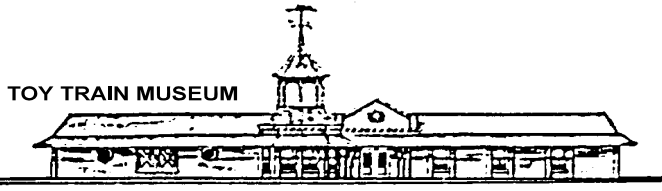


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Photo Above: Southern Division Members at the TCA National Convention in Atlanta

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Plan Ahead!
Don't get stuck
without your issue of *The Layout*. Change your address today!

President's Message



Well, the national convention is over, and I am looking forward to our first meet in Venice, FL. The convention Board of Directors meetings were serious, and we accomplished a lot in our few allotted days. But there were fun things to do also. I took one of the tours to Misty Mountain Railroad in the Blue Ridge Mountains outside of Blairsville, GA. The place was amazing, what a layout! If you get a chance, be sure to see it. While in the mountains, I had a chance to do a little hiking and prospecting (one of my hobbies). I made some nice discoveries (see my Convention Report).

The Jacksonville meet is also over. It is still not as successful as we would like it to be, but it improved in all areas over last year's meet. Attendance, tables occupied, and income were all up. We will continue with this meet and continue to look for further improvement.

Meanwhile, the Venice meet is coming up, and our Meet Host, Tim Evert, says everything is coming along great. We are anticipating a good crowd. Tim says he already has a good amount of table reservations. Tim is also going to have an open house. See the accompanying Meet Story in this issue.

Planning is underway for the best weekend ever in Maitland. I have set up a steam engine train ride in Tavares, FL. Tavares is about 30 miles northwest of our meet hotel in Altamonte Springs. Read all about it in the train story article in this issue.

Also, you all might think about anybody who might like to serve the Southern Division as officers. My term is up at the end of this year and we need somebody else to kick around instead of Charlie. If you think you would like to do something, let me or any board member know about it.

Everybody please note that the SD Board of Directors made the decision at the last meeting to change the entrance fee to all our SD meets to FREE for all SD members. We have been doing well financially so this is a way to pay back to members who attend the meets. This policy may also stimulate membership, since members will be getting some of their money back, and more, if they attend all our meets.

Respectfully Submitted, Charles Anyan, President Southern Division, TCA

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

Venice Meet Story, Saturday, September 8, 2012, Venice/Nokomis Elks Lodge, Venice, FL

Location: Venice / Nokomis Elks Lodge, 1021 Discovery Way, North Venice, FL 34275

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

Set Up: Set up is from 7:00AM - 9:00AM Saturday. (Friday afternoon set up is a good possibility, but has not yet been confirmed. More information on this will be available just before the meet date.)

Meet Times: The meet opens to TCA members only at 9:00AM, (There will be a short business meeting sometime between 9:00 and 10:00AM) and is open to the public from 10:00AM to 4:00PM.

Admission: Admission is \$5.00. Children under 12 are free when accompanied by an adult. There is plenty of free parking on site. Food and refreshments are available in the hall.

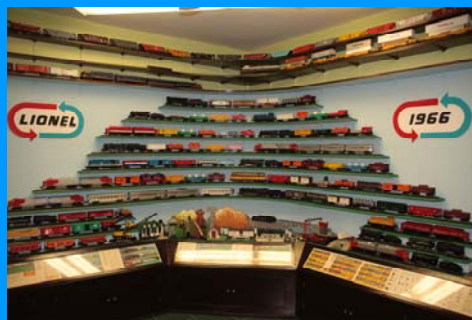
Tables: SD members \$20 each. Non-SD TCA members \$30 each. There are 75 tables available; 8 foot tables (quantity 45) will be available on a first come first served basis. After the 8 foot tables are sold out, the remaining quantity 30 will be shorter 6 foot tables. So, register early to get the larger tables if you need them. Display tables are likely to be in very short supply, depending on how many total vendor tables are sold. You must be 18 years old or older to obtain a table.

Volunteers: Volunteers are needed to help out in many ways, particularly in working the admission tables. Let's get several of us to help with this important job so no one has to work it any longer than perhaps an hour at a time. We will need table set-up help sometime on Friday, depending on what time the Elks let us in. If you can help out in any of these areas, please contact Tim Evert. Thank you very much in advance!

Open House: Tim Evert There will be an open house at Tim Evert's home **Friday evening**

September 7, from 7:00 - 9:00PM.

Come by and visit Tim and his son Michael's large Lionel O Gauge collection that was recently featured in Classic Toy Trains magazine. See Open House Photos on opposite page!



Driving Directions to the Meet, Tim Evert's House, and the Meet Hotel

Directions to the Meet: The Venice Elks lodge is located just off I-75 at Laurel Road Exit 195. From north or south, just get off on the exit and proceed East to the 1st stoplight past the exit (roughly 1/4 mile), turn left and the Elks is the first large building on the left after the convenience store.

Directions to the Hotel: From north or south – Take I-75 to Jacaranda Blvd. Exit 193. Turn south on Jacaranda Blvd. Go a few hundred feet, then turn left on Executive Dr. Double back towards the highway, and it is right there. The hotel is roughly 3 miles from the meet hall.

Directions to Tim Evert's Open House: From North or South, take I-75 to Englewood / North Port, River Road Exit 191. Take River Road South roughly 10 miles to the 5th stoplight, which is Winchester Blvd., turn left and go 4 miles South until Winchester ends at S. McCall Road (this intersection is a bit unusual, be careful!) Turn left and go East about 1 1/2 miles (about 3 blocks past the 2nd stoplight) to Regina Drive, turn right and go less than 1/2 mile to Laretta Street, turn left and it's the first house on the right. A big green house, you can't miss it! (Total distance from the meet is 21 miles, or from the hotel is 19 miles.) Address is 7060 Laretta Street, Englewood, FL 34224 if you are using a GPS.

Meet Hotel

Fairfield Inn & Suites by Marriott, 2935 Executive Drive, Venice, Florida 34292 941-488-4343 Room rates start at \$89 for Single King-size bed or Double Queen. You must mention TCA or Train Collectors to get this rate. Rate is good for three days before & after

the meet. Cut-off date for this rate is Sep 3rd. After this date you may have to pay a higher rate. Complimentary hot breakfast included, 6:30 till 9:30 am: weekends, 7 till 10 am.

Fairfield Inn & Suites is the newest hotel in Venice and surrounding areas. Built in 2010. Each room features refrigerator, microwave, hairdryer, iron, ironing board and coffee maker, Complimentary wired & wireless internet, iHome units, 32" flat screen HDTV. 24 hour fitness center, 24 hour coffee bar, Complimentary business center, Venice Beach 10 minute drive- Shark's Tooth Capital of the World, Downtown Historic Venice- 10 minute drive- shopping and restaurants

Open House: Tim Evert, 7060 Laretta Street, Englewood, FL 34224 There will be an open house at Tim Evert's home **Friday evening September 7, from 7:00 - 9:00PM.** Come by and visit Tim and his son Michael's large Lionel O Gauge collection featuring Lionel Trains from 1966 (see article in the latest issue of Classic Toy Trains magazine).



Serving the Southern Division 2012 Board of Directors Nominations

Would you like to serve the Southern Division? The Division is seeking qualified members to run for following positions:

- **President**
- **Vice President**
- **Treasurer**
- **Secretary**
- **Communications Officer**

Southern Division members are best served with a side of Fava Beans and a nice Chianti!

To run for office you must be a current TCA National member for one year in good standing and a Southern Division member currently residing in Florida. Qualified candidates must be able to attend Southern Division Board of Director's meetings as scheduled.

The winners will serve for two years (2013 –2015) starting January 2013. Arnie Travitsky will serve as chairperson for the election which will take place in December, 2012. Should you wish to serve the Southern Division by running for any of these positions, please contact Arnie Travitsky, Past President (see contact info inside the front cover of The Layout).

Nominations for Board positions will be taken from the floor at our September meet in Venice, Florida (see Meet Story in this issue). Final nominations will be taken from the floor at the Business Meeting held at our November meet in Maitland, Florida.



Coming Next Issue! Even More Pictures of Charlie!

**TCA Southern Division
Board of Director's Meeting
May 18, 2012, Jacksonville, FL**

Attendees: Charlie Anyan, President, Linda Harris, Communications Officer, Steve Harris, Second Past President, Arnie Travitsky, Past President, Mike Powell, Treasurer.

The meeting was called to order at 3:23P.M.

President's Report:

1. The Jacksonville show is in good shape for tomorrow.
2. The Venice show is shaping up nicely. The Hall has been reserved, and a down payment has been made. Tim Evert, the meet host, is doing a good job preparing for the meet. We might need more tables than the Hall has, so we will rent any needed to satisfy the demand for tables.
3. The Maitland show is also in good shape. We are considering a Train ride out of Tavares on Friday. This would be a special run for Southern Division members and their guests only. The thought is to subsidize the ticket price, and charge \$10.00 for members. More will be communicated in the future. We plan to hold the open house at the Vegazo's on Friday night and hold the awards ceremony there also.
4. C. Anyan reminded everyone to sign up for the National Convention before the tours are sold out. He also reminded us that members can purchase a 2 day pass to attend the train show portion only for \$20.00.
5. C. Anyan informed the Board that the Southern Division has received 10 9110 Hopper cars from National to be used as awards for service to the Southern Division. Several ideas were discussed including awarding them to Meet Hosts.

Treasurer's Report:

Both the Largo show and the Stuart Show were financially successful. The First Quarter report was delivered and approved by the Board.

Secretary's Report

There are currently 467 active members in the Southern Division.

Awards Committee - No Report

By Laws Committee – No Report

Standards Committee – No Report

Election Committee – Arnie Travitsky reminded everyone interested in standing for election as a Southern Division Officer at the end of 2012 for a two year term should contact him.

The Board went into executive session at 4:30 P.M. and came out at 4:50 P.M.

The Lake Worth meet could be reinstated into the Southern Division Meet schedule in the future if an acceptable meet host willing to volunteer to do the work can be found.

New Business:

1. The idea of putting the Southern Division on Facebook was discussed. There is both support and concern for taking this step. The concerns include how much personal and financial information about the BOD and the Division is included in "The Layout"
2. A motion was made and seconded to remove "The Layout" from the Web Site. This motion was defeated.
3. A motion was made and seconded to remove the Treasurer's Report and the Annual Budget from "The Layout" and remove BOD street addresses from the Web Site. A note would be placed in "The Layout" regarding the general health of the finances of the Division, and that copies of the financial reports can be obtained by contacting the Treasurer. This motion passed.
4. The Board discussed when to open meets to the general public. Opinions were divided between 10:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.. The Board decided to get input from the members.
5. A motion was made and seconded to drop the entrance fee charged to Southern Division members to attend Southern Division meets until further notice. The motion passed.
6. The Board discussed making a \$500.00 donation to the National TCA Museum. This idea was tabled for future discussion.

Recorded by Michael Powell, Treasurer, TCA Southern Division.

SOUTHERN DIVISION SUPER WEEKEND, by Charles Anyan

Our Orlando Area (Maitland) Train Meet in November is the Southern Division's highlight of our year, with a Friday event (if we can arrange one), open house Friday night at Clark & Ilene's house, the train meet on Saturday, and the President's Banquet Saturday night. Well, this year we are going to outdo all previous weekends. We are going to go on a steam engine train ride. I had a meeting with the Operations Manager of the Tavares, Eustis & Gulf Railroad, in Tavares, FL. We set up a spectacular event. Here is what we arranged:



All Aboard for a trip on the Orange Blossom Cannonball, **Central Florida's historic steam train!** America's #1 Movie Train gives you the opportunity to **ride on the actual train that starred in many award winning motion pictures** including: "True Grit", "Appaloosa", "3:10 to Yuma", "There Will be Blood", "Rosewood", and "Oh Brother, Where Art Thou?". We will travel in vintage coaches pulled by our 1907 2-6-0 steam locomotive. Enjoy the sights and sounds of a real steam engine pulling your train as we travel to Lake Jem, Florida. Listen to the engine as it chugs up the grade and hear that lonesome whistle that only a steam engine can supply. The engine is the only wood-fired steam locomotive still operating in regular service on standard-gauge rails in the U.S.

Here is what is included:

- Special trip on Friday, November 16th (The day before the meet).
- Early morning train help – members can help prepare the train for the ride. Don't know details yet – they start preparing the engine at 6 am. Apparently we can show up any time before noon & help or observe operations. More details later. Ride starts loading at noon, ride leaves at 12:30.
- Tour of the cab – climb up in the engine cab and see operation – learn details & history of engine.
- Two hour train trip. We climb off at destination & watch switching operation for return trip. Includes photo opportunities.
- Our own private car – not fancy, but has restroom. There are about 50 seats on the car.
- Ride in the caboose if you want to.
- Narrated tour – conductor points out details & history along route.
- Lunch served during trip (locally-procured lunch from restaurant)
- Soft drinks, wine & beer served during trip. Each adult rider gets one free alcoholic beverage, if desired. Additional drinks are available at \$3.00 each. Free soft drinks are unlimited.
- Snack car at rear of train for additional food purchases (snacks) if wanted.

Photographer available during trip to take souvenir photos of you & your girlfriend (or wife) during trip (at additional cost to member).



Charlie and Mary checking out the steam train ride

Here's the good part:

Normal rate to ride the train only is \$24; normal group rate is \$20. No lunch is normally available, drinks are \$3.00, snacks cost extra.

For Southern Division members and guests, **TOTAL COST WILL BE \$10 EACH FOR ALL OF THE ABOVE. SOUTHERN DIVISION WILL PAY ALL OTHER COSTS.** This doesn't include extra snacks or drinks.

Tavares is about 30 miles northwest of our meet hotel in Altamonte Springs. We could car-pool.

We have a committee set up to handle this event. The chairman is Steven Johnson, from Jacksonville. Many of you will remember him as one of the guys who helped everyone unload their trains and set up your tables at the Jacksonville meet.

His address is:

9202 Beauclerc Circle W, Jacksonville, FL 32257 305-335-1752 SJohnson@FLJDCPA.com

For info, or if you want to send him money for a reservation, contact him.

Displays at the Jacksonville Meet



Photo Left: Chuck Bryner displayed his custom-made matching Lionel Alcos (from the Classic Toy Trains article "The Greatest O-27 set Lionel Never Made").

Photo Below: Chuck Bryner's Paya Streamliner.



Photo Above: The hard-to-find American Flyer Aeolus set.

Photos Above and Below, Right: Mark Grover displayed his mountain HO Layout.

Photos Directly Below: Jeff Sawyer displayed his multi-gauge portable layout.



Photos of the Jacksonville Meet



Photo Above: This kid picked out a Virginian Trainmaster.

Photo Below: Signing in at the front desk.



Photo Above, Right The Hendricks Day School Meet Hall
Photo Below: Plenty of trains were for sale.

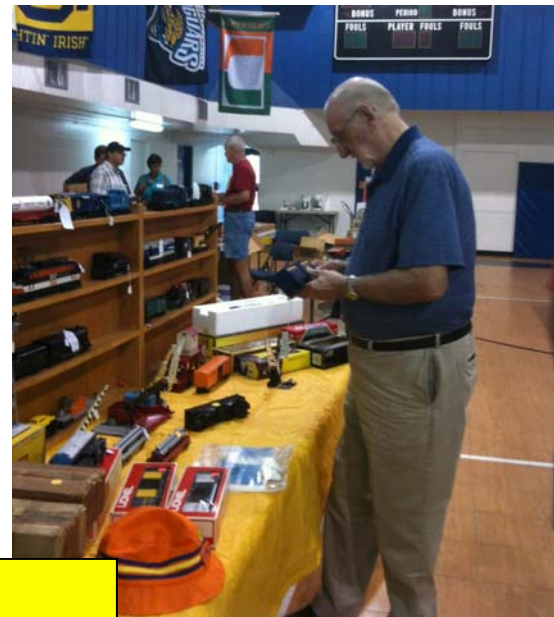


Photo Above: Shopping for trains at the Jacksonville Meet.
Photo Below: Lewis Collier sets up.



2012 CONVENTION REPORT

Charles Anyan, President, Southern Division TCA

I just returned from the annual National TCA Board of Directors meetings at the convention in Atlanta. During the business meetings, we discussed "Housekeeping" items, like minor changes to the bylaws, committee reports, and the budget. I will discuss some items that are of more interest to us. The minutes of the complete meetings, if you are interested can be obtained from me, if you would like to read all the details.



Paul Edgar reminded everyone of the schedule for nomination and election of National TCA officers for 2012-2013. Nominations must be filed with Secretary Christie Wilson and Nominations and Elections Committee Chair Paul Edgar by October 1, 2012. So if you think somebody from the Southern Division would make a good officer at the national TCA level, let me know and we can submit their name.

The upcoming National Convention schedules and sites were discussed. The 2013 convention will be in Saint Louis; 2014 is in the Philadelphia area. Bids were taken and accepted for new convention sites. Ft. Pitt Division for the 2017 Convention in Pittsburgh, 2018 Convention in Providence/Warwick, Rhode Island, Desert Division/Rio Grande Chapter for 2019



President Charlie stayed awake during the Business Meeting

Convention in Albuquerque, NM. The next site to be selected will be for 2020.

The waiver of the one-time fee of \$25 to join TCA has been extended for another year.

There was a discussion about availability of the member's names, etc., to other TCA members. A motion was made and passed that TCA will put a password/secure code protected TCA Directory on line. TCA members may now access current lists of their fellow members, sorted by name, by TCA number, and by State, following approval of the plan by the Board of Directors. We have had to take special steps to make sure that your private information does not get publicized to the public, or get indexed by the internet search engines, so it's in an especially protected place.

This is important to us. A motion was made as follows: Move that Bylaws Article II, Section 2 be changed to read as:

C. Regular Member. Those collectors over the age of 18 who join the Association, pay dues, and subscribe to the duties of membership.

H. Associate Member. Those members who have not reached their 18th birthday and are so designated by their membership number prefixed by the year they attain their 18th birthday. The application of an Associate Member shall have the approval and signature of a parent or guardian. They shall have all the rights and privileges except that of voting, holding elected or appointed offices, and those rights and privileges excluded by the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Motion passed unanimously. As this is a Bylaws Amendment, a vote of the membership is required. This item will appear on the upcoming election Ballot.



Charlie was the first person to arrive at the convention hotel.

2012 Convention Report, Continued

What does this mean? It has to do with a very young person trying to get a table at York. This could get them, or any other division, in trouble with contracts with minors, etc. They worked it out eventually, but it pointed to possible problems with this situation. So we tried to rectify this by defining a minor as an Associate Member, with the rights as outlined above. It was strongly recommended that we advise table requestors for Southern Division tables that they must be eighteen or older to obtain a table. We shall do this, and a line will be added to our Table Registration Form that so states this. Persons under age 18 can now join as members, but will be added as Associate Members. This cannot happen until the change is approved by the membership of TCA. It's important that this change goes through so we don't run afoul of selling tables to minors.

Bob Mintz of the Southern Division was reappointed as editor of the e*train.

Bill Kotek announced that Annual Reports do not need extensive Financial Reports, but rather a statement of approximate financial status. The annual financial report, reflecting activity from July 1, 2011 - June 30, 2012 must be submitted to the National Business Office (preferably electronically) by August 15, 2012.

Respectfully submitted, Charles Anyan, President, Southern Division, TCA

PS: Last year at the convention in Sacramento, CA, I panned for gold in the American River, near where gold was first discovered in California, and GOT SOME!! This year, I knew there was no gold in the Georgia mountains, so I decided to look for diamonds, and FOUND SOME. Here I am inspecting one of the diamonds that I found (see photo to right).



Southern Division members attending the TCA National Convention caused slightly less destruction to Atlanta than General Sherman and his army.

Photo Above: Our new TCA officers, Vice President Katie Elgar (left) & President Carol Redman McGinnis



Photo Left: Elizabeth & Will Wagner

Photo Right: Charlie and Friends



Switch List

For Sale: O22 Switch Controllers (need rewiring); O27 Track, Straight or Curved; Gargraves 2-rail; #120 Crossover; #36, 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, 3356 Horse Car and Corral; #6357, 2411, 2454I 2452; 2452X; 6462;6012; 3356C, All Reasonably Priced. Call **Paul Dean 352-223-4510** Also **Wanted:** 2530 Large Door baggage car.

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 - 5.1950'S HUDSON.ALL ORIGINAL BOX,INSERTS,INSTRUCTION SHEET & LIONEL WRAP .EVRYTHINGWORKS.LIGHT,WHISTLE,SMOKE & E-UNIT.\$2000.00 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)
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1. 1872 GENERAL W/TENDER-\$10
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 4. 700E N.Y.C. HUDSON-\$10 AND
 5. 400E BLUE COMET-\$10.00
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- Lionel 1996 Accessory Catalog Ex to LN, \$5 +\$3 ship
Seven Atlas HO Controllers, \$5 for all.
Lou Vece, PO Box 211062, S. DAYTONA, FL 32121
E-MAIL santafe2353@yahoo.com PHONE 386-316-5464 . MAKE AN OFFER. Free shipping on all items!

WANTED #2337 Wabash Geep box. Call with price and condition. Norm Lindsay
321-267-3622 Home, 321-506-6741 Cell

For Sale:

Lionel Postwar #6464-525 M&STL Boxcar C7, \$45
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Contact Jeff Mayer, 321-297-0501 or email me at jcjmayer@aol.com

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