



# **ALL ABOARD!!**

## **Fall 2015**

### **Newsletter**

## **Music City Chapter TCA**

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### **Email Address Reminder**

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Include your name and TCA number.

## **President's Message**

It is hard to believe Fall is here! We had several great events over the Summer.

I want to thank Dr. Jack Fisher and his wife, Claire, for inviting the Club to see his O gauge layout in July. It is magnificent and all of us enjoyed their hospitality. Thanks again, Jack and Claire.

Our August show at First Baptist in Donelson was a great success. We had approximately 150 in attendance. Thanks to Vic for taking care of the tables and for working the door admittance. Also, thanks to Joseph for making the coffee and bringing the donuts, as well as the sandwiches and chips for lunch. A big thank you to our vendors and attendees! We couldn't do the show without you.

On August 29<sup>th</sup>, I attended the Volunteer State Chapter and Dixie Division Meeting in Ringgold, GA. All chapter presidents were in attendance as well as other representatives from the Dixie Chapters. The meeting was conducted by Bob Keller and the main topic was train shows. We all shared information on conducting a show, advertising, and general information. It was good to meet all of the officers from other chapters.

Our Club ran the O gauge layout at the Mt. Juliet Library October 8 though 10. We had a bunch of train lovers of all ages. Thanks to Club members Vic Petrone, Joseph Marabeti, Wendell Tipton (and I) who put the layout up, ran it, and took it down. We had a great time sharing our train with the community.

A couple of upcoming events to add to your calendar!!!!

### **Whistlestop Weekend**

*Hosted by the Adventure Science Center*  
*November 13, 14, and 15, 2015*

*Great train layouts and fun for the whole family*

### **22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Christmas Toy Train Show**

*Nashville Fairgrounds*

*December 12, 2015, 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM*

*Contact Vic Petrone if you need a sale table*

*Hope to see everyone at the Christmas Show*  
**Ron Hirst**  
**President**



## TCA Rules and Regulations

**Reminder:** The rules and regulations adopted by the TCA National Board of Directors require that all vendors at a TCA-sponsored show must be TCA members. As we prepare for our Christmas Toy Train Show, we are notifying all of our vendors that they must be TCA members to participate and are urging those who are not members to join the TCA.



## Annual Take Your Train to Work Day November 18, 2015

Share your love of the holiday with co-workers on November 18<sup>th</sup>, the annual celebration of the event. Model railroaders from across the country will add trains and tracks to the watercooler conversations when they bring their favorite locomotive or other hobby artifact to work.

Launched in 2001 by Model Trains: The World's Greatest Hobby, Take a Train to Work Day kicks off model railroading's high season, culminating in the December holidays.

Take a Model Train to Work Day draws on the grass roots volunteerism behind the Model Trains - the World's Greatest Hobby campaign to stimulate interest in model railroading.



## Meeting of the Officers and Board of Directors

Prior to the publication of this newsletter, the Officers and Board of Directors did not meet.

*“We don't stop playing with trains because we grow old; we grow old because we stop playing with trains.”*

**Dr. Jack Fisher**

## Whistle Stop Weekend November 13-15, 2015 Adventure Science Center

Hear that whistle off in the distance? It's coming from the Adventure Science Center and it sounds the start of the Holiday Season!

The "All Aboard for Trains!" exhibit is model train extravaganza heralding the beginning of the holidays and delighting young and old with a dizzying array of magical model railroads.

Volunteers are needed to help run the trains at the Adventure Science Center located at 800 Fort Neely Boulevard in Nashville.

Contact Larry Dunlap Berg at 615.401.5072 for information about times and admission fees.

## Train Trivia

*Submitted by Joseph Marabeti*

What was the name of the famous luxury train in the 1930's, 1940's, and 1950's?

**Answer:** "The Chief" by the Santa Fe. It ran from Los Angeles to Chicago. Later "Super Chief" was added to the fleet and became the standard for Santa Fe.