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Fall 2023

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Clockwise from left: Mike Hudek Hank Worrell, Paul Misuriello, Bob Huppman, Bob Lubonski, Mike Ramsey, Al Tuttle, Steve Stevens, Ed Kapuscinski, Mike Kapuscinski, Russ Keil, Paul Fenn, Bill Erskine, Ron DeWitt. Not shown, Bob Wittendorf (taking picture)

President's Message

Here we are in mid-summer, and I am glad that we have a hobby that can be done indoors with how hot as it has been. It is a good time to reorganize and clean the collection and layout.

The Atlantic Division has been active displaying the traveling layout. We displayed it at the Greenberg Show at Oaks, PA in early July and as I write this, we will be displaying it at the Railroad Museum of PA in Strasburg, PA on August 19th and 20th. In particular we need help bringing the components in and setting them up on Saturday at 8 AM and packing them up at 4 PM on Sunday. Let Mike Ramsey know if you can help. We usually have a great time there setting up among the real trains on display. I always learn something every time we are there. Our layout always proves to be one of the most popular on display with all the interactive items that available on it.

Do not forget that we still have two more AD shows for 2023 at the Sheet Metal Hall, September 24^{th} and November 5^{th} . We hope to see

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President's Message (continued)

you there.

We are moving forward with holding a members' meeting for AD members. It will be good to get together with everyone and discuss where the AD stands. The date is Sunday, November 19th, at Peppers Restaurant and Bar, King of Prussia, PA. Keep a lookout for more information once we get it confirmed. The "*Save the Date*" reminder is enclosed in this mailing.

Next spring, we will hold the annual AD Board of Directors election. At that time we will be looking for a new President and Vice President as my and Mike Hudek's terms will end. We will also need directors as terms expire. If you would like participate in the division, please respond when we put out the notice.

I mentioned in the past couple of issues that I saw no purpose for the national ballot that was sent out to replace the national treasurer with an outside accounting firm. As of now nothing has been done about this. It was never even brought up at the National Board of Director's meeting at the convention. Our current treasurer, Bob Mintz, does a great job and continues to look out for the best interest of the TCA. I see no reason to replace him and his special skills. We will keep you up to date on this.

Enjoy the rest of the summer and happy train hunting and running.

Bob Lubonski

Division News

Atlantic Division Train Meet is September 25, 2023

Penns Landing Caterers, (Sheet Metal Workers Union Hall)— 1301 S Columbus Blvd. Philadelphia, Doors open 8 am (AD members only), 9 am (public) to 12:30 pm. Food service (Breakfast/Lunch) available.

Traveling Layout Help Needed

The Layout Committee is looking for new members to help with displaying, (set-up and take-down), our layout at our Meets and other shows where we have been invited. Benefits of helping:—<u>free admission to the show/event, catching-up with old friends and making new ones, getting ideas and fixes for your layout, and much more.</u> Contact Mike Ramsey if interested at (610) 324-6770 or mdramsey@comcast.net.

2024 Division Membership Dues

The 2024 Division's Membership Renewal/Application Card will be included in the **September mailing**. Annual dues remain at \$8.00 per member until January 31, 2024, then \$10.00 thereafter. Send the Renewal Card to Mike Hudek at 370 Three Bridge Road, Monroeville, NJ, 08343-1878. Note: Division membership requires that you are also a current TCA member. For Division membership, send a check (payable to Atlantic Division-TCA) or cash, if paying in person.

Use the Renewal card to update any of your contact information and delivery preference (USPS, email, both). *If you changed your mailing address, contact TCA Membership (717-687-8623) for their records.*

On receipt of your completed card, a postcard containing your Membership Card (to be cut out) will be mailed to you. Per USPS rules, 1st Class mail (includes postcards) will be forwarded for one (1) year from the date you submitted a 'Change of Address' form. If you do not receive your membership card, contact Mike Hudek at 201-294-7057, or email: mikeh0402@yahoo.com.

Division News (continued)

Thanksgiving Train Show, November 5, 2023 & Annual Event Drawing

Penns Landing Caterers, 1301 S Columbus Blvd. Philadelphia, Doors open 8 am -1 pm. Food service (Breakfast/Lunch) available. Annual Event raffle tickets (\$5.00) are available at the Division table inside the hall.

Annual Event Information

Winner has the choice of one (1) of the prizes below.

PENNSYLVANIA LEGACY 0-6-0

#**7007**, SKU: 2231560

'O' Gauge



Features:

- LEGACY® Control System equipped able to run in LEGA-CY® Control mode, in TrainMaster Command Control mode, or in Conventional mode with a standard transformer,
- Bluetooth® Control Operate with Universal Remote or LionChief® App,
- Lionel Voice Control (LVC) run your locomotive by speaking commands into your phone via LionChief® App,
- Odyssey® II Speed Control,
- IR Transmitter that works with LCS SensorTrackTM,
- Powerful maintenance-free motor with momentum flywheel,
- ElectroCouplerTM on rear of tender,
- Directional lighting including operating headlight and back-up light on rear of tender,
- Bicolor illuminated classification lights on the front of locomotive where applicable. Using a Legacy controller, change the color of the classification lights between white or green in addition to 14 other standard features. See Lionel's web site for details.

PENN CENTRAL LEGACY SCALE U33C DIESEL #6552, SKU: 6-48193 'S' Gauge



Features:

- Two versions of each road name are offered, one with scale wheels and one with traditional American Flyer wheels.
- LEGACY Control System equipped able to run in LEGACY Control mode, Trainmaster Command Control mode or in Conventional mode with a standard transformer,
- AF Speed Control with On/Off switch lets your locomotive operate smoothly and consistently over grades and through curves,
- LEGACY RailSounds sound system featuring:- CrewTalk dialog and TowerCom announcements, each with different scenarios depending on whether the locomotive is in motion or stopped,
- Eight diesel RPM levels,
- LEGACY 'Real-Time Quilling Horn' control with instant response.

Two tickets for the Annual Event are included in this mailing. Fill in the small tear-off ticket stub—<u>retaining the larger part for your records</u>—mail to Mike Hudek, 370 Three Bridge Road, Monroeville, NJ, 08343-1878. You may also drop the completed stubs along with your donation at either of our remaining 2023 shows. You may purchase additional tickets at either show.

All returned 'stubs' will be added to the drawing bowl at the <u>November 5th show</u>. The drawing will be held about Noon at the end of the show.

You do not have to be present to win as the winner will be contacted to arrange for delivery/pickup. Please make sure you name and phone number are legible in case you have the lucky ticket!

Division News (continued)

Members Luncheon at Peppers by Amedeo's Restaurant and Bar, 175 Town Center Road, King of Prussia, PA 19406

The Annual Members Luncheon will be held on Sunday, November 19th, 2023. All members are invited and may bring one guest. Details will be mailed and posted on the ADTCA.com web site when finalized.

2023 Fall Show Schedule

DATE	SHOW	LOCATION
Sept. 10, 2023	Hamburg Train Meet	Hamburg Fire Co. Field House, Pine St., Hamburg, PA 19526
Sept. 16, 2023	Keystone Div. TCA Train Show	Lancaster Farm & Home Ctr., 1383 Arcadia Rd., Lancaster, PA17601
Sept. 24, 2023	Atlantic Div TCA Train Show	1301 Columbus Blvd., Phila., PA 19147
Oct 1, 2023	Toms River Train Show	Elks Lodge, 600 Washington St., Toms River, NJ08753
Oct. 14-15,2023	Great Scale Model Train Show	Md. State Fairgrounds, Timonium, MD 21093
Oct. 19-21, 2023	Eastern Div. TCA – York	York Fairgrounds, 334 Carlisle Ave., York, PA 17404
Oct. 29,2023	Wayne Train Show	Wayne. P.A.L. Hall, Wayne, NJ 07470
Nov 5, 2023	Atlantic Div TCA Train Show	1301 Columbus Blvd., Phila., PA 19147
Nov 5, 2023	Brick Train Show	Brick Elks Lodge, 2491 Hooper Ave., Brick, NJ 08723
Nov. 11-12, 2023	First Frost Train Show	Allentown Fairgrounds, 17 th & Chew Sts., Allentown, PA 16104
Nov. 18, 2023	East Greenville Train Show Refreshments. See website (www.npsgauge.org) for more information.	East Greenville Fire Co., 4th & Washington Streets, East Greenville, PA 18073
Nov. 25-26, 2023	Greenberg's Great Train & Toy Show	Garden State Expo Center, Edison, NJ
Dec 3, 2023	Brick Train Show	Brick Elks Lodge, 2491 Hooper Ave., Brick, NJ 08723

Some Sad News

In June 2023, Terry Trickel (79-13207) passed away. Terry followed in his father's (Richard) footsteps being continuously involved with making the Division a success in the community. He was a Director, Kids Club chair, Traveling Layout Chair, contributor to the newsletter and Co-Chair of our 2014 National Convention.

Wanted / For Sale / For Trade Advertising (next issue deadline—October 1, 2023)

Send your listing to Bob Wittendorf (see below) for inclusion in the next issue. AD members only.

FOR SALE

American Flyer HO trains, most from 1948-1950. Boxed sets, boxed cars, Bakelite track & switches. Over a dozen engines. TCA C6 to C7. Mike Hudek, 90-32044, call 201 294 7057 for more info.

The newsletter welcomes your articles on any subject related to trains for sharing with our members. Email these with and pictures, charts, drawings, spreadsheets to the Bob Wittendorf at the address below.

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