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2018 Cumberland Div-TCRM Schedule

- Mar 22 Thursday Night Meeting – TCRM Nashville TN
Mar 24 Excursion Train Trip to DelMonaco Winery Baxter TN– **SOLD OUT**
Mar 31 Easter Bunny Excursion Train Trip to Watertown TN
Apr 7 Cumberland Div Spring Meet & TCRM Open House Nashville TN
Apr 14 Excursion Train Trip to DelMonaco Winery Baxter TN– **SOLD OUT**
Apr 14 Train Collectors Assoc Music City Chapter Spring Meet at 1st Baptist Church in Donelson Nashville TN
Apr 21 Spring Mile-Long Yard Sale Excursion Train Trip to Watertown TN
May 5 Excursion Train Trip to DelMonaco Winery Baxter TN– **SOLD OUT**
May 10 Thursday Night Meeting – **Fish Fry** TCRM Nashville TN
May 19 Train Robbery Excursion Train Trip to Watertown TN
June 16 Muddy Roots Charter Excursion Train Trip to DelMonaco Winery Baxter TN

March 2018 Meeting

Our next meeting will be **March 22**. Currently the program will be a video from the TCRM Video Library. Since there are 3 consecutive Saturday activities in April, our next Thursday Night Meeting will be the **Fish Fry** on May 10.

Anyone wanting to present a program at our Thursday night meetings, please contact **Bob Hultman** landline 615-833-5158 or cell 615-513-7187 or E-mail hultman@bellsouth.net

New TCRM Members

Robert Clements

Ken Fagan

Robert “Moose” Guzman Goodlettsville TN

Please welcome our new members as they take part in our activities & events.

Surplus Property – TCRM Wheelchair

By **Bob Hultman**

TCRM has decided our wheelchair is now surplus property. Reason is liability exposure.... Our insurance company & EMTs recommended against providing a wheelchair for use by visitors or excursion train passengers. So, if anyone wants to buy the chair from TCRM, contact **Bob Hultman** landline 615-833-5158 or cell 615-513-7187 or E-mail hultman@bellsouth.net

Activity Fee for 2018 - Renewal

TCRM annual membership renewal is now due. Please mail your activity fee renewals (**\$35 individual, \$40 family membership**), made payable to TCRM to TC Ry Museum at 220 Willow St in Nashville TN 37210-2159 Attn – **Shakela Lawler**. TCRM admin office is open 9 am-4 pm Tuesday thru Friday, 9 am to 3

pm on Saturday. If you prefer to renew via credit or debit card, please call **Shakela** 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 & current E-mail addresses). Also be aware that the TC Hobby Shop will no longer take payments for new memberships or renewals.

As of Jan 18, there are 119 renewed & new TCRM members in **George Gilbert's** membership database. Over the next month, we will further updating our rosters and E-mail lists. If you want to continue getting meeting-news notices, please renew promptly if you have not already done so.

Excursion Train News

By **Bob Hultman**

Our 4th trip for 2018 is to DelMonaco Winery on Mar 24. Safety meeting on diner 3119 starts at 7 am, boarding at 8 am, departure at 8:30 am with return to Nashville around 5:30 pm.

Our 5th trip for 2018 is our Easter Bunny Trip to Watertown on Mar 31. Safety meeting on diner 3119 starts at 7 am, boarding at 8:30 am, departure at 9 am with return to Nashville around 3 pm.

We are always looking for TCRM members to help work these trips. To do so, contact **Bob Hultman** landline 615-833-5158 or cell 615-513-7187, E-mail hultman@bellsouth.net

Continuing repair on car 4719..... **Fred Enters & Bill Sapp** have gotten 5 more seatback upholstery covers repaired & plan to reinstall them in 4719 Fri Mar 16.

Parking Crew Help Needed

By **Bob Hultman**

The parking crew needs more folks to help with parking for our 2018 excursion trains. It only requires 2-3 hours per any Saturday that you can help. It's not glamorous but is a very important part of our excursion trips. If there's enough volunteers to help out they would only have to help 1 or 2 Saturdays a month. All help would be greatly appreciated. **Lawrence Lilly** is our parking crew manager. If you'll help out, contact **Lawrence** at 615-319-5646 or 615-641-2415 or E-mail brucelilly1970@gmail.com. Thanks ahead of time for the help.

TCRM Needs Volunteers

By **Bob Hultman**

Lots of visitors come to TCRM on Saturdays to visit. Most of the time there are no TCRM members available to escort them around the grounds. TCRM can certainly use your help during the week and on Saturdays escorting visitors around the grounds. In this manner you can help “sell” TCRM to our visitors and, who knows, you could be encouraging more folks to join & take advantage of the railroad-related activities & events we offer. Please consider helping out.....

More on the other side

TCRM Thursday Night Meeting 6:30 pm – March 22, 2018

TCRM Admin Staff – Temporary Change

By **Bob Hultman**

TCRM's administrative staff, **Shakela Lawler**, will be gone for a couple months thru the end of April. In the meantime, **Nakeya Belser** will be TCRM's admin staff. **Nakeya** had worked as TCRM admin staff prior to **Shakela**, so **Nakeya** is familiar with TCRM operations.

Video Shoot @TCRM a Success

By **Bob Hultman**

TCRM president **Terry Bebout** advised that the video shoot at TCRM Feb 27-28 was a success. Many thanks to TCRM members **Bill Howard**, **Don Strong**, **Doug Uhler** & **Lee Ware** for being Museum hosts for this event which brought in a good chunk of revenue to the Museum.

TCRM Hobby Shop News

By **Bob Hultman**

The Hobby Shop has a great staff willing to serve all your hobby needs. We could always use some more help to staff the shop. If you could volunteer 4 hours a month, we can use you. We will train you and you do not need expert knowledge in all areas of railroading. Contact **Fred Enters** at entersf@charter.net if you want to help.

Last item- The hobby shop will no longer be taking payments for TCRM memberships, new or renewals. TCRM's admin staff, **Shakela Lawler**, is at TCRM whenever the hobby shop is open, so see her for your membership payments.

Excursion Train Washing

By **Terry Bebout**

We have not washed the train in a long time. How about we attempt to organize a train washing this coming Sat from 8 am-12 pm and see how far we get? I will get the brushes, soap etc. Weather should be not too hot for this task.

Excursion Train Repairs

By **Terry Bebout**

TCRM needs your help with multiple repairs on our excursion train cars. **Mike Volle** & **Bill Howard** will be reviewing car report forms for repairs needed in the various cars. E-mail Bob Hultman at hultman@bellsouth.net & he will put you in touch with **Mike** & **Bill**.

Sad News – Hobbytown Mt Juliet Closing

By **Bob Hultman**

Hobbytown in Mt Juliet at 300 Pleasant Grove Rd phone 615-754-6229 is closing. Inventory liquidation sale started March 1.

Nashville Ntrak 2nd Saturday Meetings

By **Bob Hultman**

Nashville Ntrak 2nd Saturday meeting on Mar 10 from 9 am to noon included learning more about Nashville NTrak, their mission, and the many benefits available to members. There's opportunities to run trains on their Museum layout, program DCC-equipped locomotives or just "mix and mingle". As N Scale is a small size and not suitable for little fingers, they ask that all engineers must have reached the age of 12. Formal activities were from 9 am thru noon, operators could run trains

on the club layout until the Museum closed at 3 pm as long as an NTrak member was present.

****Spring Clinics****

We will continue construction of the Lumber Mill OneTrak module.

****WIFI Throttle****

Have your smart phone handy, and we'll show you how to use the THROTTLE APP (IOS and Android) to control DCC locomotives.

****Your Input Matters****

Club members are actively discussing ways to design smaller and lighter weight travel modules. There are many alternatives to the traditionally heavy and somewhat large NTrak modules. Always looking for fresh ideas, please spend this Saturday morning with us to share your ideas.

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DOWT 2018 Color Flyers Now Available

By **Bob Hultman**

Terry Bebout has advised that color flyers for our 2018 Day Out With Thomas The Tank Engine event are now available at TCRM. TCRM needs everyone's help in publicizing DOWT 2018 so we can do better than DOWT 2017. Please come by TCRM, pick up some of the flyers & start spreading the word. The link to TicketWeb for buying DOWT tickets is already active on TCRM's Website Home page.

Thank you in advance for all your help.....

Sad News – Passing of Will Crowthers

By **Bob Hultman**

On Feb 14 I learned of the passing of **Will Crowthers**, a former long-time member of TCRM. He & his wife **Jean** were active car hosts on our excursion train for many years, working with **DeLoy Nelms** in dome car 9400. Below is the URL to his obituary in the Tennessean newspaper-
<http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/tennessean/obituary-search.aspx?affiliateId=2294&lastname=crowthers&stateid=56>

Please keep **Will's** family in your thoughts and prayers during this most difficult time.

Upcoming Conventions & Shows

Apr 7, 2018- Cumberland Division SER-NMRA Spring Meet & TCRM Annual Open House at TCRM in Nashville TN 9 am to 3 pm

Apr 14, 2018- Train Collectors Association Music City Chapter Spring Meet at 1st Baptist Church Donelson in Nashville TN 9 am to 1 pm

July 27-28, 2018- 9th Annual Madison Train Show at City Road Chapel UMC in Madison TN