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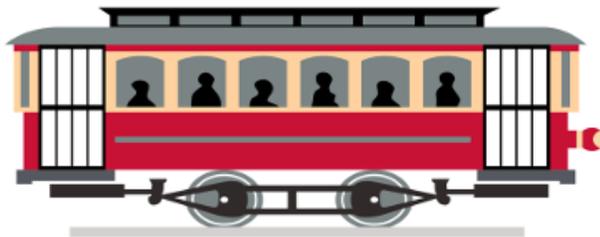
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President's Message

If you understand this, then your childhood Saturdays were well spent!!! 😊😊



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There are only 21 **WB&A 60th Anniversary Boxcar** available for sale. The price is \$60.00 plus \$14 shipping. Send a check to Carol McGinnis at 5400 Vantage Point Road, #1005, Columbia, MD 21044. Or you can order on-line at our web site (\$2.00 Convenience fee).



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- 1 Fun and Fellowship with your Train Friends
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- 3 A wonderful opportunity to participate at the local level in the world's greatest hobby.
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- 5 Free admission at Members Only WB&A Swap Meets.
- 6 Receive quarterly the WB&A Newsletter "The Trolley".
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- 8 Share in the excitement of the Toy Train Hobby.
- 9 Serving as a committee member or officer at the local level is very rewarding.
- 10 Buy, Sell, Trade with local train enthusiasts.



Treasurer's Report as of 06/1/2025

By Michael Ackerman

The Chapter's financial activities for Jan. 1, 2025 through June 1, 2025 are summarized below. If you have any other questions or comments feel free to contact me at mjackermn@gmail.com

Check Book Balance — Jan. 1, 2025 \$31,022
Check Book Balance — Jun. 1, 2025 \$29,071

Significant Activities Jan. 1, 2025 thru Jun. 1, 2025

| | Income | Expenses |
|----------------------------|--------|----------|
| Train Meets | 2782 | 3338 |
| | | |
| | | |
| Membership: | | |
| Dues — 2024 | 195 | |
| *Dues Prepaid — 2024 (197) | 2955 | |
| Dues — 2025 (50) | 752 | 2 |
| *Dues Prepaid — 2025 (52) | 780 | |
| Dues — 2026 (2) | 30 | |
| *Dues Prepaid 2016 (1) | 15 | |
| Dues—2027 (0) | | |
| Meetings | | |
| Supplies | | 73 |
| | | |
| Social Activities | | 771 |
| | | |
| Trolley—2025((1 Issues) | | 147 |
| | | |
| Election—2025 | | |
| | | |
| Board | | |
| Web Site (5 Years) | | 1379 |



Please send any train-related articles, stories, and/or print-ready photos for consideration in any upcoming publication of "The Trolley"

or on the Chapter Web Site. Send via e-mail to: pullenp@gmail.com

**DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING ARTICLES
FOR Oct.-Dec. 2025 TROLLEY
Sep. 10, 2025**



* Note: Revenue and expenses listed as "prepaid" were received or paid before Jan. 1, 2025 and are therefore not accounted for as revenue or expense for 2025 since they are included on the Check Book Balance of January 1, 2025.

Where Dreams Are Made

Bob Grey

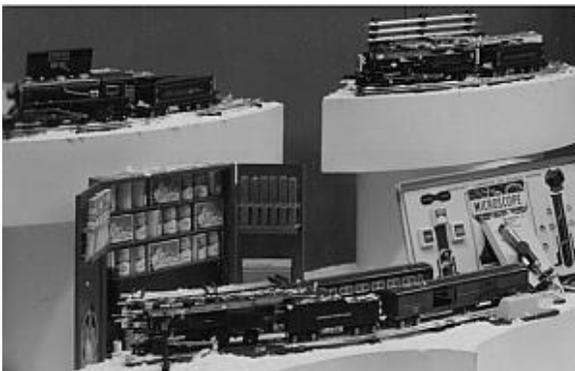
In the 1983 film classic, *A Christmas Story*, Ralphie and his friends gaze intently through the plate glass window of Higbees Department Store. Ralphie dreams of owning the Red Rider Bee-Bee Gun while others are captivated by the model railroad and accessories.



Children, here in Washington D.C. had their own dream-factories in the display windows of department stores such as Woodward and Lothrop and Hecht's, Kann's, Lansburgh's. Below is Lansburgh's window from about 1941 featuring American Flyer trains.



A closer look at the photo above reveals another favorite from the era, the Gilbert Microscope Set.



Not to be outdone, Woodward and Lothrop's dazzling display windows recreated a magical winter wonderland for their model trains seen the picture below from 1961.



In addition to the department store offerings, Washingtonians could see fabulous layouts in the massive hall at Union Station. M.T.H. Electric Trains in cooperation with Washington DC's Union Station created a diverse Holiday Train Display in 2012. That year, the station's Main Hall featured a five-train 11' x 20' O Gauge display and an 8' wide octagonal Tinplate layout with both Standard and O Gauge trains, structures and lamps.



And then there were the private layouts that friends and relatives set up for the enjoyment of children. Who can forget watching that uncle controlling his miniature railroad from his huge ZW transformer. Lights flashed and bells rang as a streamliner whizzed past intersections. The question raised was, "Who was having the most fun?"

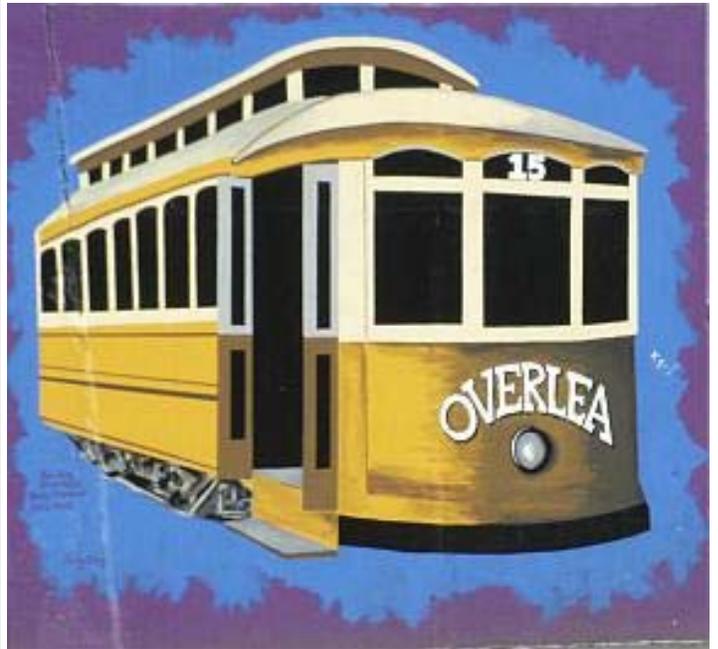


Today the tradition continues at the US Botanic Garden on the National Mall. In the past the trains were set up indoors, which was nice when the weather was bad, but they had huge lines because the train display was so popular. Later the layout was set up in a gated outdoor garden which can accommodate many more people.



And finally, we must note the WB&A's Kids' Train Show at the National Capital Trolley Museum another place WHERE DREAMS ARE MADE.





Borrowed from The Wall Street Journal

information as a public.

Comedian Saves a Rail Club With Purchase of Home

By Betsy McKay

A model railroad club is back on track after a television comedian and his wife bought the suburban home where it is headquartered and invited the train buffs to stay.

James "Murr" Murray, a star of "Impractical Jokers" and his wife, Mellyssa Murray, bought the Rocky Hill, N.J., home where the Pacific Southern Railway operates its trains on a vast layout of miniature cities, mountains and railroad yards in the basement.

The Murrays, who live a few minutes away in Princeton, had never heard of Pacific Southern, but learned about it after The Wall Street Journal published an article about the club and its possible derailment. The owner of the home decided to sell after her husband, a former club president, died last year.

The Murrays were looking for more space for a company Mellyssa had started at home, No. 95 Candles, and an Alzheimer's charity they run. The house seemed just the ticket. They bought it one day before it was scheduled to go on the market, and moved the candle business and charity in.

They are the first owners from outside the club, which has been running for six decades.

Far from putting the brakes



James 'Murr' Murray and his wife, Mellyssa Murray, hope to expand the membership and fan base for the train club.

By then, Murr said, he also plans to set up his own Lionel model trains in the three-car garage.

He has been to a few Wednesday night club meetings to get to know club members and shadow them as they run the trains. He wants to learn to operate them.

Club members are excited about their new owners. "It couldn't have turned out any better as far as I'm concerned," said club president Jeff Bernardis.

Anne Pate, the seller, has moved to Austin, Texas, to be close to her son and his family. "All of us are extremely happy that the club is staying together and that someone is interested in taking it on," she said.

on the model trains, they're signaling big plans. Murr calls himself a "massive train buff." "You just don't find that in America anymore, that kind of dedication to a club and craft and the imagination and sweat and time has been put into it," he said.

The Murrays are turning a family room at the back entrance into a lounge for the club that they are redecorating to make it look like a 1950s train car.

They overhauled and relaunched Pacific Southern's website. Murr hopes to attract

a younger audience to the club and tap in to the "Impractical Jokers" fan base by offering virtual memberships. "Impractical Jokers" is a long-running hidden-camera show in which a group of comedians and lifelong friends compete to embarrass each other with

dares. The show started on truTV and later moved to TBS. The virtual membership comes with regular videos of Murr and club members and free tickets to the club's annual open house in the fall, which raises money for local first responders.

2025 WB&A Kids' Train Show Draws Record Crowd

Our third annual Kids' Train Show at the National Capital Trolley Museum (NCTM) in Colesville, Maryland is one of WB&A's efforts to attract young people to the model railroading.

This year's event was held on May 17, and drew the largest one-day attendance in the history of the Trolley Museum. Over 300 adults and youngsters chatted with WB&A members and Museum staff as they viewed a dozen model rail layouts of various sizes. We encouraged visitors to ask questions, and when possible, to have hands-on experiences controlling trains.

As kids entered the Museum's auditorium they were greeted by Carol and Chuck McGinnis who gave each a railroad engineer's hat and introduced them to their nicely-decorated layout featuring a G-Scale Streetcar.



From there, our guests moved on to view an antique HO gauge circus layout set up by NCTM docent Garret Nicholson and WB&A member Bill Moss's O-gauge layout that featured an operating Lionel unloading boxcar. Bill let the kids press the remote button that actuated the unloading process.



Nearby, was a display containing our show's smallest model train whose locomotive is less than an inch long. WB&A members Doug and Joan Campbell carry their Z-scale model train layout around in an attaché case.



Next, parents and children spent time marveling at WB&A's President John Buxton's beautiful Standard Gauge layout that attracted special interest as his historic locomotive blasted its whistle.

Continuing around the auditorium, the sound of "clickity-



clacking" drew the youngsters to Charles Doring's intriguing O-gauge layout. Built especially for this event, this display demonstrated the craftsmanship WB&A members put into their hobby.

Three other Trolley Museum docents contributed layouts to the Kids' Show. Anthony and Andrew Vo set up their Lego Train and Tony Coello provided lots of hands-on interaction with his Duplo programmable train layout.



Moving out into the Museum Lobby, visitors were treated to two lively exhibits; Al Marotta's do-everything, American flyer layout that he set up with his grandson Peter; and Stuart Hirsch's eye-catching O-gauge Thomas-The-Tank display. Also featured in the Lobby was a Six Foot by Six-foot table full of wooden push trains and accessories for the kids to assemble and play with.



WB&A Past President, Tom Salen wowed the kids with his dynamic O gauge layout that included a figure-eight section and a bump-and-go trolley.



Bob Gray set up his N-scale English village featuring a Thomas the Tank train and he used a six-foot round table to display four sizes of model trains running at the same time. The layout included G, O, HO, and N-scale trains.

A unique feature all of our Kids' Train Shows was a



Neurodivergent-Friendly Hour. From 11 a.m. to 12 noon, the train show was reserved for neurodivergent individuals and those accompanying them. A quiet space with stimulating opportunities was also available throughout the day for anyone that needed a quiet respite from the exhibit areas.

Again this year, the WB&A provided a free model train car to any child who colored a railroad-related picture at our artist's area in the Museum. These train cars were generously donated by WB&A members and vendors at our Clubs train shows during the year.



Topping off a great day at the National Trolley Museum was an opportunity to ride a unique trolley that has no roof. The open topped car with a center entrance and central walkway was designed to allow the conductor to collect the fares safely and the passengers to board and alight safely.

As a result of our efforts lots of excited kids and interested parents got to share our love and enthusiasm for model railroading. Hopefully, we have planted the seeds for a future resurgence of our hobby. The WB&A Train Club thanks the National Trolley Museum for hosting our Kids' Train Show.



A VISIT TO THE POST OFFICE...

By Doug Campbell

About 10 years ago, at a York TCA show, I found this charming plastic O gauge model POST OFFICE, and when I got it home I discovered it was made by an old plastics company called UNLIMITED PLASTICS CORP., and their factory was in New York City about 1950-52 or so. Its 4 plastic sides just slide together to "interlock," and it looked similar to me to a "LITTLETOWN" building in my collection, and sure enough, about 1952, Unlimited Plastics Corp. buildings became "Littletown" buildings. The factory was moved to Patterson, New Jersey, where those buildings were made for a few years until it was sold to Banner Plastics Company, a maker of many plastic toys. Banner Plastics Company continued making the line until 1955 when Bachmann, the maker of the famous PLASTICVILLE buildings, purchased the line and then discontinued it. I have never seen another one of these little Unlimited Plastics buildings since, although maybe some of our WB&A members own more of them! The little window graphics are paper inserts, much like those used in Plasticville buildings, and the red plastic roof fits neatly on top of the 4 sides. In my photo I have shown the little Post Office with some vehicles from my over 10,000 piece miniature vehicle collection.



Left to right is a Dodge Royal Sedan, and a Buick Roadmaster, both made by Atlas Models, repro models of older British Dinky Toys and the semi U.S. MAIL truck was made in 1974 by The Winross Company of Rochester, NY, featuring a White 5000 cab unit with a 40 foot trailer unit. Happy Collecting!

Contribute to the Trolley Newsletter

Please consider contributing an article to the WB&A's excellent newsletter, The Trolley. Members would love to hear about what you are doing train-wise. Just jot down a few paragraphs and include some pictures. Tell about what you are doing with your layout or a recent ride you took on a vintage train. Maybe you have been to a good train exhibit in another city. Tell us about it. What have you been looking for that you can't find. Maybe another Club member can give you a tip. Just ask. The membership likes to read articles by other members. Send your article to Bob Gray at bgray5002@yahoo.com



American Steam group conducts successful steam tests on T-1 No. 2100

By Trains Staff | April 7, 2025

Locomotive could see break-in runs before the end of 2025
Email Newsletter



American Steam Railroad Preservation Association T-1 No, 2100, wearing the number plate for its planned debut as American Freedom Train No. 250, had two days of successful steam tests on April 3-4, 2025. American Steam

CLEVELAND - The American Steam Railroad Preservation Association's restoration of Reading Co. T-1 No. 2100 has reached a major milestone with successful steam tests of the locomotive.

The tests of the boiler, piping, and water delivery systems took place April 3-4, with contractors on hand. They were made possible when the organization was able to close a \$4,500 funding gap in a matter of a few weeks in March. The money went toward labor and other elements needed for testing, including the professional steam contractors to perform the testing, and 2,000 gallons of recycled oil from a Cleveland-based vendor.

"After nearly 10 years of dedicated volunteer and professional labor totaling more than \$1.6 million and countless unexpected obstacles, we've done it," American Steam President Rob Gardner said in a press release. "Ten years ago, none of us expected that it would take this long to get here, but we have stayed the course the entire way, being sure that no corners were cut and every detail addressed appropriately."

The 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization has been working to convert the locomotive from coal to oil firing, with the firepan and burner professionally engineered for maximum power, performance, efficiency, and operational sustainability. The group will next modify or replace the blast nozzle and petticoat based on engineering performed by consultant FMW Solutions.

Plans are to debut the locomotive as American Freedom Train No. 250, honoring the role of sister locomotive No. 2101 as one of the primary locomotives for the bicentennial American Freedom Train, as well as the nation's coming 250th birthday.

American Steam Treasurer Forrest Nace said the test firings have had "a positive impact" on the group's volunteers, "and proves to our donors that they can give with confidence that their generosity is going to a restoration done with some of the best and most experienced contractors in the industry ... The other benefit of achieving this historic fire-up milestone is that now we can begin to focus more on the running gear, final assembly and painting." The estimated cost to complete the project is \$139,050; Nace said if that amount is raised in the next six months, break-in test runs could come before the end of the year.

A members-only open house scheduled for April 5 was cancelled because of severe thunderstorms in the area. A fire-up for ASR members will be scheduled in the near future.

Tax-deductible donations for the locomotive's restoration can be made at the American Steam website, or can be mailed to:

American Steam Railroad Preservation Association
2800 W. 3rd St.
Cleveland, OH 44113



WB&A Train Club Leadership Election

As you have noticed, the WB&A Train Club has more membership activities than ever before. We are always looking for new things we might do to enhance our model railroading experiences in the future.

We are beginning to plan our 2026 services and activities. On tap for next year are Train Shows, Trolley Newsletters, WB&A Website, club excursions, baseball nights and our monthly Start Your Day with WB&A get-togethers.

To ensure the continued success and growth of our club, we urgently need volunteers for leadership positions. We're seeking individuals who are passionate, dedicated, and willing to take on responsibility in shaping our club's future.

The WB&A Board of Directors consists of President, Vice-President, Secretary and/or Treasurer, immediate Past President, and six (6) Directors, all of whom shall be elected for terms of two (2) years. The Board of Directors controls and manages activities, determines policies, and supervises the affairs of the Club.

This year we will have eight open board positions. Some current members may run again, but we will need additional people to step forward. Board positions which need to be filled this year include President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, three board members and our TCA-Eastern Division representative.

For 2026, we will need someone to replace our Membership Chairperson. That position's key

responsibilities include collecting membership dues, distributing membership cards and yearly stickers, and maintaining the Club's membership list. In filling this critical position, you will have your finger on the pulse of the organization. You'll get to know everyone and you'll find out what a great group of people we have as members. The Membership Chair may be a WB&A board member but it is not a requirement for the position.

We will also be seeking new WB&A website manager. If you have talent in website design and management, take a look at our website (wba-tca-eastern.org) and think about how it might better serve our membership. Again, this position does not require that you be a WB&A board member or attend Board Meetings.

Our election process begins in June with the appointment of the Election Committee. This year's committee includes Bob Heine, Dan Rollyson, Bill Moss and Bob Gray. They will be soliciting nominees via our website, the Trolley newsletter, and email. The list of nominees, along with brief resumes, will be forwarded to our Secretary by October 1. Ballots will be mailed or emailed to WB&A members on October 15. Ballots will be returned 15 days prior to the General Membership in January. The names of our new leadership team will be announced at the General Membership meeting.

If you would be willing place your name on the ballot for a WB&A Board position or if you have any questions, contact our Election Committee Chair, Bob Gray at bgray5002@yahoo.com.



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restored back
to greatness.)



Northern Virginia Model Railroaders

<https://www.nvmr.org>

231 Dominion Road NE,
Vienna, VA 22180

All times - 1 to 5 PM

Saturday, July 12

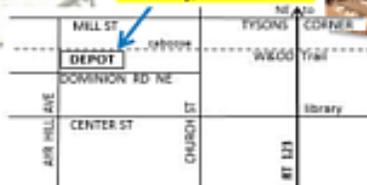
Saturday, September 13

Saturday, October 18

Saturday, November 15

Monday, December 1 (Vienna Holiday
Stroll, 6 to 9 PM)

Saturday, December 13





Toy Train Collectors seem to love sweet treats. When the TTML had a story of sweets, I requested permissions to reprint it. The author of the article agreed, and I then got permission for using several of the fascinating Treat Train from Stephanie Dulgarian of SomewhatSimple.com to “treat” you on a journey.

A Twinkie Journal

Twinkies were invented on April 6, 1930 by James Alexander Dewar, an employee of Continental Baking Company in the Chicago suburb of Schiller Park.



Dewar’s original goal was to utilize small baking pans that would otherwise remain idle except for a brief strawberry-shortcake season each year. The name Twinkies was inspired by an advertisement that Dewar saw while riding a train.



His oblong sponge cakes were filled with banana cream until World War II, when bananas were rationed. Postwar Twinkies contain vanilla cream.

Hostess Brands filed for bankruptcy in January 2012 and, in mid-November of that year, announced that Twinkies would no longer be produced. Panic-stricken fans began hoarding the remaining supplies, no doubt encouraged by a popular myth that the preservative-laden treats had a shelf life of over one hundred years*.

Not to worry; four months later, Hostess Brands was acquired by Apollo Global Management and Metropoulos & Company. Twinkies returned to U.S. grocery stores on July 15, 2013. Hostess Brands, Inc. is currently owned by J. M. Smucker Company. Stephanie Dulgarian (who blogs as Somewhat Simple) explained how she made this edible train for her three-year-old and his friends.



The track consists of licorice-rope rails, pretzel crossties, and icing “spikes”. She microwaves the licorice to make it more flexible (hey Stephanie: the ties go underneath the rails).

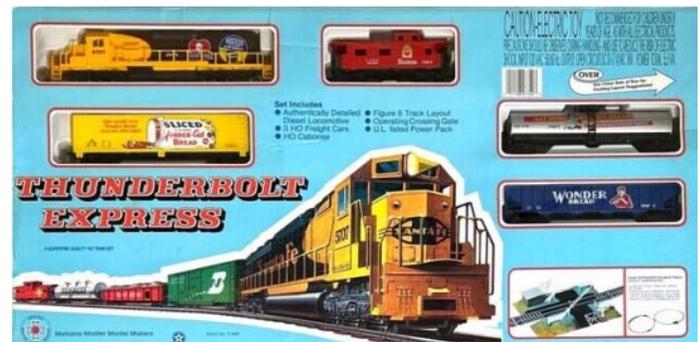
The locomotive is a Twinkie with Gummy Saver wheels, Hershey Kisses smokestack and pilot, a yellow Skittle headlight, pretzel drive rods,



Dots steam dome and Rolo cab. I like how the Kiss ribbon simulates a smoke plume! Dots, Skittles, and Mike & Ikes provide a variety of loads for the cars. Couplers are pieces of Sour Straws.



Philadelphia-based International Hobby Corporation imported this commemorative HO train set, which was manufactured by Mehano.



Each piece of rolling stock featured advertising logos for Wonder Bread and Hostess snack cakes from different decades.



The hopper car promoted Twinkies on one side and Wonder Bread on the other.



Life-Like offered this HO scale Twinkies box car.



WorthPoint.com

This Hot Wheels delivery van is approximately HO scale.



For some reason, the O 3-rail crowd seems to prefer Entenmann's. A complete line of branded locomotives and freight cars is available. See <https://www.tcatrains.org/etrain/everyones-got-a-favorite-the-complete-entenmanns-series-or-is-it/>



*According to legend, Dewar always had two Twinkies and a glass of milk every night before retiring. He credited these bedtime snacks for his longevity (he lived to be 88). Dewar also fed the cakes to his four sons, and attributed their athletic prowess to the sugary treats (James Alexander Dewar, Jr. played for the Cleveland Browns).

Joseph Lechner

(Enjoy your local snack favorite.)





BGE 42106. View of intersection of Harford Road and Joppa Road. Photograph by Baltimore Gas and Electric Company, April 1966. Baltimore Museum of Industry Archives. Baltimore Gas and Electric Collection. (Historical Photo Courtesy of Baltimore Museum of Industry)

How often can you say you had your meal delivered by model train? The Hamburger Junction, whose sign is pictured here at the corner of Harford and Joppa roads, used a model freight train that ran along tracks set just inside the counter to bring your burger to you. The Hamburger Junction was torn down in May 1965. Taken by the Baltimore Gas and Electric Company in 1966, this black-and-white photo highlights the power lines that ran along the streets in this once rural area. Today, it is a bustling intersection with stores and restaurants nearby and is all unrecognizable 60 years later.



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TCA Membership No. _____

WB&A Membership No. _____

(Note: You must be a current TCA member to join the WB&A Train Club)

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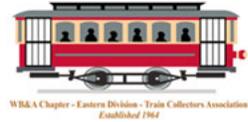
Train Interest (What do you collect?) _____

Do you have a layout? Yes No

Do you plan to attend a WB&A event this year? Yes No

Signature _____

MARK YOUR CALENDARS



WB&A Month by Month Calendar *Revised April 22, 2025*

- * Wednesday, July 23, 2025 START YOUR DAY w/ WB&A 10 AM – Noon Silver Diner, 12251 Fair Lakes Pkwy, Fairfax, VA 22033
- * WB&A BOD Meeting #3, Tuesday, August 12, 2025, 7:00 - 8:00 pm Via ZOOM (Contact Bob Gray for details) Bgray5002@yahoo.com. 301-367-7447
- * Wednesday, August 20, 2025 START YOUR DAY with WB&A 10-Noon. Panera Bread, 1780 E Jefferson St. Rockville, MD 20852
- * Wednesday, September 17, 2025 10 AM-Noon START YOUR DAY w/ WB&A. Grumps Café, 2299 John Hopkins Rd, Gambrills, MD 21054
- * Saturday, September 20, 2025 9 AM – 2 PM Springfield Virginia Train Meet. Greater SPRINGFIELD FIRE HALL., 7011 Backlick Rd, Springfield VA, 22150 Contact Ron Edwards for details at 703-401- 7307 or ronedwards2@hotmail.com.
- * Wednesday, October 22, 2025 10 AM-Noon START YOUR DAY w/ WB&A. The Roast & Café, 5205 Glen Arm Rd, Gambrills, MD 21057
- * WB&A BOD Meeting #4, Tuesday, November 11, 2025, 7:00 - 8:00 pm Via ZOOM (Contact Bob Gray for details) Bgray5002@yahoo.com. 301-367-7447
- * Wednesday, November 19, 2025 START YOUR DAY w/ WB&A 10 AM – Noon Silver Diner, 12251 Fair Lakes Pkwy, Fairfax, VA 22033
- * Wednesday, December 17, 2025 START YOUR DAY w/ WB&A 10 AM – Noon 198 Restaurant, 15540 Old Columbia Pike, Burtonsville, MD 20866



Toy Train Show & Sale

Open to the Public

Presented by WB&A Chapter - TCA

Saturday, September 20, 2025



9:00 AM To 2:00 PM

8:00 AM for WB&A members

Admission: \$5

*FREE for WB&A members, & Children under 12;
And Firemen/Military/Guard/Reserve or
Scouts in uniform when accompanied by adult*

For Information contact: Ron Edwards (703) 440-5823 / ronedwards2@hotmail.com or
Dave Eadie (703) 451-4149 / dbeadie@verizon.net

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Admission: \$5

(FREE for WB&A members, Active Duty Military/Guard/Reserves, Scouts in Uniform & Children Under 12)

Greater SPRINGFIELD FIREHOUSE

7010 Backlick Rd, Spingfield, VA 22150

Directions: I-495 towards Virginia. Take Springfield exit onto Old Keene Mill RD. Right onto Bland Rd. Right onto Amherst Road (cross over bridge – becomes Backlick ¼ mile). Firehouse is on the left approximately 1 mile from bridge.

**Come join us for the WB&A Train Show in Virginia
Trains for sale all gauges including Lionel, MTH, K-line and more**

Door Prizes

Free Parking in the Firehouse Lot

Free Train Appraisers

Table Holders Contact: Dave Eadie at dbeadie50@Outlook.com or (703) 451-4149

Make check payable to WB&A Chapter and mail reservation form to Dave Eadie, by September 13, 2025. Table reservations for WB&A and TCA Members only. (Badges available at the show). **Tables not occupied by 9:30 am. may be resold.** All vendor sellers of reproduction parts must have a Certificate of Compliance (and must be displayed).

No refunds given.

NOTE: Table set-up will be available on Saturday 20, 2025, starting at 6:00 am

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SPRINGFIELD FIREHOUSE MEET: September 20, 2025

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| Send Reservations to: | Number of Tables (8ft) _____ x \$30.00 (per table) = \$ _____ |
| | Number of Tables (6ft) _____ x \$25.00 (per table) = \$ _____ |
| Dave Eadie | Admissions (if applicable) \$5.00 _____ \$ _____ |
| 7825 Wintercress Lane | Non-WB&A Helper(s): \$5.00 Each _____ \$ _____ |
| Springfield VA 22152 | Total Due: \$ _____ |

Number of **WB&A** Members attending (Free Admission): _____

Name: _____ TCA# _____ WB&A# _____

Address: _____ City: _____ ST: _____ ZIP: _____

Day Tel: _____ Eve Tel: _____ E-Mail: _____

Name of Helper(s): _____

I agree to abide by all rules of the Association (TCA), including those of its Divisions, Chapters, and Committees that may be in place from time to time.

Signed _____ Date: _____

**GREATER SPRINGFIELD VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT
7011 BACKLICK ROAD
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