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Ken Oosting- \$500 cash for TCRM general operations

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2007 Cumberland Div-TCRM Schedule

Feb 8 Thursday Night Meeting at TCRM Nashville TN
Feb 10 Valentines Day Murder Mystery Trip to Watertown
Mar 3 Girl Scout Roundtrip Excursion Trains to Donelson
Mar 10 Mother Goose Fairyland Trip to Watertown
Mar 17 Spring 2007 Cumberland Division Meet at TCRM
Mar 31 Easter Bunny Trip I to Watertown
Apr 7 Easter Bunny Trip II to Watertown
Apr 14-15 Artrain Public Tours at TCRM
Apr 16-17 Artrain Educational Tours at TCRM
Apr 28 Mile-Long Yard Sale Trip to Watertown
May 4-6 Mid-South Live Steamers Spring 2007 Meet
May 5 TC Ry Rendezvous Trip to Cookeville
May 19 Train Robbery Trip to Watertown
Aug 21-25 NRHS Nat'l Convention at Chattanooga TN

NRHS Notes

By **Herb Roth**

Yearly Dues - Thanks to all of you who have "paid up". We have one more member to reach and I'm working on that.

The NRHS 2007 Convention will be held Aug 21 - 25. The Convention Hotel is the Chattanooga Choo-Choo Holiday Inn (Where else?). Events will include train excursions, some with rare mileage, seminars, membership meeting, night photography session, museum visits, shop tours, and annual banquet. The Model Railroad Museum at the Choo-Choo features the Chattanooga Southern RR, which they claim is the world's largest HO layout.

Of note - The Spring 2007 Classic Trains magazine contains a great article, with splendid photos, of the C&O's #1 passenger train "The George Washington" which entered service on April 24, 1932.

Hobby Shop News

New in the shop - NMRA N scale standards gauges arrived and are almost gone, but fast **Eddie J** has reordered them. Also new are some Rapido Trains HO L&N lightweight coaches in the blue & gray paint scheme, \$44.95 each, 5 different car numbers.

Also, **Pete Boehme**, **Eddie Justice** and **Mark Perry** are continuing to bring on line the hobby shop point-of-sale computer system. Several hundred more items need to be entered into the system however to complete the task.

Bob Hultman and **Charles Owens** completed inventory of hobby shop items. Yet to be completed is the spreadsheet so a final \$\$\$ total can be determined.

Program Notes

Feb 8, 2007- **Terry Bebout** will present the financial results of our 2006 efforts. Be sure to attend this meeting for a review of what we did in 2006 and what we plan to do for 2007.

Host Committee - February 8, 2007 Meeting

Jimmie Guthrie	Warren-Julie Hannas	Ken Herrell
Allen Hicks	Len Hollinger	Frank Holt
Bill Howard	Bob Hultman*	Barbara Hutton
George Jackson	Jerry Jones	James Jones
Pat & Tommy Jones	Eddie Justice	Scott Kammerer

* = Host Committee Chair

New Members

Lowell Barrow, Murfreesboro TN (family)

John Brown, Nashville TN (family)

Dave Gara, Nashville TN (reraill)

Danny Jones, Murfreesboro TN

Larry Oliver, Murfreesboro TN

Marvin Palmer, Nashville TN

Bob Sobotka, Murfreesboro TN (family)

Please welcome our new members and make them feel at home at TCRM! Holiday Inn

TCRM Membership Renewals - 2007

By **Bob Hultman**

It's now renewal time for your TCRM membership. Activity fee for 2007 will stay at \$30/individual or \$35 for family members of the same household. Please make your checks payable to TCRM and mail to TC Ry Museum Attn- Jenny Smith at 220 Willow St in Nashville TN 37210-2159. TCRM will acknowledge your renewal via E-mail or USPS.

Sad News – Passing of TCRM Members

By **Bob Hultman**

NRHS-TCRM member **Richard L Smith** passed away in November 2006. He was a long-time member of the Nashville Chapter, National Railway Historical Society.

We also received word that NRHS-TCRM member **Hale Meacham Sr** passed away in January 2007. **Hale** operated a hobby shop on Gallatin Rd just north of the Sirey Bldg back in the 70s and 80s. Member **Hugh Nichols** is arranging to have the members' names added to the memorial plaque in the TCRM Willow St building front hallway.

TCRM Excursion Train News

By **Bob Hultman**

Our next excursion train is the Feb 10 Valentines Day Murder Mystery Trip to Watertown. This trip is a 9 am departure with return to Nashville around 3:20 pm. Notify **Bob Hultman** at 615-833-5158 or E-mail hultman@bellsouth.net if you will work this trip.

On Jan 27, 2007 **Terry Bebout** presented a makeup carhost safety certification course for 10 TCRM members. Counting the folks who took the course at the January meeting, we now have 71 members who have completed the course for 2007.

NEXT MEETING TCRM Willow St Building Thursday February 8, 2007 7:00 PM

Model Railroad News

By **Bob Hultman**

Several Nashville Ntrak members took a part of their N scale RR up to Louisville KY the weekend of Jan 27-28 2007 to be a part of the large Ntrak modular RR at the Great American Expo Train Show (Great American Expo Train Shows appears to be a successor to GATS). Other TCRM members who attended the show included **Len Hollinger, Eddie Justice, Doug Lindgren, Horton Monroe** and **Doug Roberts**.

Both HO and N scale modelers typically meet at TCRM Tuesday afternoons-early evenings for fellowship, work on model RR projects and to see and hear the latest DCC applications by member **Chris Brown**. If you're interested in model railroading, come on down and join us on Tuesday afternoon-evenings.

The Show Modular Model RR Club Inc is sponsoring a Train Show & Sale on Feb 17, 2007 10 am – 4 pm at the Sloan Convention Center in Bowling Green KY – Information- Bruce Baggett 270-542-8302 edwbaggett@aol.com

Coming up on Saturday March 17 is Cumberland Division's Spring 2007 Division Meet and TCRM Open House. We'll have several dealers, 2 operating model RRs, some self-guided home model RR tours and hopefully our full diner car TCRX 8519 open for tours.

Gene Caldwell's HO Model Railroad

By **Bob Hultman**

Member **Gene Caldwell** has built a fine HO model railroad in the basement of his home in southeastern Davidson Co. Some of you may have seen it during our self-guided home railroad tours as part of our Division Meets. Here are 2 photos-



View of an RDC stopping for passengers



Here's a view of Gene's **Pioneer Zephyr** making a station stop. To the right of the picture is the East Pointe Yard, the main classification yard and engine facility on the road.

Photos from collection of **Gene Caldwell**