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Year 2002 Schedule

May 3-4 Dickson Old-Timer RR Days- Nashville Ntrak Setup
May 4 Cookeville Springfest Excursion Train
May 9 Thursday Night Meeting Willow St Building
June 8 Lebanon Train Robbery/Civil War Reenactment Train
July 13 Watertown Murder Mystery/Jazz Festival Train
July 20 Watertown Murder Mystery Evening Excursion Train
Aug 17 Lebanon Wilson Co Fair Express Train
Sep 6-8 Thomas The Tank Engine in Nashville
Sep 13-15 Thomas The Tank Engine in Nashville
Sep 27-29 Mid-South Live Steamers Fall Meet Columbia TN
Oct 5 Watertown Train Robbery/Fall Foliage Excursion Train
Oct 12 Watertown Fall Flea Market Excursion Train
Oct 19 Cookeville Super Fall Foliage Excursion Train
Oct 26 Cookeville Super Fall Foliage Excursion Train
Nov 2 Model Train Show at TC Ry Museum
Nov 8-10 Cumberland Science Museum Whistlestop Weekend
Nov 9 Veterans Excursion Train
Nov 23 Lebanon Victorian Christmas Excursion Train
Dec 7 Watertown Santa Excursion Trains
Dec 14 Cookeville-Silver Point Santa Excursion Trains

May Meeting Host Committee

Chris Ridgeway	Mark Riggsbee	Al Roeder
Herb Roth	Dave Roys	Joe Sapp
Hank Sherwood	Jack Sircy	Gordon Smith*
Ken Smith	Tom Spiggle	Tom Staggs
Bob Stewart	John Stoecker	Ed Stone

* Host Committee Chair

Program Notes

May- Decalling HO Model RR Rolling Stock by **Bob Hultman**
Also Makeup Excursion Train Crew Safety Class will be given after the May general membership meeting. If you want to work the excursion train and have not already done so, you need to attend this class!

New TCRM Color Brochure

Within the last week TCRM received copies of its new slick-paper color brochure that will advertise our Museum in a most effective manner. **Terry Bebout** worked with Ms Cindy Stoeppler of wecreative graphic & web design put the brochure together. It will be used to promote our Museum to tour operators, other museums, grant-making institutions and others. Be sure to take a look at the brochure at the May meeting!

A Star is Born!

Recently Nashville Public Television Channel 8 videotaped a special program on the life of Deford Bailey and used TCRM's excursion train for a part of the taping. Our own **DeLoy Nelms** appears as the conductor. The program airs on **Tuesday, May 7 at 7:00 pm.**

Building Improvements II

As hinted in the April meeting notice, there will be a collection taken at the May meeting to help pay for new storm windows being fabricated for our Museum building. So, instead of buying lunch or a box car kit on meeting night, take that cash and drop it in the collection hat as it passes by. With your help, these storm windows will be paid for in just a few months.

Year 2002 Activity Fee

Didn't get a meeting notice this month? Well, most likely it's because you haven't renewed for 2002. If you're not sure of your membership status, contact **George Gilbert** rgilbert@comcast.net or call him at 615-352-1254. And remember, if you're not renewed for 2002, there goes the 25% discount you get on model RR items in our hobby shop.

Sick Call

Herb Roth recently had a heart pacemaker installed. He is recovering well. Please keep him and his family in your thoughts and prayers.

Bob Swanner is still recovering from injuries he suffered during a fall at work several weeks ago. Stretched tendons/ligaments in his wrists make it difficult for him to drive or carry out other everyday functions. Please keep him and his family in your thoughts and prayers.

Veteran's Day Excursion Train

Gordon Smith has volunteered to head up the effort to advertise/promote and run an excursion train in honor of America's military veterans. The trip will run on Saturday Nov 9. **Gordon** will make a presentation about the trip at the May meeting and then hold a committee meeting after our general business meeting.

Access to TCRM Sites

On Saturday & Monday workdays park along Willow St and walk to Museum work areas or park in the Southern Junction Yard parking area directly behind our work area. During weekdays we do have permission to drive through the TCW main gate off of Stanley St to the Museum work site. The only vehicles that should use the track gate on Saturdays crossing the Hertz-Penske lot are service vehicles delivering directly to the excursion train. Our agreement with Hertz-Penske is that crossing their lot will be kept to a minimum.

NEXT MEETING Willow St Building Thursday May 9, 2002 7:00 PM

TCRM Work Assignments

Our organization continues to grow in activities and service to the public. To make sure we keep on an effective growth path, more of our members need to do just a small part of the overall work necessary for us to be successful. To get more of our members doing a small part of what needs doing, we are establishing a list of assignments for tasks that 1) are not difficult and 2) don't require member-supplied tools/equipment.

These assignments will be in 3 areas-

1- Answering the Museum phone on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays, 9 am to 3 pm. Most of the Tues & Thurs positions in May are already taken.

May 7- **Jim/Cheryl Brown** May 9- **DeLoy Nelms, Roy Brantley**

May 11- **John Coles** May 14- **Marie Nichols, Dave Roys**

May 16- **Jerry Jones** May 18- **William Daugherty**

May 21- **Jim/Cheryl Brown**

May 23- **Terry Coats, Dave Johnston**

May 25- **Joe Dickinson** May 28- **Jerry Jones**

May 30- **Marie Nichols, Will Crowthers**

2- Grass-cutting/trash pick-up around the Museum building.

May 11- **Geron Bohannon** May 18- **James Brooks**

May 25- **Francis Brostrom Jr** June 1- **Charles Burdeshaw**

June 8- **Tom Cairns** June 15- **Grant Carpenter**

June 22- **Walter Clot** June 29- **Dan Cole**

3- Washing exterior of excursion train May 18. **Terry Coats** is in charge of this project. **Hugh Nichols** and **Rita White** have already volunteered; **Marvene Bilbrey** is in contact with some Scouts about coming to help haul hoses, etc. Assigned members are **Jim Adair, Drew Alderson, Andrew Austin, Mark Austin** and **Chris Cook**.

If you have any questions, call **Bob Hultman** at home 615-833-5158; at work 615-781-5380 x153; at TCRM 615-244-9001 x6; E-mail (home) hultman@nashville.com TCRM needs everyone's **active participation** to bring the Museum to where we all want it to be. If you can't do your assigned tasks, we'll make arrangements for you to do some other task.. Remember, don't just be a member, actively participate!

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.

Open-Air Shed Clean-Up

Ever since we have moved into our building, we have used the open-air shed on the east end of our building for storage of all sorts of items. It is increasingly obvious that some of the items stored there will never be used, or were acquired because someone gave the items to us.

We need to use our limited storage areas as effectively as possible. The HO and N scale model railroaders are going to clean up the shed starting the end of May, 2002. This advance notice is given so anyone who has stored items in the shed can move the items, give them away or discard them before the end of May. We will not intentionally get rid of any item that is hard to replace or that we will definitely be using later. However, having plumbing, electrical and other categories of parts stored in several different places in the same shed is not efficient use of the space. One of our goals is to be able to store the motor cars currently in the meeting room out in the shed. So, if you have or know of items in the shed that are valuable excursion train parts, high-dollar plumbing/electrical/mechanical items, etc, please let **Bob Hultman** or **Mike Curtis** know what they are and where they are. Otherwise, come 1 June 2002, we will start cleaning the shed up.

Excursion Train/TCRM Sign-Up Sheets

Sign-up sheets will be present for the June 8 Excursion Train trip. There will also be a sign-up sheet (in addition to the assigned members above) for the excursion train exterior washing party to be done on **May 18**. **Terry Coats** is heading up this effort. If you're not able to come down during the week and change out brake shoes, you can come on Saturday and help wash the train. And, TCRM food service director **Frank Holt** may very well have some culinary delights for the work crew that Saturday.

Hobby Shop News

Some new Athearn Ready-To-Roll freight cars have arrived in the hobby shop. The bar-code scanning project is moving along. If you want to learn more about items available in the shop, how about volunteering for a Saturday and staff the shop from 9 am to 3 pm? The shop is air-conditioned, there's RR reading material an arm's length away and you could work on model RR projects when there's a lull in customers.

Membership Cards

If you're a member (especially new members) and haven't had your photo taken for your membership card, E-mail **Phil Utley** at railsystems@home.com to arrange for your photo shoot. No E-mail capacity available? Call the Museum at 615-244-9001 ext 6 (**Bob Hultman**), leave a message and your message will be E-mailed in to **Phil**.

SER Convention Followup

For developments regarding the SER 2002 Regional Convention in Greenville SC, check out this Website- www.TextilExpress.org The Website has been recently updated.

For Sale

4' x 7' single axle trailer w/spare tire, six 4' x 3' straight modules with HO track, turnouts & switch machines in a fitted carrier with legs & all hardware. Also included are two wide-radius 90' corner modules. Contact Bob Swanner 459-2332.