



Ties and Rails

Official newsletter of the Crossville Model Railroad Club
and Div. 16, Southeast Region, NMRA

June 2023

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The Prez. Sez:

I have not received back from the lawyer, the amended lease agreement for the Woodmere Mall suite. I am hoping to have it on Tuesday, the 30th and then we will have a vote on it by the Board so the Board can make a recommendation to the general membership who will then vote on whether we take the lease. It is only 2000 square feet but we are not going to find anything more than that that will fit in our budget.

We have a Board meeting on Monday, the 5th and then we can have a vote on it prior to the members meeting on the 12th.

We may have a vote on it earlier if we deem it necessary.

That is where we stand unless we can find a large donation somewhere.

Strange Railroad Laws

Steam driven vehicles were prohibited within the city limits of Albany and Buffalo, NY

Nebraska has a law that any animal hit by a train must be given first aid and then taken to the Humane Society.



"Joe was transferred out of state, and he didn't want to dismantle his layout."

O Scale News

Bruce Herring

O Scale Get Together

On Friday, May 26th, the O scale team got together at Bruce Herring's home in the nether regions of Pikeville just off of TN 101 and Big Spring Gap Road. It was a mini-meeting to discuss what type of layout we might want to build once a site is selected as the Club's new home. All agreed that we would need 20% of whatever space the new site has. If total space is 2,000 square feet, O scale would ask for 400 sq. ft. **Cont. on page 7**

Important Railroad Dates

6/1/1982—Norfolk & Western Railway and Southern Railway consolidated as Norfolk Southern Corporation

6/13/1919—Canadian National Railways incorporated

6/26/1964—Bay Area Rapid Transit begins construction

6/29/1947—First run of Milwaukee Road Olympian Hiawatha, Chicago/Tacoma

6/30/1977—Last regular RPO service in the U.S. ends

DROVE TOO LONG

ENGINEER SNOOZING

WHAT HAPPENED NEXT

IS NOT AMUSING

Burma Shave

Public Relations Ann Grogitsky

ANNUAL CLUB PICNIC

The picnic this year will be held at Jim and Ann Grogitsky's home, 5841 Taylors Chapel Road, Crossville on Monday, August 14th at 5 PM.

The Club provides the hamburgers, hot dogs, paper plates, napkins, forks, and spoons.

The members need to bring a dish to pass serving at least 8-10, your own favorite drinks and lawn chairs.

This is a great time for our members and their spouses/friend to get to know our newest members and their spouses/friends.

There will be a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board—oh wait—we don't have one so you will have to call or Email Ann Grogitsky AFTER June 30. Phone number and Email address will be in the July newsletter.

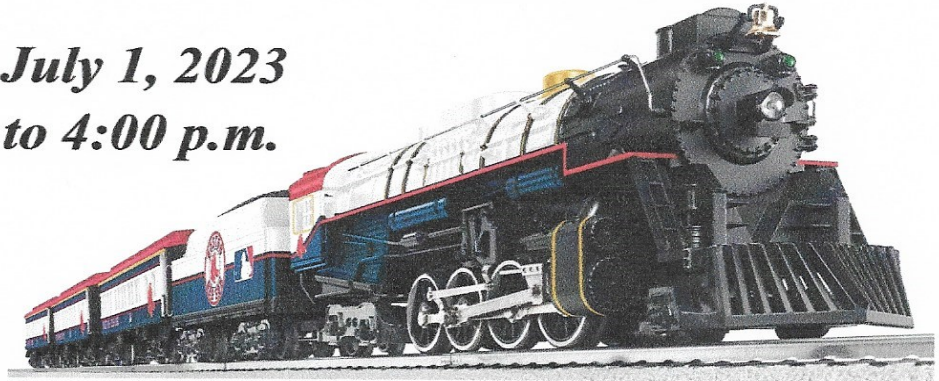
KNOXVILLE AIRPORT MODEL TRAIN SHOW – JULY 15, 2023 – OPEN TO THE PUBLIC!

On Saturday, July 15, we'll share and promote toy trains by hosting the **Knoxville Airport Model Train Show**. The show features all types and sizes of trains in one of the Hilton Knoxville Airport Hotel ballrooms. Free parking is available until the Lot fills up. All registered LOTS Members and their guests can attend the show free of charge beginning at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, July 15, as long as they are wearing their 2023 Convention name badges. Registered LOTS Members get exclusive access to the show for the first hour! If you do not register for the convention, you will not be admitted to the train show during the exclusive access time. You are welcome to attend beginning at 10 a.m. Tickets will be available at the door for \$8.00 per person. **Location: Grand Ballroom**

Summer Toy Train Show

*Sponsored by the
Music City Chapter
of the Train Collectors Association*

*Saturday, July 1, 2023
9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.*



*Wilson County Fairgrounds
“Made in Tennessee” Building
945 East Baddour Parkway
Lebanon, TN 37087*



*For information
call (615-417-3094)
www.DixieDivisionTCA.com*



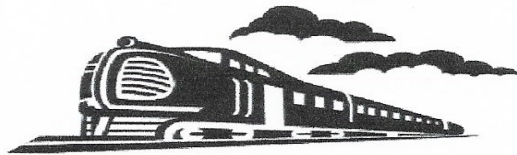
Featuring . . .

- Operating Train Layouts
- Hard to Find Parts
- Dealers from Across the Southeast
- Door Prizes
- Drawing for Lionel Train Sets (Children 12 and under)
- Refreshments

Admission: \$8.00

Children 12 and Under: Free Admission

FREE Parking



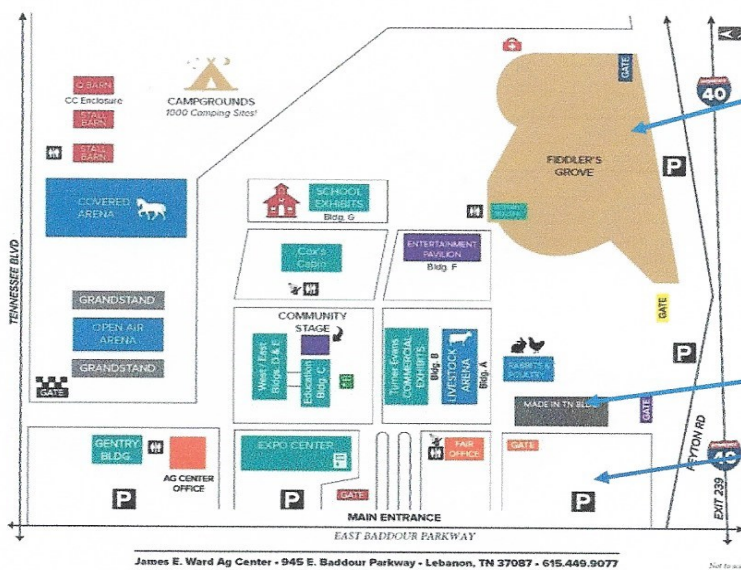
Sponsored by Music City Chapter
Train Collectors Association

New Mid-Summer Train Show Wilson County Fairgrounds

Made in Tennessee Building
945 East Baddour Parkway
Lebanon TN 37087

July 1, 2023 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Admission is \$8 per adult (cash only) – Children under 13 FREE



Visit the **Model Train Museum** exhibit in Fiddler's Grove **FREE** while at the train show.

Made in Tennessee Building

FREE PARKING at several locations around the building.

James E. Ward Ag Center • 945 E. Baddour Parkway • Lebanon, TN 37087 • 615.449.9077

Dealer guidelines:

Only paid table registrations will be accepted! No phone or email reservations will be accepted.
All dealers must be a member of the Train Collectors Association in good standing.
Empty boxes, beverage containers, and other trash should not be left under tables at the end of the show.
NO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES or SMOKING ARE ALLOWED IN THE BUILDING.

*** Dealer table set up time is: 1PM to 7PM Friday June 30th and 7AM to 9AM July 1st

*** Paid table reservations cancelled after June 19th will not be refunded.

*** **Mail payment to:** MCCTCA, %Vic Petrone, 7600 Indian Springs Dr., Nashville TN 37221

➔ **Make check payable to: Music City Chapter TCA** ←

Name _____ TCA # _____ **8ft--Rectangle tables \$35 each** _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone # _____ Email _____

Setup Friday? Yes No Table configuration: Side by side ___ or back to back rows ___ on Wall? Yes No

For information call: 615-417-3094 or email at: petrone.v@comcast.net July 1, 2023



**Aren't you all glad we "hurried up" and got out by the end of March.
These pictures were supplied by Ralph Watson as of the last week of May.**





CARTERSVILLE EXPRESS

2023 SER CONVENTION

SEPTEMBER 14-17, 2023

Come have a fun time at the
Clarence Brown Conference Center
5450 Georgia Highway 20, Cartersville, GA

Don't miss these great activities, including
an NMRA Model Contest and Photo Contest, Clinics,
White Elephant Table, Raffle Items, Prototype Tours and more.

Keynote Banquet Speaker
Todd Stennis - Amtrak

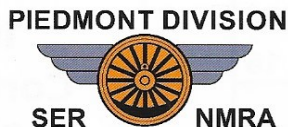
Self-guided Layout Tours - Friday through Sunday
Operating Layout Sessions - Thursday through Saturday

Non Rail Activities include
Gibbs Garden - Lunch - Big Door Vineyards
Booth Western Art Museum - Lunch

Information is subject to change. Please watch for updated info and register at

2023serconvention.org

Hosted by the Piedmont Division, NMRA



O Scale News

Bruce Herring

cont. from page 1 of that space. We discussed various shapes and options such as a dog bone or a tiered layout with multiple levels of track. We talked about whether those various levels would be interconnected or stand alone. We have many different ideas, now we just need to know where and how big our space will be. If we want to draw in the public, then it has to be interesting enough for them to come in and come back.

Everyone got a chance to see my modular layout that will be traveling to the Knoxville Regional Airport in Alcoa, TN for the Lionel Operating Train Society's 45th annual convention. I need to do some work on it to get it ready for the train show at the Hilton Knoxville Airport Ballroom on July 14-15. I had glued artificial snow to the tables (it is Christmas themed) when I built them. Bad idea! The snow did not fare well in the shed and became very discolored. I just got done scraping it all off and will need to do some repainting to cover the scrape marks. My wife, Arlene, sewed a bunch of table skirts to cover up the legs. They look great.

The other problem I have to deal with is the lift gate. I don't like the way the track comes together. Currently too much of a gap between the lift section and the fixed piece of track.

We also took some time to run a couple of trains in my Train Barn. So few people have made the rip to see it and I was glad to show it off!

After that we got down to the serious business of lunch. We had hot dogs and hamburgers, potato salad, baked beans, macaroni salad, deviled eggs and cookies for dessert. Thank you Vince D., John K., John B., Sam G., Sam W. and guest for making the trip down. It was a very enjoyable day.

CMRC Treats

Recipes of the Great Northern Railway

Gingerbread Crumb Pudding

1 lb. raised bread

1 tsp. ginger

4 eggs

8 basting spoons of molasses

1 pt. milk

1/2 tsp. cinnamon

1-1/2 c. sugar

1/4 lb. butter

Beat egg and mixture well.

Add grated bread and bake in greased pudding dish.

Serve with butter-scotch sauce.



Terminus Chapter

ATLANTA TOY & MODEL TRAIN SHOW

SEPTEMBER 23, 2023

V.F.W. POST #5408
4764 Cobb Parkway NW | Acworth, GA 30101

Operating Train Layout
New and Antique Toy & Model Trains
Parts • Appraisals

ADMISSION:
TCA Members - \$7.00 / Person
(Accompanying Spouse FREE)
General Public - \$10.00 / Person
(Accompanying Spouse FREE)
Children 17 and under with accompanying Adult: FREE
Show Hours: 9AM-2PM

OPEN TO GENERAL PUBLIC
Portions of the proceeds benefit Atlanta Area Ronald McDonald Houses

For more Information, visit:

www.terminuschaptertca.com

V.F.W. Post 5408 • 4764 Cobb Parkway NW, Acworth, GA 30101

Directions from Atlanta:

I-75N to Exit 277, turn LEFT onto GA-92, Turn RIGHT in 0.3 MI and continue following GA-92 Drive 3.2 MI & turn RIGHT onto US-41N / Cobb Parkway, VFW Post 5408 is 2.2MI on the RIGHT

Train Collectors Association Terminus Chapter

Special Project

The LOTS (Lionel Operating Train Society) is going to be touring my O scale layout in place of visiting the CMRC Museum. However they said they would love to have the N scale traveling layout present on the afternoon of July 15th so it shows the visitors we are still trying to be active and the club is still around.

For this event I would like to have about 2-4 (or more) members from the club come out and bring the layout, as well as some N scale trains to run (can be club or personal property). The more members present the better, as I could also use some help with crowd control around my layout. Members who are not associated with the N scale layout are also welcome to come and help set up and take down, and/or just be there to represent the club. The more the merrier.

Sam Wilson 256-910-1248

**DON'T LOSE YOUR HEAD
TO GAIN A MINUTE
YOU NEED YOUR HEAD
YOUR BRAINS ARE IN IT
Burma Shave**



63rd Atlanta Model Train Show



GAS SOUTH CONVENTION CENTER

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Saturday, August 26, 2023

9:00 AM to 4:00 PM

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Next Show Date: January 20, 2024

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PRESENTS

FALL 2023 TRAIN SHOW & SALE



FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27.....4 PM - 8 PM

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28.....9 AM - 3 PM

LOCATION (SEE MAP ON BACK)

**HELENA SPORTS COMPLEX
1110 SPORTS COMPLEX DRIVE
HELENA, AL 35080**



ADMISSION

FRIDAY ONLY.....\$6.00

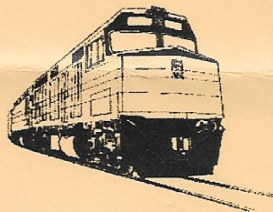
SATURDAY ONLY.....\$6.00

****SPECIAL 2 DAY PASS.....\$10.00****

CHILDREN 8-12.....\$2.00/DAY

CHILDREN UNDER 8.....FREE

**(PAYMENTS ACCEPTED BY: CASH, DEBIT/CREDIT CARD VIA
SQUARE, CHECK AND VENMO)**



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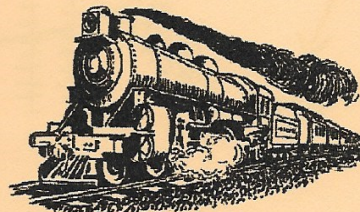
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TRAIN SHOW and SALE

Sponsored by the **Crossville Model Railroad Club**

October 6th and 7th, 2023
Friday Saturday

Oaklawn Baptist Church
3977 US 70, Crossville, TN 38555

Featuring **The Miami Valley Modular Railway**
and their **50' x 85' Layout with Multiple Main Lines**

Sale Tables \$20 Limited space available.
To reserve your tables contact show coordinator at
crossvilletrains@gmail.com

**Volunteers needed to setup layout on the 5th,
set up tables, work the front desk and tear down layout on the 7th**