road Chapel contact Nathan Baker 615-612-3324

Mark Your Calendars Save A Date For TCRM Activities



TCRM Fall 2022 Museum Model Train Show & Open House
9 am to 3 pm Saturday, November 5, 2022
Free Admission

Museum Christmas Party has been scheduled for Thursday December 15, 2022 at 6:30pm



TCRM Meeting Room Available for Rental

We now have our newly renovated meeting room available to rent to the public for functions. **Brenton Jones** is managing these events so if you know of someone looking for a nice room to rent for a gathering, contact him for more information and to arrange the details bjones@tcry.org
Prices vary on the event and length of the rental

Renovated Meeting Room Usage Policy Submitted by Terry Bebout, President

These rules are in place to help maintain the new and orderly condition of our meeting room. Let's all strive to keep it that way.

Approval from the Board is required before hanging any item on the walls.

Approval from the Board is required before hanging any item from the ceiling.

All furniture, modules, or anything taken into the meeting should have rubber feet or rollers, to avoid scratching the brand new floor.

No food, food containers, drinks or drink containers left in the museum room overnight.

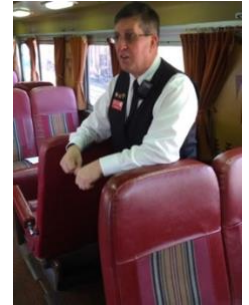
Tidy up after yourself before you leave. Any items taken out must be put back in its place. The room is to remain tidy 24/7.

No messes left in the meeting room, or things like mops, buckets, brooms, or tools left out.

If you spill something or make a mess you are responsible to clean it up same day. Nothing should be left out overnight.

TCRM VOLUNTEER NAME TAGS Submitted by Alex Clark Member # 24533546423

Alex has volunteered to place the orders for name tags, pick up, and deliver the finished name tags to TCRM. Payment to Alex must be in cash. Please make sure you have the right change with you when you pick them up from Alex at TCRM.



Three fastening styles are available:

Magnet Bar - \$12 each

Good for wearing on shirts/blouses, thinner materials.

Single pin – \$12 each

Good on thicker materials.

Double Pin / Military Bar - \$13 each

Stays on jackets/coats better. Special Order - may take longer.

You can order multiple styles if desired.

Alex will hold an order until he gets sufficient requests or every month as needed.

Cash Payment due upon picking up name tags.

Contact Alex for more details at: Alex9063@outlook.com

Volunteers Needed to help Bring Stories and Photos to the TCRM Order Board Newsletter

Find out more about the opportunities by emailing Susan Thomas at smt789@hotmail.com

Want to build a portfolio of your work on social media?

Like to have your photos published?

Are you a story teller?

A writer?

A poet?

A videographer?

This is the newsletter for the members and about the activities and members of TCRM. Do your part to keep it going. We need your skills and passion to build the Order Board into an important communication tool for all members of the museum.

New Members - Welcome

Andy Hunter – Gallatin TN – interested in the HO modelling

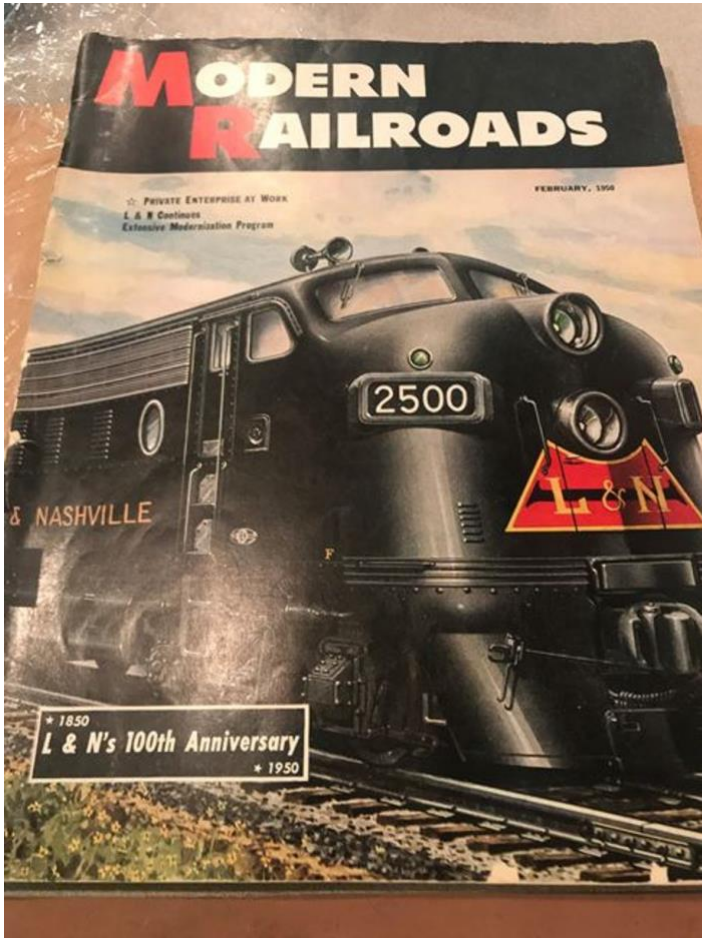
I encourage new members (or not so new members) to contact **Randal Brooks** at randalbrooks@yahoo.com or on his cell 615-477-2039 to find out more about member activities and volunteer opportunities. He'll be glad to welcome you to TCRM.

Monetary Donations

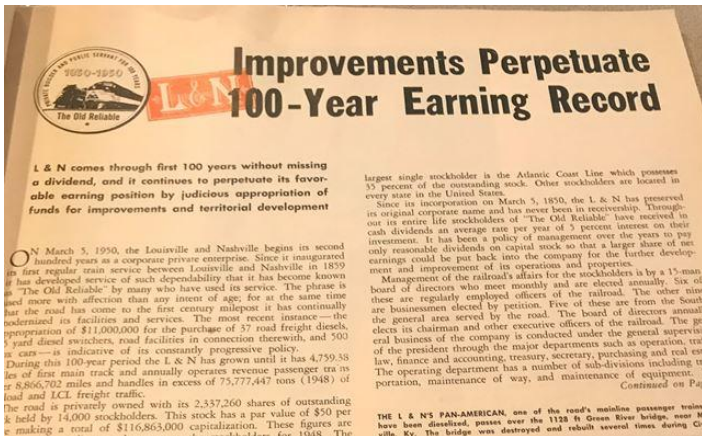
\$45 from the Donation Box this month. Thanks to Randal for leading the opening of the facility to the public, and encouraging visitors to make donations.

\$24 from "No change" when excursion passengers pay by cash at the door, No change is kept in the building.

Artifact Donations



This February 1950 edition of Modern Railroads was sent to us as a donation from the Austin Steam Train organization. **Doc Schoen** made this happen. Thanks to Doc.



TCRM and Model Railroad Club Board of Directors

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EDITORS NOTE

If you enjoyed reading this expanded Order Board newsletter, let Susan at smt789@hotmail.com

It took much work and time to put it together, with many members contributing articles and pictures*.

If you have interesting stories and photos* of your model layout at home, want to recognize a volunteer for service, railway excursions, RR museum visits, Broadway Dinner Train memories, Railroad memories, TC History, a quiz, positive or humorous interactions and photos* with our passengers, share them with all our members!

If you would like to see one of our members or yourself featured in our **TCRM Member Spotlight**, let us know. We'll reach out to you or to them. Contact Susan at smt789@hotmail.com

CALL FOR AUTHORS and CINEMATOGRAPHERS

The Order Board would like to feature our member authors, past and present, in a future issue of the Order Board. Our members are talented in many different skill sets associated with model rail roading and railroad history and preservation. Please let us know. Smt789@hotmail.com



Tennessee Central Railway Museum

<http://www.tcry.org>

Fall 2022 Tennessee Central Ry Museum Model Train Show & Open House

9 am to 3 pm Saturday, November 5, 2022

Location- TC Ry Museum at 220 Willow St Nashville TN

Admission – FREE!

- Tour Restored Passenger Train Cars
- Dealer Tables
- Operating Digitrax DCC Model Railroads
- Tour a Restored Caboose
- Company Store
- Tour the NC&StL Ry #576 Steam Loco Restoration
- Tour a Diesel Locomotive Cab
- Food Service on 8510 Dining Car

A great family event for everyone!

For more information, contact TCRM at 220 Willow St in Nashville TN 37210-2159
FAX 615-244-2120 or E-mail randalbrooks@yahoo.com

Dealer tables –E-mail cando3300@bellsouth.net or call 615-519-0129 for information
about future shows and dealer table availability.

Directions- Go to I-40 westward Exit 212 Hermitage Av to Hermitage Av, turn left
towards Nashville, then turn right onto Fairfield Av, follow the sign to TC Ry Museum.

From the west, follow I-40 eastward to Exit 212 Fesslers Lane, turn left onto Fesslers
Lane, go northward to Lebanon Rd; turn left towards Nashville, go about 2+ miles, turn
right onto Fairfield Av, follow the TCRM sign to TC Ry Museum.

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