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2018 Cumberland Div-TCRM Schedule

- 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– **SOLD OUT**
- May 24-27 SouthEastern Region NMRA Convention in Lake Junaluska NC
- June 16 Muddy Roots Charter Excursion Train Trip to DelMonaco Winery Baxter TN
- July 7 Murder Mystery Excursion Train Trip to Watertown TN
- July 21 Charter Excursion Train Trip to DelMonaco Winery Baxter TN
- July 27-28 9th Annual Madison Train Show at City Road Chapel UMC in Madison TN
- Aug 5-12 NMRA National Convention in Kansas City MO
- Aug 11 Excursion Train Trip to DelMonaco Winery Baxter TN– **SOLD OUT**
- Sep 1-2 Day Out With Thomas The Tank Engine at TCRM
- Sep 8-9 Day Out With Thomas The Tank Engine at TCRM

May 2018 Meeting – Fish Fry!

Our next Thursday Night Meeting will be the **Fish Fry** on May 10. **Bill Stewart** will be offering a car host safety make-up class after the meal for anyone needing to take the class.

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

Very Sad News – Passing of John Ellis

By Estelle LeClaire

(Apr 17) It is with a personal sense of loss, and as well a relief that **John's** year-long ordeal with cancer is over. The last few weeks he declined rapidly, and although not in pain, did struggle with his condition. I was with him yesterday and he only once recognized that I was there. He passed away this morning. **John** lived in Linden TN, about 70 miles South East of Downtown Nashville. While he was able he was a faithful Nashville Ntrak participant and club member.

The review and service for **John Ellis** was at 2 pm Friday Apr 20 in Linden at the Young Funeral Home. **John's** remains will be flown to Wilson NC for graveside family service and burial in the family plot. Members of **John's** family are flying in from Long Island NY.

Excursion Train Repairs

By Terry Bebout

TCRM needs your help with multiple repairs on our excursion train cars. **Mike Volle** & **Bill Howard** will be coordinating this repair work. E-mail Bob Hultman at hultman@bellsouth.net & he will put you in touch with **Mike** & **Bill**.

Parking Changes at TCRM

By Bob Hultman

Terry Bebout advises that contractors for the Buntin Group, owner of the white warehouse bldg just to the east side of the TCRM Museum bldg, have started work on the gravel lot (where the operating crew & car hosts park for excursion train days & also where the Day Out With Thomas (DOWT) food tent & photo tent & petting zoo have been located). We knew Buntin planned to use the lot, but didn't know when work would start.

The contractor has set up temporary fencing, so this gravel lot is no longer available for TCRM members to use. This change will require us to rearrange our vehicle gate so we will continue to have motor vehicle access to the TCRM shop area without having to drive across the Penske truck lot & use the roll-back chain-link fence gate.

TCRM property on the Buntin gravel lot (wheelsets, wood stands for DOWT live entertainment stage, tie cars & some RR signal parts) is in process of being moved elsewhere.

The loss of use of this gravel lot will require some changes in where TCRM members-car hosts-operating crew-service people park to accomplish their tasks. We will send out specific information as soon as it is available. For DOWT, there will obviously be changes in where specific activities (food tent & food service area, diaper changing station, petting zoo, etc) will be located for DOWT 2018. Buntin Group has said they will work with us regarding venues for various DOWT activities. **Anyone parking at Southern Junction- keep vehicle access to our trash dumpster clear.**

Parking Changes at Old Dale Supply Bldg

By Bob Hultman

The new owners of the old Dale Supply beige-color building have notified TCRM that none of the parking areas in front of their building nor the driveway at the east end of their building are to be used by TCRM members or guests at any time. Please park in areas other than these so that TCRM maintains good relations with our business neighbors.

Excursion Train News

By Bob Hultman

Our 8th trip for 2018 is again to DelMonaco Winery on May 5. 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 9th trip for 2018 is our Train Robbery Trip to Watertown on May 19. Safety meeting on diner 3119 starts at 7 am, boarding at 8:30 am, departure at 9 am with return to Nashville around 3:15 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

More on the other side

Thursday Night Meeting May 10 – Fish Fry! Serving starts at 6 pm

Car Host Safety Make-Up Class May 10

By **Bob Hultman**

After everyone gets their fill of fish on May 10, **Bill Stewart** will have his laptop computer in the admin office & present a car host safety make-up class for those who have not taken the class for 2018 and want to do so. Bring your car host handbook plus an effective writing instrument.

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 Mar 25, there are 156 renewed & new TCRM members in **George Gilbert's** membership database. Over the next month, we will be 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.

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.

HO Model RR News

By **Patrick Slota**

Here is my proposed schedule for May and June for work sessions and operations.

Tuesday May 8, 6 pm to 9 pm and Sunday May 20, 1 pm to 4 pm work sessions and Tuesday May 29 6 pm to 9 pm operating session

Tuesday June 12 and Tuesday June 19, 6 pm to 9 pm work sessions and Tuesday June 26 6 pm to 9 pm operating session.

Sick Call Update – Patty Owens

By **Charles Owens**

(Apr 24) **Patty** is in Vanderbilt Hospital since Sunday evening for severe pain. Her stem cell transplant has been postponed until this pain problem has been rectified. Would you please post this to the membership along with the earlier E-mail I sent about Patty and her stem cell transplant.

(Apr 6) **Patty** will have a stem cell transplant this month. The process will begin April 9th at Vanderbilt. The process will take about 4-5 weeks. This will include a heavy dose of chemotherapy which will destroy her immune system plus cause a lot of other problems. This is in response of her being diagnosed with Amyloidosis. This is a rare disease in which the bone marrow produces abnormal protein cells which can wreak havoc with a person's organs. **Patty's** kidneys have the cells

which affect them. She had surgery in NOVEMBER OF 2016 and the disease was found then. Will keep you up to date as she goes through this trying time.

Charles & Patty's mailing address is 1313 Cheyenne Blvd in Madison TN 37115-5523 if you wish to send a card or note. Please keep **Patty & Charles** in your thoughts & prayers during this difficult time.

Madison Train Show Update

By **Nathan Baker**

Tables are still available for the Madison Train Show:

Friday July 27 - 3:30 pm to 7:00 pm

Saturday July 28th - 8:00 am to 2:00 pm

Tables, \$30 each until July 1, \$35

Cookeville G Scale railroad will join the Nashville Ntrakkers, + Lionel & HO layouts.

Contact Nathan Baker, nathanbaker@comcast.net or 615-612-3324.

Upcoming Conventions & Shows

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www.ser-nmra.org/convention/ser-2018-convention-blue-ridge-rails

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