



Atlantic Division EXPRESS

Where the TCA began



WINTER 2007 SUPPLEMENT

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

First of all, I would like to thank the membership who elected me as President for the next two years. I would also like to congratulate all of the winners for the various positions in this election.

I should point out that we received thanks for our donation of \$1500 to the TCA National Library from Past President Jim Burke, the Director of Development Jane Boyce from Ron Morris, Chairman of the Library Committee. We were also publicly acknowledged in the National Headquarters News

The year holds many promises. One of them, due in large measure to the hard work of Terry Trickle, is the completion of the first part of our traveling layout. There is still a great deal more to be done and I would ask for your help.

Secondly, at our recent Board meeting, certain changes in the way we encourage the participation of young boys and girls in our meets was discussed. We even talked about the structure of our Member's Meet.

Finally, there is a possibility that we might host a National Convention in 2015. This will depend to a large extent on getting help from the membership. Once again, Terry has taken on the task of conducting a feasibility study. If you have any ideas about such a project, please call Terry at 484-924-9177 or 484-680-3445.

Chester M. Zmijewski

TREASURER'S REPORT

End of the fiscal year

The checking account balance is:	\$ 3122.02
The savings account balance is:	\$16725.30
Cash on hand	\$ <u>300.00</u>
	\$20147.32

All bills have been paid within the approved budget.

George Nelson, Treasurer

ELECTION RESULTS

President	Chester Zmijewski
Vice President	Garry Spear
Directors	Joseph Fisher

Directors Continued

Bob Lubonski
Jack Nixon
Joe Petaccio

Alternates to the National BoD

Alan Craig
Joe Lehman

THE NOVEMBER MEET

Once again Bob Lubonski ran a very successful meet. All of the regular tables were sold and well stocked with goodies. As a matter of fact event the foyer was filled with tables.



The Main Sales Hall



The Foyer

We had an additional treat at this meet. Terry Trickle has been very busy working hard to finish up the traveling layout that was built several years ago.

Unfortunately, since the foyer and the main hall were full of paying tables; the only place that we could set it up was in the vestibule. Therefore it was very difficult to get good pictures; but the one shown on the next page should give you an idea. Terry had two trains running. In addition to the two loops of track on the bottom

Level; there is a set of K-Line (now Lionel) Super Streets.



A Portion of the Top of the Layout



Control Buttons

Another interesting feature of the layout that Terry was able to incorporate is the series of buttons strategically placed so that youngsters will be able to activate the accessories.

At this point the layout is about 80% complete but there is a fair amount of work that still needs to be done before we can put it out on the road.

Terry could really use some help with these final stages. Most of the work will be fun as the truly hard parts are already done.

If you would like participate in this project please contact Terry at 484-924-9177 or 484-680-3445. The layout is located at 541 North Charlotte St. Pottstown, PA.

THE ANNUAL RAFFLE

This event culminated the November meet. An impartial young lad who was not a TCA member drew the winning ticket.



The winner was non other than our own Past President Malcolm Kates.

I must say that this is one of the few times when anyone has seen Malcolm actually grin.