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Donations

Bill Strong- \$1,000 cash towards TC 102 restoration

2014 Cumberland Div-TCRM Schedule

- Jan 9 TCRM Thursday Night Meeting- Nashville TN
Jan 18 Planning Meeting – TCRM Excursion Train Program
25th Anniversary – 9 am at TCRM
Feb 8 Valentines Day Murder Mystery Trip to Watertown
Feb 15 Excursion Train to DelMonaco Winery at Baxter
Mar 15 Excursion Train to DelMonaco Winery at Baxter
Mar 22 Cumberland Div Spring Meet-Model Train Show &
TCRM Open House
Apr 12 Easter Bunny Excursion Train I to Watertown
Apr 17 J C Napier School Easter Egg Hunt
Apr 19 Easter Bunny Excursion Train II to Watertown
Apr 26 Spring Mile-Long Yard Sale Excursion Train to
Watertown
May 3 Dogwood Spring Festival Trip to Monterey
May 17 Train Robbery Trip to Watertown
May 31-June 1 TCRM Excursion Train 25th Anniversary
Celebration
June 13-15 SER Regional Convention – Rails Across The River
Memphis TN
June 21 Excursion Train to DelMonaco Winery at Baxter

Host Committee – January 2014 Meeting

James “JD” Brooks	Randal Brooks	Ted Brown
Joey Bryan	Peter Burr	Kirk Butler
Charlie Campbell	Eddie Carter	Terry-Jane Coats
Chris Cook	Daniel-Michael Day	Jack Dill
Bella DiVona	Richard Douglas	Cledia-Wayne Eby*

*- Host Committee Chair

January 2014 Program

Our January 2014 program will be our car host safety certification class. If you want to work the excursion trains, you're required to take this class. Be sure to bring 1) copy of TCRM Car Host Handbook and 2) an effective writing instrument.

Our February program will be a slide presentation by TCRM member Tim O'Neal, ½ the program TC Ry slides, the other ½ to be bridges & trains.

Anyone wanting to present a program at our Thursday night meetings, please contact **Bob Hultman** cell 615-513-7187 E-mail hultman@bellsouth.net

New Members

Daniel, Laura, Mary &, Matthew Pitts Troy TN (Family)

Keith Summar Nashville TN

Monica & Walter West Brentwood TN (Family)

Welcome to our new members as they take part in our activities.

Planning Meeting - TCRM Excursion Train Program 25th Anniversary

By **Terry Bebout**

There will be a planning meeting of the TCRM Excursion Train Program 25th Anniversary Committee on Saturday, Jan 18 at TCRM. Meeting time is 9 am. All members are invited to attend and bring your ideas and suggestions.

TCRM Hobby Shop News

By **Charles Owens**

Charles Owens of the TCRM hobby shop staff announced the hobby shop will be **closed Tuesday Jan 14** and **Thursday Jan 16** for the annual hobby shop inventory. The shop will **reopen Saturday Jan 18**.

Correction - BoD Meeting Report

By **Bob Hultman**

I incorrectly reported the Board approved \$25,000 for continued restoration of TC 102 business car in the Dec 2013 Meeting Notice... Correct amount is \$50,000..... My thanks to BoD member **Gordon Smith** for setting me straight.

Excursion Train News

By **Bob Hultman**

Our first 2 trips for 2014 are the Feb 8 Valentines Day Murder Mystery Trip to Watertown & the Feb 15 DelMonaco Winery Trip. Safety meeting starts at 7 am, with departure at 9:00 am for the Feb 8 trip; safety meeting for the Feb 15 trip starts at 6:30 am; keep in mind these 2 trips board passengers at Donelson Music City Star station, NOT at TCRM. Crew sign-up sheets for these 2 trips will be at our Jan 9 meeting.

We are always looking for TCRM members to help work these trips. To do so, contact **Bob Hultman** at cell 615-513-7187 or E-mail hultman@bellsouth.net

HO Model RR News

By **Bob Hultman**

The HO modelers are reviving weekly meeting on Saturday afternoons at TCRM to 1) rehab the HO modular RR, 2) RR will be setting up at Adventure Science Center's 2013 **Whistlestop Weekend**, Nov 15 thru 17. See the 2013 Whistlestop Weekend item for more information.

Sick Call Update – Billy Odom

By **John Graves, Marilyn O'Neal**

(**Marilyn**) **Billy Odom** just called me (Fri Dec 27) and said that last Saturday, Dec 21st he had to be rushed back to Centennial with a temperature of 104 and was put in ICU. He was in ICU till yesterday, December 26th and was placed in a room there at Centennial. He is waiting for the okay from the Dr---hopefully

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Thursday Night Meeting – Jan 9, 2014 6:30 pm at TCRM Nashville TN

by Sunday--to be well enough to go back to rehab in Cool Springs. Instead, he went back to rehab today. **Billy** needs our thoughts and prayers.

(**John**) A little more information- **Billy** is now settled in at NHC Place at Cool Springs for rehabilitation and is expected to be there for the next six weeks. He's in room 1712A. His phone number is: (615) 778-6866. His address is **Billy Odom** NHC Place at Cool Springs
211 Cool Springs Blvd Room 1712A Franklin, TN 37067

TC 102 Business Car Restoration Update

By **Pete Weaver**

Just wanted to bring folks up to date on the Palm Beach (TC 102) restoration. We have the car under cover and enclosed in a flimsy plastic shroud. The asbestos abatement has been completed for the parts of the car that we will be working on in the near future. During this process essentially all of the roofing and most of the south siding had to be removed. Some of this material may be reused later. We have removed all of the salvageable material from inside the car from the dining room east to the observation room.

We have exposed considerable damage due to 1) the bluff rock which fell on the car and 2) the ravages of old age. It doesn't seem that any of this has caused insurmountable difficulties. However, after the first of the new year I will have a couple of experienced rail car/coach rebuilders come and give an evaluation and recommendations.

There is a lot of basic removal work still to be done. This consists of unscrewing small parts, attaching identification tags and moving the parts to storage. All that is needed is a medium flat head screwdriver, pen and elbow grease.

Please consider donating some of the 4 member hours a month you have committed to as a museum member to this worthy cause. I can be reached 6 am to 9 pm Mon-Sat at 615-293-2087 for the times I will be on site.

Easter Egg Hunt for Napier School

By **Marilyn O'Neal**

We have committed to having a Easter egg hunt for Napier School on April 17th. Many people said they would donate cash for the plastic eggs and many said they would donate candy. So far we have 3 cash donations and Tim and I have bought 10 bags of wrapped chocolates. When we spoke as a group about this people offered to shop after the holidays for any candy that was not wrapped in Christmas paper to be stored here in totes. We have the totes but nothing much in them. We need your help. Let's make this the best Easter egg hunt ever---something that they will remember-----also Channel 2 will be there. Let,s not look we just threw this together in the last minute. We are accepting checks, cash, credit cards and candy.

Sad News – Passing of George A Collier, Andrew Jensen's Grandfather

By **Bob Hultman**

TCRM member **Andrew Jensen** sent on the sad news that his grandfather passed away this evening (Dec 21). Please keep **Andrew** & his family in your thoughts & prayers, especially during this time of the year. Andrew's mailing address- 606 MerRouge Dr in Nolensville TN 37135

2 School Groups Visit TCRM

By **Marilyn O'Neal**

Today (Dec 18) we had a group from Berry HeadStart. The children were awesome and eager to learn. It only took a second to learn "STOP- LOOK- and Listen", "Don't play on the tracks" and to enjoy the way we play with trains. The group was smaller than we expected because they had a few sick children not reporting to school. All in all it was a nice experience ---they enjoyed an exchange in counting and colors with **Don Ey** as well. We toured the train, the Museum, watched N scale and HO trains and watched the Operation Lifesaver video. They were proud of the packet that they received from the Museum. Special thanks to **Fred Enters, Don Ey, Bob Hultman, Kevin Matthews, Jim Perry, Steve Price, Gordon Sutla** and **Pete Weaver** for helping to make this happen.

Thank you to **Fred Enters, Bob Hultman, John Kennedy, Kevin Matthews, Steve Price & Pete Weaver** and for being here (Dec 19) and making their presence known to the children of the homeschoolers group Classical Conversationalists. The homeschoolers, 12 students & 5 adults, were well behaved. They listened well and they were vocal on letting us know what they had learned and what their interest were. I appreciated all the help that these members were able to give to teach these children about train safety, our history and about our hobby.

Future Group Tours at TCRM

By **Marilyn O'Neal**

Mar 6

North Head Start- Roselyn Mccullough
20 Children + 5 Adults

Upcoming Conventions & Shows

Jan Montgomery Bell State Park Model Railroad tour of history

Feb 15 L&N Depot Train Show Bowling Green KY

Mar 22 Cumberland Division Spring 2014 Meet-Model Train Show & TC Ry Museum Open House at TCRM

June 13-15 SER Joint Regional Convention with Mid-Continent Region – Rails Across The River Memphis TN

July 13-19 NMRA 2014 Cleveland National Convention in Cleveland OH <http://www.2014cleveland.org>

July 25-26 5th Annual Madison Train Show
LARGEST MIDDLE TN MULTI-SCALE
SUMMER TRAIN SHOW

Fri July 25 – 3 pm to 6:00 pm (private running session for modelers, 6:00 to 8:00 pm)

Sat July 26 - 9 am to 3:30 pm 65 vendor tables, 5 layouts.

Vendor tables are still available.

For info, Call Nathan Baker, Madison Train Show Chairman 615-615-3324 nathanbaker@comcast.net