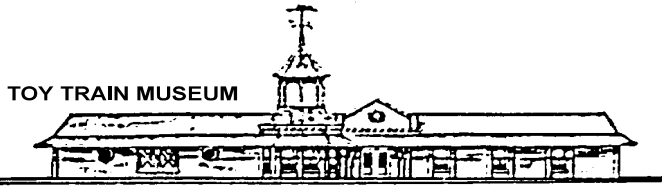


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Photo Above: Charlie Anyan: Hail to the Chief!

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Mark the Date! **Clark and Ilene's Annual Party**

Clark and Ilene's Annual Party will be held on Friday, November 13th. In addition to Clark and Ilene's huge train collection there will be a number of classic hot rods on display. 35 hot rodders brought their classic cars last year. Look for more details in the next issue of *The Layout*.

**Address Changes**

Please inform the Southern Division Secretary Dienzel Dennis (see contact info on this page) of all address changes. Please do not send address changes to the editor of *The Layout* as that will only delay processing.

**Check out the Southern Division Website: [www.tcasoutherndivision.org](http://www.tcasoutherndivision.org)**  
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# President's Message



I had a great time at the TCA National Convention and met a lot of a lot of Southern Division members there. There are now three Southern Division members on the National Board: Bob Mintz, Treasurer; Charlie Anyan, President Elect; and myself, Brad Woodward, SD President.

**The Board of Directors meetings ran for eight hours** Wednesday and Thursday. We had busy days with several items to resolve. I made the motion to have a committee of four research corporate sponsors to help with the museum finances; the motion was passed. The BOD had a guest financial advisor speaker talk about creative ways for TCA to invest. We have a recruiting plan for reinstating past members back to TCA. The TCA is updating their membership information

Brad Woodward

so please keep the TCA informed with your home address, current phone numbers and e-mail address.

There is a **lot is going on with the museum**. The TCA has a large amount trains that have been donated over the years and the process of inventorying these trains is in progress. Volunteers, members and TCA officers are working on this project. When the inventories are complete the trains will be sold. We have hired Tammy Hersh as our new Museum Office Manager.

Bob Mintz has been terrific as our TCA Treasurer. He has been working with the museum and Library and improving expenses.

## New York City Convention Tours

There were several tours enjoyed by all including dinner and dancing down the Hudson River, enjoying history on Ellis Island and at the Statue of Liberty, and visiting the Metropolitan Museum of Art. We also enjoyed several Broadway Shows. The convention offered plenty of fun and train fellowship at the reception and banquet.

Next year the TCA National Convention is in Houston, Texas.

## Upcoming 2015 Florida Meets/Train Shows

**Upcoming TCA shows—See the Meet Stories in *The Layout*** TCA Southern Division - Venice, FL, **Saturday, September 12, 2015**, Venice Community Center (see Meet Story in the this issue of *The Layout*); **November 21, 2015** Morocco Shrine Auditorium, 3800 St. Johns Bluff Road, Jacksonville, FL, 32224; **PLEASE NOTE THE NEW LOCATION FOR THE JACKSONVILLE MEET!**

**Golden Spike** - Volusia County Fairgrounds, Deland, FL; 53rd Florida Rail Fair, **Saturday, October 3rd, 2015**; 14th Tampa Model Show, **December 19-20, 2015**, Florida State Fairgrounds, Tampa, FL

**Regal Railways 2015 Shows** – for info, contact Joe Schramm at [joe@regalrailways.com](mailto:joe@regalrailways.com); 727-441-2159

**Aug. 29**, Pinellas Park, FL, Lopez Inc Hall, 7177 58th St. North, 33781 10-3; **Sept. 26**, Hernando County Fairgrounds, 6436 Broad Street, Brooksville, FL 34601; **Oct. 10**, Colombian Hall, 2000 Neptune Road, Kissimmee, FL, 34744; **Oct. 17**, Englewood, FL Elks Lodge, 401 N Indiana Ave 34223 10-2 p.m.; **Nov. 7**, Inverness, FL Citrus Auditorium, 3610 Florida Ave 34450 9-2 p.m.; **Nov. 21**, Port Rickey, FL 5850 K of C Drive, 34668 10-3 p.m., **Dec. 5**, Pinellas Park, FL, K of C 7177 58th St. North, 33781, 10-3 p.m.

**Schultz Space Coast Trains**, Azan Shrine Temple, Melbourne, FL, [Schultzspacecoasttrains.com](http://Schultzspacecoasttrains.com), 321-591-2641, **September 5, 2015, December 5, 2015**.

**Villages Model Railroad Club Model Train & Railroad Show and Sale**, Saturday and Sunday, August 22 and 23rd, 9 am—4 pm Saturday, 10 am-3 pm Sunday, Savannah Regional Recreations Center 1545 Buena Vista Boulevard, The Villages, FL 32162, Phone 352-205-4322 or 352-751-3034, email [amgoldho@reagan.com](mailto:amgoldho@reagan.com)

## Promotion & Attendance at Train Meets

In order to promote awareness and thus attendance, we will print a schedule of upcoming shows in each quarter's *Layout* and at our Southern Division website ([www.tcasoutherndivision.org](http://www.tcasoutherndivision.org)). Another way these meets are promoted is by having flyers about upcoming shows available at each show, thus marketing to folks who have already evidenced an interest in trains by attending the show. We are looking for TCA-SD members to assist in that distribution. If you plan to attend any train related meets, shows or other events please contact TCA-SD Vice-President Steve Johnson (email: [sjohnson@fljdcpa.com](mailto:sjohnson@fljdcpa.com) or call: 305-335-1752) and let him know. Steve will get flyers to you to take to the meet and leave out for others. If possible, please give Steve at least a week or more notice to ensure he has time to get the appropriate flyers to you. Thanks for your help!!



## Venice Meet Story, Saturday, September 12, 2015

This is our Fourth meet in Venice, and each year it grows a little larger. This year we moved to the Venice Community Center, which will give us room for well over 125 dealer tables, many display tables, and many operating layouts as well. The best part is we all will be in the same very large room! We have had great success in previous years, and expect more of the same for this year.

**Location:** Venice Community Center, , FL 326 Nokomis Ave S, Venice34285

**Meet Host:** Tim Evert, SD# 2154, 7060 Loretta Street, Englewood, FL 34224, (941) 475-5278  
tjeng@comcast.net

**Set Up:** Set up times are Friday 9/11/15 from 3:00 - 5:00PM and Saturday from 7:30 - 9:00AM. (Please note: The Venice Community Center will not allow us to enter any earlier than 7:30AM.)

**Meet Times:** The meet opens to TCA members only at 9:00 am, (There will be a short business meeting sometime between 9:00 and 10:00 am) and is open to the public from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm.

**Admission:** Admission is \$5.00. Children 12 and under are free when accompanied by an adult. In an attempt to invite more children into the hobby, we are offering this incentive to adults: One free admission for an adult that brings along one child 12 or under.

**Features:** We will have an "on the floor" G scale layout from the Florida Railroad Museum, a beautiful 8' x 16' O scale layout from the Real Rail club of Sarasota, and our own Train Drag Races for O and S gauge, with a scale length 1/4 mile track (OK guys. let's see who really is the fastest, at your own risk!). Denton Hines also will be hosting a train repair clinic.

**Hotel:** There are several hotels nearby. The Board of Directors overwhelmingly preferred the Hampton Inn, 881 Venetia Bay Blvd, Venice, FL 34292. (941) 488-5900. I was quoted a rate of \$92.00 (on 6/18/15), but you will likely get a better rate on-line. (After all, it's Florida off season.) Other possibilities: Ramada Inn (same as last years meet location) 425 US 41 Bypass N, Venice, FL 34285 (941) 308-7700, or Inn at the Beach, 725 W Venice Ave, Venice, FL 34285 (941) 484-8471

**Food:** Lunch will be provided during the meet by a local group called the Venice Community Center Partners, at a reasonable cost. There are many other restaurants available nearby, if you choose.

**Tables:** SD members \$20 each. Non-SD TCA members \$30 each.

There are over 125 dealer tables available; they are standard 8 foot rectangular tables. Please register early to avoid missing out. Display tables are free to Southern Division members. You must be 18 years old or older to obtain a table (bring your ID)!

**Volunteers:** Volunteers are needed to help out in many ways, particularly in working the admission tables. If you can help out , please contact Tim Evert. Thank you very much in advance!

**Friday Dinner with Show & Tell:** This year, there will be dinner available to attendees at the Friday Night Show and Tell in the Venice Train Depot Freight Room. The Southern Division BOD will fund all costs except \$5.00 per person for SDTCA members, Spouses and Children. Non SDTCA attendees are required to pay the full \$15.00/person as a Guest of a SDTCA member if they want to eat or drink. NOTE: Attendees are not required to pay for dinner unless they want to eat or drink and attending the Show and Tell part is free. The dinner is from 6:30 - 7:30PM and the Show and Tell begins immediately after the dinner (roughly 7:30PM).

## **Directions To The Venice Meet:**

**Directions coming from North of Venice FL:** Take Interstate 75 southbound to Exit number 200 (Highway 681). Proceed 3.5 miles until Highway 681 ends at US 41. Go south on US 41 for 2.7 miles until the point where US 41 splits into Business 41 and Bypass 41. Follow Business 41 (also called Tamiami Trail) right, then proceed for .8 mile and then turn right at Milan Ave. Go one block, turn left onto Nokomis Ave, and you are there.

**Directions coming from South of Venice FL:** Take Interstate 75 northbound to Exit number 193 (Jacaranda Blvd.). At the end of the exit ramp turn left onto Jacaranda Blvd. Follow Jacaranda Blvd. south for .8 mile to Venice Avenue. Turn right onto Venice Avenue, (There is a round-about; no stop light at this intersection.) Proceed West on Venice Avenue for 3.1 miles, cross US 41 Bypass and continue West over the Bridge to Business US 41 (stoplight at the base of the bridge). Turn left onto Business US 41 (also called Tamiami Trail) and go .3 mile and then turn right at Milan Ave. Go one block, turn left onto Nokomis Ave, and you are there.

**Directions from the Venice Community Center to the Hampton Inn:** Go North on Nokomis Ave. less than one block to Milan Ave. Turn right and go one block to Business US 41 (also called Tamiami Trail). Turn Left onto Business US 41 and go 1 mile to where both US 41s join again. Bear left, then go .1 mile to Venetia Bay Blvd. Turn right, go .1 mile and you are there.

**Directions from the Venice Community Center to the Venice Train Depot:** Go North on Nokomis Ave. less than one block to Milan Ave. Turn right and go one block to Business US 41 (also called Tamiami Trail). Turn Left onto Business US 41 and go .3 mile to Venice Ave. Turn right onto Venice Ave., go over the bridge, and at the base of the bridge, turn right on Warfield Ave. Go one block, turn right onto Calle del Sol. Go 2 blocks and turn right onto Seaboard Ave. Go under the bridge to the first left. Turn left and go about 200 feet and turn right into the Venice Train Depot parking lot.

## **Palm Beach Gardens Meet Report**

The books are closed on another very successful Southern Division train meet at St. Marks Church Gym, Palm Beach Gardens. Thirty eight members displayed their trains at 109 tables, plus a few nice layouts, Over 400 people came to see, buy and rejoice over toy trains. One member sold everything he had on 4 tables. I guess he rejoiced more than the rest of us.

Excellent food was provided by the St. Marks Women's club. They raised far more money than projected, increasing the benefits of the TCA train shows.

Next year we would like to have even more layouts. If anyone has a layout to bring we would be grateful. I would also like a volunteer to supervise train races which are always popular with the kids, kids being a generic term for anyone between the ages of 3 and 100.

Special thanks to Linda Harris for the excellent publicity which made the show successful.

Al Galli

Special Note: The BOD would like to Thank Al Galli for his continued efforts to make this meet a success and his support to keep the trains running at the Museum.

**The Deadline for the next issue of *The Layout* is September 1, 2015**

## Board of Directors Business Meeting

SD TCA – March 13, 2015, St Mark's Church, Palm Beach Gardens, FL

The meeting was called to order at 3:58 p. m. by Mike Powell, substituting for President Brad Woodward who was experiencing health problems from recent eye surgery. Secretary Dennis called the roll with the following in attendance; Brad Woodward, President; Mike Powell, Treasurer, Dienzel Dennis, Secretary; Linda Harris, Communication Director; Charles Anyan, Past President; and Al Galli our meet host along with Richard Tashjian, the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Chairmen. We have a quorum.

The minutes of the last meeting have already been approved and sent to the Layout editor for inclusion in the next issue. We discussed the meeting rules as presented and a motion was made and passed to adopt them for all future meetings.

**President's Report:** Mr. Woodward gave a brief report and also brought us up to date on his health status concerning his last two eye surgeries. He thanked the board for carrying on in his absence.

**Vice-President Report;** Steve Johnson was absent and Mike Powell reported for him and informed us that most of his report would be given during the Jacksonville meet report later on in the agenda.

Secretary Dennis reported that we currently have 406 active paid up members. We also have one honorary member, 40 deceased members (during the last 8 years), and 301 inactive or ex-members. This gives us 747 entrees in our data base. We are approximately 100 members (25%) down from this time 2 years ago. Most of this is because of the TCA dues increase. As always, please keep the secretary informed of all address changes, phone #'s, emails, etc.

Our Treasurer Mike Powell presented his report and it was accepted as distributed. He will post his report in the Layout.

Linda Harris passed out a sheet with all the places she advertised for tomorrow's PBG train meet. She will have an article in the next Layout concerning, and listing, all her methods of advertising. This could possible be part of the meet story article.

Executive Session 3:34 – out of Executive Session 3:47 p. m.

Our TCA National Vice President and Past SD President, Charles Anyan, reported on the status of the national club and methods of improving all areas of this organization. No action was taken as this was for information only. Mr. Anyan also discussed our magazine, the Layout, and the deadline for the next issue and its release. It was decided that Linda Harris and Al Galli will write the meet story for tomorrow's event. Dienzel Dennis will be the official photographer for this show and will get meet pictures to our editor for inclusion in the club magazine.

Mr. Galli reported on tomorrow's meet. We have 89 dealer tables, 8 display tables, and 10 others for a total of 107 tables. He mailed out 550 post cards, sent over 400 emails, and flyers have been displayed at many sites. There will be 6 layouts for viewing in both the hall and the vestibule close to the registration table.

A motion was passed that we move the Venice meet to the new venue that is much larger and costs less to rent.

We also will have the Friday night party at the depot, as usual, but the dinner fare will be more substantial. Each person will pay \$5.00 in advance for the meal with the club picking up the remainder of the cost. We will charge more at the door if you do not register early.

We next discussed the 11-21-15 Jacksonville meet. Mr. Anyan discussed the proposed open house and after the board reached a decision, Mr. Anyan agreed to report back to Chuck Bryner. Mr. Anyan continued by given an over view of the next Largo meet for 1-23-16. Mr. Galli then followed up with his thoughts on next years PBG meet. It is scheduled for March 12, 2016. Mr. Powell stated that there has been no positive input for an Orlando area meet so it is a dead issue.

Mr. Tashjian made a presentation for the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee. Much discussion was had concerning the club car, other items of interest, a picnic, a banquet, whether a meet should be held in conjunction with the banquet, its location, the date, and other concerns. The board asks for Mr. Tashjian to continue to work with Mr. Trappen and present a more precise report over the next few weeks/months to the board by way of emails. Mr. Anyan and Mr. Travitsky will be joined by Mike Powell to continue to work on the picnic/banquet issue.

Linda Harris will become part of the Annual Awards committee joining Mr. Anyan and Mr. Travitsky. Mr. Anyan also reported that there has been no change to the election ballot and it will be submitted as we reviewed it the last time. The suggestion of updating our By Laws was tabled for now. The board decided that we will use the same rules and reimbursement for all open houses.

There being no more business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:02 p. m.

Dienzel Dennis

Secretary, SD TCA

## In Memory of Bud Hayden Calvin E. (Bud) Hayden, Jr., 1942-2015

by Bill Trappen with contributions from Kyle Hayden and SD members Bob Burch, Chuck Bryner & Jim Troutman

The Florida toy train collecting community lost a dear friend and a dedicated supporter when Bud Hayden passed away suddenly on May 2, 2015. Bud was a native of Jacksonville and was destined to be a train enthusiast because his paternal grandfather was a conductor on the Florida East Coast. He received his first train set, a Lionel 3-car freight set headed by a 2025 steam engine, from Santa on Christmas 1947. Coincidentally, that's the same set I received on that very same Christmas morning. Perhaps that was one of the reasons we bonded so well! Like many of us he still owned and cherished his original set. He was also very knowledgeable on the history of real railroading in Florida. His love of trains was eclipsed only by his love of his family.



I met Bud in 1975 while living in Jax and we immediately became good friends due to our common interest in Lionel toy trains and railroading in general. I sponsored Bud's application to the TCA in 1975 and he had been a loyal Southern Division member ever since. Bud helped to host the very first TCA meet in Jax in 1975 and assisted in promoting the annual SD TCA meets that have been held each year since 2010. But Bud's most significant contribution to the Toy Train hobby was as co-founder and leader of the group now called "Toy Train Collectors of Jacksonville" which has been setting up large toy train displays at various locations in the Jax area since 1988.



In October 1988 Bud had been contacted by a volunteer with St. Luke's Hospital regarding the "Making Spirits Bright" 10-day event held over the Thanksgiving holidays to benefit the pediatric unit at St. Luke's. The person who had displayed an operating train layout in prior years was not available and the Hospital needed a replacement train layout and needed one quickly. A holiday event without trains made no sense especially when one of the corporate sponsors was the CSX railroad and the event was being held at the Prime Osborne Convention Center in the historic Jacksonville Union Railroad Station. The representative had heard about the TCA and after several calls around the city she was given Bud's name. Bud contacted all of the TCA members and other toy train hobbyists in the Jax area, found enough volunteers and mobilized them to set up, operate and dismantle a very nice holiday train display on short notice for that event. After that event was discontinued, Bud was asked by the promoter of the Home & Patio show to set up a train display at their annual Fall event at the Prime Osborne which continued for several years and even expanded into a twice a year event with layouts at both the Spring and Fall Shows.

Bud organized that initial group into a "well-oiled machine", as he called it, which would set up, operate and dismantle large public train displays, often under short deadlines and with quick turn-around times. Due to some attrition over the years, Bud recruited new members to help with the intense workload and enforced the discipline of teamwork with a balance of work and play among all individuals. He made sure everyone got to operate their own trains and that no one individual or clique dominated the action. As a result the group prospered under Bud's leadership and over the years set up nearly 30 large temporary public toy train layouts. The TTCJ group now sets up an annual display at the Jax Museum of Science & History during the Christmas Holiday Season. Photo 1, taken by Jim Troutman, shows Bud at the controls of the display layout the TTCJ set up at the September 2011 Home & Patio show.

Bud also had a great sense of humor. After he and I had attended several Southern Division meets together, he noticed my passionate interest in anything related to the Pennsylvania Railroad, the company for which my grandfather had worked. He liked to tell sellers at meets that they could write the word "Pennsylvania" on a piece of paper and I would buy it from them! As another example, Bud's son Kyle remembers that the late Richard Hosack, an SD member and long-time member of the TTCJ, was planning to have a table at an upcoming train show. Richard didn't have a computer so he asked Bud to send an email to the group letting everyone know so they would stop by his table and buy something from him. Bud gladly complied and at the end of the email he added "if you bring a copy of this email you'll get 10 percent off any item on Richard's table". Richard wasn't aware of this add-on to his request but when guys started showing up with the email fortunately he did find it very funny!

SD member Chuck Bryner remembers Bud's firm belief that he had discovered a true variation of the 6465 tank car with "8008" gallons (rather than just a misprinted final zero). He was unshakable in his belief insisting that he had discovered something that no one knew was out there.

Bud was a loyal Florida Gator for life, having graduated from the University of Florida with both bachelors and law degrees. Is it just coincidental that the Gator's colors are the same as Lionel's: orange and blue? He had a very successful Law practice in Jacksonville and was still actively practicing at the time of his death.

Bud will be missed by all who knew him. Condolences go out to his wife Mary, his 5 children, 8 grandchildren, several other relatives plus very many friends as evidenced by the long line of mourners at his funeral viewing and the long caravan of cars in his funeral procession to the cemetery. I feel honored that he considered me a friend. At the viewing, Kyle and SD Member Bob Burch set up a small operating train layout which included Bud's original set and several of his favorite trains, including a train with the SD FEC cabs as shown in Photo 2 with red-shirted members of the TTCJ Group in the background. Photo 3 is a scan of Bud's train ticket to eternity which was handed out at his funeral. What an appropriate send-off!





## SOUTHERN DIVISION SOUVENIR TRAIN HISTORY - Part 4, By Bill Trappen

This is the fourth in a series of articles discussing the history of the Southern Division Souvenir train. This article will discuss the 3 different SD Souvenir cars that were produced in the late 1970's. And one of these cars is the only SD Souvenir Car without an SD logo!

As discussed in parts 2 and 3 of this series, Kris Model Trains produced the first two items in the SD Souvenir Train consist in 1975 and 1976, respectively, so for 1977 the SD decided to continue using KMT. The SD offered members a yellow Atlantic Coast Line O gauge box car with a gray roof to be made by KMT. The SD received 303 orders for the cars which were priced at \$10.00 each. Do you have this car? If so, it is counterfeit because it was never made! For undocumented reasons, KMT was not able to produce the cars for us. Unfortunately by the time this was known it was already 1978. Therefore no SD Souvenir car was actually produced in 1977. However, the Division did come up with an impressive replacement for the never produced KMT ACL box car.



Remember that back in those days only Lionel and KMT were making traditional-sized 3-rail O gauge trains. Lionel's minimum order quantities were always much higher than the SD could purchase based on projected sales plus no source of blank box car bodies was known. Marty Brooks, Chairman of the SD Souvenir Car Committee from 1975 through 1979, had investigated other sources and found a supplier that could add souvenir markings to existing Lionel cars. It is believed that this new supplier would be able to give us quicker service, a quality job, and better control over the quantity produced. So it was up to Lionel to produce an appropriate car to which we could add our markings.

Among the items in the 1978 Lionel catalog was #6-9287, a red Southern Railway Illuminated caboose using the well-known Pennsylvania N5C "Cabin Car" mold first used by Lionel on the #6417 caboose in 1953. I doubt if the Southern Railway, or any other railroad not affiliated with the Pennsylvania Railroad or one of its successors, ever had such a caboose. But a Southern Railway caboose was certainly a very appropriate car for our use. Not only did the 1:1 scale Southern Railway operate in mostly all of the then 5-state geographic area assigned to the SD by the TCA, but the SD logo was adapted from the real-life counterpart used by the Southern Railway. As I like to tease former Southern Railway employee and still SD member Herman Pierson, his company copied the Southern Division logo! And with the word "SOUTHERN" in large white letters across both sides, this car presented the SOUTHERN Division with the perfect opportunity to easily convert this car into a caboose for the SD Souvenir Train.

In addition, back then we needed a caboose more than we needed another box car. Whether sitting on a shelf or running on a layout the custom made FEC cabs and FEC box car already produced just didn't look good without a properly decorated caboose.

The SD determined that their supplier could easily overlay the SD logo centered above the word "SOUTHERN" and the text "SD 1977" below that word in the same color without touching any of the existing graphics. Even though it was then 1978 the SD didn't want to have a one-year gap in the souvenir train consist which is why this car carries the 1977 number. The SD then went out and purchased enough cars to fill all of the orders that had been placed for the ACL box cars and because it was already 1978, the SD also purchased 81 more cars to offer to new members. The SD also gave members who had ordered the box cars the option to return them for a refund if they didn't want the replacement caboose.

All 384 cars were over stamped with our graphics as described above and as shown illuminated in Photo 1. The car came out very nicely. Photo 2 shows a close-up of the SD graphics. Fortunately the white SD logo and the "SD 1977" are somewhat subdued compared to the bright large white letters used for the word Southern. Like all Lionel N5C-style cabooses of that era, the car has detachable end platforms with a brakewheel on only one, one coupler (but it operates) and one center rail pickup which is attached to the non-coupler rear truck. The trucks are the Symington-Wayne style trucks first used by Lionel a few years earlier. The car came with two red plastic lanterns loose in a small bag inside its original Lionel box. These lanterns were then inserted into a hole in each side just aft of the last porthole window near the roof line. This was a design change from the post-war model. Another design change is that the single light bulb is accessible from the underside without removing the cab.



This caboose started the SD Souvenir car practice of using a geographically appropriate cataloged Lionel car then overlaying the SD graphics on the existing car which has proven to be much less expensive and risky for the Division. Of course it requires much cooperation from the manufacturer!



## SOUTHERN DIVISION SOUVENIR TRAIN HISTORY - Part 4, continued

Fortunately for our 1978 car, Lionel cooperated again! The 1978 catalog contained item #6-9403, an all black Seaboard Coast Line 9700-series single-door box car with yellow lettering. The Seaboard Coast Line was the result of the merger of the Atlantic Coast Line and Seaboard Airline Railroads in 1967. It served parts of Georgia and most of Florida and was headquartered in Jacksonville. Today they are part of the CSX formed after their merger with the Chessie System in 1980. Although the sides of this Lionel car were already very busy with graphics, there was just enough room to the right of the door to add the SD logo and the "SD 1978" graphic. Orders were taken at a price of only \$11.00 per car for pickup at a meet. The same procedure was followed as used above and once again a handsome looking souvenir car was created at little cost to the SD. Photo 3 is an overall side-view of the car and photo 4 is a close-up of the SD graphics. The trucks are again the Symington-Wayne trucks used by Lionel with operating couplers. There is one plastic brakewheel.



The 1979 SD Souvenir Car has created much confusion in the collecting community. As mentioned above, back in those days the SD boundaries included the entire states of Florida, Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi and Tennessee. The SD membership was spread out over those five states but the nucleus was still in peninsular Florida. The other areas within the SD were served by Chapters of the SD. The Chapters had their own slate of officers and scheduled their own local meets, etc. The quarterly SD meets were rotated around the areas within peninsular Florida. But starting in 1977 an exception to that schedule was made by having a Chapter host a Division meet once every two years, and always for the summer meet. In 1979 the Terminus Chapter of the SD, which served members in Alabama and Georgia, was celebrating their 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary so the Terminus Chapter hosted the summer Division meet in August of that year. This would attract more members to the celebration. In addition, the Chapter had decided to produce a souvenir car for their 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary as a fund-raiser. Given those plans and the plans to have the summer Division meet in Atlanta, the SD decided to let the Terminus Chapter car be the only SD souvenir car for 1979 so that it wouldn't have to compete with an SD car and all SD members could order the Terminus car to raise even more funds for the Chapter.

Once again Lionel came through although the Terminus Chapter had to go back one catalog year to find an appropriate car to use. The 1978 catalog included item #6-9405, another 9700-series box car, this one in silver and very attractively lettered for the Chattahoochee Industrial Railroad. Made famous by country singer Alan Jackson many years later in 1992, the Chattahoochee River forms the southernmost 100 or so miles of the boundary between Alabama and Georgia so this was a very appropriate car for the Terminus Chapter to use. The fact that the CIRR was a small railroad only 15 miles long and at that time owned by the Georgia-Pacific Paper Company to haul their feedstock and finished products, probably limited the market for this car when it was produced. Obviously there must have been enough of these cars still available from dealers in 1979 for the Terminus Chapter to procure and over-stamp. The Chapter added a **TCA** logo and the words "Terminus Chapter 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary" next to the logo. Photo 5 is an overall side view of the car which is structurally identical to the SCL box car above. Note that there are no markings for the SD so this is the only car in the SD Souvenir Train without an SD logo. Photo 6 shows a close-up of the added Terminus Chapter graphics and TCA logo.



Now why is there so much confusion about this car among collectors? It is the only 1979 SD souvenir car produced, is listed as the such in the Greenberg Pocket Price guides, often considered the bible by collectors, but the confusion arises because it has NO SD markings! Furthermore, another national train collecting organization, the Toy Train Operating Society, apparently also used this car per several old listings on eBay and other auction sites. Unfortunately the ads on those sites were not very specific and used generic descriptions such as "a 1978 TTOS product". But the 1978 TTOS Convention was held in Hollywood, California and the official Convention car is a Lionel Hi-cube box car specially decorated (most likely by the late Ward Kimball) for the TTOS with non-railroad graphics appropriate for the movie industry. I was a member of the TTOS back then and they never had a convention anywhere in the Southeast so I can't understand why the TTOS would use a box car from Alabama and Georgia. TTOS obviously had to use what was available and perhaps those box cars were readily available on dealer's shelves due to the lack of initial market demand mentioned above.

Part 5 of this series will be in the next issue of The Layout and will discuss and show photos of the cars made in the first half of the 1980's.

Stay tuned!

## New Train Store in Saint Petersburg (Pinellas Park)

Southern Division member Dave Zitnik has decided to open a train store in Pinellas Park, FL.

Zitnik Trains is located at 5193 73rd Avenue North, Pinellas Park, FL 33781. The store is one block south of Park Blvd (HWY 694) - right behind McDonalds located on Park Blvd. and 52<sup>nd</sup> Street North

The store is expected to open in August 2015 and will feature both new and used items in all gauges from Z through G. The store will also carry accessories, track, smoke fluid, scenery, and buildings.

There are large sections devoted to Lionel, American Flyer, MTH, HO of all manufacturers, and European manufactured trains. The store will have a Parts Depot and they already have a large inventory of O-gauge parts. They also stock many of the most commonly needed America Flyer and Marx parts. There will also be an on-site Train Repair Depot where you can bring your trains in for repair at reasonable prices. Also, the building happens to be painted in TCA Southern Division colors (green and yellow-gold).

### Additional Contact Info:

**Store Phone:** 727-201-9668

**Email:** ZitnikTrains@gmail.com

**Website:** www.ZitnikTrains.com

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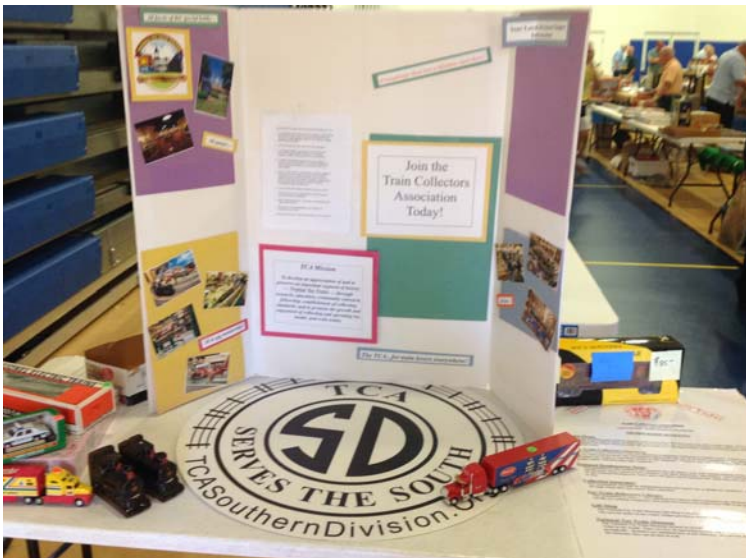


### From the Desk of Linda Harris, Communication Officer

As we close the chapter on this season of meets and prepare for the Fall meets to begin, we reflect on some of the methods of advertising we are using to reach current and new train enthusiasts. TCA members will always be able to find us in the National Headquarters News, both under "Calendar of meets" and a ¼ page AD. We also list in the National Train magazines Classic Toy Trains, Model Rail Road and O Gauge RR for each meet notifying train hobbyist. An E-Blast is sent to all TCA members in Florida before each meet, with listings placed on numerous Web sites of upcoming shows i.e. RailServ, Trains.com, Littletoy-trains.com, modelshopsusa.com to name a few. Also with the assistance of the Meet Host, in the local area newspapers we look to get free advertising in the Weekend and the Things to do section. We list our shows on the bulletin boards of the local TV and newspapers in the area. Craig's list is utilized and member bulletin boards get postings of meets. We collect names of past attendees and notify them of upcoming shows each year. Flyers are blanketed at local train shows (if you can help, drop Steven Johnson an e-mail). Some members who sell items on the internet, put in their listing that other items can be seen at the train show..."Just an Idea". We're always looking for ideas to expand advertising that is cost effective. If you have any other advertising ideas to keep costs low or know someone in the media who can help with advertising, let us know.



# Photos From The Palm Beach Gardens Meet





## Charles Anyan Elected TCA National President

The Train Collectors Association announced that Charles Anyan was elected President to lead them in the next year.

He currently serves as National Vice President, takes over the President-Elect position this year, and will then assume the role of President in 2016.

As you know, Charlie previously was our Southern Division President for four years.

Charlie has an extensive background in service to TCA, serving in the Ozark, Eastern, and Southern Divisions. He was the President of Southern Division, President of Ozark Division Gateway Chapter, with service in various capacities in all three divisions.

## Switch List

**FOR SALE TRAINS AND DIECAST ITEMS, EXCELLENT CONDITION, CALL JOE KLIM @ 352-357-3257.**

**Repairs: Done on American Flyer Trains by A.C. Gilbert** Reasonable prices, honest assessment of Parts & Labor. Alco & Geep Rebrushings: Single - \$ 20.00; double - \$ 35.00 **Call or Write: Chris Lucibello 2483 Pinellas Pt. Dr. So., St. Pete, FL 33712 (727) 867-3465 [candklucibello@verizon.net](mailto:candklucibello@verizon.net)**

**FOR SALE: LIONEL POSTWAR, PREWAR, LTI, MTH, Have MTH RAILRAX TRACK , curves, straights. ARNIE TRAVITSKY, 873 CYNTHIANNA CIRCLE, ALTAMONTE, SPRINGS, FL. 32701 arni99@aol.com 407-260-8599 LSASE FOR LIST.**

**For sale:** shelving for your collection – various sizes, built for American Flyer, but they will hold 0 gauge, but it is a tighter fit. I still have some shelves left for sale. The prices are reduced, from \$30 and \$40, depending on size. This is cheaper than you can buy the lumber for alone. Call or email. Call Charlie Anyan, (727) 345-0288, or [canyan1@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:canyan1@tampabay.rr.com)



**For Sale:** RCS Controllers (need rewiring); #97 Controller (needs rewiring); Gargraves 2-rail track; Super O #120 Crossover; #36, 37, 48, 32-20; KW, LW, SW, 1032, 1033 Transformers; #19 Bulbs; #167 Whistle Controller; 1866, 1876, 1875W LIL General Cars; TCA Bicentennial Special Set. 12948 Bascule Bridge, 2623 Madison Cars, 3356 Horse Car and Corral; #6247, 6357, 2411, 2454, 2452; 2452X; 6012; 2531, 2532, 2533, 2534 passenger cars, 214 Bridge Boxed, NYC Bridge, American Flyer Bridge, 2032 Box, 3462P Milk Platform, #456 Coal Ramp w/ 3456 Operating Hopper, Lionel Watch, 28051 Clinchfield locomotive, 28010 B&O Baggage Car, All Reasonably Priced. Call **Paul Dean 352-223-4510** **Also Wanted:** 2530 Large Door baggage car, 2460 Cab, 1875 LIL General Car.

**The Switch List** is a free service to Southern Division Members. Send your ads (space permitting) for trains for sale/wanted/trade to Jeffrey Mayer, email [jcjmayer@aol.com](mailto:jcjmayer@aol.com) or call me at 321-297-0501. Ads must be renewed prior to each issue of The Layout. You may renew your ad for **one** issue at a time by contacting me via email or snail mail.