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Winter 2018

HAPPY HOLIDAYS



National Toy Train Museum's Department 56 Display changing from day into night

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President's Message

Subject: Great Opportunity for Division Members and Our Division to WIN BIG!

At our 2018, TCA June BOD meeting in Rhode Island, your BOD unanimously voted to launch an exciting new Membership Drive where all TCA members and Divisions can **WIN BIG**. I am excited to announce that the TCA "WIN BIG" New Member Drive was launched in September. For full details see the color ad spread on pages 46 and 47 of your September, 2018 National Headquarters News or the TCA website www.traincollectors.org/WIN BIG.

Here is an overview of the "WIN BIG" New Member Drive:

- <u>All members</u> will earn chances to select the top-of-the-line MTH or Lionel Big Boy of their choice when they help sign up a new member.
- Members helping three new members signing up will earn a <u>one year 'paid-in-full',</u> TCA membership, PLUS a bonus.
- Atlantic Division can win. The Division signing up the largest number of new members and the
 Division signing up the largest percentage of new members will each earn the chance to pick
 the Big Boy locomotive of their choice.

"WIN BIG" is designed to be a multi-year effort with exciting new opportunities to win each year. Now all we need is your participation. Where are those new members? Here are a few ideas:

- First, we believe prospects are attending our shows and just not getting the full TCA story; so let's talk up the TCA. Invite a table visitor to join. Have sign-up forms, on your table, with your signature already on it!
- Next don't overlook your relatives that are interested in your hobby and your friends at work or wherever. Invite them to a TCA Division show. Invite them to join in the fun. Maybe help them select a starter set for their holiday decorations

• Third, don't overlook friends that collect cars or guns etc. They have the collecting bug, and they just might have their first train in the attic. Invite them to a TCA show with you. Then invite them to join. We all benefit when there are many more *Train People* out there.

When you participate, you can "WIN BIG"; Atlantic Division can "WIN BIG", TCA will "WIN BIG" and the next generation of TCA new members will "WIN BIG" when they experience what we have come to value in TCA.

Russ Keil, President

Division News

MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN

<u>Time to renew you Division Membership.</u> Renewal cards were mailed in September. Annual fee is \$8.00 until <u>January 31, 2019</u>; then \$10. **Check your address (E-mail address, if applicable)** for change and indicate your present mailing preference: standard <u>US Postal Service, E-Mail,</u> or <u>Both</u>.

<u>2019 Election Results (effective Jan. 1, 2019):</u> Secretary-<u>Barbara Reed, Treasurer-Mike Ramsey, Board of Directors: Paul Fenn, Ed Kapuscinski, Steve Stevens, Al Tuttle. The revision to the <u>By-Laws</u>-**Passed**. Thank you to Dale Simpkins and Roger Holcombe for their four years of service to the Division as Directors.</u>

<u>Traveling Layout Helpers:</u> The Layout Committee needs help with <u>unloading</u>, and setting up our layout in the mornings (7AM) of our shows. This will take about one hour leaving plenty of time to enjoy the show. Also, spend an hour running the layout and even bring your engine (O or S) to run but you must stay while on the track. Contact Mike Ramsey if available to help. 610-324-6770.

<u>Yuengling Fund-raiser car:</u> In final round of discussions with the company. When the order is placed with Lionel and a delivery date is known, information will be posted on the Division website.

Division Activities

Model Railroading Days - Railroad Museum of PA, Strasburg, PA, August 18-19, 2018



The Atlantic Division participated in this annual event with the recently renovated modular layout (Gargraves track with authentic scale granite ballasting) and were joined by TCA staff and volunteers.

During the two day show, TCA membership information was passed out, accessories' the action buttons were pushed hundreds times and directions to our nearby Museum (about ½ mile away) were eagerly accepted.

Thank you to Division members, Paul Fenn, Russ Keil, Bob Lubonski, Mike Ramsey, Tom Wagner, Bob Wittendorf

and TCA staff and volunteers Tammy Hersh, Melody Rogers, Chris Bogus and Joe Zimmerman for their help.





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Member, Jim Boylan (81-16504), his brother Patrick and George LaRue laid down 390 feet of O scale tubular track (about 3.5 scale miles) and powered it with three Lionel transformers to run two consists of mixed freight cars (37 was the highest) to the amazement of passers-by and those inside. Maintaining a constant speed was challenging as the track voltage would drop at every loose pin. Improvements to the set-up were noted and will be implemented for the 2019 event. *Members are welcome to help and bring their engines to run. Contact Jim at 215-331-4564*.





<u>Atlantic Division Train Shows, Penn's Landing Caterers, Philadelphia, PA, September 23rd and November 4th, 2018</u>

The last two shows have offered a variety of goods at bargain prices thanks to all the table-holders that participate. For those who have never attended, these pictures will give you a sampling of the content that is available to the collector, beginner or neighborhood visitor and prospective hobbyist and buyer.

There are new, reconditioned, old, and rare locomotives, rolling stock, accessories and track in G, Standard, O, S, HO and occasionally N scales from all the major manufacturers (current or closed). There are books, drawings, DVDs, games, ornaments, pictures, scenery-



building materials, vintage catalogs, and all kinds of vehicles to fill in your layout scene and landscaping. There are paints, parts, hobby tools, model kits and coffee cups, T-shirts, glasses and even cocktail shakers for your favorite beverage.

Lastly, there is always someone who can answer questions about trains and their operation. Don't hesitate to ask.



























Thomas and Friends Layout
TCA Junior member, Pierce Godshall, returned to display his Thomas and Friends layout at both shows with a few new accessories. Pierce is happy to show his collection and constantly busy keeping things running. The children (young and old) were mesmerized by all the interacting pieces.



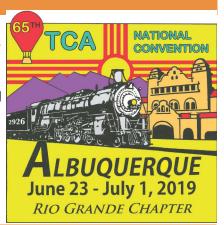


Coming Events/ Activities

<u>Layout Exhibition</u>, December 1&2, 2018, Haddon Heights Library, 608 Station Ave., Haddon Heights, NJ 08035. Set-up Saturday Dec. 1st at 8AM, then running on Saturday, 10 to 4 and Sunday, 10 to 2.

<u>Train Show</u>, January 6th & March 3rd, 2019 at Penn's Landing Caterers, TCA Members: 8 AM to 1 PM, Public 9 AM to 1 PM. 1301 S. Columbus Blvd. Philadelphia, PA 19147

World's Greatest Hobby On Tour, January 12 & 13. Set up Friday, Jan. 11. Greater Philadelphia Expo Center, 100 Station Ave. Oaks, PA



Holiday Season Model Railroad Open Houses—November 2018 to February 2019 (When visiting locations with free admission, please remember that donations are gladly accepted.)

Abington Lines Model Railroad Club - HO (Standard, narrow gauge, and traction)

2066 Second Street Pike (PA Rt. 232), Richboro, PA 18954

Admission - FREE. Time: 12 noon to 4 PM

Dates: Dec. 1, 2, 8, 9, 29, 30; Jan. 5, 6, 12, 13; Feb. 2, 3, 9, 10

215-598-7720, www.abingtonlines.org

Black Diamond Society of Model Engineers - HO, O (scale and 3-rail)

900 E. Macada Road, Bethlehem, PA 18017

Admission - \$5. Time: 1-4 PM

Dates: Dec. 1, 2, 8, 9; Jan. 5, 6, 12, 13; Feb. 9, 10

610-867-2591, www.bdsme.org

Bordentown 9th Annual Holiday Train Show - HO, O, Std. O, Lego

Old City Hall, 13 Crosswick St. Bordentown, NJ

Admission - FREE. Time: 4PM to 8PM, *Noon to 8PM

Dates: Nov. 23*, 24*, 25*, 30; Dec. 1, 2, 7, 8, 9, 14, 15, 16, 28, 29, 30; Jan 4, 5, 6

https://communitynews.org/2018/10/29/holiday-train-show-bordentown

Burlington County Model Railroad Club - HO

Burlington County Footlighters Playhouse (basement, right side)

808 Pomona Road, Cinnaminson, NJ 08077

Admission - FREE. Time: 12 noon - 5 PM

Dates: Nov. 17, 24, 25; Dec. 1, 2, 15, 29, 30; Jan. 5, 6, 12, 13; Feb. 9, 10, 16 17

856-733-0010, www.bcmrc.org

Cherry Valley Model Railroad Club - O (2-rail)

Grace Church, 7 E. Maple Ave. Merchantville, NJ 08109

Admission - Free. Time: 12 noon to 4PM

Dates: Dec. 1, 2: Jan. 5, 6, 12, 13

Contact E. Kraus, Secretary, at meanddelcanotc@verizon.net

Coopersburg Area Society of Model Engineers - HO

Borough Building (basement),

5 North Main Street, Coopersburg, PA 18036

Admission - FREE. Time: 12 noon - 5 PM

Dates: Nov. 24, 25; Dec. 1, 2, 8, 9; Jan. 5, 6

www.casme.org

Chelten Hills MRC - HO

8000 Old York Road (Rt. 611) (Old Reading York Rd. station), Elkins Park, PA 19027

Admission - FREE. Time: 12 noon - 4 PM

Dates: Dec. 8, 9; Jan. 5, 6, 19,20. Snow Dates: Jan. 27, 28

215-635-9747, www.cheltenhillsmrr.org

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GATMSE MRRC - HO

323 Montgomery Avenue, Rock ledge, PA

Admission ??. Time: 12 noon - 3 PM

Dates: Nov. 10; Dec. 9; Jan 12; Feb 9, and the second Saturday of each month.

www.gatsme.com and www.rockledgemrm.org

Keystone N-Trak - N modular

Dublin TEC Center, Suite 216 (rear entrance), 123 N. Main Street (Rt. 313), Dublin, PA

Admission - FREE. Time: 11 AM - 4 PM

Dates: Nov. 10, 11, 17, 18; Dec. 2, 9, 15, 16; Jan. 5, 6, 12, 13, 26, 27; Feb. 9

www.facebook.com/keystonentrak

Royersford Modular Model Builders - HO modular

Admission - show fees may apply. Multiple times and locations. See website for schedule 610-888-4306, www.roversfordmodular.org

Saint Alban's Railroad Fellowship - HO

Saint Alban's Episcopal Church, 3625 Chapel Road, Newtown Square, PA (under thrift shop)

Admission - FREE. Time: 1 PM - 4 PM

Dates: Nov. 17, 18; Dec. 27 (7-10 PM), 29, 30; Jan. 3 (7-10 PM), 12, 13, 26, 27; Feb. 9, 10, 23, 24

www.stARR-MRC.org

For additional information on area model railroad open houses, go to:http://modelrailroadopenhouse.com

Member/Community Connection

N Scale BNSF Hi Line Subdivision-Update

By: Bill Erskine, (86-24379)

Since the last report, progress on my neighbor, Dan Pantaleo's N scale BNSF layout, has included the development of a major new scenery section and the addition of scenery details to the existing Whitefish section. Added to the Whitefish section are vehicles, people and scenic touches like benches, trees, and other small items that fill out a scene. I provided Dan with several links to locate N scale vehicles and people at very reasonable cost.



The major piece of work is the completion of a section that includes the more publicly accessible sections of Glacier National Park. A five to six foot long section of mountains were built, cut and carved from 2" thick insulating foam, fitted and painted on a workbench and then installed and connected to the mountains that wrapped around the existing Whitefish section. This leaves an industrial section to be completed between Whitefish and the new Glacier Park section.

Painting was done using a dark gray base paint that was over coated in sections with thinned light green and tan. Once dry, light

gray accents were dry brushed on to bring out the highlights of rock strata. More than 50 treesboth purchased spruce and homemade sedum trees-lichen and ground foam and other ground covers including sawdust were added to the scene.

Because Dan visited this area several times, he included three scenic elements to this section. 1) The popular but very narrow Going-To-The-Sun Road along with an overlook-a real eye-catcher. 2) The dizzying Hiline Trail is shown with hikers walking there. The actual trail is only wide enough for

hikers to pass in both directions using a chain to hold onto through a precarious stretch near the start of the hike. In addition, here hikers often encounter both big horn sheep and mountain goats.



Dan is on the lookout for N scale versions of both to add to the scene. 3) The spectacular *Bird Woman Falls*; this was located next to and splashing across the *Going-To-The-Sun Road*. While *Bird Woman Falls* does not actually cross the road, other falls do flow across the road generating weeping walls of vegetation. The BNSF main line fits nicely into the scene as it crosses the middle fork of the Flathead River and weaves through a well-formed cut before it crosses the bridge at Belton, MT. Some small additional details remain to be added to increase interest and round out the scene.



The scene between the Whitefish section and the newly completed Glacier Park section wraps around a peninsula of the layout. That section is next to be completed.

It is comprised of two industries-Plum Creek/Columbia Falls Lumber and Plywood Company and the Columbia Falls Aluminum Company. These were real and prominent economic industries in the area. Weyerhaeuser Company closed

the Plum Creek/Columbia Falls Lumber and Plywood plant in 2016. Dan plans to show it as it was in production taking in timber and shipping out plywood loads. The Columbia Falls Aluminum Company had a long history of changing corporate hands since the early 1950. It was idled in 2009, permanently closed in 2015 and declared a superfund site in 2016. The plant will be shown as taking in raw materials by covered hopper and producing and shipping sheet aluminum, aluminum wire and ingots. [Ed. Note: This layout is on the Open House Tours for Sunday, Nov. 25th, see link on page 7 for info.]





Winter to Spring train Show Schedule: January to March, 2019

DATE	SHOW	LOCATION
Jan. 5, 2019	Keystone Div. TCA	St. Philip's Parish Hall, Rte. 741 & 999, Millersville, PA
Jan. 6, 2019	Atlantic Div. TCA	Penn's Landing Caterers, 1301 S. Columbus Blvd., Phila.
Jan. 6, 2019	Brick Train Show	Brick Elk Lodge #2151, 2491 Hooper Ave., Brick, NJ 08723
Jan. 12-13, 2019	World's Greatest Hobby	Greater Phila. Expo Center, 100 Station Ave, Oaks, PA
Jan. 19-20, 2019	Greenberg's Train Show	York Expo Center, 334 Carlisle Ave., York, PA
Jan. 20, 2019	Lincroft Train Show	Christian Bros. Acad., 850 Newman Spring Rd., Lincroft, NJ 07738
Jan. 27, 2019	Hamburg	Hamburg Fire Co. Field House, Pine St., Hamburg, PA
Feb. 2-3, 2019	Scale Model Train Show	MD State Fairgrounds, 2200 York Rd., Timonium, MD
Feb. 3, 2019	Toms River Train Show	Elks Lodge #1875, 600 Washington St., Toms River, NJ
Feb. 9-10, 2019	Greenberg's Train Show	Meadowlands Expo Center, 355 Plaza Dr., Secaucus, NJ
Feb. 16-17, 2019	Greenberg's Train Show	Chase Ctr. Riverfront, 815 Justison St., Wilmington, DE
Feb. 23-24, 2019	ATMA Spring Thaw	Allentown Fairgrounds, 17 th & Chew St., Allentown, PA
Mar. 2-3, 2019	Roundhouse MRR Show	B & O Railroad Museum, Baltimore, MD
Mar. 3, 2019	Atlantic Div. TCA	Penn's Landing Caterers, 1301 S. Columbus Blvd., Philadelphia
Mar. 3, 2019	Montvale Train Show	St. Joseph's HS, 40 Chestnut Ridge Rd., Montvale, NJ 07645
Mar. 9-10, 2019	Greenberg's Train Show	New Jersey EXPO Center, 97 Sunfield Ave., Edison, NJ
Mar. 16, 2019	Keystone Div. TCA	St. Philip's Parish Hall, Rte. 741 & 999, Millersville, PA
Mar. 17, 2019	Wayne Train Show	Wayne P.A.L. Hall, Wayne, NJ 07470
Mar. 31, 2019	Brick Train Show	Brick Elk Lodge #2151, 2491 Hooper Ave., Brick, NJ 08723

Collectors & Operators

HALLMARK CHRISTMAS ORNAMENTS-A NEW LIONEL COLLECTABLE Terry Trickel (79-13707)

During the 1990 Christmas season, we received a Hallmark train ornament. It was a three piece streamline passenger set of a diesel locomotive, coach, and observation car. It was not to scale and almost too heavy to hang on a tree. There was no detail to the model. About 10 years later, I bid at a local auction house on some Hallmark Lionel Train Keepsake Ornaments. The small collection included a Hudson locomotive, 400 E Blue Comet locomotive and tender and three matching passenger cars. Included was a Norfolk and Western 746, and a Chessie steam special locomotive. The collection looked to be about "N" scale size. They were made of die cast metal and had great detail including moving wheels and moveable side rods. These were certainty nice collection to add to the holiday tree.

After a few Christmas seasons, I noticed that all the Hallmark stores carried a selection of Lionel Ornaments. I decided to research the history of these new Lionel train collectables. Hallmark introduced the Hallmark Lionel Locomotives in 1996. This **Original** series continues to be popular with collectors. In 1999, Hallmark added a matching tender to the Norfolk & Western locomotive as a series **Complement**. Then in 2002 a third car was added to the yearly offering. Each year, the **Complement** ornaments change according to the train being replicated. There have also been a few larger pieces produced that complement the series such as the Lionelville Magic ornament (2004) and the Lionel Holiday Special Club piece from 2003. The

series also includes Colorway ornaments (limited paint scheme) and Blown Glass ornaments as series **Complements**. Another series Hallmark issued were the Lionel Train **Miniatures**.

The Hallmark **Miniatures** series was a surprise to me when I was ordering additional models on *Ebay* to fill in the collection and received







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1999

MICKEY AND MINNIE HAND CAR

these miniature Lionel ornaments; that were even small than "z" scale trains. I was expecting the same size "N" scale trains. The first *Hallmark Lionel Train Miniature* ornaments, issued in 1999, were the Norfolk and Western series. The series offer full sets of locomotives and cars. Due to the small size of the models, they tend to get lost in the tree and many prefer the larger production. These short lived series can be found in this article, along with the other Miniature Lionel Train ornaments. They are still manufactured today.

The Lionel ornaments are marked on the bottom with "L" (Lionel logo) or spelled out Lionel License and Hallmark markings with the year production date. The original series were marked with a Christmas tree symbol and number with the series. In addition, there are limited edition models produced and issued during the month of October debut at selected stores. Many of the limited edition models are sent to selected stores who often received only four items resulting in short supply and hard to find.

There are over 125 items produced and more added each year. To catch up in collecting these fine Lionel Collectables, I recommend shopping *eBay* and online sites. There are many Hallmark dealers that may have a few left over stock. New production items from Hallmark Stores can cost in the \$20.00 range. I found some models as low as \$2.00 on *eBay*. The gold or limited edition series are the hardest to find and can be very expensive. The glass blown ornaments are a rare item as well.

Following is the listing of the **Original** Series, the **Complement** series and the **Miniature** series, with Series #, year issued and description. In the listing, the numbers shown with **Red Color** are limited edition-issued during the month of October, **Blue Color** is for Blown Glass Ornaments and **Green Color** is for display base production. I have contacted *Hallmark* for their production listing with quantities and will update lists when available.

S.# <u>YEAR</u> ORIGINAL SERIES		S.#	<u>YEAR</u>	ORIGINAL SERIES	
1	1996	700E NYC HUDSON LOCOMOTIVE	14	2009	HOLIDAY RED 2-8-2 MIKADO
2	1997	1950 SANTA FE F-3 DIESEL	15	2010	UNION PACIFIC STREAMLINER
3	1998	PENNSYLVANIA GG-1 GREEN ELECTRIC		2010	UP LONG STREAMLINE COACH
4	1999	NORFOLK & WESTERN LOCOMOTIVE		2010	UP STREAMLINE OBSERVATION
5	2000	GENERAL 4-4-0 LOCOMOTIVE	16	2011	726 BERKSHIRE 2-8-4 LOCOMOTIVE
6	2001	CHESSIE SYST. STEAM SPECIAL LOCO	17	2012	NUTCRACKER RTE. CHRIST. TRAIN LOCO
7	2002	400E BLUE COMET LOCOMOTIVE	18	2013	#2037 2-6-4 LOCOMOTIVE
8	2003	4449 SP DAYLIGHT LOCOMOTIVE	19	2014	PENNSYLVANIA TORPEDO 2-4-2
9	2004	1939 HIAWATHA LOCOMOTIVE	20	2015	CHESSIE SYSTEM DIESEL
10	2005	PENNSYLVANIA B-6 LOCOMOTIVE	21	2016	773 HUDSON LOCOMOTIVE
11	2006	UNION PACIFIC VERANDA TURBINE	22	2017	671 PENNSYLVANIA S-2 LOCO
12	2007	FREEDOM TRAIN DIESEL LOCOMOTIVE	23	2018	2245P TEXAS SPECIAL DIESEL RED
13	2008	NEW YORK CENTRAL F-3 DIESEL			
YEAR COMPLEMENT SERIES			YEAR	COMPLEMENT SERIES	
1	999	SANTA FE F-3 BLOWN GLASS		2000	700J-1E 50TH ANIV. GOLD EDITION
1999		OCEANSIDE DEPOT		2000	SOUTHERN #4501 LOCO BLOWN GLASS
1	999	NORFOLK & WESTERN TENDER		2000	GENERAL TENDER

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CHESSIE SPECIAL SYSTEM TENDER

YEAR	COMPLEMENT SERIES	YEAR	COMPLEMENT SERIES
2001	400E BLUE COMET BLOWN GLASS	2009	HOLIDAY RED BOX CAR
2002	BLUE COMET OIL TENDER	2010	KANSAS CITY SOUTHERN F-3
2002	BLUE COMET PASSENGER CAR	2011	LIONEL LINES WHISTLE TENDER
2003	HOLIDAY SPECIAL DISPLAY	2011	PENNSYLVANIA 477618 CABOOSE
2003	SP DAYLIGHT TENDER	2011	PENNSYLVANIA GG-1 RED ELECTRIC
2003	SP DAYLIGHT OBSERVATION CAR	2012	NUTCRACKER ROUTE TENDER
2004	LIONELVILLE-MAGIC DISPLAY	2012	NUTCRACKER ROUTE BAGGAGE COACH
2004	HIAWATHA TENDER	2012	4449 SP DAYLIGHT LOCOMOTIVE-GOLD
2004	HIAWATHA OBSERVATION CAR	2013	1130T TENDER
2005	PENNSYLVANIA B-6 TENDER	2013	#6017 CABOOSE
2005	#714 PENNSYLVANIA BOX CAR	2013	2037 PINK 2037 LOCOMOTIVE
2005	#717 PENNSYLVANIA CABOOSE	2014	265W TENDER
2006	UNION PACIFIC VERANDA TENDER	2014	601 OBSERVATION CAR
2006	UNION PACIFIC STOCKCAR	2014	PENNSYLVANIA TORPEDO 2-4-2 GOLD
2006	1950 SANTA FE F-3 GOLD LTD EDITION	2015	SEABOARD BOX CAR
2007	FREEDOM TRAIN SLEEPER CAR	2015	CHESSIE WM CABOOSE
2007	FREEDOM TRAIN OBSERVATION	2016	LIONEL LINES 2426W TENDER
2008	NYC PASSENGER CAR	2016	LIONEL LINES 2627 MADISON PASSENGER
2008	NYC OBSERVATION CAR	2016	773 NYC HUDSON LOCOMOTIVE-GOLD
2008	CROWN EXPRESS STOCKING HANGER	2017	671 PENNSYLVANIA S-2 LOCOGOLD
2008	NEW HAVEN F-3 DIESEL	2018	2245P TEXAS SPECIAL B UNIT
2009	HOLIDAY RED MIKADO TENDER	2018	2436 SUMMIT OBSERVATION CAR
2009	CHESSIE 4-8-4 LOCOMOTIVE-GOLD	2018	2245P TEXAS SPECIAL F3 GOLD
<u>YEAR</u>	MINIATURES SERIES NORFOLK & WESTERN LOCOMOTIVE &	<u>YEAR</u>	MINIATURES SERIES
1999	TENDER	2009	RED COMET SET LOCOMOTIVE, TENDER & COACH
2000	3356 HORSE CAR & 3662 MILK CAR	2010	SCOUT SET LOCOMOTIVE, TENDER & GONDO- LA
2001	6424 FLATCAR W/2 AUTOS & 6517 CA- BOOSE	2011	SANTA FE SUPER CHIEF SET, DIESEL, COACH & OBSERVATION
2002	GENERAL LOCOMOTIVE & TENDER	2012	CHESSIE STEAM SPECIAL LOCO, TENDER & PASSENGER CAR
2003	BLUE COMET 400E LOCOMOTIVE & TENDER	2013	MINNEAPOLIS & ST. LOUIS WORK TRAIN DIE- SEL, CRANE & CABOOSE
2004	SOUTHERN PACIFIC LOCOMOTIVE & TENDER	2014	NORTH POLE EXPRESS-LOCO, TENDER, & CA-BOOSE
2005	HIAWATHA LOCOMOTIVE & TENDER	2015	2148WS DELUXE PULLMAN SET-LOCO, TEN- DER & MADISON
2006	PENNSYLVANIA B-6 LOCOMOTIVE & TENDER	2016	GREAT NORTHERN 2533 ELEC, 3830 FLATCAR WITH LOAD & BOXCAR
2007	NORTH POLE LOCO, TENDER, GONDO- LA, BOXCAR & CABOOSE	2017	TOYMAKER SANTA EXPRESS, LOCO, TENDER & CABOOSE
2007	PENNSYLVANIA B-6 LOCOMOTIVE & TENDER-GOLD	2018	POLAR EXPRESS LOCOMOTIVE, TENDER & OBSERVATION
2008	HOLIDAY RAILROAD LOCOMOTIVE, TENDER & TANK CAR		

National Toy Train Museum News

Although the Museum had a few Lego items on display for a while, the Lego collectors asked if they could have more space to create a more dramatic display of what Lego has to offer. The museum committee volunteers built a 12 ft. by 8 ft. display case and the Washington, D.C.

Metropolitan Area Lego Train Club (WAMA) members came and assembled an amazing display. The Lego items consists of a Country Scene on one side of the divider and a City Scene on the other. Connecting the scenes are two loops of Lego Track on which the Lego Trains run, operable by visitors pressing a start button. Below the main display are static displays of other Lego Train related items. Modern LED fixtures light the entire display.

The WAMA Club plans to return to add to this wonderful display; it has proven to be one of the most popular displays in the Museum. A plan is to add some further embellishments while the museum is closed for the winter. We are also planning to link this display with TCA's Kids Club





with the hope of attracting some young people (and maybe their parents) to this fine hobby.

The next time you are in the Strasburg area or at York stop in to see this fascinating display. As it is said, 'Trains are Trains'. While there, you will also see all of the great displays of trains of all brands and eras. Moreover, perhaps, meet some of the volunteers that maintain the TCA museum. Remember, it belongs to all TCA members.

Bob Lubonski, Education and Museum Chairman

[FYI: This article (edited here for available space) appeared earlier in the TCA Quarterly. My nephew built the display case and WAMA club members created the scenes. Steve Stevens and I installed the overhead and cabinet lighting; Chris Bogus did the track wiring. It has turned out to be a major attraction since kids recognize it as soon as they walk in and see it.]

Wanted / For Sale / For Trade Advertising (next issue deadline—January 31, 2019)





Repair Technician Hours by appointment only 856-875-7910 1143 Stanton Ave Franklinville N.J.08322 Wanted by Alaska Railroad Collector: "Lionel Alaska #9117 TCA" marked black covered hopper from 1978. Comes with no box. Any condition accepted except completely destroyed.

Contact Don Fleishman (11-65998) at 772-281-2316. or email: shrimp1947@gmail.com

For Sale: Pratt Truss Bridge Kit, # 6920 Single Track (3-rail), \$150.00. (new in box) Call or email Bob Wittendorf (05-58473) at 484-478-2470, rwitten14 @gmail.com

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