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Cumberland Div/TC Ry Museum Donations

R Herald- Photo of TC section gang at Kenwood, TN, in 1935

Steve Johnson- Two VHS tapes with 6 episodes of "Trains Unlimited" on each tape

Robert Marsmaker- Book entitled "Freight Terminals & Trains", and assorted issues of MR, RMC, Model Railroading, NMRA Bulletins, Railmodel Journal and Mainline Modeler

Charles Owens- framed print of Union Station (an NC&StL employee award)

Jim Paty- Nashville & Ashland City RR timetable; ICRR list of spur tracks acquired from TC in state of TN; newspaper clippings on McCormick, Ashland City & Nashville RR and Central of Tennessee RR

Joe Sapp- 5' x 8' US Flag now on the flagpole

Program Notes

September- With the upcoming excursions in October, we will have an updated safety class for carhosts as the September program. All carhosts and those wanting to be carhosts, please plan to attend. Safety is number one!

September Meeting Host Committee

Terry Bebout	George Benson	Marvene/Brenda Bilbrey
James Bilbrey	James Bradford Jr	Roy Brantley Jr
Paul Brock	James Brooks Jr	Jim/Cheryl Brown
Bill Brown	Gene Caldwell	Charlie Campbell
Grant Carpenter*	Steve Wright	Paul Zuzich

* Host Committee Chair

Year 2001 Schedule

Sep 7-16 TN State Fair- HO scale Module RR Setup
Sep 20 Thursday Night Meeting Willow St Nashville TN
Sep 27-30 L&N Historical Society Annual Convention Nashville
Sep 28-30 Mid-South Live Steamers Meet Columbia TN
Sep 29 Excursion Train L&N Historical Society Lebanon
Oct 6 Excursion Train Watertown Train Robbery
Oct 13 Excursion Train Watertown Fall Flea Market and
2nd Trip- Rodeo/OK Corral Shootout TWO TRIPS
Oct 18 Excursion Train deadhead to Cookeville
Oct 19 Excursion Train Cookeville School Trips
Oct 20 Excursion Train Cookeville to Nashville
Oct 27 Excursion Train Nashville to Cookeville
Nov 3 Cumberland Div Fall 2001 Division Meet
Dec 1 Excursion Train Lebanon Victorian Christmas Trip
Dec 8 Excursion Train Watertown Santa Trips- TWO TRIPS

NOTE- Nov 10 TSU Football Special to Cookeville ANNULLED

The Parking Lot

By Terry Bebout

The Penske Company did close their 4-acre lot on Charlotte Av causing them to need to use the lot behind our building. We should count ourselves very lucky to have had the use of this lot for the past 3 years for free. The Penske people at the local and corporate level have been very helpful in working with us to allow access to our train across the lot. We will discuss the details at our September meeting. They have also indicated that they would consider selling us the lot at some time in the future as well. For now we will park along Willow Street and in Dale Supply parking lot. This worked very well for our September 8 excursion train trip. Please park along Willow St or in the Dale Supply parking lot for our Thursday night meeting.

L&N HS To Meet in Nashville

Our own **Steve Johnson** is busy putting the final touches on the 2001 L&N Historical Society Annual Convention Sept 27-30 in Nashville. He has asked that both the N and HO modular RRs be set up and running on Saturday, Sept 29 noon to 4 pm. This will be a good time to get our meeting room cleaned up and have the RRs running. If you will help with this project, please contact Quincy Styke III at 865-2973 for the HO RR and Ken Herrell at 352-4576 for the N scale RR.

TCRM/Hobby Shop Increased Hours A Success!

Starting Tuesday, the day after Labor Day, TCRM is open 9 am to 3 pm Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday. The first week of this was a great success because the staffers were able to answer many callers' questions on the first call and to sell more tickets on the Sept 8 excursion train such that we had to add another car to the planned consist to accommodate the demand. Thanks go to **Jim & Cheryl Brown, Bob Stewart & Porter McGill** and to **Charlie Campbell** who staffed the Museum Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, respectively. The calls were coming in so rapidly that **Jim & Cheryl** came in on Wednesday and Friday mornings to be sure to answer calls coming in just before our Sept 8 trip. We need to have 2 people staffing the Museum on these 3 days of the week. If you will help do this 1-2 times a month, please contact Bob Hultman at 833-5158 (home) or 244-9001, ext 6 (Museum).

Excursion Train Sign-Up Sheets

Sign-up sheets for these excursion train trips will be at the next meeting:

Sept 29, Friday evening football trip, Watertown-Gordonsville
Sept 30, Saturday morning L&NHS trip, Nashville-Lebanon
October 6- Watertown Train Robbery
October 13- Watertown Fall flea Market
October 13- Watertown Rodeo/OK Corral Gunfight
October 20- Cookeville Weekend
October 27- Cookeville Fall Foliage Trip

NEXT MEETING Willow St Building Thursday September 20, 2001 7:00 PM

Hobby Shop News

By **Wayne Frey**

Walters 2002 HO Catalog is now in stock! Price is \$21.98 with the usual member discount. Remember that some vendor prices have increased since the catalog was printed. The price you pay is the price in effect when the item is shipped to our hobby shop.

Also, if you have been notified that your special order has arrived, you are obligated to pay for those items. Please keep in mind that when you special order items from the hobby shop, you obligate yourself to pay for those items once they arrive, even if you decide you no longer want the items.

Cumberland Division November Meet

Mike Curtis is general manager for the Fall 2001 Cumberland Division Model Train Show/Division Meet to be held Saturday, November 3, 2001 at Our Willow St building. Please let Mike know how you will help make the Show/Meet a success. Mike's phone # is 615-849-8595, E-mail macurtis@home.com

New Members

Howard Warren, Cookeville TN (Family)

Please welcome these new members as they join in helping make our organization even better in the future.

HO Modular RR/TARP at TN State Fair

Cumberland Valley Model Railroaders set up an HO scale modular RR 15' x 55' at the TN State Fair Thursday night Sep 6. The RR is in the north end of the Exhibitors Bldg. Tennessee Association of Railroad Passengers (TARP) has volunteered to staff the literature table during the hours of the State Fair. **Bob Stewart, Jeff Gill** and other TARPers will be manning the table. Not only do they promote Amtrak and the return of rail passenger service to Middle Tennessee, they also plug Cumberland Division's Division Meet and TCRM's excursion trains.

New this year with the HO RR Setup is an attempt to operate the RR on Digitrax DCC. Thanks to **Mike Curtis** and **Ken Herrell** for all their work in getting the Digitrax DCC "octopus" ready for the HO RR at the Fair. Thanks also go to **Marvene & James Bilbrey, Paul Brock, Wayne Frey, George Gilbert, Pete Hoadley, Len Hollinger, Bob Hultman, Dave Johnston, Robert Marsmaker, Jack Sirey, Quincy Styke III** and **Bob Swanner** and others for the work necessary to get the RR transported, set up and operational.

HO modular RR update as of Monday afternoon- **John Kennedy's** crew was able to get the Digitrax DCC system working this morning with some help from **Mike Curtis**. **James Bilbrey, Don Ey, Pete Hoadley, Len Hollinger & John Kennedy** even had 3 trains running on the inside main track (fortunately, they were all running in the same direction).

Be sure to stop by when you come to the Fair this year!

Membership Cards

If you're a member (especially new members) and have not had your photo taken for your membership card, please call **Phil Utley** at 615-754-2073 or E-mail him at railsystems@home.com to arrange for your photo shoot.

E-mail Addresses

Have E-mail and want to receive Cumberland Div/NRHS/TCRM updates & news via E-mail? Well, send your E-mail address to hultman@nashville.com & you'll be added to the E-mail group maintained for these organizations.

Sick Call

Gene Caldwell recently had some surgery and was out & about at the Cumberland Division/TCRM hobby shop. Please wish **Gene** well the next time you see him.

SER Convention Followup

For those wanting to keep up with developments regarding the SER 2002 Regional Convention in Greenville SC, check out this Website- www.TextilExpress.org

For You Fans of Asian Railroading

InfoBeat - Russia marks Trans-Siberian train VLADIVOSTOK, Russia (AP) - A train arrived in this Russian Pacific port Wednesday after traveling from Moscow to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Trans-Siberian railway, the world's longest track. The special train stopped at major stations along the way to allow its crew of 140 - including railway workers and veterans, writers, journalists and Orthodox Christian clergy - to promote the anniversary among local residents. The celebrations will culminate in Vladivostok in October, a century after the last rails of the 5,758-mile railway were put in place to honor Czar Nicholas II's ascension to the throne. In Russia, completion of the track was compared to the discovery of America or the digging of the Suez Canal.

Sergei Darkin, governor of Russia's Far Eastern Primorye, or Maritime region, of which Vladivostok is the capital, said the length of the railway "reminds us of how great our country is and of the industriousness and diligence of our people."

The railroad may get a new impulse from increased traffic if it is connected with the railway that is planned to join North and South Korea.



OK, all you Middle Tennessee railroad experts..... Where is this location?