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December 2014 Program

Our December program will be a PowerPoint Presentation by **Ralcon Wagner**- "25 Years of Excursions and Counting – Part 2". This is a continuation of the April program covering the highlights of our Museum's history. This portion covers 2006 to the present, concluding with TCRM's 25th anniversary celebration.

Our annual Holiday Dinner (Road Kill Buffet as it's commonly known, 6 pm serving start) Menu will be turkey, ham, dressing, green beans, potato casserole, rolls, tea and dessert. There could be a visit from Santa and I would bet on some door prizes as well.

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

Activity Fee for 2015 - Renewal

TCRM annual membership renewal is now upon us. Please mail your activity fee renewals (for 2015 the fee remains \$30 individual, \$35 for family members of the same household), made payable to TCRM to TC Ry Museum at 220 Willow St in Nashville TN 37210-2159 Attn – **Marilyn O'Neal**. If you prefer to renew via credit-debit card, please call **Marilyn** at 615-244-9001 or stop by the Museum to do so in person. Also, be sure to include any updated roster information (name, family member names, mailing address, phone numbers and current E-mail addresses).

Why TCRM Does What It Does

By **Bob Hultman**

Marilyn O'Neal sent this on from FaceBook Nov 30, 2014...
Teresa Buckles Tennessee Central Railway Museum

We took the Santa Train to Watertown this past Saturday. There were twenty two members of our family total, ranging in age from two to seventy eight years old. It was, without a doubt, one of the best times we've ever had together. The train ride was amazing. The volunteers with The Tennessee Central Railway Museum who were in our car went above and beyond to help make our trip special.

Thank you so much for all you do. Many years ago our Mother and Father took us on a train to Louisville from Nashville, just so we could ride a train. My Mother was on this trip this past Saturday, only this time she was with her children, grand children and great grandchildren. I cannot tell you how special that was to all of us. Thank you again for letting us relive some old memories and make some new one's with four generations of our family. God bless you all.
Thank you Teresa and your entire family.....

2014-15 Cumberland Div-TCRM Schedule

- Dec 13 2 North Pole Express Excursion Trains to Lebanon
- Dec 18 TCRM Road Kill Buffet & Christmas Party
- Jan 8 TCRM Thursday Night Meeting Nashville TN
- Feb 14 Valentines Day Murder Mystery Excursion Train to Watertown
- Feb 21 Excursion Train to DelMonaco Winery at Baxter
- Mar 21 Excursion Train to DelMonaco Winery at Baxter
- Mar 28 Easter Bunny Trip I Excursion Train to Watertown
- Apr 4 Easter Bunny Trip I Excursion Train to Watertown
- Apr 11 Cumberland Div Fall Division Meet-Model Train Show & TC Ry Museum Open House
- Apr 18 Spring Mile-Long Yard Sale Excursion Train to Watertown

Online Ticket Sales Coming to TCRM

By **Terry Bebout**

In the near future TCRM excursion train tickets will be available for purchase on-line through our web site. We have contracted with WhistleTix for the on-line sales that will allow the customer to order and pay for tickets with their home computer or smart phone and then print their tickets out on their home printer. WhistleTix has over 40 other railroad museums that have been using their services for a number of years now. We are in the process of setting up the various web pages and we should be in a test mode very soon. We will keep you updated with this project and we expect to go live with it to begin sales for excursions in 2015.

Hobby Shop News

By **Ed Minnich**

HO 1958 2-Bay Hoppers from InterMountain- NC&StL - 6 road numbers *These will not last long!!!*

N-Scale 1932 ARA Box Cars NC&StL by Atlas 3 Road Numbers Available These retail for \$24.95 and have been specially priced at \$18.75

Remember.... We are offering all InterMountain locos and rolling stock at a special discount of 20% through December 30 even if you are not a TCRM member. All N-Scale locos and rolling stock are discounted 20% through December 30, including mark-downs for our guests. This promotion cannot be combined with other discounts.

We stock a full line of Atlas and PECO Flex Track in both HO and N-Scale, cork roadbed, PECO turnouts and switch machines, Tortoise switch machines, Kadee and Micro-Trains Line trucks and couplers, scenery supplies, adhesives

Excursion Train News

By **Bob Hultman**

Our last 2 trips of the year are our 2 Lebanon North Pole Express Trips on Dec 13, departing TCRM at 9 am & at 1:30 pm, returning about 2½ hrs later . These trips are sold out, all 11

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Thursday Night Meeting – December 18, 2014 6:00 pm at TCRM Nashville TN

revenue cars will be in the consist. Safety meeting at 7 am.

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 had a successful HO modular RR setup at Adventure Science Center (ASC) Sunday Nov 9 thru Sunday Nov 16. **Randal Brooks** showed his new 12' section of 3 different RR bridges that require the modules to have a lowered area for the watercourses. Excellent work, **Randal!** The RR configuration was as follows, starting from the NE corner-

C Div Outside Corner - C Div 24' Yard - C Div Outside Corner
Horton Monroe's 12' Central of GA RR
Horton Monroe's 4' My-T-Fine Motel
Len Hollinger's 16' Firestone Plant
C Div Outside Corner - C Div Outside Corner
Mike Irwin's 8' British Village
C Div 4' Geezer Gate - C Div Inside Corner
George Gilbert's 4' Forge Creek
C Div Inside Corner
Quincy Styke's 12' Stykedale
C Div Outside Corner - C Div Outside Corner
Russ Schneider's 20' MILW Rd Passenger Station
Randal Brooks' 12' Western Bridges Scene

Lots of TCRM handouts were picked up & the RR ran pretty well. Teardown was Sunday Nov 16 with all the RR & other impedimenta out of Adventure Science Center by 10 pm Sunday. Many thanks to all who helped with transportation, setup, operation & then teardown of the RR.

O & O-27 Gauge Trains For Sale

By **Ed Minnich**

(Nov 26, 2014) Don Maloney is in the process of "right-sizing" and has a collection of O and O27 gauge trains and accessories for sale-mail Bob Hultman at bhultman@bellsouth.net for a PDF file listing his items. While he would probably sell these items individually, his preference is to bulk sell his entire collection. I promised Mr. Maloney that we would get this list out to TCRM members and also to our TCA friends. Mr. Maloney can be contacted at: Donald Maloney 615.373.8108 615.385.9333 (mobile) Malhaven@bellsouth.net

Being Vigilant

By **Terry Bebout**

Any time you are at the Museum be aware of strangers vs guests. If you see something or some persons who don't look like they fit say something.

Tonight, Dec 3, 2014, commuter train crews spotted persons near Anthes Drive close to the Museum stripping copper wire. Thank goodness it is not from our facility. Police were called and they were arrested for trespassing on RR property.

Sad News – Passing of Charlie Campbell

By **Bob Hultman**

Today, Nov 18, I learned from **Marilyn O'Neal** of the passing of **Charlie Campbell**, a long-time member of TCRM and an active model railroader. He also served as a locksmith consultant for TCRM. Arrangements are described at this Web page for Woodfin Funeral Home-

http://www.woodfinchapel.com/memsol.cgi?user_id=1460433

Please keep **Charlie's** family in your thoughts & prayers during this difficult time. The mailing address is 110 Prindle Dr in Smyrna TN 37167.

Sad News – Passing of Frank Holt's Mother

By **Bob Hultman**

Marilyn O'Neal sent on from **James** (Nov 20) that **Frank Holt's** mother passed away last night. **Frank** is in California but will return to Tennessee next week some time.

Frank & Cindy's mailing address is 1602 Eastland Av in Nashville TN 37206. Please keep **Frank** & his family in your thoughts & prayers during this difficult time.

Sick Call – Eddie Carter, Robert Meadows

By **Robert Thurman**

(Dec 5 2014) Just a note to let you know that Robert Meadows (who is recovering from gall bladder surgery) has had other medical issues and will be facing more tests.

Also, **Eddie Carter** had double knee replacement surgery yesterday. Reports so far are that he is doing very well. He is in St. Thomas-Rutherford in Murfreesboro.

Both of these guys have worked on the excursion train medical team many times. Also, I think **Eddie** is actually a TCRM member. (Good thinking..... he is, mbr #1122- Ed.)

Sick Call – DeLoy Nelms

By **Allen Hicks**

Talked to **DeLoy** this morning (Dec 3) and he sounded a little tired but says they're putting him through boot camp. He's doing well and looks forward to getting home although it may be a while yet. **DeLoy** and **Ann's** address is 735 Friar Tuck Lane in Cookeville, TN 38501.

DeLoy fell awhile back & broke his left hip..... Bob Hultman

Upcoming Conventions & Shows

Apr 11 Cumberland Division Spring 2015 Meet-Model Train Show & TC Ry Museum Open House at TCRM

June 5-6, 2015 SER Annual Convention Greenville SC

Aug 23-30, 2015 - NMRA Nat'l Convention Portland OR