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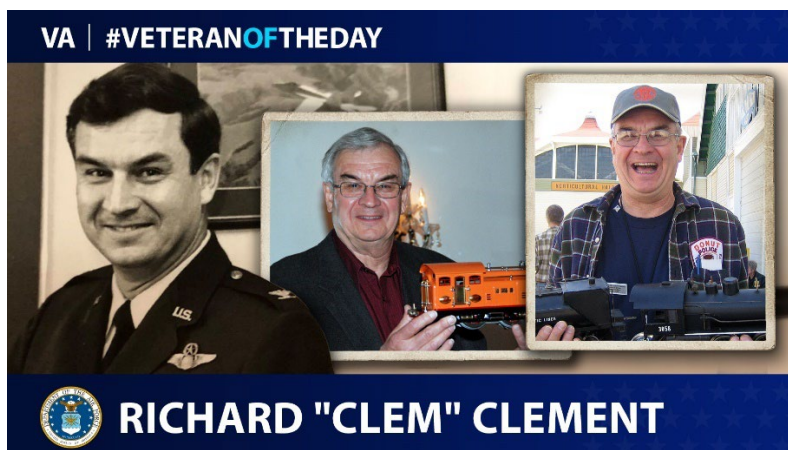
Fall 2024

OCTOBER 14 - 19, 2024

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Introduction

Clem Clement, TCA Honor Roll #64-987, is the namesake of this well read and well distributed TCA publication. He, and his wife Sandy, continue to add their expertise, wit, and by default his name to this publication. His knowledge and experiences add to the details and to the fun! Just ask him! He loves to ask the "hard" questions, bring up history and mention members by name, and he challenges each of us to increase our love and knowledge of trains and to increase TCA membership. Thanks Clem!

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Feel free to forward, send, add as a link, or in any other way you see fit share and distribute this publication to others. It also helps when members (yes, that's you!) **Think outside the Train Box!**

The **bi-annual Eastern Division York Train Show**, the **National Toy Train Museum**, the **National Toy Train Library**, and the **National Business Office** are all here to serve you, the TCA member.

YORK TRAIN SHOW: Monday – Saturday

Preshow Open to Everyone

Monday 8:30am - 4:00pm

Tuesday 8:30am – 4:00pm

Wednesday 8:30am – 1:00pm

TCA Meet Members Hours:

- **Thursday Noon-5 PM**
 - Blue, Red, Silver, White Halls
- **Thursday Noon - 6:30 PM**
 - Orange and Purple Halls
- **Friday 9 AM - 5 PM**
 - Blue, Red, Silver, White Halls
- **Friday 9 AM - 6:30 PM**
 - Orange and Purple Halls
- **Saturday 9 AM -2 PM**
 - Blue, Red, Silver, White Halls
- **Saturday 9 AM - 3 PM**
 - Orange and Purple Hall

TCA Meet Hours for the public:

- **Friday 9 AM - 6:30 PM**
 - Orange (Expo) and Purple (Heritage) Hall
- **Saturday 9 AM - 3 PM**
 - Orange (Expo) and Purple (Heritage) Hall

← **Take full advantage of being a TCA member! All halls are open to you on all days of the meet. Join TCA at the Registration Desk in Silver Hall or in Orange Hall.**

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New for October, 2024

- ‡ **SHOW DATES: Monday Oct. 14th, Tuesday Oct. 15th, Wednesday Oct. 15th, Thursday Oct. 17, Friday Oct. 18, and Saturday Oct. 19.**
- ‡ **Our PRESHOW is inside the Purple Hall Monday to Wednesday OCTOBER 14, 15, 16!**
QUESTIONS: eMAIL JRYOUENS@VERIZON.NET, PRESHOW COORDINATOR - RUSSELL YOUENS
- The PRESHOW is open to all sellers and to the General Public.
 - To be a vendor you must have a Pennsylvania Tax License, easily provided online at no cost.
 - 8' Tables are \$50 each for all three days. Table holders will get a badge.
 - Checks payable to the EDTCA and mail to RUSSELL YOUENS, 110 Slash Drive, Ashland VA 23995
 - HOURS: Vendor Setup: Monday from 7 till 10am
 - **Show Hours: Monday 8:30am-4pm, Tuesday 8:30am-4pm, Wednesday 8:30am-1pm**
 - For TCA members, there will be an opportunity to stay in the Purple Hall for the entire week.
 - You may set up and participate for all or any part of the 3-day show. Inform us when you register.
- ‡ **Tuesday Night Welcome Party:** Tuesday Evening, 5:30 PM, Need Tickets - Call - 585.683.9333
- ‡ **TCA 70th Anniversary Auction @ National Toy Train Museum Wednesday October 16th 8:30am**
- ‡ **Eastern Division York Meet Open Thursday @ 12 noon**
- ‡ **SGMA will be in BLACK HALL. Their Friday morning COFFEE AND Donuts at 7:30 AM also in BLACK.**
- ‡ **Ice Cream Social, Fri 6:30 PM in ORANGE HALL**
- ‡ **COFFEE and Donuts Saturday Morning @ 7:30am in the Orange Hall Lobby**
Compliments of Eastern Division
- ‡ **Kids Korner: Kids Corner is OPEN for OCTOBER, 2024 in the Orange Hall Lobby!**
- ‡ **EASTERN DIVISION CALL CENTER PHONE NUMBER 585-683-9333**
- ‡ National Toy Train Museum & National Toy Train Library in Strasburg are open
- ‡ **National Toy Train Museum & National Toy Train Library Deaccession Tables are in Orange Hall Thursday, Friday, and Saturday during Show hours.**
- ‡ Keep your York Train Show meet notice (the Eastern Newsletter) handy. There's lots of info in there!
- ‡ **If you aren't going to attend contact Diana Hood, 814-494-8836 or members@easterntca.org.**
- ‡ Notify TCA National and Diana Hood if you have a change of email, phone, or address
- ‡ Shuttle Bus Service Will Be available. Thursday 12:30pm-4:30pm, Friday 9:30am-4:30pm, Saturday 9:30am-12:30pm
- ‡ **Please watch the division website for updated information. ([Eastern Division Website](#))**

The Mission Statement of Clem's Primer:

Yeah, there is a reason for all this stuff! *Clem's Primer* © started many, many years ago as a composite of the personal experiences and views of Richard "Clem" Clement, TCA Past President, Eastern Division Past President, Past Director on the TCA Board of Directors, Past WB&A Chapter Vice President, Past WB&A Chapter Board Member, but most importantly a TCA member in good standing. Now added are personal experiences, shared information, and additions from Carol R. McGinnis, TCA Past President, past WB&A Chapter Board Member, and TCA Heritage Member. As well as TCA Member Ryan Newman and through the gathering of additional information from various sources.

The Primer is designed to enrich the **Eastern Division York Week Experience**.

The **Eastern Division, TCA, York Train Show Notice** is their official **bi-annual newsletter**.

The Primer is not sponsored by any organization; business or company, nor does it sell, endorse or promote a particular product.

If you have a question about an activity or event listed herein, please contact the listed sponsor.

This version of the *Primer* negates all previous versions.

This *Primer* highlights the **TCA Eastern Division York Train Show**; the **National Toy Train Museum**, the **National Toy Train Library** and the **National Business Office** activities. It includes member meetings and train group activities; train events; local attractions; restaurants, and tips on navigating the events and the locale. The price of admission to York includes free parking, so this is the best deal for a 3-day train meet in all the land.

Eastern Division President's Message: Bob Buehler

A major goal of mine was to increase attendance at the York Train Show. With the addition of the PRESHOW and strong attendance in both October 2023 and April 2024 we saw a major increase in attendees. Also, several manufacturers and dealers have returned to the York Show helping October 2023 sell out of tables in many of the trading halls. Changes need to continue - October 2024 will feature a Scavenger Hunt in the Orange Hall on Friday & Saturday. The You Tubers are returning on Friday at 11am in the Veranda Room. The public and members are invited to learn from these folks the latest in the model train industry free of charge. More different model train gauges and additional activities during York Train Show Week is my goal for future York Shows to make it the "best train show" you can attend. See you at York!

BOB BUEHLER, Eastern Division President buehlster@aol.com

[York Train Show Operating Layouts for October, 2024](#)



Standard Gauge Module Association

The SGMA is assembling a 25' x 41' Standard Gauge modular layout in the **Black Hall**. This is a fun group to be around with big, loud, beautiful trains.



Eagle Line Railroad

The Eagle Line Railroad of Ridgely, MD is displaying their superb 10' x 30' and 5' x 12' O Gauge Layouts in the **Purple Hall**.



River City 3 Railers

The River City 3 Railers of Richmond, VA are sharing one of their Outstanding Layouts in the White Hall!



Kids Creek Railroad, METCA & LCCA

With support from METCA & LCCA, the Kids Creek Railroad from Gale Ferry, CT - 21 x 32 & 5 x 12 a kid-friendly and interactive modular O Gauge layout operating in the Orange Hall Concession Area (If you see Kevin Quinn hogging the remote remind him to let the kids have some fun as well!!!)



Lebanon Valley Rails

Multigauge railroad club Lebanon Valley Rails will be displaying their Modular N scale Layout in the White Hall!



CHOO CHOO BARN

The CHOO CHOO BARN will have their Brand New 4 Level Mobile Layout setup in the Purple Hall! Make sure to stop by and check this out. It may show up early for display during the Preshow!!!

Gerald McClellan

Outside in the RV Area Gerald will have two O gauge layouts setup!!! Stop by and see his layouts and say Hello!

YOUTUBE Social Media Q/A Session

Friday, October 18th at 11am in the Veranda Room

Please make sure to stop by and meet your favorite Youtubers. Also, you will get a chance to win a prize during the session!!! This is open to all TCA Members, Guests, and the General Public.

YORK TRAIN SHOW MADE EASY

EASTERN DIVISION'S YORK TRAIN SHOW

WHERE TO GO: York Fairgrounds, 334 Carlisle Ave, York PA, 17404 (The GPS location)

WHO TO CALL: York Fairgrounds emergency phone # is 1-717-848-2596

WHERE TO GO ON THE WEB: click on the [fairgrounds map](#).

THE NATIONAL TOY TRAIN MUSEUM (NTTM) / the NATIONAL TOY TRAIN Library (NTTL)/ and the NATIONAL BUSINESS OFFICE (NBO) are located at 300 Paradise Lane, Strasburg, PA 17579

National Toy Train Museum (NTTM) & National Toy Train Library (NTTL)

DEACCESSION TABLES

ORANGE HALL

THURSDAY

Noon – 6:30 PM

FRIDAY

9 AM – 6:30 PM

SATURDAY

9 AM – 3 PM

There are loads of items deaccessioned from the collections. These items, gathered over the years, take up space, have been checked against existing inventory, are not needed for displays or files, so are available for purchase. What a great way to build your collection and support TCA! Money goes back to the museum and the library.

Also, The NTTM, NTTL, and NBO in Strasburg are **open all week** for TCA members and their families and are a must see in Strasburg, PA just 30 minutes down the road from the York Fairgrounds. TCA Members get in free! The NTTM and NTTL features special displays which are detailed in the TCA web site. Hours of Operation: 10 AM - 5 PM. Volunteers are welcome at the NTTM and the NTTL. Call 717-687-8623 for more info and ask for Melody.



York Show FAQ's

How many guests may I bring to the meet?

- You may bring as many guests as you like. As a reminder, guests are permitted to attend one meet and then they are required to join TCA if they wish to continue attending the York Meet. See your meet notice, for the guest registration form.

Where can I find information about registering for the meet?

- You'll find 99.9% of the answers to your questions in our meet notice. For members click [here](#). For dealers click [here](#).

Why didn't I receive a meet notice?

- Because you didn't register for at least 1 meet in past year.
- You recently joined TCA.
- Postal delivery problems. (Incorrect address) Besides an incorrect address, forwarding has expired or torn mail.

Who should I contact if I can't find the answers to my question in the meet notice??

- Visit our [Contact Us](#) page.

What is the Eastern Division York Meet Official website address?

- <https://www.easterntca.com>

When does the meet start?

- Thursday 12 Noon, Friday 9 AM, Saturday 9AM
- Download the **Meet Notice** and you'll find the hours on page 2.

How many registered to attend the York Meet?

- Visit our **Wrap Up** page for meet numbers.

Where can I find information about hotels in the York County area?

- Visit the [York County Visitors Bureau](#) page for a list of hotels in the York area.

YORK REGISTRATION

There are several ways to register for the York Train Show:

1. Online at www.yorkregistration.org <https://www.yorkregistration.org/>
2. At the Eastern Division Call Center - **1-585-683-9333**
3. By mail using the registration form located in the [York Train Show Notice](#) (registration form only)
4. Members can call on a registration only phone line at **410-757-8845**.
5. **At the Fairgrounds in Silver Hall**
6. Don't forget: Register in advance for the next Show at the table in Silver Hall during the Show. Hours will be posted, and announcements will be made throughout the Show.

PAST EDITIONS OF CLEM'S PRIMER

You can find several past issues of Clem's Primer at [Clem's primer - Train Collectors Association \(tcatrains.org\)](http://Clem's primer - Train Collectors Association (tcatrains.org))

Overview of the York Train Show

THE [York Show Notice](#) IS THE OFFICIAL EASTERN DIVISION **NEWSLETTER** FOR GUIDANCE REGARDING THE YORK SHOW. READ IT THOROUGHLY AND **BRING IT WITH YOU.**

A map of the fairgrounds is in the notice AND IN this *Primer!* Maps are available at the Reg Desk in Silver Hall.

LAST MINUTE CHANGES WILL BE NOTED ON THE CALENDAR OF EVENTS POSTERS THROUGHOUT THE FAIRGROUNDS.

SEE THE EASTERN WEBSITE FOR UP-TO-DATE CHANGES. WWW.EASTERNTCA.COM/

You can (and should) Pre-Register for the next show. Pre-Registration is located in Silver Hall near or at the registration counter. **Get your badge for April, 2025.**

Kids Korner: Kids Korner is OPEN for OCTOBER, 2024 in the Orange Hall Lobby Next to the TCA National Booth

Thursday 12PM - 4PM

Friday 9AM - 4PM

Saturday 9AM - 12PM

We can always use additional volunteers to help with staffing and are always happy for any donations of train-related items we can give away to the kiddos, especially any complete train sets which act as good advertisements for the donating vendor.

Attendance at Kids Korner in fall 2023 was the highest it has been since pre-COVID!

Thanks again,
Rob Newman
99-49679
Eastern TCA B.O.D.

LOST – FOUND - STOLEN items: All Found Items should be turned in to the Registration Desk in Silver Hall. The registration counter in **Silver Hall** has report forms to fill in for Lost items. Lost and Found coordinator is Bob Heine. Call Bob at 301-585-1280 or email Robert.j.heine@gmail.com.

SHUTTLE BUS: A bus with Free Service will be available between all halls:

Thursday from noon to 4:30pm: Friday from 9:30am to 4:30pm: Saturday from 9:30am to 12:30p

GENERAL INFORMATION

- ✚ **Guests** can register in advance, **show a picture ID** and **pick up their badges in person at the registration desk**. Guest badges are not mailed.
 - A Guest is a person over 18, who is not a member or applicant
 - A Guest can attend York once.
 - Guests can sign up for **TCA membership**, joining TCA on the spot.
 - **As a member you can host multiple guests.**
- ✚ **4 ATMs** are located on the Fairgrounds and **are shown on the map**.
 - **Inside Orange Hall (2)**
 - **Inside Blue Hall in the Lobby**
 - **Outside Red Hall (north of the hall towards White Hall)**
- ✚ **Member halls close earlier than dealer halls** to allow member table holders the opportunity to shop with our dealers.
- ✚ **HALL FLOOR PLANS:** Hall Captains have and are also at the Registration Desk or online.
 - **Red & White** Halls info tables are close to the hall captain's tables
 - **Silver Hall** table with hall charts **is in the eatery area**
 - **Blue Hall** charts are down by the food service **START HERE.....**
 - **Orange and Purple Dealer halls table charts** are online at Eastern Division web site
- ✚ **Volunteers Welcome for York Show:**

This year, as in the past, volunteers are again needed to help with the April and October York, PA train shows, to help them run more efficiently.

Listed below are the areas where we need volunteers:

- Set up of various halls - tables/chairs, etc.
- Registration – This starts on Monday of show week and goes through Saturday. The biggest need is Thursday and Friday of show week.
- Ticket booth - in the Orange Hall for registering the general public for the show. Friday through Saturday
- RV assistance – John Seresky needs help setting up for the RV's that come to the show – 80 -100 units
- Security – Frank Malone – sets up signage for Handicap and parking at the show.
- Preshow set up – Monday AM through Wednesday of show week.
- Kid's Corner – Orange Hall – Wednesday through Saturday - set up, maintain, take down for the show.

Initially we will offer all volunteers free admission to to the show and free lunch on Wednesday. Lunch begins at 12 noon in the cafeteria located in the Blue Hall.

Volunteers can e-mail me, Ben Swann, at bswannrr@yahoo.com or call me at 804.677.8545

- ✚ **FAIRGROUNDS INFORMATION:**
 - Emergency Phone Number during York Show (717) 848-2596
 - GPS location is York Fairgrounds, 334 Carlisle Ave, York PA, 17404
 - **FAIRGROUNDS MAP** can be accessed by clicking on this link.
- ✚ The **Fairgrounds flag** area near the main entrance to the **Orange Hall** has an honorary brick purchase program sponsored by the York Fairgrounds. Contact Fairgrounds at (717) 848-2596 for more details
- ✚ **The PA Sales Tax Office** can and does send their people to visit the halls. **Table holders in the Orange, Purple, and Black Halls are required to have PA Tax number.** If you have a dealer license, be prepared to show it.

GENERAL INFORMATION (continued)**✚ YORK TRAIN SHOW (unOFFICIAL NUMBERS) Here is the history:**

York Statistics - Apr `07	Total Registrations 14,325
York Statistics - Apr `08	Total Registrations 14,567
York Statistics - Apr `09	Total Registrations 14,109
York Statistics - Apr `10	Total Registrations 13,769
York Statistics - Oct `10	Total Registrations 13,648
York Statistics - Apr `11	Total Registrations 13,521
York Statistics - Oct `11	Total Registrations 13,608
York Statistics - Apr `12	Total Registrations 13,403
York Statistics - Oct `12	Total Registrations 13,713
York Statistics - Apr '13	Total Registrations 12,703
York Statistics - Oct '13	Total Registrations 13,523 <i>(Nice increase)</i>
York Statistics - Apr '14	Total Registrations 12,225 (699 at the door, 80 new to TCA)
York Statistics - Oct '14	Total 12,355 (8011 members), RV's 157
York Statistics - Apr '15	Total Registrations: 10,987
York Statistics - Oct '15	Total Registration: Advance 11,066 + Door 1007 = 12,073
York Statistics - Apr '16	Total Registrations: 11,319
York Statistics - Oct '16	Total Registrations: 10,924
York Statistics - Apr '17	Total Registrations: 10,086 (Public about 600 attendees)
York Statistics - Oct '17	Total Registrations: 10,187 Public: about 400 attendees and families
York Statistics - Apr '18	Total TCA: 10,144 Public: 389
York Statistics - Oct '18	Total TCA Registrations: 10,195 Public: 418 Total = 10,613
York Statistics - Apr '19	Total = 8,779 TCA Registrations = 8,447 Public Admissions = 332
York Statistics - Oct '19	Total Registrations = 9,207
Apr 2020, Oct 2020, Apr 2020	Closed, Closed, Closed
October 2021	Total Registrations – 9864
April 2022	Total Registrations – 7500
October 2022	Total Registrations - 7,450
April, 2023	Total Registrations ~ 7,200: 98 new members, 11 renewed, <u>109 total</u>
October, 2023	Total Registrations: ~ 7,370
APRIL, 2024	8,626!!! Great increase!!!
OCTOBER, 2024	Will you be here?

YORK TRAFFIC & WEATHER INFORMATION

WSBA--AM-910 radio regular traffic updates

WSOX--FM-96.1 the same

WGAL--Channel 8 TV traffic updates from 5 to 7 AM every 10 minutes

WROZ--FM-101.1 "The Rose" regular traffic updates.

York weather info: www.yahoo.com/news/weather/united-states/york/york-2524847

Comments: **PENNDOT and York County/ York city staffs are continuing to work very hard to repair roads. Give them a brake and drive carefully. (Clem)**

The city of York has various ongoing street repairs that change on a daily or weekly basis. The best source of information is The York Daily Record at www.ydr.com/

People traveling the Turnpike need to be aware of a heavy police presence in construction areas. All fines are doubled for construction areas (true in constructions areas all over the state). Be aware that Pennsylvania has numerous "add-ons" for violations that can actually be more than just the fine for the violation. All of this is totaled before being doubled. Please drive safe. (Clem)

Pennsylvania Official Travel Information website is "511PA". Dial "511" or go to www.511PA.com to obtain the travel information. Traffic at the Carlisle Gate of the York Fairgrounds can be horrendous. Please be careful. I recommend Gate 6 on Highlander Ave. - the Northwest end of the fairground opposite from the **Blue Hall** area or from the **Blue Hall** on past the **Orange Hall** to the fence). That gate is always open and you can turn left or right easily. (Clem) **Carol's Note: This interactive map is a great asset to avoid major traffic backups!**

CWSU National TAF METAR maps - NOAA NWS Check this out for up to the minute weather info anywhere in the USA-really high-tech stuff here.

HALL CAPTAINS

Be sure to thank your Hall Captains:

- **Blue Hall – Bob Grebas**
- **Red Hall – Barbara Reed**
- **Silver Hall – Bill Faust**
- **White Hall – Buddy Oberender**
- **Orange Hall – Jack Rash & Rick Neely**
- **Purple Hall – Ryan Newman**

New For October 2024!

National Toy Train Museum Auction

In conjunction with the TCA's 70th anniversary, the National Toy Train Museum will be holding an auction of Prewar, Postwar, & Modern Toy Trains and Related Items.

Wednesday October 16 @ 8:30am

Held on the Grounds of the National Toy Train Museum
300 Paradise Lane Ronks, PA 17572

For Additional Auction info and pictures of the items to be auctioned off please visit

[Bit.ly/nttmauction](https://bit.ly/nttmauction)

Scavenger Hunt!

Join in on the Fun of Scavenging for Treasures in the Orange Hall Friday October 18th and Saturday October 19th. Stop by the Wye Bridge Hobbies Booth in the Orange Hall to get more information.



EASTERN DIVISION
YORK TCA
TRAIN COLLECTORS ASSOCIATION

TCA YORK TRAIN MEET SCAVENGER HUNT

Complete the scavenger hunt during friday & saturday show hours to **WIN a FREE Atlas O or MTH Trains O Scale Train Car. Brought to you by the Admins of the Atlas O & MTH Trains Buy, Sell, Trade Official Facebook Group, & MTH Trains Buy, Sell, Trade Official Facebook Group!** 

All information for the hunt will be at the **Wye Bridge Hobbies Booth** in the Orange Hall Lobby. Let The Hunt Begin!

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(Non-TCA) TRAIN ACTIVITIES

These Activities and Open Houses are held on days prior to the Eastern Division York Show.

Choo Choo Barn: Strasburg, PA (<https://choochoobarn.com/history/>)

In 2023, the reigns of the Choo Choo Barn and the Strasburg Train Shop was handed over to Gary Russell. Being a life-long train collector and with an extensive knowledge in electronics and automation, Gary has the same focus as Tom, and has committed to carrying the Choo Choo Barn legacy forward. We look forward in what the future holds! We are sure you will also.

- * **Hours: Monday:** 10am-5pm **Tuesday:** 10am-5pm **Wednesday:** 10am-5pm
- * **Thursday:** 10am-5pm **Friday:** 10am-5pm **Saturday:** 10am-5pm **Sunday:** 10am-5pm

- * **Four Points Sheraton Train Meet, 1650 Toronita St, York, PA 17402 (Formerly the "BILLY BUDD")** Behind the Round The Clock Diner. Up to 80 tables. Free admission. **Meet opens Monday, 8 AM – 5 PM. Tuesday, 8 AM – 5 PM. Wednesday, 8 AM – 2 PM.** Contact: Rich deDufour (609-466-3933)

- * **Wyndham Garden Train Meet: Wyndham Garden** at West Manchester Mall north of Route 30 on Carlisle Road at 2000 Loucks Road, York PA (717) 846-9500 **Meet days are Mon (10 AM-6PM), Tues (8AM-6PM) and Wed (8AM – 5PM)** Held outside in the parking lot, inside in the banquet room, hall area and adjacent rooms. Tables are available by phone at 716-390-8216 or chuckstrainroom.com. Free Admission.

- * **Reliance Fire Hall/WEST YORK FIRE HALL MEET:** 1341 West Market St, York, PA Contact Barry at (717) 424-1308 or kingkodak@hotmail.com for tables. Listed at trains.com. The meet is a mix of gauges from S, to HO, to O. Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday opening at 9:00 a.m. and closing at 5:00 p.m. **The FlyerNut meeting is Thursday at 7:30 PM.** Free admission, parking, and handicapped accessible.

DIRECTIONS: RT 30 TO RT 74 SOUTH. RT 74 SOUTH TO NORTH HIGHLAND AVE. TURN RIGHT ONTO NORTH HIGHLAND AVE HEADING SOUTH TO W. MARKET ST. LEFT ON WEST MARKET ST. and go 1/10 OF A MILE. TURN LEFT INTO PARKING LOT OF FIRE COMPANY. LOCATED LESS THAT 1 MILE FROM RT 30.

- * **RED LION Area Historical Society & Red Lion Train Station Model Railroaders** hold an Open House at the former Maryland and Penna. Railroad's Authentic and historic Red Lion Train Station. The "0" Gauge Model Railroad layout will be open Wed & Thurs from **6PM- 9PM**. The train station is located at 73 N. Main Street, Red Lion, PA 17356. Route 24, (1 block north of the town center square). For more information go to the Red Lion Area Historical Society's website at www.redlionpa.org/history/borough-history.

- * **CHRISTMAS MUSEUM (now located at Stone Gables Estate)**

1 Hollinger Lane, Elizabethtown, PA 17022 717-902-9791 David Abel, the man who led the reconstruction of the Star Barn and the Stone Gable outbuildings purchased the contents of the National Christmas Center and intends to set them up in the Belmont Barn. stonegablesestate.com/event-calendar/ **Stone Gables Estate Info** info@stonegablesestate.com Good Morning! There is a train display in the interim building. The final location, The Barns of Belmont, will definitely restore and add to a functional layout. stonegablesestate.com/blog/2020/07/30/the-barns-of-Belmont/. Kaitlin Dixon, Executive Director of Sales and Marketing.

TRAIN ACTIVITIES (NON-TCA SPONSORED continued)

NORTHERN CENTRAL RAILWAY: Steam into History's Historical Train Ride the 1860's era replica steam train joining the fun of being whisked back into history as you ride the rails Abraham Lincoln rode on his way to give his famous Gettysburg Address. For information call 717-942-2370.

www.northerncentralrailway.com/?tribe-bar-date=2021-10

TOY TRAINS UNLIMITED: 38 YORK ST., HANOVER, PA. 17331 (25 minutes from York, PA) 717-637-4717
Contact Ron at rborsella4790@comcast.net

Toy Trains Unlimited hosts an **Open House** on **Wed, at 2 pm**. The Open House will continue until everyone has left or has been thrown out, including myself. There will be food, drinks, and a large selection of American Flyer & Lionel & more. We have a large group of Flyer and Lionel operators and collectors who visit. Make plans to attend this bi-yearly event and please tell your American Flyer & Lionel's friends to come along. There is plenty of stuff here to choose from. - Closed on Mon & Tues of York Week

- Closed on Thursday
- Open on Friday at 1pm
- Open Saturday.

~ POST & PRE-WAR LIONEL
~ AMERICAN FLYER
~ MTH
~ AMERICAN MODELS
~ S-HELPER, K-LINE
~ TRAINS & ACCESSORIES
~ NEW & USED
~ DISCOUNT TRAIN SETS
~ NO RETAIL PRICES!

DIRECTIONS: From the York Fairgrounds, Take Market St. to Carlisle Ave. until you get to Rt. 30 west. Follow Rt. 30 west (for about 8 miles) to the intersection of Rt.116. Turn left onto Rt.116. Travel about 20 miles where Rt. 116 becomes York St. in the town of Hanover. Enter the town of Hanover and travel about 2 miles. The train shop will be on the right side of the street. Look for the Railroad Flag hanging at the front of the store.

SERVICES AVAILABLE on the FAIRGROUNDS

KIDS CORNER

Kids Corner is OPEN for OCTOBER, 2024 in the Orange Hall Lobby!

NATIONAL TCA

- ✚ The [National Business Office \(NBO\) of TCA](#) has tables in the Lobby of **Orange Hall** that are staffed to assist with membership issues, provide information to the public, take membership applications, and to promote TCA.
- ✚ The [National Toy Train Museum \(NTTM\)](#) tables are in **Orange Hall and have deaccession items**
- ✚ The [National Toy Train Library \(NTTL\)](#) tables are in **Orange Hall and have deaccession items**.

FedEx

FedEx is available to accept, wrap, and ship your purchases. **Thursday Noon to 3PM ~ Friday 11 AM to 3PM ~ Saturday 10 AM to 1 PM.** Find them in the lobby between **Blue** and **Silver Halls**

FIRST AID STATION

First Aid Station—next to the Fire Station near the Brown Hall

HAVE YOUR SIGNIFICANT OTHER PREP YOUR MEDS. PUT THEM WHERE YOU CAN FIND THEM. TAKE THEM!

WHEEL CHAIRS and SCOOTERS: Stillwater Scooters.

Website: (stillwaterscooters.com) Email: stillwaterscooters@gmail.com

Reservation can be made through the web site or by email

Thank You, Keith Bankes **Scoot over and check us out!**

SERVICES AVAILABLE on the FAIRGROUNDS (continued)

FOOD on the FAIRGROUNDS

- **Blue Hall** has a sit-down deli style food service
- Outside **Orange Hall** are several food trucks
 - Selling Pizza, Crab Cakes, and Hot Dogs, Funnel Cakes, and Lemonade
- Inside **Orange Hall**
 - Selling hamburgers, hot dogs, fish sandwiches, French fries, nachos, drinks
- In the parking lot outside **Blue** and **Silver Halls** is a food stand:
 - Selling BBQ, Chicken strips, French fries, funnel cakes
- Between **Red Hall** and **White Hall** are food trucks
 - Selling funnel cakes, hamburgers, and lemonade

RESTROOMS

Restrooms (open only during Show hours) are:

- inside the **Blue Hall**, **White Hall**, **Black halls**.
- in the inside lobby between the **Blue Hall** and **Silver Hall**.
- outside of the **Red Hall** on the east of the building next to the EMT (First Aid) building *
- on both sides of the **Orange Hall** promenade area *

Restrooms open 24/7 are on the west side of **Orange Hall** promenade and open **from the outside after hours and include coin-operated showers.**

"The showers at the Arena have pay boxes, \$0.50 for 4 minutes and \$0.25 for 2 more minutes. I put in two quarters and had hot water until I was finished, well over the 4 minutes." Thank you, Carl, for the review!

Restrooms are also available 24/7 in the First Aid Building.

WATER!!!!

We trainiacs run all over while playing trains at York. **Be sure to hydrate.** Steam engines and humans need plenty of water. Most food vendors sell water or bring bottles with you and **never** pass a water fountain. Every time you hit the restroom. The **Orange Hall** promenade, and the rest rooms between the **Blue Hall** and **Silver Hall** have water fountains.

YORK COUNTY TOURIST INFORMATION

York County has travel guides, brochures, and PA state maps in both the Arena and Memorial Hall (**Silver Hall** and **Orange Hall**) during the Show for your convenience. Their helpful staff can be reached at www.yorkpa.org

HOW TO GET WHERE YOU WANT TO BE ~ TRAVEL DIRECTIONS

- ✚ **to York Fairgrounds from the South:** travel around the Baltimore beltway (Rt. 695) and go up Rt. 83 North. (You will go past Redman Lake on the right after you enter Pennsylvania!) Take the right-hand exit onto George Street (83 Business) Turn right onto Country Cub Rd (the hospital is on the hill on the right) and go past York College. Street, then right onto S. Richland Ave. Turn left at the red light onto W. Market Street. Turn right into the Fairgrounds. You will enter by **Blue Hall**.
- ✚ **To York Fairgrounds from the North:** travel down Rt. 83 South. Take the exit to Rt. 30 West. Follow Rt. 30 to Rt. 74 East. Turn right onto N. Highland Ave. Turn left into the Fairgrounds. You will enter by **Orange Hall**.

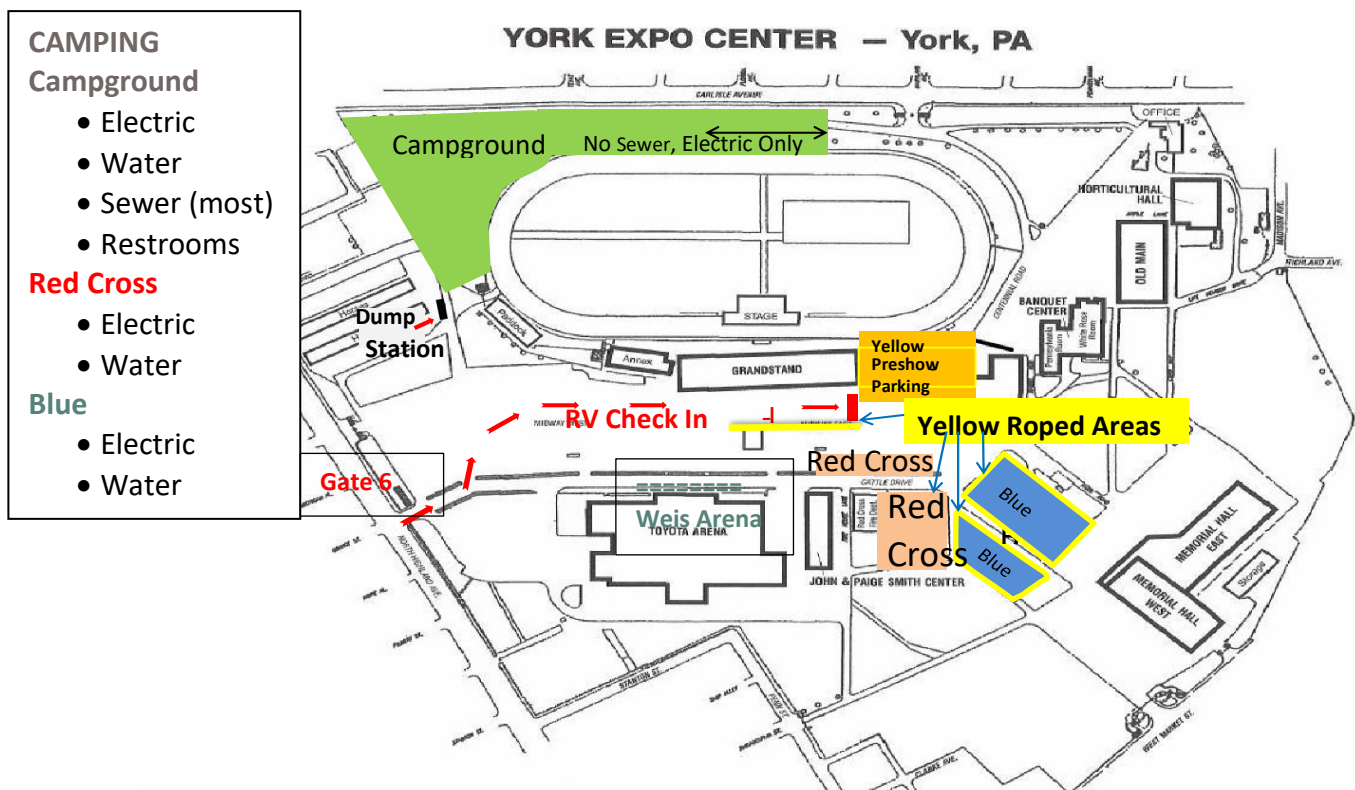
SERVICES AVAILABLE on the FAIRGROUNDS (continued)

RV ACCOMMODATIONS (SHOW HOURS)

ON THE FAIRGROUNDS

- Fairgrounds RV Accommodations **Open 9:00 AM Wednesday till Saturday 6:00 PM**
- **Early arrivals can stay Monday and/or Tuesday for \$50 paid in cash for each night.**
- Enter from the west side of the fairgrounds through Gate 6, off of Highland Ave.
- John will help you park. **RV Chair – John Seresky, eMail to: rv@easterntca.com . He stands at the RV Check-In Area near the grandstands.** John Seresky 518-234-4108
- You are not allowed to put stakes thru the asphalt.

Anyone who sleeps on fairgrounds must pay the \$50 RV fee (\$51 online convenience fee.) This is a York Expo Center liability requirement. RV's, campers, self-contained vehicles are permitted on the grounds **Monday**. See details in the [York Show Notice](#).



Note: Electric will be available on Wednesday. Water sometimes takes longer

RV ACCOMMODATIONS (non-Show Days)

Indian Rock Campground, just outside of town to the south and west. They run a reasonable rate a night, with electric and water; including decent shower facilities. Contact them at www.indianrockcampground.com

Ben Franklin Park in York, PA is approximately 5 minutes west of the York Fairgrounds. They are a mobile home park that is offering RV spaces with full hookups. They offer services as possible overflow or for those who might have special needs which they may be able to fulfill. (717) 792-9612
www.benfranklinRVPark.com

Gifford Pinchot State Park is the best place to camp. Located on Rte. 74, about 12 miles from the Fair Grounds. It has camp sites on a lake, has great showers/bath rooms and is very quiet. — (Bob Obara)
www.dcnr.state.pa.us/stateparks/findapark/GiffordPinchot/index.htm

GENERAL SHOW RULES

- * By registering you agree to abide by all the [Rules and Regs of Eastern Division](#) and TCA
- * All members selling **reproduction parts** must have **Certificate Of Compliance** displayed
- * **All items on your table are to be priced**
- * If an item has been altered in any way it must have a TCA "Identag" available from the Registration Desk or from a Hall Captain
- * York Train Show Badges must be visible at all times. **Reprints are \$5 each at the Reg. Desk**
- * Anyone who sleeps on fairgrounds must pay the \$50 RV fee (\$51 online convenience fee.) This is a York Expo Center liability requirement. RV's, campers, self-contained vehicles are permitted on the grounds **Monday**. See details in the [York Show Notice](#).
- * *Still Photography is **permitted in the Dealer halls and of the modular exhibits**. No photography in the Blue, Silver, Red or White Halls or of copyrighted materials.* Not sure? Ask!
- * **Cell phones may be used in all the halls. Please step outside to make/answer your calls.**
- * No buying, selling, or trading permitted during setup.
- * No Alcohol allowed on the fairgrounds
- * Single-width strollers are **permitted** in halls
- * No Smoking and No Vehicles are permitted in halls
- * No private golf carts permitted on the Fairgrounds without a certificate of insurance for one million dollars liability coverage on file with the Fairgrounds.
- * Only empty boxes may be removed from the hall during setup.
- * **Licensed, service or medical animals are permitted in the buildings**
- * **Pets are allowed on the fairgrounds. Please be courteous and clean up after your pets.**
- * For safety reasons, no Handcarts/Dollies/Suitcases/Large backpacks permitted in the halls during show hours.
- * Follow the Yellow Arrows on the hall floors. This allows for better traffic flow.
- * Allowing someone else to wear your badge is forbidden.
- * Food can be obtained on the fairgrounds in several locations.

DAILY SCHEDULE: DAILY SCHEDULE OF EVENTS
(times & locations subject to change)

DAILY SCHEDULE MONDAY:

7:30 AM – 8:30 AM **YORK PRESHOW Vendor Setup**

8:30 AM – 4 PM **YORK PRESHOW** **YORK FAIRGROUNDS (PURPLE HALL)**

10 AM – 5 PM **NATIONAL TOY TRAIN MUSEUM & LIBRARY OPEN (Strasburg, PA)**

DAILY SCHEDULE TUESDAY:

8:30 AM – 4 PM **YORK PRESHOW** **YORK FAIRGROUNDS (PURPLE HALL)**

10 AM – 5 PM **NATIONAL TOY TRAIN MUSEUM & LIBRARY OPEN (Strasburg, PA)**

10 AM: Eastern Division BOD Meeting: Orange Hall Meeting Room

5:30 PM: Tuesday Night Welcome Party in ORANGE HALL PROMENADE.

DAILY SCHEDULE WEDNESDAY:

8:30 AM – 1 PM **YORK PRESHOW** **YORK FAIRGROUNDS (PURPLE HALL)**

8:30 AM **NTTM Auction** **National Toy Train Museum**

8AM – 6 PM: DEALER SET UP: Orange /Purple Halls. (Dealer badges required)

9:00 AM - 5:00 PM: York Registration open in the Silver Hall.

10 AM – 5 PM **NATIONAL TOY TRAIN MUSEUM & LIBRARY OPEN (Strasburg, PA)**

NOON: York Show Volunteers Lunch & Meeting in the Blue Hall.

**5 - 9PM Lower Susquehanna Valley Modular Railroaders “Run What You Brung”:
21 North 2nd St., Columbia, PA 17512**

DAILY SCHEDULE THURSDAY:

8 AM - Noon: DEALER SET UP: Orange /Purple Halls. Dealer badges required.

9:00 AM - 5:00 PM: York Registration open in the Silver Hall.

9 AM: TCA Standards Committee Meeting Orange Hall Meeting Room (open to all)

9:00 AM – 12 Noon: Member Set Up - Blue /Red /Silver /White Halls. Hall badges required.

10 AM – 5 PM NATIONAL TOY TRAIN MUSEUM & LIBRARY OPEN (Strasburg, PA)

WITH THE PLAYING OF OUR NATIONAL ANTHEM - PLEASE STAND TALL AND BE PROUD.

12 NOON: EASTERN DIVISION YORK SHOW OPENS AT NOON ON THE FAIRGROUNDS

Noon – 5 PM: Member Halls OPEN – Blue /Red /Silver /White Halls

Noon – 6:30 PM: Dealer Halls OPEN: Orange /Purple Halls

Noon – 4:30 PM Free Shuttle Bus between all the halls

Noon – 6:30 PM: National Toy Train Museum & National Toy Train Library Deaccession Tables open in Orange Hall. Stop by and get some goodies!

Noon – 6:30 PM MODULAR LAYOUTS open in Purple and Black Halls

12PM - 4PM Kids Korner is OPEN

Noon – 3 PM: FedEx Shipping open in Lobby of Memorial Hall between Blue & Silver Halls

2 PM: National Kids Club Committee Meeting - Orange Hall Meeting Room

3 PM: FRANK ELLISON DELTA LINES GROUP. Orange Hall

5PM: Member Halls close for the day (Blue /Red /Silver /White) (Dealer Halls are still Open)

**5 - 9PM Lower Susquehanna Valley Modular Railroaders “Run What You Brung”
21 North 2nd St., Columbia, PA 17512**

6:30 PM: Dealer Halls Close for the day: Orange /Purple Halls

**7 PM: Marx Show & Tell – Veranda Restaurant Meeting Room. (Set up at 6:30) Bring a .
. Marx train, accessory or toy to share! Ron LeClaire 708-204-6277/258-9566 . .
rhleclaire@sbcglobal.net**

7 PM: The Toy Train Paper & Memorabilia Group will meet at the Sheraton Four Points Hotel, 1650 Toronita St., York, PA - behind the Round the Clock Diner.

DAILY SCHEDULE OF EVENTS FRIDAY:

7:30 AM: Standard Gauge Module Association meeting. Come and run a SG train! BLACK HALL

9:00 AM - 5:00 PM: York Registration open in the Silver Hall.

8 AM - 9 AM: Member and Dealer Halls Load-in/unpack (badges required)

9AM - 4PM **Kids Korner is OPEN**

9 AM – 5 PM: Member Halls OPEN - Blue /Red /Silver /White Halls

9 AM – 5 PM: UPS Shipping open in Lobby of Memorial Hall between Blue & Silver Halls

9 AM – 6:30 PM: National Toy Train Museum & Library Deaccession Tables in Orange Hall.

9 AM – 6:30 PM: Dealer Halls OPEN: Orange /Purple (Public in attendance)

9:30 AM – 4:30 PM: Free Shuttle Bus between all the halls

10 AM – 5 PM NATIONAL TOY TRAIN MUSEUM & LIBRARY OPEN (Strasburg, PA)

10 AM: "OO" Gauge Meeting –Orange Hall meeting room. Contact Larry at flyerlarry@yahoo.com

11 AM: Plasticville Collectors Assoc Meeting. Orange Hall Meeting Room.

12 (Noon) PM: Ives General Membership Meeting Orange Hall Meeting Room. Contact dorfan@comcast.net

2 PM: TCA Convention Guidelines Committee Meeting – Orange Hall Meeting Room

4 PM: Bruce Greenberg photographing in Orange Hall. Aisle K-1.

5 PM: Member halls close (Dealer Halls are open until 6:30 PM)

5 - 9PM Lower Susquehanna Valley Modular Railroaders "Run What You Brung":
21 North 2nd St., Columbia, PA 17512

6:30 PM: Dealer Halls close

6:30 PM: YOU ARE INVITED TO EASTERN DIVISION'S ICE CREAM SOCIAL

DAILY SCHEDULE OF EVENTS SATURDAY:

7:30 AM: YOU ARE INVITED TO Free Coffee and Maple Donut in Orange Hall promenade.

8 AM: Eastern Division General Membership Meeting- Orange Hall Meeting room.

8 AM - 9 AM: Member and Dealer Halls Load-in/unpack (badges required)

9 AM – 12 PM: Kids Korner is OPEN

9:00 AM - 2:00 PM: York Registration Desk open in Silver Hall.

9 AM – 2 PM: YORK SHOW OPEN ALL MEMBER HALLS - Blue /Red /Silver /White Halls

9 AM – 3 PM: YORK OPEN ALL DEALER HALLS (Public in attendance) Orange /Purple Halls

9 AM – 3 PM: National Toy Train Museum & Library Deaccession Tables open in Orange Hall.

9 AM - 2 PM: Free Shuttle Bus between all the halls MAY BE AVAILABLE

9 AM - 2 PM: UPS Shipping open in Lobby of Memorial Hall between Blue & Silver Halls

12 PM – 5 PM NATIONAL TOY TRAIN MUSEUM & LIBRARY OPEN (Strasburg, PA)

12 PM - 6PM Lower Susquehanna Valley Modular Railroaders “Run What You Brung”: . 21 North 2nd St., Columbia, PA 17512 (or later if people want to hang out!)

11AM Social Media Mixer. Veranda Room. Eric Siegal, Peachey, Chris' Trains & Things.

2 PM: Member halls close (3 PM for Dealer Halls.)

3 PM: Dealer halls close. Show closed. See you in the spring!

TCA STANDARDS

One of the perks of TCA is **enforcement of standards for trains, boxes, and train paper**. Every hall has access to a Standards Committee member to help with the identification of items. There is a list available at the Registration desk and with each Hall Captain.

*** * FUTURE YORK SHOW DATES * ***

April 24-26, 2025 (*Easter in 2025 falls late (April 20th) so we're on the fourth week in April)

October 16-18, 2025

April 16-18, 2026

October 15-17, 2026

CLEM's Report: April, 2024

On Friday, April 26, 2024 at 08:24:32 PM EDT,
Richard Clement <r.clem.clement@gmail.com> wrote:

The count is closer to 5800 in attendance. Certainly, down some as I mentioned some of the causes.

The TTML folks have been hard on us for that. With readers seeing all the fussing, why attend. Golly, if everyone brought a guest, we would have 10,000 in attendance. I invited 3 trainiacs but they did not go. The challenge is to promote more and better (They put a sign on the York Fairgrounds fence, but you must be nearby to see it.)

My time is over, and it has been a grand run. So glad you made it last year. We had such a friendly time. I had no duties.

I doubt we will attend the convention. We have been to all the places the tours go except one.

I never got to the Silver, Red, or White halls to peruse. I did see a brown State Set for 17K. I needed a Lionel #38 motor and found one. Grabbed a nicely assembled wooden Strom Becker Hudson, painted in black, which I will offer to Hope. Gave a Lionel signal controller to a wannabee. Giving to a starter is so rewarding. Passed off some IVES extended cars. Marty gave me 3 X 607/8 passenger cars making the total now 17 cars. Hoping to run them on my 5-rail track
Love,
Clem

From: Richard Clement <r.clem.clement@gmail.com>

Sent: Saturday, April 20, 2024 11:15 PM

Subject: Yorking spring 2024

Such a wonderful time! Was almost perfect. A little rain and chilly later in the week. No heavy rain as forecast.

My first thoughts were to thank the Eastern Division staff and York Fairgrounds folk for a "Quite the show".. without the team effort, it would be also rand.

York is my second home. This Yorking, we chose to eat local. Two dinners at Shiloh and 3 breakfasts at the Westminster Restaurant (formally Mickey D's). Talk about good reliable food The super egg omelet with gravy and REAL home fries was \$8:95. (Oh, I'm still stuffed) At Shiloh we did "Do you remember" and "where is she now"? Jo had been at Westminster for 11 years. Nancy, the wonderful sassy server was retired at age 75 from Shiloh last fall.(She had many years at Alexanders.) The lady at the reg counter was the wife of Alexander's owner. She was a little gruff as she made sure that \$\$ due to the restaurant, were collected. Classic Toy Trains folks used to eat there. Someone said the piazza place (Marco's, replacing alexander's does fine pies. Cristine, of Shiloh, reports the Moonlight had a kitchen fire recently. We did not get to check on their swell crab cakes or Mac's ice-cream store nearby. All remember the screaming crowds at the June East

Coast Hot Rod show. Several remembered Anne Druck in her role as York County Better Business Bureau Chief (Some time back she moved to United Way.) We wished her well. One server worked for a time downtown. (We don't know the place.) The Reliance Restaurant is now a specialty restaurant.

Seemed like there was a large flow of modern set boxes frequently heading out of the doors.

Especially important was the addition of a special portable restroom outside the black hall was very helpful. Due to construction, the regular restrooms were not available. A trailered/wheeled rig was made available (good except for those of us who can't climb stairs.) later, a big gray facility: flat on the ground, did its job. Thanks! (Sure as a lot of rollators (me as well) and wheelchairs around. We ain't gittin more younger Chappies!

Last fall, I had been relieved of all official York duties, thus Sandy and I were just regular members playing trains and chatting with as many as time permitted. Afternoon naps were on the schedule. Loved it! Thanks all for the fine time!!

We stayed at Wyndham Gardens. The meet had 33 booths sold outside and all but 2 spaces inside. Formerly a full bar in the evening, does not happen. Tuesday evening was bingo and Friday was a band. We did not eat there other nights. The soups were great. last month, we heard that 5400 were registered with a forecast of 7000 at the door. (if we get the forecast attendance, that will be 44% of TCA membership. **(If we get 6000 in attendance, that percent drops to 35.)** **Please help recruit more members!** I think the folks who attended were happy. I have never seen a brown Lionel 408 set at York before. Considering covid, rain forecast daily, spring York always being less that the fall, election year, world situation with war on the brink, this was a strong crowd. The Black Hall SGMA meeting Friday morning had 75 in attendance (STOMPER moved the forecast rain to Jersey).

Please attend in time fall and see what fun we are having. The social gatherings throughout the halls were especially warm and valuable.

I have had a crackle red IVES passenger car for years: wondering what the story is. Now, then to discussions with several IVES experts, several such cars exist. Apparently, the original orange version of the cars was produced in excess, thus, fresh red over fresh orange results in crackle red. ("hey Marty, I needs a cardinal red pax car...Squirt>>>")

Norm rewheeled a Lionel #256 for me. Thanks. My college roommate and Air Force compatriot pal's dad; was an additional dad to me as my Daddy passed after my frosh year. He worked summer hire at the Lionel factory. He remarked that when the leadership was away, the workers used to play football, passing STG cars around. He said if the was a miss, quick pasting of the closed car box tape and nobody knew nuthin, Additionally, dad Fred gave me his Lionel #256 and it is precious to me.

I will not have the final numbers. Clem.

MODULAR GROUPS, TCA GROUPS, and TCA COMMITTEES

TOY TRAIN PAPER & MEMORABILIA



Toy Train Paper & Memorabilia Group meets Thursday, 7:00 PM at the Sheraton Four Points, 1650 Toronita Street, York, PA (behind the Round the Clock Diner). If it's about toy trains, but NOT a train, that's us. Bring a favorite piece to share. Email Todd Wagner - papertw@aol.com. Visit their website at <https://jlmtrains.com/ttpm/>

STANDARD GAUGE MODULE ASSOCIATION (SGMA)



All are welcome to our Friday morning "Show and Tell" and general discussion about standard gauge trains and upcoming activities from 0730-0900 Friday morning in **BLACK HALL**

The SGMA will have a 20'x40' operating layout in **BLACK** Hall all three days.

AMERICAN FLYER "FLYERNUT" MEETING



AMERICAN FLYER "FLYERNUT" MEETING

The "FLYERNUT" meeting will again be held at the York Fairgrounds in the **Orange Hall** meeting room, Thursday, October 17th @ 7PM. Bring **YOUR** rare, unusual American Flyer or A.C. Gilbert items for a "show and tell" emceed by Jim Pauley.

The Reliance Fire Hall Meet Has NOT changed.

A Barry King Tradition

Robert Zimmerman 76-9107

IVES TRAIN SOCIETY

DONALD LEWIS <dorfan@comcast.net>

Ives Trains Society
Meeting Friday October 18, 2024
12:30-1:30 PM
Orange Hall meeting rooms A & B
All are welcome.

“OO” GAUGE MEETING

Contact Larry at flyerlarry@yahoo.com

PLASTICVILLE COLLECTORS ASSOCIATION

From: John Niehaus

The Plasticville Collectors Association will have a meeting on Friday, October 18 in the Orange Hall meeting room from 11:00-12:00 at the York Train Meet. Bring a prized piece or a new find to share. All are invited.

John L Niehaus, Secretary/Treasurer johnln@netins.net

Plasticville Collectors Association

PCA #01-03

TCA #04-57460

Join the only organization dedicated to study and collecting of plastic village buildings. Visit our web page at <http://www.plasticvilleusa.org> or send me an email request for an application

TCA GROUPS, MODULAR GROUPS, TCA COMMITTEES

(continued)

MARX SHOW & TELL



We will have the Marx Show and Tell in the Verandah Room as usual Thursday evening October 17th. Doors open at 6:30 PM for setup, and the program starts at 7:00. The flyer information is attached.

For questions, please contact
Ron LeClaire, rhleclaire@sbcglobal.net.

York Restaurants

Comments: There are more than 416 restaurants in York and the surrounding area. This link ([THE 10 BEST Restaurants in York - Tripadvisor](#)) lists them with reviews and links to their locations and menus. It includes restaurant websites and phone numbers.

Be sure to call to make reservations so you won't be disappointed.

FAMILY FUN @ YORK – (updated 9/14/23)

Family Fun at York – 9-12-2024

A few places are having trouble staying open due to staffing issues and there is a lot of road and bridge construction going on in and around York County, it's recommended you use the contact information included to check where you're interested in going for the latest information.

[YORK COUNTY CONVENTION & VISITORS BUREAU](#)

The place to go to find information about York County: travel tools, things to do, events, factory tours, hotels & lodging, restaurants, ect.

Web Site: <http://www.yorkpa.org/>

Or visit their VISITOR INFORMATION CENTER at:

PA. STATE INFORMATION CENTER

I-83 North Pa. State Welcome Center

I-83 Northbound Just above the PA/MD line

717-265-6076

Open Daily 9 am – 5:30 pm

CENTRAL MARKET YORK

34 West Philadelphia Street, York, PA 17401

Has travel guides and brochure racks with information, currently unstaffed at times, access to is available whenever Central Market is open between 8 a.m.-2 p.m. on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays.

HANOVER VISITOR INFORMATION CENTER

2 Library Place, Hanover, PA 17331

Inside Guthrie Memorial Library in Hanover, open 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Friday and Saturday.

FAMILY FUN @ YORK cont.

YORK COUNTY HISTORY CENTER

The Trust has a group of 5 Museums throughout York.
YCHT main website: <http://www.yorkhistorycenter.org/>

The Historical Society Museum, Library and Archives, 250 E. Market Street is *PERMANENTLY CLOSED* as it's been moved to:

HISTORY CENTER MUSEUM, LIBRARY AND ARCHIVES

121 N. Pershing Ave.

York, Pa. 17401

717 848-1587

Brand new York County History Center, housed in the 1885 Edison Electric Light Company generating plant.

Open **Tuesday** to Saturday 10:00am to 4:00pm

Agricultural & Industrial Museum
217 West Princess St. York, Pa. 17401

717 848-1587

Open **Friday and Saturday** 10:00am to 4:00 pm

Fire Museum of York County

757 West Market St. York, Pa. 17401

717 845-5665

Saturday only 10:00am to 4:00pm

FAMILY FUN @ YORK cont.

Colonial Complex

157 West Market St. York, Pa. 17401

Includes the Golden Plough Tavern (c.1741) The General Gates House (c.1751) The Barnett Bobb Log House (c.1830) and a reconstruction of the Colonial Court House where the Continental Congress met when in York between Sept. 1777 and June 1778.

717 848-1587

Open seasonally April till November, Timed guided tours can change daily due to weather, school tours and/or other circumstances. For days and hours of operation please check <https://sales.yorkhistorycenter.org/generaladmission.aspx> or call 717 848-1587

One regular admission pass provides entry to ALL 5 York County History Center museums and sites on the day of your visit.

Individual pass rates are: Adults **\$20.00**, Students 6-18 **\$8.00**, Children 5 and under are Free, **Sundays \$10.00**.

A \$2.00 discount is offered to Senior Citizens, Veterans and Active Military, AAA Members, College students with I.D., and Time Travelers participants.

Group rates and guided and self-guided tours are available, find out more here: <http://www.yorkhistorycenter.org/york-pa-museums/museum-hours-rates>

FAMILY FUN @ YORK cont.

Other Museums in the York area

HANOVER FIRE MUSEUM

[134 East Hanover Street , Hanover PA 17331](https://www.hanoverfiremuseum.com)

<https://www.hanoverfiremuseum.com>

1-717-637-6674

Open every Wednesday 9-3pm

1st & 3rd Saturdays 9-3pm

Tours also available by appointment

Indian Steps Museum

205 Indian Steps Rd. Airville, PA 17302

www.indiansteps.org

Home to more than 10,000 Indian artifacts which all tell stories of Indian inhabitants.

Opens seasonally Mid-April to Mid-September

(717) 862-3948

Saturday and Sunday: 11:00am to 4:00pm

National Watch & Clock Museum

514 Poplar St, Columbia, PA 17512

www.museumoftime.org

717-684-8261

Open Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday 10 am to 5 pm & Friday 10 am to 4 pm

FAMILY FUN @ YORK cont.

Weight Lifting Hall of Fame

York Barbell Company

3300 Board Rd, York, PA 17406

<https://yorkbarbell.com/our-location/weightlifting-hall-of-fame>

Open Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Saturday 9:00 am to 4:30 pm.

Friday 9:00 am to 6:00 pm.

717-430-2031

800-358-9675 x 226

Email jkensinger@yorkbarbell.com

STATE PARKS:

Samuel S. Lewis

6000 Mt. Pisgah Rd. York, Pa. 17406

<https://www.dcnr.pa.gov/StateParks/FindAPark/SamuelSLewisStatePark/Pages/default.aspx>

717 252-1134

Gifford Pinchot

2200 Rosstown Rd. Lewisberry, Pa. 17339

The bridge and portion of Route 177 (Rosstown Road) will be closed September 2024 through late April of 2025. A detour will be in place using Route 74 and Alpine Road (Route 4019).

<https://www.dcnr.pa.gov/StateParks/FindAPark/GiffordPinchotStatePark/Pages/default.aspx>

717 423-5011

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Codorus State Park

2600 Smith Station Rd. Hanover, Pa. 17331

<https://www.dcnr.pa.gov/StateParks/FindAPark/CodorusStatePark/Pages/default.aspx>

717 637-2816

YORK COUNTY PARKS:

<https://yorkcountypa.gov/568/Parks-Recreation>

Apollo Park

4925 Boyd Road, Brogue PA 17309

Highpoint Scenic Vista

1199 Hiltz Rd, Wrightsville, PA 17368

John C. Rudy County Park

Canine Meadows Off-Leash Dog Area (Within John Rudy County Park)

400 Mundis Race Rd, York, PA 17406

Native Lands Park

Zimmerman Center for Heritage

1706 Long Level Road, Wrightsville PA 17368

P. Joseph Raab Park

2600 Hoff Rd, Seven Valleys PA 17360

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Richard M. Nixon County Park

5922 Nixon Dr, York, PA 17403

Rocky Ridge County Park

[3699 Deininger Rd, York, PA 17406](#)

Spring Valley County Park

9777 Crest Rd, Glen Rock, PA 17327

William H. Kain County Park

[274 Hess Farm Rd, York, PA 17403](#)

Dover Township

Brookside Park

[4054 Fox Run Rd](#); 8 Miles north of the York Expo Center off Rt. 74.

Is a park with a lot of rail history, founded in 1901 by York Railways Trolley Co. it's York's only surviving "Trolley Park". Its Dance Hall is original to the parks 1900 construction as well as an original stone fire pit where the trolley company cooked soup for their patrons in cast iron caldrons. The original concrete pad where the trolley stopped at the park also survives.

New this year: **Paps Modular Railroad** will be open during York Week, Tuesday Oct. 15th thru Thursday Oct. 17th 6:00pm till 9:00pm in the Carousel Building. "Paps" is a conventional modular layout that was designed to promote the hobby to kids of all ages. Bring your newly purchased trains and test run them on the layout.

YORK COUNTY HERITAGE RAIL TRAIL

<http://www.yorkcountytrails.org/>

Part of the York County park system, the Rail Trail presently has over 21 miles of trails extending thru scenic areas of southern York County. Railroad tracks adjoining the trail are active as Steam into History is using them. Expect to see a train at anytime while on the trail.

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Also on the Rail Trail:

Northern Central Railway of York

17 N. Front St. New Freedom, Pa. 17349

<https://www.northerncentralrailway.com/>

717- 942-2370

YORK COUNTY PUBLIC GOLF COURSES

Briarwood Golf Clubs

4775 West Market St. York, Pa. 17408

www.briarwoodgolfclubs.com

717-792-9776

Cool Creek Golf Club

300 Cool Creek Rd. Wrightsville, Pa.

<http://www.coolcreekgolf.com/>

717- 252-3691

Grandview Golf Club

2779 Carlisle Ave. York, Pa. 17408

<https://brewvino.com/grandview-golf-course/>

717-764-2674

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Heritage Hills Golf Resort & Conference Center

2700 Mount Rose Ave. York, Pa. 17402

www.heritagehillsresort.com

717-755-0123

Hickory Heights Golf Course

5158 Lehman Rd. Spring Grove, Pa. 17362

<https://www.golfhickoryheights.com/>

717-225-4247

Honey Run Golf Course & Country Club

3131 South Salem Church Rd. York, Pa. 17408

<http://www.honeyrungolfclub.com>

717-792-9771

Little Creek Golf Course

1657 Route 116 Spring Grove, PA 17369

<http://www.jacksontwpnyork.org/recreation/little-creek-golf-course>

717-916-4900

Pleasant Valley Golf Club

8467 Pleasant Valley Rd. Stewartstown, Pa. 17363

<https://playpleasantvalley.com/>

717-993-2184

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Range End Country Club

303 Golf Club Ave. Dillsburg, Pa. 17019

<http://www.rangeendgolfclub.com>

717-432-4114

Royal Manchester Golf Links

5700 Board Rd. Mount Wolf, Pa. 17347

www.royalmanchestergolflinks.com

717-268-0490

Valley Green Golf Club

1227 Valley Green Rd. Etters, Pa. 17319

<http://valleygreengolfcourse.com>

717-938-4200

PERFORMING ARTS CENTERS

The Appell Center for the Performing Arts

50 North George St. York, Pa. 17401

<https://appellcenter.org>

717 846-1111

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Eichelberger Performing Arts Center

195 Stock St. Suite #203 Hanover, Pa 17331

<http://www.theeich.org>

717- 637-7086

FACTORY TOURS

Bluett Bros. Violins

122 Hill St, York, PA 17403

Tours are by appointment only.

Call: 717-825-4263

www.bluettbros-violins.com

Perrydell Farm Dairy Outlet

90 Indian Rock Dam Road, York

<https://www.perrydellfarm.com/plan-a-visit>

717 741-3485

Sunrise Soap Company

29 N Beaver St. York, PA 17401

717-843-7627

For information on how to schedule a tour, email info@sunrisesoapco.com or call (717) 843-7627.

www.sunrisesoapco.com

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Utz Quality Foods
900 High St. Hanover, PA 17331

Tour Availability: Monday - Wednesday 10 am to 3:30 pm, Thursday 10 am to Noon

Please be sure to call ahead to confirm hours as their daily production schedule is subject to change. The tour is self - guided, on average it takes 30-45 minutes to complete. **If you have a handicap, need special assistance in taking the tour, or if your party is 10 or larger; Do to Covid restrictions They are not scheduling these tours at this time.**

Tour contact info: tours@utznacks.com or 1-800-367-7629.

<http://www.utznacks.com/utz-factory.html>

York County Solid Waste Authority

2651 Blackbridge Rd. York, PA 17406

<https://www.ycswa.com/tours/>

Reservations are required with two weeks advance notice

Tours are free and are available for small to large groups of up to 25 people. For safety reasons, **individuals must be six years of age or older to tour the facility.** The average tour ,including orientation, takes approximately 45 minutes to 1 hour. Participants should wear comfortable clothing and flat, **closed-toe shoes.** All participants are required to follow facility safety rules including the use of hard hats and safety glasses which are provided. The facility is handicapped accessible. If you require special accommodations contact the Authority in advance.

Tours of the RRC are available by appointment Monday through Friday. Daytime and evening tours are available. Please call 717-845-1066 or contact us [here](#) to schedule your tour a **minimum of two weeks in advance.**

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AUTHENTIC SHOPPING OUTLETS

These are outlets owned and run by the factories. Not owned by a third party that licenses the name. Most are located at the factories themselves.

Stauffer's Cookie Outlet

375 South Belmont St. York, Pa. 17403

717-848-6630

Utz Quality Foods Factory Store

861 Carlisle Street, Hanover

www.utzsnacks.com

800-367-7629

York Barbell Outlet Store

3300 Board Rd. York, PA 17406

<https://yorkbarbell.com/our-location/outlet-store/>

717-430-2031 Toll Free: 800-358-9675 x 226

Antique Shops

Black Rose Antiques and Collectibles

North Hanover Center 1100 Eichelberger St. Hanover, Pa. 17331

<https://www.blackroseantiques.com/>

717-632-0589

Burning Bridge Antique Market

304 Walnut St. Columbia, Pa. 17512

<https://burningbridgeantiques.com/>

717-684-7900

Dover Antique mall

5010 Carlisle Rd. Dover, Pa. 17315

<http://www.doverantiquemall.com/>

717-292-2629

Greybeards of Jacobus

51 N Main St. Jacobus, Pa. 17407

717-428-9316

Lewisberry Antique and Crafts Co.

206 Market Street (Rt. 177), Lewisberry, PA 17339

<https://lewisberryantiques.com/>

717-938-3200

[Yesteryear Antique Center of Hanover](#)

441 Pine St. Hanover, PA 17331

<https://yyach.com/>

717- 637-1612

For additional information visit the areas on-line travel guides

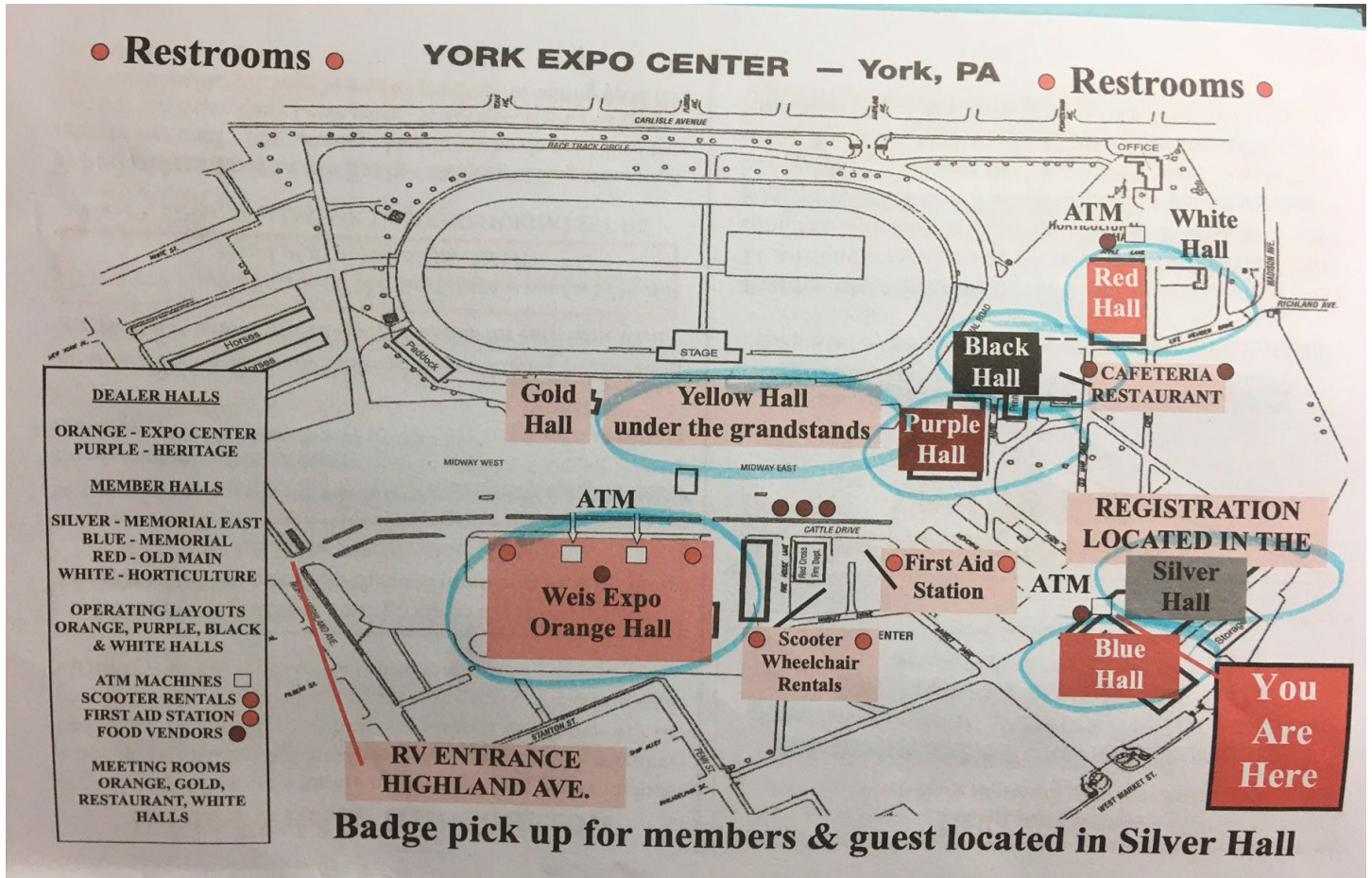
Explore York: <http://www.yorkpa.org/>

City of York Visitors Information: <http://www.yorkcity.org/visitor/visitor-information/>

Main Street Hanover: <http://mainstreethanover.org/>

Map of the York Show:

Here is the map of the York Fairgrounds. Keeping it handy makes getting from hall to hall easy. Extra maps at the Reg Desk in Silver Hall.



York Show Hall Name	(York Fairgrounds Hall Name)
Orange Hall	(WEIS Hall)
Purple Hall	(Heritage Hall)
Silver Hall	(Memorial Hall ~ East)
Blue Hall	(Memorial Hall ~ West)
White Hall	(Horticulture Hall)
Red Hall	(Old Main Hall)
Black Hall	(Banquet & Conference Center)
Yellow Hall	(under the Grandstands)

TCA Memberships

Regular Memberships

Dues are currently \$50 for one year of TCA membership. Follow the link to apply as a Regular member. [Apply Online](#)

Trial Memberships

A one-time, six-month trial membership for \$20 includes all TCA publications, the right to attend a TCA Convention, Division, or Chapter Meets and functions. Trial memberships shall not have the right to hold TCA office, vote, have tables, or engage in the selling of toy trains or related items during TCA National, Division, or Chapter Meets, or in the *National Headquarters News* publication. In applying, you must agree to observe the standard TCA rules for Regular members as described above. After completing the trial membership period, that person is eligible to apply for Regular membership per qualifications established from time to time by the Board of Directors. Trial memberships may not be renewed nor repeated. [Start my Trial](#)

Junior Memberships

(Kids Under Age 18)

Dues are currently \$25 for one year. Follow the link to apply as a Junior member.

The following additional rules apply to Junior members:

- Junior members may participate in TCA events and receive publications, but may not vote, hold office, or participate in TCA-sponsored sales or purchasing programs such as sales tables or listing items for sale in the Interchange or the Buysell site.
- **Before your application can be activated, you must submit your parent or guardian's written approval to join.** You may [do this by returning this form](#) to the Membership Coordinator at TCA. Simply complete and [email it back](#) (or print and send it via USPS) to: **Membership, Train Collectors Association, PO Box 248, Strasburg, PA 17579**. You may not hear from us until this form is received!
- Junior members must become Regular members at age 18 or forfeit membership. Junior TCA members who become Regular members will pay annual dues of 50% of the Regular member rate until the year the member attains his/her 24th birthday.

[Apply Online](#)

Would You Rather Apply by Mail? Prospective new TCA members may also file applications and make initial dues payments by US Mail, but this is not recommended and will delay processing. [Print paper application form.](#)