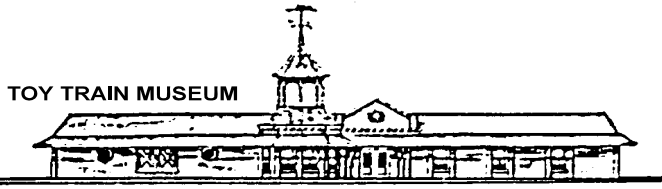


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Above: Southern Division President Charlie Anyan riding the Virginia and Truckee Railroad

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Sad Tidings

Bill Mursch passed away in April at the age of 92. Bill was a long time Southern Division member and a recipient of the Southern Division's highest award, the "Tinplate Tycoon". Bill hosted the Howie-in-the-Hills Meets and presented displays with Gill Carlin. Bill and his wife Dorothea also hosted several open houses for the Southern Division. Our condolences to Bill's family.

**Check out the Southern Division Website: www.tcasoutherndivision.org
Webmaster: Jake Jacob**

President's Message



I have just returned from the National TCA Convention in Sacramento CA, where I represented the Southern Division. I went early and stayed later to visit with my daughter and grandkids, who live in the area. We did some sightseeing, traveling to the Sierra Nevada mountains, Lake Tahoe, Squaw Valley Ski area (there was so much snow still on the mountains that they were opening for skiing on the fourth of July weekend) and Virginia City NV, where we panned for gold (I got some) and rode on the Virginia and Truckee railroad. It was a great trip, and the TCA business meetings weren't too bad. Actually, our National President (now Past-President) Ron Stowell moved the meeting right along, and we finished promptly. See the Convention Report elsewhere to get a few more details of

the meeting.

Meanwhile, back in Southern-land, we have finished the Jacksonville meet and are looking forward to the meet in Lake Worth. Everybody loved the location of the meet (Hendricks Day School) and we have already started to make plans to have it there again next year. The only problem was that the city of Jacksonville decided that the day of our meet would be a nice day to tear up the street in front of the school, making it tough to get in and park. That may have caused some loss of attendance. However, the meet was successful, and the tableholders seemed happy. The attendance was lower than we liked, but we are working on getting more effective advertising for the next Jacksonville meet.

The next meet is in Lake Worth on August 20th, at the American Polish Club. The Meet Hotel for this meet is the Marriott at Boca Center, Boca Raton FL. Arnie got the best deal we could get in this high-priced area. See the Meet Story for details. The Board of Directors will meet there the day before in the Marriott Concierge Room, at three pm. As usual, any member of the Southern Division is welcome to attend.

Charles Anyan, President, Southern Division TCA

Submarine Car Sinking Fast

The Southern Division Submarine Car Project has been suspended at this time, primarily due to not being able to purchase the basic submarine/flat cars. There were not enough orders to meet Lionel's requirement for 500 cars minimum, and we could not find enough cars on the secondary market to fulfill our basic orders. So unless someone comes up with a warehouse full of submarines, we will terminate the effort. Charles Anyan, President



Steve Harris Wins!

In addition to the Southern Division winning the first quarterly contest for signing the most new members into TCA (reported in last "The Layout") our Past President, Steve Harris, won the award for individually signing up the most new TCA members during the last quarter. This is primarily due to him attending and volunteering to support almost every event at which we had a presence, such as The World's Greatest hobby on Tour, The Great Train Expos, and TCA meets. His prize was a gift certificate from the TCA Museum, which he donated to buy door prizes for future Southern Division meets.



Congratulations, Steve, and thank you for your donation to the Southern Division.

Charles Anyan, President

Upcoming Southern Division Board of Directors Meetings

At Lake Worth FL, Aug 19th, 2011, 3:00 PM

Location – Marriott at Boca Center

5150 Town Center Circle, Boca Raton, FL, 33486

At Maitland FL, Nov. 18th, 2011, 1:00 PM

Location – Marriott Spring Hill Suites

205 W. Highway 436, Altamonte Springs, FL 32714

Communications Officer Needed

If anyone is interested in the position of Communications Officer, notify the President, or other board member. The main requirements are computer literacy and ability to communicate with other TCA components and the media.

Lake Worth Meet Story, Saturday, August 20, 2011 American Polish Club, Lake Worth, FL

Location: American Polish Club, 4725 Lake Worth Road, Lake Worth, FL 33463

Meet host: Mike Setzer will be the meet host. Should you have any questions, contact Mike at 954-476-1058.

Set Up will be allowed from 7 a.m. to 9 a.m. Saturday. **Unfortunately YOU CANNOT SET UP THE NIGHT BEFORE.** The meet opens to members only 9 a.m. to 11 a.m., and to the public 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. There will be donuts and coffee free to tableholders and family during setup time.

Admission: Public and non-Southern Division TCA members is \$5. Southern Division TCA members \$3. Children under 12 free when accompanied by an adult. Plenty of free parking is available for members and the public. There will be a concession area in the hall, where you can purchase breakfast and lunch.

Tables: SD members: \$20 TCA non-SD members: \$30. We will hold a business meeting at 10:15 a.m. to discuss your inputs and new ideas.

A test track will be available to test your new purchases. Our standards committee will be available to help in your new purchases and answer your questions. It is important if you can help in volunteer your time as a front door guard and front desk.

Open House: We have no volunteers to hold an open house at this meet.



Directions to Meet

The American Polish Club is located at 4725 Lake Worth Road (about 1/4 mile west of Military Trail), in Lake Worth, Florida.

Florida Turnpike:

Take the turnpike to the Lake Worth exit, go east on Lake Worth Road about three miles to the club (on the north side of the road).

Via I-95 Northbound:

Exit at 6th Avenue South. Take 6th Avenue west to Military Trail, then North on Military Trail to Lake Worth Road. Turn Left, heading west and look for the hall about 1/4 of a mile down on your right.

Via I-95 Southbound:

Exit at 10th Avenue North. Take 10th Avenue west to Military Trail, left on Military Trail going South. Right on Lake Worth Road and look for the hall about 1/4 mile on your right.

Lake Worth Meet Hotel Boca Raton Marriott 5150 Town Center Circle Boca Raton, FL 33486

Call 888-888-3780 to request Train Collectors Association rates at the Boca Raton Marriott or you can call the hotel directly at 561-392-4600.

Room rates are available July 22 through August 18, 2011 online at www.marriott.com/pbibr

Visit the website to receive a special TCA rate of \$74 per night. The Boca Raton Marriott is a full service property with everything from an onsite restaurant and lounge to a beautiful pool, whirlpool, and health club. Attached to the Boca Center Shops are over 12 restaurants and 22 retail stores. Complimentary valet service is available upon request. Please book your room by August 13th, 2011, to receive this special rate.

If you have questions, special requests, or need to extend your reservation please contact Catalina Cely at 561-620-3707 or email ccely@bocaratonmarriott.com.



FIRST QUARTER 2011 TREASURER'S REPORT

Checking Account Balance 12/31/2010	\$19,059.40
Cash with Treasurer for Door Change	\$200.00
TCA-SD Assets on 12/31/2010	\$19,259.40

Income (1/1/2011 TO 3/31/2011)

Member Renewals and Applications	\$423.00
Donation Sales	\$251.00
Largo Door Receipts	\$1,266.00
Largo Table Sales	\$1,360.00
TCA Applications	\$180.00
Donation	\$10.00
Stuart Door Receipts	\$1,982.00
Stuart Table Sales	\$1,300.00

TOTAL INCOME **\$6,772.00**

Expenses (1/1/2011 TO 3/31/2011)

Postage	\$222.21
Maitland Awards	\$393.33
Flyers	\$94.70
Eblast	\$90.63
Printing Layouts	\$1,124.61
MinnReg Hall Rental	\$712.00
Donation to St Petersburg Museum	\$50.00
Largo Expenses	\$547.24
Deposit MinnReg 2012	\$300.00
Deposit Polish Club 2011	\$200.00
Stuart Radio Ad	\$300.00
Web Hosting	\$35.85
Tampa Parking	\$10.00
TCA Applications and Dues	\$215.00
Submarine Car Prototype	\$125.00
Stuart Expenses	\$1,001.73
Stuart Hall	\$1,330.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$6,752.30

Checking Account Balance 3/31//2010	\$19,079.10
Cash with Treasurer for Door Change	\$200.00
TCA-SD Assets on 3/31/2011/2010	\$19,279.10

Address Changes

Please inform the Southern Division Secretary Dienzel Dennis of any address changes (see contact info inside front cover). Please do not send address changes to the editor of *The Layout* as that will only delay processing.

Volunteers Needed to Staff the Southern Division Booth, By Michael B. Powell



The Southern Division plans to have a booth at the upcoming Great Train Exposition shows coming to Florida this summer. The first will be held at the Central Florida Fairgrounds on August 6 and 7, and the second will be at the Florida State Fairgrounds on August 13 and 14. The booth will have a backdrop with signs explaining the mission of the TCA and the Southern Division, and will have a small operating layout to demonstrate running toy trains.

Photo Above: Southern Division volunteers staff out "recruiting booth" and operate a small layout. Their recruiting efforts have resulted in numerous new members joining the Southern Division.

Volunteers are needed to staff both shows. If you are planning to attend one or both of these shows anyway, why not volunteer for an hour or two at the Southern Division Booth. One big advantage is that as a volunteer, your admission to the show is free. Plus you will get to interact with other Southern Division members and potential members, in addition to the many kids that like to watch the toy trains run.

If you are interested, please contact either Arnie Travitsky at 407-260-8599 for the Orlando Show or Charlie Anyan at 727-345-0288 for the Tampa Show. Hope to see you there!

SD TCA Board of Directors Meeting Minutes, Friday, May 20, 2011, Hampton Inn-Jacksonville, FL

President Anyan called the meeting to order at 3:07 p. m. In attendance was President Charlie Anyan, Secretary Dienzel Dennis, Treasurer Mike Powell, Past President Steve Harris, Past President Arnie Travitsky, and guest Al Galli the Stuart meet host.

Mr. Galli reported on tomorrow's meet. Everything seemed to be ready to go with 39 different table holders filling 74 total tables. (All tables have been sold) There are eight gratis tables for displays and Club items. The tables are already set up and assigned and a test track is also available. We discussed advertisement for this meet as well as the ongoing advertisement debate. The board seemed very satisfied with the newspaper, radio, magazine, and flyer ads, as well as 400 post cards mailed to certain people. Set up will start in the morning at 7:00 with doors open to TCA/SD members at 9:00 a.m. The general public will be admitted at 10:00 @ \$5.00 per adult.

We discussed the continuing problem of some tables showing up at 6 feet instead of 8 without our prior knowledge. Mr. Dennis recommended that all future ads state that all 8 foot tables will be assigned first and if no more are available, the 6 foot tables will then be assigned. Everyone agreed and it was noted that this will be included in future ads.

Mr. Galli reported on the status of the "Children's Museum of the Treasure Coast" Everyone seemed pleased with the progress and the SD will be involved to some extent. Mr. Galli left the meeting at this time to attend to other business.

President Anyan reported that the SD won an award from the TCA for signing up new TCA members. We received a certificate/plaque plus a gift certificate for \$200.00. Door prizes will be purchased with this money from the TCA store.

The minutes of the last meeting were not read as they had already been approved and published in the last "Layout". Mr. Dennis recommended and it was agreed that minutes will no longer be read at future board meetings unless necessary for the business at hand.

In Jeff Sawyers absence, the President reported on the status of the Jacksonville meet in May. Currently there are no open houses available. Arnie is going to work on this for the club. The meet hall is in a Church/School gymnasium with 7,000 sq. ft. Concession stands will be available by church members and our meet hotel will be the Hampton Inn with rates starting at \$65.00. Everything is very conveniently located.

The Lake Worth meet will again be held on August 20 in the Polish Club with Mike Setzer as host.

Secretary Dennis reported that as of last night, we have 448 active members. The last number assigned was 2579. He requested that every one please inform him of any changes in emails, phone changes, address changes, etc. He can only put into our records the correct information that is made available to him. Report accepted as presented.

Treasurer Powell distributed the financial report on the Largo meet. Bottom line is that it was a very successful meet with a \$1,256.47 profit. Report accepted as presented.

Vice President Herron joined us as soon as he got off work from his office job. He presented a South Florida Submarine Car for us to consider as a possible Southern Division Car. There was a lot of discussion and questions concerning the graphics, cost, selling price, etc. We will have the car available at tomorrow's meet and judge the interest shown by the membership. The final decision will be decided in the very near future.

The last old business concerned revisiting the problem of table helpers who come into the show, try to get their own table, or sell their trains off a members table, etc. without being a TCA or Southern Division Member. After a lot of discussion, a motion was made, seconded, and passed to finally answer this problem. It reads, "**All table holders and Helpers must be TCA members, or a spouse, or children under the age of 18.**"

New Business: We discussed the Maitland meet and what can we do to top last year's event. Some options are to return to Clark's open house again, the possibility of the steam train picnic at Bruce's house, and the back lot tour at the Disney Railroad. The banquet on Saturday after the meet should be continued. The board will continue to work on making this meet successful.

The starting time for all meets was debated and it was generally agreed on to keep it the way it is now. We should not have different start times for different meets since it would only mess up the member's arrival time.

Should we return to having new applicants leave the building so we could vote on them officially becoming members? It was generally thought that if they were able to qualify for membership in the national club, they would also qualify for the Southern Division. It was decided to just introduce new members who joined at that particular meet.

Mr. Powell will put a request in the "Layout" for members to volunteer to help man a Southern Division booth at the train Expo in August in both Orlando and Clearwater.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:21 p.m. Respectfully submitted, Dienzel Dennis, SD Secretary

SOUTHERN DIVISION YEARLY REPORT JUNE 2011

The Southern Division of TCA has approximately 1100 members in its geographic area. As of 1 June we have a total of 478 active members. Our geographic boundary is all of Florida, except the panhandle west of Apalachicola. Approximately 35 of these members reside outside of Florida. Southern Division dues are \$10.00 per year.

We have at least four Division meets yearly. For the last two years, we have included an additional meet in Jacksonville, and hope to have yearly meets there. All of our meets are one-day meets.

We try to have several social events during the year, usually in the form of open houses or cookouts. So far this year we have had a "Night at the Museum" open house at the Tampa Area Toy Train Museum in conjunction with our Tampa Bay Area Meet. We made a donation to the fledgling museum to help support operations.

Several of us manned our TCA Southern Division booth at the "World's Best Hobby on Tour" at the Tampa Convention Center. We signed up several new TCA and Southern Division members at the event.

We plan to have TCA Southern Division booths at the upcoming Great Train Exposition Shows coming to Florida this summer. The first will be held at the Central Florida Fairgrounds in Orlando August 6 and 7, and the second will be at the Florida State Fairgrounds in Tampa on August 13 and 14.

In the fall we hope to repeat a back-yard cookout during the Orlando Area Meet, where we ride on passenger cars pulled by a live steam Pennsylvania K-4 engine. We will have our annual awards ceremony and banquet, where awards will be given out to members who made contributions of time or effort to the Division during the previous year. We are also trying to plan where and when a Christmas party could be held.

We are continually trying to expand our educational efforts and to establish interest in trains generally, and toy trains in particular. We try to have a Kid's Layout at every meet that we have room for one, in order to help get kids interested in trains. We always have operating layouts and displays at every meet. Some of our members have set up and operate a layout in the Ronald McDonald House in Orlando, for the kids to observe and help operate.

The Southern Division web site is tcasoutherndivision.org. For further details on the Southern Division's activities, officers, meets, and history of the Division, go to the web site. Be sure to click on "The Layout" to view current and past issues of "The Layout", our quarterly newsletter.

Respectfully Submitted, Charles Anyan, President, Southern Division



National Convention Report 2011 by Charles Anyan

The National Board of Directors meeting was held during the convention in Sacramento CA, June 26th through July 3rd. Most of the business was routine matters like procedural changes, officer's and committee reports, financial situation, etc. However two things occurred that I think you would like to know about.

The first was not part of the business meeting, but happened to occur during the meeting. We were notified that the lawsuits concerning the TCA, and which we had spent thousands of dollars and agonized over for several years, were settled. I don't have all the details, and I don't think you care about them, but it is all over. Any further information will have to come from the national officers.

The second item of interest concerns the requirement for applicants for membership in the TCA to obtain two signatures of members in order to complete the application. It was voted to delete this requirement. This deletion cannot be implemented immediately, since the requirement is in the bylaws. Any change to the bylaws requires a vote by the entire membership. A vote will be sent to members probably when the next election ballot is sent. So for now nothing will change. Two member signatures will still be needed.

I have not received any minutes of the meetings yet. When I do, anybody that wants to read them can email me & I will arrange for to get a copy of them.

Charles Anyan, President, Southern Division, TCA



Photo Above: View of the Capitol Building in Sacramento, just after sunrise



Photo Above: Is this the Board of Directors Meeting?



Photo Left: Crowded basement at Chuck's Open House, part of Welcome Party.



Photo Above: Charlie Anyan at the Chollar Mine, Free at Last – Note the RR tracks where they used to push out the ore cars by hand.



Photo Above: Charlie Anyan being questioned by Treasurer about excess expenses on convention trip.

Photo Below: Charlie Anyan scouts out possible locations for an upcoming Southern Division meet.



Displays in Jacksonville



Photo Above: Steve Harris displayed a Joy Line Passenger set along with the CSX Freight Set Lionel donated to our Division.

Photo Below: Gary Horne with his ON30 Layout. The picture up front and below the layout is a copy of a Grateful Dead album cover. Right above that is the building in the picture that Gary modeled.



Photo Above: Bud Hayden's display of late prewar Lionel Trains.



Jacksonville Photos!



Photos Left, Left Below: Jeff Sawyer's (Meet Host) operating display features S and G Gauge Trains.

Photo Below: Z Gauge Layout donated by Bruce and Nancy Linton of Palm Harbor, Florida. Mike Powell brought and displayed the Layout.



Photo Above: Steve Harris Displayed a very rare British Flyer engine by American Flyer CA 1921

Photo Left: Dienzel Dennis and his display of Lionel Airex Baseball Gloves

Switch List

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For Sale: O22 Switch Controllers (need rewiring); O27 Track, Straight or Curved; Gargraves 2-rail; #120 Crossover; #34, 37,38, 48, 32-20; LW, TW, SW, 1032, 1033 Transformers; #19 Bulbs; 1866, 1875, 1876 cars; TCA Bicentennial Special Set. 12948 Bascule Bridge, 2623 Madison Cars, 1972 #671 TCA Boiler Front, All Reasonably Priced. Call **Paul Dean 352-223-4510**

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For Sale:
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Colber Street Lamps, C7, \$5 each, have 9, six of them are boxed.
MTH Raliking Hoppers w/coal loads, C8, Pennsylvania, Jersey Central, Southern, \$15 each.
MTH Railking Maryland & Pennsylvania flatcar with Trailer, C8, \$20
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Contact Jeff Mayer, 321-297-0501 or email me at jcjmayer@aol.com

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- 5.1950'S HUDSON.ALL ORIGINAL BOX,INSERTS,INSTRUCTION SHEET & LIONEL WRAPPING PAPER .EVRYTHINGWORKS.LIGHT,WHISTLE,SM OKE & E-UNIT.\$2200.00 O.B.O.
- 6.PENN. RR PENCIL.UNSHARPED.2 SMALL NICKS AT THE TOP & BOTTOM.BROWN IN COLOR WITH GOLD P.R.R.SOME FADING ON GOLD PAINT MARKINGS. E-MAIL FOR PIC \$5 (FREE SHIPPING)
- 7.1949 WALLET SIZE CALENDER OF THE MISSOURI PACIFIC R.R.E-MAIL FOR PICTURE.EX CONDITION.\$5(FREE SHIPPING)
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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 or call me at 407-366-8995.

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.