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Jim Tully (Southbound Trains)- \$500 cash

2005 Schedule

Aug 18 Cumberland Div/TCRM Thursday Night Meeting
Sep 3-4, 10-11 Day Out With Thomas The Tank Engine- TCRM
Sep 9-18 HO modular RR at TN State Fair Nashville TN
Sep 29-Oct 2 L&N RR HS Convention Bardstown KY
Oct 1 Nashville-Watertown-Train Robbery
Oct 8 Nashville-Watertown-Yard Sale
Oct 15 Nashville-Cookeville- Super Fall Foliage I
Oct 22 Nashville-Cookeville- Super Fall Foliage II
Oct 29 Nashville-Cookeville- Super Fall Foliage III
Nov 4 School Trips
Nov 5 Cumberland Division Fall 2005 Division Meet Nashville
Early Nov- Adventure Science Center Whistlestop Weekend
Nov 12 Nashville-Watertown-Murder Mystery Trip
Dec 3 Nashville-Watertown-Polar Express
Dec 10 Nashville-Watertown-Polar Express
Dec 17 Nashville-Watertown-Polar Express

Program Notes

August- Training for Day Out With Thomas 2005 presented by area managers to their respective groups of volunteers/workers. Also, **Terry Bebout** will be presenting a TCRM excursion train carhost certification make-up class at 7 pm on board the excursion train.

August 2005 Meeting Host Committee

No Host Committee for this meeting.....

Hobby Shop News

The Cliff Downey TC Ry book is at TCRM!! Stop by soon to get your copy!

Paul Brock, Eddie Justice, Doug Lindgren, Leroy Nessen, Charles Owens and others rearranged the hobby shop on July 30 with **Paul** and **Eddie** returning on Sunday July 31 to complete the job. Much more shelf space and display areas now. Also, the shop is now a Horizon Hobbies dealer and should be getting in some Athearn items soon.

Still available- the **Cumberland Div HO scale TC Ry 40' box car kits 500 series & 7900 series** produced by Red Caboose- Price for local delivery (no shipping involved) is \$16.50 each, \$64/set of 4. Mail-order price is \$17.50/car postpaid, \$68/set of 4 postpaid.

New Members

Carl Schafter, Antioch TN

Day Out With Thomas 2005 Update

By **Bob Hultman**

Our publicity efforts are ramping up as we approach the first weekend of DOWT 2005. Please keep those efforts going on contacting local outlets for our DOWT material and our excursion train material.

TCRM Carhost Certification Make-up Class

There will be a TCRM carhost certification make-up class presented by **Terry Bebout** at 7 pm Aug 18 on board the excursion train. If you missed the January class and want to be a carhost on our excursion trains, you need to attend this class.

Model Railroading Update

By **Bob Hultman**

Member **Al Gerth** has on display a large-scale model of a general store in the cabinets in our admin office. Stop by these cabinets and see the modelwork done by our various members.

Nashville Ntrak Update

By **Jimmie Guthrie**

Smyrna layout was a huge success due to the hard work of everyone involved. We had a record turnout of members during setup, 14 members. On Saturday, we had 16 members present, and on Sunday 15 members showed. Attendance was up by patrons this year, Saturday we had approximately 170 folks, and on Sunday we had 73. Thanks to all for their participation which helped make our Summer Reading Program at the library a success.

Those who were present at the setup on Friday are as follows: **Brandon Baxter, Joe Butler, BJ Cook, Sharon Cook, Mike Curtis, Jimmie Guthrie, Gale Madison, David O'Brien, Ed Pella, Mike Perry, JP Ralph, Carl Schafter, Tom Spiggle, Tom Staggs & Aaron Tanzabel.** On Saturday: **Brandon Baxter, Barry Beckett, Joe Butler, BJ Cook, Sharon Cook, John Curtis, Jennifer Curtis, Mike Curtis, Jimmie Guthrie, Gale Madison, David O'Brien, Ed Pella, Mike Perry, JP Ralph, Carl Schafter, Tom Spiggle, Tom Staggs & Aaron Tanzabel.** On Sunday: **Brandon Baxter, Joe Butler, BJ Cook, Sharon Cook, Mike Curtis, Ingrid Guthrie, Jimmie Guthrie, Eddie Justice, Gale Madison, David O'Brien, Ed Pella, Mike Perry, JP Ralph, Carl Schafter, Tom Spiggle & Tom Staggs.** Also, there was a visit from **Marie** and **Hugh Nichols.** Thanks again for a great little show, the patrons loved every minute of it.

Tuckers Gap Depot Update

By **Terry Coats**

The Depot was purchased at auction by the Wilson Co Fair Board for \$10,000. The seller then returned \$5,000 of that money to the purchaser to help move it to the fairgrounds. It will be relocated at the "Fiddlers Grove" area in the park next to the other historic Wilson Co buildings there. It will be restored not in time

NEXT MEETING Willow St Building Thursday August 18, 2005 7:00 PM

for this year's fair but maybe for 2006. Another NC&StL station will live! This makes about 65 NC&StL depots that I can account for across TN, AL, GA, and KY that are still standing. Some are museums, some are homes, some are storage buildings and some are businesses. One is a library and some are used as municipal buildings. Tuckers Gap was moved two weeks ago last Friday (July 16).

NRHS Notes

By **Herb Roth**

1955 - Great Northern turns off Cascades electrification after 46 years.

1958 - N&W orders 268 diesel locomotives at an approximate cost of \$50,000,000. Delivery to begin in October.

1958 - N&W Class J 603 pulls last passenger train on N&W's Scioto Div.

Train Watching - I was in Jacksonville, FL the week of Aug 1. On Wed 8/3 I drove 40 miles NW to the small South Georgia town of Folkston. All CSX trains from the eastern half of the country travel through here on their way to Florida. Two main CSX lines come together just north of Folkston and that portion of the railroad is called the "Folkston Funnel". I was told that 40 to 60 trains a day pass through Folkston. I was there for a little over two hours and only saw three trains, all northbound. Three years ago a group of people, including the Mayor, persuaded the state to give them \$30,000 to build a viewing platform a safe distance from the double-track main. The platform is constructed of wood and very sturdy. It has a wide roof, plastic chairs, three large fans hanging from center of roof, and a scanner to pick up train "chatter". The platform is four feet high and the viewing distance covers over a quarter mile with nothing obstructing your view- A fine addition for train watchers.