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Donations

Federal International- \$500 cash for use of TCRM conference room (TCRM member **Tim Bebout** works for Federal)

2020 TCRM Schedule

Sep 26 Train Robbery Excursion Train to Watertown
Oct 1 TCRM Board of Directors Meeting 1 pm @TCRM
Oct 10 Fall Yard Sale Excursion Train to Watertown
Oct 24 Fall Foliage Excursion Train to Carthage Jct.
Nov 14 TCRM Fall 2020 Open House & Model Train Show
Nov 21 2 North Pole Express Excursion Trains to Lebanon
Nov 28 North Pole Express Excursion Train to Watertown
Dec 5 2 North Pole Express Excursion Trains to Lebanon
Dec 12 2 North Pole Express Excursion Trains to Lebanon
Dec 19 2 North Pole Express Excursion Trains to Lebanon
Dec 20 North Pole Express Excursion Train to Lebanon to see the movie *Polar Express*

No September Thursday Night Meeting

There won't be any September meeting.

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 hultman@bellsouth.net

Activity Fee for 2020 - Renewal

TCRM annual membership renewal is now due. 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 – **Admin Staff**. TCRM office will not be staffed for the rest of the year 2020. Call **Terry Bebout** 615-479-5758 to pay via credit or debit card. Be sure to include any updated roster information (name, family member names, mailing address, phone numbers & current E-mail addresses).

New TCRM Members

Mike Gers Whites Creek TN
Joseph, Rachel, Riley & Walker Wooten White House TN (Family)
Please welcome our new members as they take part in our activities & events.

Membership Feature Now on Website

By **Bob Hultman**

TCRM now has on its Website a Get Involved page where new members can join TCRM and where current members can renew their membership. This is a service provided by Etix, our current ticket-selling service provider who has absorbed WhistleTix.

This URL <https://www.tcry.org/volunteer> gets you to the Get Involved Web page, or you can scroll to the bottom of the Home page & click on the Get Involved choice. Once there, the left side is for new members to join, while the right side is for current members to renew their membership.

Excursion Train News

By **Bob Hultman**

Our revised excursion train schedule planned for the last 4 months of CY 2020 appears directly left. Our next planned trip is on Sep 26, our 1st Train Robbery (and only) trip for 2020. Safety meeting starts at 7 am Central Time on diner 3119, boarding at 8 am or slightly after, departure at 9 am. Return to Nashville should be around 3:30 to 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 hultman@bellsouth.net

Per Sep 14 E-mail from **Terry Bebout**, tickets sold for our next 3 trips- Sep 26 trip- 245, Oct 10 trip-148 & Oct 26 trip-143.

New TCRM Website

By **Bob Hultman**

TCRM's new Website is active- <https://www.tcry.org> Same URL, new look & bunch of new content, especially photos.....

Brenton Jones & Tanner Peterson were the lead for this effort. From a **Tanner Peterson** E-mail earlier today (Sep 6) "Also a big thank you to **Brenton Jones, Brian McDonnell, Alex Mullins, and Jason Whipp** they also helped a lot in building this website.

Brian had some rolling stock pictures and wrote up all of the information on our rolling stock, the dude is a dictionary.

Jason had tons of pictures to contribute. And **Alex Mullins** did a lot of the background stuff that no one will ever see"

From a 2nd **Tanner** E-mail msg- "Just updated it now if you want to send an email to the members tell them to click around if they find anything that doesn't seem right to report it to me at my email TannerCP1102@gmail.com"

Looks to me like an excellent job by all concerned.....

1st CoVID-19 Era Excursion Train Trip a Success

By **Terry Bebout**

We ran our first excursion trip today (Sep 5- Ed.) with much success. Thanks to all of the carhosts for carrying out our new health protocols for all of our passengers. We sold a total of 291 tickets that met our goal for social distancing and everyone was very complimentary of our excursion train and the operation. Our next trip is set for Sept 26 and will be our train robbery trip. All of our trips are on sale thru the end of the year and seem to be selling well so far.

TCRM Grounds Maintenance News

By **Bob Hultman**

Many thanks to **Nashville Ntrak & Ken Fagan** for the most recent grass mowing. Another project needing done is sweeping up the gravel, dirt & flotsam-jetsam washing down onto our front parking area. A green bristle broom, an aluminum dust pan & plastic buckets await in the metal shack at front gate..... And

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No September Thursday Night Meeting

guess who appeared just before 11 am?? **Ken Fagan** is sweeping up the gravel & dirt as I type this..... Sweeping done, many thanks, **Ken!**

TCRM HO Model RR News

By **Bob Hultman**

We did get the 2 new 6' modules in the HO RR operational (just barely) for the Sep 5 trip. But our usual crew, **Lucas Moore**, had to mark off account change in family travel plans. So, not sure how much the RR got operated that Saturday.

From **Randal Brooks**- I've built-kitbashed 4 structures for the module next to my 12" module group of bridges & Western mountain scenery- 1) Dominoes Take Out Pizza is a Summitt Custom Cuts Structure; 2) Champion Packing Plant is a modified structure turned into retail space; 3) The other building is two Vulcan Manufacturing Co. structures combined into one building of retail space & 4) building next to the front edge of the module is a leftover renovation from another building that we cut into.

The idea here is that after the manufacturing companies had closed down, the buildings were renovated and turned into retail space.



View of 6' module with 1 of **Randal's** structures & **Moose Guzman's** DTI Geep spotting an L&N blue box car & a St of Maine car. Photo by **Robert "Moose" Guzman**

TCRM Hosts Another Video Shoot

By **Randal Brooks**

TCRM once again hosted a music video shoot on Aug 18. The artist's name is Caryl Mack carylmackparker.com Her song is called "Night Train To Lonely". The video will be released and on Youtube in a few weeks. For this effort TCRM received a check for \$800. Ed. Note- Many thanks to **Randal** for being the TCRM rep to work with the video crew.

TCRM Hobby Shop News

By **Hank Sweetman**

Starting September 12, the Hobby Shop will be open every Saturday from 10 am to 2 pm Central Time. Since the Museum remains closed, there will be no weekday hours at the present time.

Thanks to **Mark Henry**, **Gary Willoughby**, **Ed Davies**, **Theresa Moore** and **Lucas Moore** for volunteering during September and October. We can always use additional help in the Hobby Shop, so please contact Hobby Shop manager Hank

Sweetman at hanksweetman@gmail.com if you would like to volunteer.

We have the Accurail kits for TC rolling stock. Hopper cars in 4 different road numbers and boxcars in 2 different road numbers. These kits are selling fast, so come in soon to get yours

The Hobby Shop is available to special order any items that we do not normally stock. Stop in or e-mail the Hobby Shop at tchobbyshop@gmail.com with your order. Be sure to include the item number, quantity, description, price and where you found the item (supplier catalog, website, etc). You will get an e-mail confirmation within 3-4 days.

Thanks to **Ed Minnich** for updating the Hobby Shop webpages. We now have our new Accurail rolling stock featured, as well as updated operating hours. You can access the Hobby Shop website from the TCRY website, or directly at tchobbyshop.com

TCRM Update

By **Terry Bebout**

Greetings Fellow Members..... Hope you are all doing well. Wanted to provide an update on the Museum's status and also our excursion trains. While the Museum remains closed currently we are making plans to restart our excursion trains in Sept. In fact, the Sept 5 Watertown Fall Festival Trip and the Sept 26 Watertown Train Robbery are already on sale. Please do what you can to promote these trips. We are not going to sell at full capacity and we are taking steps to develop health protocols to keep everyone as safe as possible while riding the train. There will be a carhost training class at TCRM on Sat, Aug. 29 at 10 am. There will be more details coming on that soon. In the meantime, stay safe and promote our excursion train ticket sales any way that you can.

Hope to see you soon.

TCRM Board of Directors Meeting Oct 1 at 1 pm at TCRM

By **Terry Bebout**

TCRM's next Board of Directors meeting will be at TCRM on Oct 1, starting at 1 pm. TCRM members are welcome to attend the meeting

Upcoming Conventions & Shows

Nov 14 TCRM Fall 2020 Open House & Model Train Show
At TCRM Nashville TN 9 am to 3 pm

Feb 6 2021 2nd Annual Bellevue Model Train Show 9 am to 3 pm @ Bellevue Baptist Church

Nathan Baker, Chairman

2nd Annual Bellevue Model Train Show

12th Annual Madison Model Train Show

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