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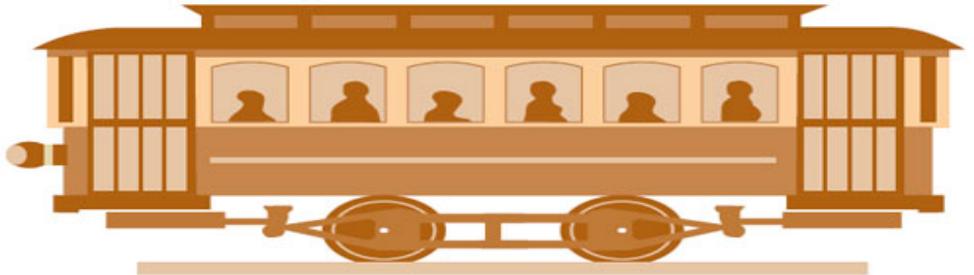
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**A NEW YEAR...A NEW ENGINEER**

Thank you for electing me to serve as your President. I consider it an honor and look forward to working with the Board of Directors and all of our members. 2010 has a lot in store for the WB&A Chapter with the TCA National Convention in Baltimore just around the corner. We need everyone's help to make it a success; so be sure to lend a hand. Registration has now begun; if you have not already registered, do so now as the hotels and many of the great tours are filling up fast. Send in your ideas of what you would like to see done by the chapter as the board of directors is preparing a 2010 Calendar of Events for the Chapter; the board is readily open to the members input. Remember that it is all for the good of the Chapter and the future train enthusiasts; the youngsters of the toy train hobby.

While I may be a novice compared to some of our Past Presidents, I am enthusiastic and willing to learn from the very knowledgeable experts who have preceded me: *Art Tate, Dan Danielson, Sam Geiser, and Clem Clement*. Further, I would appreciate the help and suggestions that any of you may have. My goal for the next couple of years is to not only continue to build upon the solid foundation that has been established before me but also help make the TCA National Convention a great success. Additionally, I not only want to increase our membership but would also like to see many younger members participate more actively in the Chapter.

Thanks to Carol McGinnis and her "helper" Chuck for doing an outstanding job the past 4 years as Membership Director. Their efforts brought the Chapter membership to nearly 350 members. We wish Carol the best of luck as she is moving on to serve as TCA National Vice President. Thanks to Bob Ferguson for stepping forward to become our new membership director.

Let's start the New Year off right by volunteering and supporting the hobby, Chapter, Eastern Division & TCA National. Step forward as there are many ways to be active including purchasing a table at the upcoming Annapolis Armory Meet February 13th and Kena Temple Meet December 11th where you can sell your train treasures. Participate in chapter outings as they have proven to be a great value and a lot of fun. The York Meet has been going strong for 40 years now, join in the fun. And if you have not yet contributed \$10 by 2010, I challenge each and every one of you to contribute at least **\$10 IN 2010** to the TCA National Appeal Campaign.

*Have a Great New Year! - Nancy Tentzeras, WB&A President*

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**Treasurer's Report  
As of December 20, 2009**

My report does not include any financial information concerning the cancelled Christmas bus trip/tour. We have refunds to generate and we hope to receive most of our cash outlays back from the bus company. I will provide a full accounting in the April—June newsletter. The results from our Kena Temple meet were disappointing. While the paid attendance was up slightly, table sales continued a downward trend that started in 2006. In 2005, 100 tables were sold to TCA members. This year table sales totaled 60. Multiple contacts via telephone, mail, and internet to WB&A and local TCA members is not generating much interest. Only 29 WB&A members had tables for the Kena Meet. Only 68 of the 300 plus WB&A members attended this event. One of the agenda items I will submit for our next Board of Directors meeting in January will be to develop a program to increase participation by WB&A members at the Kena Meet. If you have any ideas/suggestions please feel free to contact me. Janet and I wish all of you a Merry Christmas and a happy and fulfilling new year. I have enjoyed being your treasurer and look forward to another two years of supporting the Chapter. Now it's time to start the Christmas trolley running around the tree in the family room. The Chapter's financial activities are summarized below. If you have any questions or comments feel free to contact me at 703-927-9843 or glen.mackinnon@verizon.net. - Glenn

<b>Checkbook Balance January 1, 2009</b>	<b>\$11,874.56</b>	
<b>Significant Activities January 1, 2009 thru December 20, 2009</b>		
	<b>Expenses</b>	<b>Revenue</b>
MD Armory February 09 Meet	\$2,900	\$3,424
MD Armory February 10 Meet	\$350	\$0
Kena Temple December 09 Meet	\$3,074	\$2,944
Mini Meets	\$1,018	\$0
Newsletter 09	\$2,671	\$795
Membership Dues 09	\$182	\$5,552
Membership Dues 10		\$2,934
WB&A Web Site	\$439	\$0
Kids Korner	\$616	\$540
2010 Convention	\$3,000	\$0
Miscellaneous Expenses	\$244	\$0
<b>Checkbook Balance December 20, 2009</b>	<b>\$10,859.74</b>	
<b>Certificate of Deposit - Matures 3/2010 (4.36%)</b>	<b>\$2,202.69</b>	

**Secretary's Report  
for August 19, 2009  
Board of Directors Meeting**

**Meeting** was called to order by Art Tate at 7:05 PM. The Secretary verified that we had a quorum present and any votes taken at this meeting are binding.

**Voting Members in attendance were as follows:** Art Tate, Nancy Tentzeras, Glenn MacKinnon, Nicholas Tentzeras, Stephen Burket, Colleen Hall, Pete Jackson, & Carol McGinnis.

**Non-Voting Member in attendance was as follows:** Dan Danielson

**Guests in Attendance were as follows:** Bob Ferguson

**Items that the Board discussed included the following:**

- There was emphasis that communication between Board Members should be done in a timely manner; response between 24 - 48 hours.
- Carol reported we currently have 323 members. Art moved that the cutoff date for new members joining be the June mini-meet in order to get the rest of the year and next year membership for free (18 month membership) instead of the cut-off being after the scheduled February meet. **Motion passed.** We need to find a new membership chairman to replace Carol as she is stepping down and is running for TCA National Vice President; anyone interested is to contact Art or Carol, with a blurb in the upcoming newsletter soliciting as well.
- Pete reported on the status of the upcoming Kena Temple Meet scheduled for December 12th.
- Dan reported on the status of the convention which is progressing on schedule with over 50 tours planned for the week.
- Pete reported that they will be setting up Kids Korner on Wednesday at York and have acquired some new door prizes.
- Dan reported that Eastern Division has made changes to their current bylaws which needs to be voted on by the membership.
- Nicholas discussed the revamp of the web site with the key pages being uploaded and indicated that we need a consensus of what needs to be added.
- Nancy provided a brief report of who is running and indicated that there are still two positions that need to be filled.
- Art discussed the possibility of having a Christmas Outing for Sunday December 20th where the chapter will support the trip to the maximum of \$500.00 with 40 people required for the breakeven point.

Meeting adjourned at 10:10 PM.

The Secretary's Report was accepted as Published.  
Respectfully Submitted,  
Nicholas Tentzeras, Secretary



**Look who just  
joined WB&A!!!**

09/01/09—12/20/09

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|-------------------|-------------------|
| Bill Schaefer     | Madison, VA       |
| Bill Rappoport    | Annapolis, MD     |
| Patrick Lawson    | Culpeper, VA      |
| Tom Keagel        | Oakton, VA        |
| Andrew Straatveit | White Plains, MD  |
| Cheryl Newberger  | Severna Park, MD  |
| John Newberger    | Severn Park, MD   |
| Edward Kirk       | Beltsville, MD    |
| John Strange      | Manassas, VA      |
| Philip Montag     | Dayton, MD        |
| Kevin Lilly       | Germantown, MD    |
| Jerold Donaldson  | Ellicott City, MD |
| Drew Klink        | Mt. Airy, MD      |
| Joseph West       | Rockville, MD     |
| William Yuhase    | Ashland, VA       |
| Joseph Lacascio   | South Riding, VA  |
| Charles Sayer     | Bethesda, MD      |
| Robert Early      | Fairfax, VA       |



**TOP TEN WB&A BENEFETS**

1	Fun and Fellowship with your Train Friends.
2	Wealth of information available from other collectors, operators, and layout builders.
3	A wonderful opportunity to participate at the local level in the world's greatest hobby.
4	Free admission to local WB&A Train Shows. (Shows advertised in local newspapers.)
5	Free admission & table at WB& A Mini-Meets.
6	Receive quarterly the WB&A Newsletter "The Trolley".
7	Access to the newly designed and enhanced chapter web site ( <a href="http://www.wbachaptertca.org">www.wbachaptertca.org</a> )
8	A chance to participate in the 2010 TCA National Convention in Baltimore.
9	Serving as a committee member or officer at the local level is very rewarding.
10	Buy, sell, trade with local train enthusiasts.



*Outgoing President, Art Tate, receiving appreciation award from incoming President, Nancy Tentzeras.*

**Congratulations**

to the newly elected  
Officers

- Nancy Tentzeras  
George Tsakiris  
Glenn MacKinnon  
Nicholas Tentzeras**

and Board of Directors

- Bob Ferguson  
Pete Jackson  
Tom Salen**

for the 2010 – 2011 term

**A BIG Thank You for  
volunteering to serve the Chapter!!**

## *Kena Temple Review*

### *Pete Jackson*

In spite of a low turn out, both in table sales (67) and paid guests (300 +), the Kena Temple Train Show turned out to be a great show thanks to all who participated and helped out. Vendors had good sales, while Carol and Chuck McGinnis were selling 2010 Convention Merchandise left and right. Taking a break from convention sales, Chuck was doing a bang-up job signing up new and returning members as well as securing WB&A renewals.

The National Capitol Trackers had a huge layout which kept many kids (young and old alike) interested all day long. The Lego display that Matthew and Anthony put on was out of this world with 2 trains running and a monorail complete with a Disney theme creation, kids were just mesmerized. Additionally, the N-Trackers put on a wonderful display with their tiny trains and scenery complete with a T-scale track layout; the lock-on was larger than the track. Trains were plentiful throughout the day, for purchase or enjoying on the numerous operating layouts. The ladies of the Oriental Shrine kept everyone fueled from breakfast to lunch with their delicious food with a wonderful place to gather, sit and eat, telling tales about all of our train finds.

Thanks to everyone who showed up Friday evening to help setup over 100 tables and to Ted Walton, Glenn MacKinnon, Tom Salen, Chuck McGinnis, Steve Burket, and Joe Fletcher who helped break down camp after the show and to the Danielsons and Rollysons who helped clean up. Art Tate and Bob Ferguson got up at the crack of dawn to put up the signs and a terrific new banner that attracted many people to come in. Santa (Scott Downey) entertained the kids listening to their wish lists. A special thanks to my wife, Mary, who greeted everyone at the door selling tickets. Colleen Hall roamed the aisles selling 50-50 tickets that brought in about \$80. Some lucky soul won the Grand Prize, a Polar Express Train Set that was graciously donated by Nancy Swan. See the web site for an extraordinary story by Clem Clement about the Kena Meet.



*Christmas trolley around the MacKinnon's Christmas tree.*

## *Membership Moments*

The WB&A Chapter stands strong at 348 members as of today, December 16, 2009. There are a total of 210 who have paid their dues for 2010. We, therefore, have a remaining 138 who have not yet paid for 2010. If you have not done so, please renew your membership now in order to continue receiving all the benefits. (Be aware that this will be your last newsletter if you do not renew, and that would be a very sad state of affairs!)

If you can not remember whether you paid or not pull out your plastic WB&A membership card; it should have a "10" sticker on it. If you only see "09" or something earlier, then you are one of the 138 and you need to pay.

We have been getting regular submissions of dues from the newsletter notices. In addition we have been getting new members from letters sent out to new TCA members who live in our area as listed in the TCA newsletter. As a reminder, our area covers Delaware, Maryland, Washington, DC, and northern Virginia.

Whoever takes over this job of membership chair should consider having a table at York. It's a great way to meet people, talk with them about the chapter, and it's free.

Dues are to be paid by December for the following year. We continued to collect at the Kena Temple meet in December. We had 54 members renew at Kena, and of those there were 4 brand new members, and a few who rejoined the ranks. That's incredible. Welcome and welcome back!

As was done last year, everyone not paid by December 31st will receive a one time reminder postcard indicating that their dues need to be paid as their membership has expired.

It has been a privilege, and an honor, to serve as your director and as the Membership Chair. I am moving on to serve as the TCA National Vice-President, but I wish the chapter the best and will continue to support your efforts.

Respectfully submitted,

*Carol Redman McGinnis, 95-41066*

## Historian's Corner

With the holiday season just behind us take a moment to reflect on your train beginnings. What really got you into this hobby and what is its fascination. Was it the clickity-clack of the track, the smell of the smoke, or the power of the engines? Do you remember your first train, or even your first train layout?

For many of us these memories take us back into our childhood. Mom putting up with rearranging the furniture, disruptions, and disarray in the house for several weeks. During this entire process Dad was in charge of putting up the layout. Brothers and sisters helping move the layout legs, bringing up the trains and the scenery, and setting up the track became the order of the day.

What trains mean the most is the family that gathers around, the relatives who come to call, and the new friends who would just stop by. Yes, they are there to see the trains, but they also are there to share the joy and community.

This is what TCA brings.

WB&A Historian,  
Carol Redman McGinnis, 95-41066

*Keeping the wheels down and the smoke up.*

# CONGRATULATIONS,

to WB&A Members,

# SANDY CLEMENT, DEBBIE GEISER, & NICHOLAS TENTZERAS

for **WINNING BIG** in the TCA Membership Challenge for their recruiting efforts in helping Eastern Division bring in 283 new members for TCA. Each member received a Certificate of Appreciation and a \$100 gift certificate to be used at the TCA Museum Store.

TCA has announced that the contest will continue for another year; so get on the bandwagon in supporting TCA and sign up a new member.

You could be a recipient of **BIG BUCKS** this year!



## Eastern Division President's Message

*Greetings All:*

Congratulations to the newly elected WB&A Board of Directors. Eastern Division is looking forward to their continuing success under their new leadership, presided over by Nancy Tentzeras, the Chapter's first Lady President.

I want to give a special thank you to Art Tate in his leadership role over the last four years. I know he is looking forward to his new position; that of the Chapter's Past President.

Now for some information about the Division: currently, we are working with several of our board members in laying the ground work towards establishing a new chapter in the Western New York area. Over the next several months, John Zobel and Lee Wood will be spearheading several social gatherings with TCA members located in the areas region to determine the feasibility of establishing this new chapter. The Division is looking forward to a successful conclusion of their combined efforts.

According to our latest records, Eastern Division sold 500 40th Commemorative Box Cars, celebrating 40 years of train meets at the York Fairgrounds. The box car was made right here in the USA by "Weaver Models", a great company to work with in the design and production of another outstanding and well received product by our members.

Another item made available to our members is a York Meet Badge Holder, to be used to not only hold your badge during the meet, but can also hold other items in an enclosed Velcro pouch. A picture of this item can be viewed online by going to our website: [www.easterntca.org](http://www.easterntca.org).

Don't forget to sign up for the fabulous Chapter 2010 TCA Convention chaired by Dan & Hope Danielson and Eileen Rollyson to be held in June. The convention is guaranteed to be the once in a lifetime convention not to be missed. Visit the convention website at <http://www.tcabalt2010.org>.

Looking forward to seeing you at the York Spring Meet in April.

*Happy Trails to all,  
Sam Geiser  
Eastern Division President*

## *View from the Observation Car* *by George Tsakiris*

### ***Rail-Fanning the Virginia Eastern Shore***

For most of us driving down the Delmarva Peninsula our typical destination is the beach. If we go further south the destination is typically the other side of the Chesapeake Bay Bridge Tunnel to the Norfolk area. Everything in between is just mileage to be driven. But there is a rich history including a rich railroad history in the Virginia Eastern Shore.

#### ***History***

This area's economy has been based on agriculture and the waterman's trade, including harvesting clams, crabs and scallops. Villages were centered near the shore because of the Waterman's trade and ships being the main way of getting agricultural products to market. Around 1880 this changed as the New York, Philadelphia, and Norfolk Railroad (NYP&N) came down to the Virginia Eastern Shore paralleling what is now Route 13.

In 1882 the 65 miles of the railroad from Pocomoke to Cape Charles was personally laid out by Alexander Cassatt (then VP of the Pennsylvania Railroad) with freight and passenger service starting in 1884. The purpose of the NYP&N was to link the Norfolk produce industry with markets of the northeast.

This produced a boom for the local area and counties in the Virginia Eastern Shore became some of the richest in the country during the late 1800's till the 1930's. Towns sprung up, tourists came as there was a daily daytime and evening service from New York and Philadelphia. Towns such as Cape Charles became fashionable beach resorts. Much Victorian style and later architecture styles remain as witness to this era. During this period, the NYP&N was absorbed by the Pennsylvania Railroad. After WWII the railroad declined as roadways improved and automobile and trucks displaced rail use.

#### ***Rail-Fanning - Cape Charles***

Cape Charles is located 55 miles south of the Route 13 turnoff for Chincoteague. Cape Charles, the rail terminus on the Virginia Eastern Shore, was founded to provide train and passenger ferry service across 26 miles of the Chesapeake Bay to the Norfolk area. Later this included car ferry service. Today you can see active rail ferry service at the Cape Charles Waterfront and is one of a few rail ferry services still in operation in the United States.

This quaint town has been revitalized and has an active but modest (by Ocean City standards), beach resort with much restored older architecture. There is a small rail yard at the Chesapeake Bay waterfront with rail ferry service. There are several engines and both modern and vintage rolling stock in this yard. The current local freight carrier (over the NYP&N right-of-way) is the Bay Coast Railroad.

Passenger excursion service is provided by the Bay Creek Railway which operates a restored 1913 Interurban Dining Car. They promote themselves as, "The Nation's only vintage restored Interurban dining service" with dinner and family oriented excursions.

About three blocks from the shore the yard backs up to the Cape Charles Museum and Welcome Center (along Route 184). The museum has many railroad related artifacts including baggage car and cabooses.

#### ***Rail-Fanning - Parksley and Exmore***

Parksley is located approximately 13 miles south of the Route 13 turnoff for Chincoteague. Located here along the tracks is the Eastern Shore Railroad Museum which includes: *1906 New York, Philadelphia and Norfolk (later Pennsylvania Railroad) passenger station; 1890's maintenance-of-way tool shed full of tools and other railway artifacts; Turn-of-the-century crossing guard shanty; Railcars lined up on the Museum's sidings including an RF&P RPO car, Seaboard Dining Car, Wabash Caboose, Nickel Plate Caboose, MOW, and Pullman cars; and a HO layout.*

Exmore, like Parksley, started as a railroad town. Exmore is located approximately 30 miles south of the Route 13 turnoff for Chincoteague. This town is undergoing revitalization and has several restored buildings and a small abandoned railroad station with several railcars. Both locations have other tourist related attractions, older architecture, and are easily accessible from Route 13.

Rail-fanning your way to Cape Charles with visits to Parksley and Exmore would make a long day trip, pleasant weekend, or side excursion from the beaches. The whole area is filled with history. The area is beautiful and at Cape Charles you can also do boating, fishing or visit the Norfolk area. While this isn't Altoona or Horseshoe Curve it is a fun, relaxing and history-filled trip.

*Stan's Trolley Tidbits*  
**CHANGES WERE COMING!**

Changes were about to be made after World War II. The Baltimore City was going thru a period of transition with only 75% of the original 400 miles of street car track still in existence. The trackless trolleys and buses and the more dreaded automobiles were starting to congest the Baltimore City streets. To make things even worse for the street cars was asphalt, which started to cover up the tracks. If the asphalt was not there then the street and any visible track made for uneven streets causing numerous accidents to occur.

In 1958, Baltimore City decided they needed to hire someone to make the streets less congested. They hired a traffic expert from Denver, Colorado, by the name of Henry Barnes, while at the same time, the National City Line obtained control of the Baltimore Transit Company.

Henry Barnes started to make major changes to the Baltimore City streets. One way streets and natural street routes ran both ways which would have been too costly to put the tracks on the other parallel street. However, what was more economical was covering the tracks with asphalt allowing for buses and trackless trolleys to take over.

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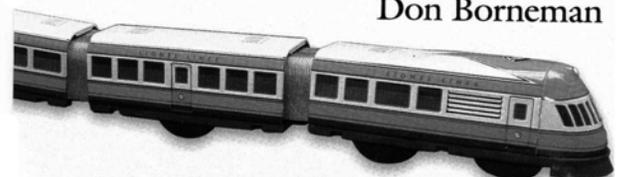
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In about six months, the 2010 TCA national convention, sponsored by WB&A Chapter, will be a fond memory.

Convention dates are June 20 - 27, 2010. With the help of Dannie Martin, National Convention Chairman, and many wonderful volunteers, we have most of the details completed. Contracts with hotels, the Baltimore Convention Center, and lots of special activities and tours have been finalized. The Convention Headquarters hotel is the Sheraton Baltimore City Center, with additional space available at the Radisson Plaza Lord Baltimore and Holiday Inn Inner Harbor. Room rates begin at \$125/night. Trading Pits and Public Displays will be held in the Baltimore Convention Center. A FREE continuous-loop Shuttle Bus will transport convention visitors between the hotels, Convention Center, off-site parking, the Inner Harbor, and other convenient locations.

The first ever off-site Welcome Party will be held at Camden Station (an original B&O depot which is now home to two spectacular museums — Sports Legends and Geppi Entertainment). Try on a Ravens' or Orioles' uniform, learn all about Babe Ruth, Johnny Unitas, Cal Ripken, and other local sports heroes. See first issue comic books, toys, dolls, pop culture art, and TRAINS, including a complete Lionel Mickey Mouse Circus Set. A Silent Auction offers some amazing pre-and postwar trains. Dinner is included.

Baltimore is a diverse city with so much to offer, we're providing a list of "On Your Own" tours in addition to 40+ scheduled tours. The tour schedule is available on the 2010 TCA National Convention website, [www.tcabalt2010.org](http://www.tcabalt2010.org). Baltimore is a railroading town; therefore, there will be tours to many of those sites. Many members have opened their homes for exciting layout tours. Special tours will be held for the ladies while the men are in the Trading Pits.

Fred Strieby is assembling the "Ultimate Train Room", a special exhibit of B&O trains, Lionel handcars, accessories, and even a table set with B&O china & silver ... so much to see and enjoy.

The Convention Banquet will feature a delicious Maryland crab cake dinner. (Yes, there will be other entrée choices)... and, there will be spectacular items at a Live Auction

*Hope and Dan Danielson*      *Dan and Eileen Rollyson*

## *Beltsville Mini-Meet November 7, 2009*

Our Fall WB&A Mini Meet was held in Beltsville on Saturday, November 7, 2009. We had more members in attendance than in previous years and interesting trains on the tables, as well as good conversation and discussion. If you missed it you should make sure to attend next year.

We had almost 60 members in attendance. There were trains and toys on the tables for sale and many went home with new owners. Twenty-five members renewed and one former member rejoined. Welcome to all!

The Board of Directors election ballots were counted and the results announced. See the membership minutes for these results. Each of the new officers were present and introduced to the members. Thanks to Colleen Hall, Dan Danielson, and Brian Reilly for tabulating the ballots.

Our Bi-Annual Membership meeting was held and a lot of information was shared and discussed with all. Merchandise for the 2010 National TCA Convention in Baltimore was available and about \$500 was sold. Dan Danielson gave a report on the progress of the convention to all.

There were more than a dozen new, unwrapped toys collected for the Marines Corps Toys for Tots Campaign. The children who will receive these items will be so thrilled. A big "Thank You" goes out to all who contributed. And as always several dozen donuts, numerous pots of coffee, pizzas and subs also managed to disappear. This was certainly a hungry bunch.

*Carol McGinnis,  
Mini-Meet Director*

## **CONGRATULATIONS**

**TO WB&A MEMBER,**

**CAROL MCGINNIS**

**TCA NATIONAL  
VICE-PRESIDENT**

**WB&A Chapter  
Eastern Division Director Report  
by Dan Danielson**

We have just concluded the Fall York train meet, which was a big success in spite of four days of rain. The weather could not hold back the multitude of train collectors—more than 13,000 attended the meet. We visited with many old friends and made some new friends.

The highlight of the week for the Chapter was the huge success of our 2010 Convention booth. Lots of members stopped by to check out, and buy, many of our wonderful convention offerings that ranged from coffee mugs, shirts, vests, caps, buttons, pins and much, much more. Carol McGinnis, and her husband, Chuck, did a wonderful job organizing a great merchandising event.

James Hall, husband of WB&A Chapter Board member, Colleen Hall, made a generous donation to the convention fundraising of a case of original 1967 WB&A McCoy standard gauge box cars and several 1967 Eastern Division McCoy standard gauge hopper cars. These proved to be very popular with members, and contributed greatly to the big success we had at the booth.

John Caron, our tour chair, organized a team of volunteers to talk with members about the convention tours and tour schedule. He even had our tour director, Karen Salomon, there Thursday and Friday to assist with members' questions. In addition to all this, we also had a representative from the WWII Liberty Ship, SS John W Brown, on hand Friday for two informative presentations about the cruise aboard this ship on Sunday following the convention.

At the Eastern Division BOD meeting, it was voted affirmatively to present the proposed new Eastern Division Bylaws at the membership meeting on Saturday, asking for approval to send them out to the membership for ratification this Fall. We are encouraging every member of Eastern Division to vote to approve these new bylaws as they will help us conform to the newly approved National TCA Bylaws.

Also offered at York was the "40 YEARS OF YORK" special box car produced by Weaver. The car was a big hit, and was sold out before the meet was over. Special "40 YEARS OF YORK" buttons were also given, and should prove to be a collectible in years to come. Only a few thousand—five thousand—I believe, were made. Hope you got one.

The World's Greatest Hobby on Tour (WGHT) will be at the Dulles Expo Center in Chantilly, VA January 23rd and 24th, 2010. Hope you will be able to volunteer to help out at our 10' x 30' booth complete with an operating layout. We will be recruiting for TCA & WB&A at this show; please come join us and volunteer to have fun.

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## Beyond the Call...

Sometimes, in our busy daily routines, we forget what train collecting and supporting train-related functions is really about. We get caught up in pursuit of what special train or train-related item, and we forget that this hobby is all about...friendship and giving back to the organization. This past fall at York, I had a chance to see this first hand.

As members of the 2010 Convention Committee were scurrying about getting ready to present our convention and the wares that go with it to our members, James Hall, the husband of our convention secretary, Colleen, approached me and said he would like to make a donation to our convention. What a donation it turned out to be: 13 McCoy WB&A Chapter and Eastern Division cars from the 1967 TCA convention in Baltimore. What an absolutely wonderful gift to our 2010 convention! We put the cars up for sale at the meet and sold all but a few of them. Everyone was excited to see them, much less to be able to own one.

James Hall is a very hard working guy whose job often does not let him attend our meetings. But James never hesitates to ask what he can do for me or the convention. It is folks like him that make working on the convention a real pleasure. Even though he cannot attend many of our meetings, he always makes sure his wife Colleen, is there to ably assist with whatever we need.

In the spirit of this holiday season, I would like to ask all of you to step back for a moment and make sure you are giving back to this wonderful organization that enables us to enjoy this great hobby of train collection. God bless you James and Colleen, and may all of you have a wonderful holiday.

*Dan Danielson  
Co-Chair 2010 TCA National Convention*



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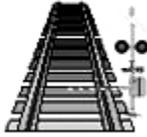
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