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## 2016-2017 Cumberland Div-TCRM Schedule

- Oct 22 Super Fall Foliage Excursion Train to Cookeville TN
- Oct 29 Super Fall Foliage Excursion Train to Baxter TN
- Nov 5 Muddy Roots Charter Trip to DelMonaco Winery Baxter TN
- Nov 10 TCRM Thursday Night Meeting Nashville TN
- Nov 10-13 Whistlestop Weekend at Adventure Science Center Nashville TN
- Nov 12 Excursion Train to DelMonaco Winery Baxter TN
- Nov 19 Cumberland Div Meet-Model Train Show at TCRM Nashville TN
- Nov 26 North Pole Express Excursion Train with Santa to Watertown TN
- Dec 3 & 10 2 North Pole Express Excursion Trains with Santa to Lebanon TN each day
- Dec 10 Train Collectors Assoc Christmas Toy Train Show at TN State Fairgrounds  
<http://dixiedivisiontca.com/category/events-music-city/>
- Feb 4 Muddy Roots Charter Trip to DelMonaco Winery Baxter TN
- Feb 11 Valentines Day Murder Mystery Excursion Train to Watertown TN

## No October 2016 Meeting!! November Meeting Program

The program for our November meeting will be by **Ralcon Wagner** entitled "Nashville's Streetcars and Interurban Railways: Celebrating 150 Years". Ralcon will present a PowerPoint presentation and discussion about his new book, "Nashville's Streetcars and Interurban Railways". Images from the first 75 years of Nashville's transit history will illustrate the transition from horse-drawn streetcars to steam dummies, electric cars and finally conversion to buses. Books will be available after the program.

Anyone wanting to present a program at our Thursday night meetings, please contact **Bob Hultman** landline 615-833-5158 or cell 615-513-7187 E-mail [hultman@bellsouth.net](mailto:hultman@bellsouth.net)

## Excursion Train News By Bob Hultman

Our next trip is our Fall Foliage Excursion Train to Cookeville on Oct 22. Safety meeting for the Fall Foliage Trip starts at 6:30 am with departure at 8 am, return around 6 pm. Crew sign-up sheets for the Nov 12, 26 & Dec trips will be available at the Nov 10 Thursday Night Meeting.

Several new TCRM members are in training as car hosts. A car host safety class for these newer car hosts and experienced car host who have not taken the class for 2016 will be scheduled soon. The date-time-location will be E-mailed out once the date & time are determined.

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](mailto:hultman@bellsouth.net)

## New Members

**Allison, Josh, Leeanne, Michael, Ralph & Sarah Schultz**  
Nashville TN (Family)  
**Don, Dorren, Pat & Richard Travers** Antioch TN (Family)  
Welcome to our new members as they take part in our activities.

## Parking Crew Help Needed

By **Bob Hultman**

The parking crew will need more people to help with parking in 2016 and 2017. **Lawrence Lilly** is our parking crew manager.

Parking for our excursion trips only requires 2-3 hours per any Saturday that you can help. It may not be glamorous but is a very important part of our excursion trips. If the parking crew can get enough volunteers to help out they would only have to help 1 or 2 Saturdays a month. All help would be greatly appreciated. If you want to part of this crew you may contact **Lawrence** at 615-319-5646 or 615-641-2415 or E-mail [brucelilly1970@gmail.com](mailto:brucelilly1970@gmail.com). Thanks ahead of time for the help.

## Activity Fee for 2017 - Renewal

TCRM annual membership renewal is now due. Please mail your activity fee renewals (**Note- for 2016 the fee increased \$5 to \$35 individual, \$40 for family membership**), made payable to TCRM to TC Ry Museum at 220 Willow St in Nashville TN 37210-2159 Attn – **Shakela Lawler**. 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 and current E-mail addresses).

## HO Model RR News

By **Bob Hultman**

The HO modular RR will once again be going to Adventure Science Center's Whistlestop Weekend this year. We will be able to start setting up the RR on the 1<sup>st</sup> floor of ASC Sunday Nov 6. Whistlestop Weekend starts with an ASC members-only event Thursday evening Nov 10 (same as our Thursday Night Meeting) and runs thru Sunday Nov 13. We take the RR down Sunday evening after ASC closes to the public.

Anyone who has operational HO modules is welcome to have them considered for inclusion in the setup at ASC this year. Anyone who will help with this effort should contact **Bob Hultman** at landline 615-833-5158 or cell 615-513-7187 E-mail [hultman@bellsouth.net](mailto:hultman@bellsouth.net) for further information.

## Sad News – Passing of M DeLoy Nelms

By **Brenda Bilbrey**

Funeral services for Mr. Marion DeLoy Nelms, age 90 of Cookeville and formerly of Nashville, were held Sunday, October 16th at 3 p.m. at Spring Hill Funeral Home in Nashville. Interment with military honors followed in Spring Hill Cemetery. Dr.

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**No Thursday Night Meeting for October 2016**

Jonathan Nelms of Covenant Church, Cookeville, and Dr. Kevin Shrum of Inglewood Baptist Church, Nashville, officiated.

Mr. Nelms died Wednesday, October 12, 2016 at Life Care Center of Sparta. He was born June 15, 1926 in Black Oak, Arkansas to the late Robert Clinton and Edna Lou Huckaby Nelms. He was a 1944 graduate of Osceola High School, Arkansas. He served his country as a sailor in the US Navy as a Fireman First Class in the South Pacific during World War II and continued to serve in the US Naval Reserve until 1952. In 1949, he earned a diploma in Machine Drafting and Design from Industrial Training Institute, Chicago.

He moved to Nashville in 1955 and was employed for 35 years as a machine designer for Dupont Chemical in Old Hickory. He was a member of Inglewood Baptist Church for 54 years, serving as chairman of deacons, Sunday School teacher, and president of the Sanctuary Choir. An avid train enthusiast, he was a member of the National Railway Historical Society and an active volunteer with the Tennessee Central Railway Museum. Mr. Nelms and his wife Ann proudly served as car hosts on the TCRM dome car on excursion trips from Nashville to Monterey. He also volunteered with DuPont's Fun with Science education team for 13 years following his retirement in 1991.

He and Ann moved to Cookeville in 2014 and joined the fellowship of Covenant Church. His mind remained sharp and he lived an active life until his recent illness. In the past year he even served as president of the residents' council while residing at Life Care Center of Sparta.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by half-brother, Robert Gerald Nelms; half-sister, Zealand Harris; and sisters-in-law, Ruby Owens, Florence (Artis) Thompson, Sadie Carr, and Gladys Josephine (Amos) Davidson.

He is survived by his adoring family- his wife of 66 years, Ann Owen Nelms (whom he married February 4, 1950 in Mt Pleasant, TN); son, Dr. Jonathan Nelms and wife Glenda of Cookeville; daughters, Cynthia Lynn Nelms of Mobile, AL and Susan Gwynn Plank of Bois D'Arc, MO; grandsons, Nathanael Nelms and John Philip Nelms; sister-in-law, Billiej (Wayne, deceased) Boshers of Nashville; nieces and nephew, Nancy Davidson, Art (Ellen) Thompson, Marsha (James) Woody, and Patti (Patrick) Lyons; and family friend Julie Hornady.

Nathan and John Philip Nelms, James Woody, Art Thompson, Mike Burgess, and Allen Tuten served as pallbearers.

Memorial contributions may be made to Covenant Church, 354 S. Jefferson Ave., Cookeville, TN 38501.

Hooper-Huddleston & Horner Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements (931)526-6111. You may share your thoughts and memories at [www.hhhfunerals.com](http://www.hhhfunerals.com)

## TCRM Video Library News

By Charles Owens

The video library has thirty (30) new videos in its library. They are located in the bottom drawer of the video cabinet in the admin. room. The rental fee is still only \$2 per tape, which is a great bargain. Just pay **Shakela** Lawler, our administrative assistant, or one of our volunteers who helps out at the Museum.

## Upcoming Conventions & Shows

**Nov 19, 2016 Cumberland Div Meet-Model Train Show at TCRM in Nashville TN**

**Dec 10, 2016 Train Collectors Assoc Music City Chapter Christmas Toy Train Show** at TN State Fairgrounds  
<http://dixiedivisiontca.com/category/events-music-city/>

**Mar 18, 2017 TCRM Open House & Cumberland Div Meet-Model Train Show at TCRM in Nashville TN**

**July 21-22, 2017 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Madison Train Show**  
City Road Chapel Methodist Church at 701 Gallatin Pike S., Madison, TN Nathan Baker, Madison Train Show Chairman  
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**July 30-Aug 6, 2017 NMRA National Convention Orange Blossom Special in Orlando FL** <http://www.nmra2017.org/>