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Are you getting excited about November 18th & 19th, the Southern Division's Trifecta of events? Do you remember the fun we had at Bruce and Marya Pemberton's Paradise Railroad Party in 2016 when the SD celebrated its 50th Anniversary? Let's do it again!







SAVE THE DATE! *** **November 18, 2022**

Barbeque and train rides at the Pembertons' Paradise Railroad Outdoor Park!







*** SAVE THE DATE! *** November 19, 2022

Train Meet at Lake Nona Middle School (Orlando area) plus Awards **Dinner** and **Show & Tell!**

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From all of us in the photos above . . . we wish all of you a very safe and happy holiday season!









President's Perspective by Mike Setzer

My wife and I will be traveling to York this month, and we're looking forward to a good time viewing the fall foliage, seeing folks we didn't see at the convention, and selling trains of course.

Bill Trappen and Mike Mills continue to work very hard on the trifecta of events on November 18 & 19.

I'll be helping out Will Wagner on December 10 & 11 with his annual toy and train show in Palm Beach Gardens.

As you'll read in the minutes from the August 29 Board of Directors Meeting, a couple of Southern Division events are being offered to the membership. Please take the time to consider your interest and availability. We're trying to re-establish the camaraderie of get togethers of past years.

Here's this quarter's call for volunteers for the 2025 Jacksonville convention (<u>less than three years from now</u>). So many people in a variety of capacities are needed to make the convention be as interesting and entertaining as possible. Please reach out to me or any board member to volunteer. And speaking of volunteerism, see the article on page 10.

Stay safe and I'm hoping to see each and every one of you this month in York, November 18 & 19 in Lake Nona, and December 10 & 11 in Palm Beach Gardens.

Vice President's Viewpoint by Mike Mills

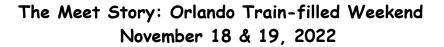
Summer is ending, and here comes the Fall season. I hope everyone had a great summer with some fun trainrelated adventures.

My summer highlights included a road trip with my wife to the Smoky Mountains. Along the way we stopped in Bryson City, NC, the location of the GREAT SMOKY MOUNTAINS RAILROAD. They have a good looking steam Engine #1702 and Diesel they use for excursions through the area. Once at our cabin in Wear Valley, TN, near Pigeon Forge we were visited (surprised) by a mama bear and two young cubs. Apparently, they are regulars around our group of cabins. We also visited The Little River Railroad and Lumber Company which is a very nice, small railroad museum in Townsend, TN. It preserves the heritage of and has a great example of a Shay Engine on display. (https://littleriverrailroad.org)

Once home we ended the summer with some pickleball and a new right hip for me (something to do, what can I say?!). As I recover (very well, thank you), I'm looking forward to all upcoming train shows in the area, including our own SD November 18 & 19 Lake Nona (Orlando) Train Show. We'll be back at the Lake Nona Middle School. As you read the Meet Story in this newsletter, you'll see we're packing the weekend with another trifecta of events. Most importantly, I think, is our partnership with Ronald McDonald House Charities Central Florida. We'll welcome free of charge any family from the Lake Nona Ronald McDonald House to our show. In addition, all the money we collect from PICTURES WITH SANTA at the train show will be donated to them. The division also will donate \$150 to this worthwhile facility for the use of their party room for our Awards Dinner. It will be a wonderful "feel good" moment for the SD.

So, we look forward to welcoming the general public to the show and more importantly, **you**, our members. This show with Santa's visit is the show to bring your young family members to meet Santa, buy some trains and . . .

KICKSTART THE HOLIDAY SEASON!



All Tracks Lead Back To Orlando for Another Great TCA Southern Division TRIFECTA Train-filled Weekend with Train Rides, Barbeque Luncheon, a Large Train Meet, plus an Awards Dinner followed by a Show-and-Tell Party!

Event #1: The first event in our Southern Division weekend TRIFECTA will take place on the day before the train meet (Friday, November 18th) as SD members are once again invited to Bruce and Marya Pemberton's spacious lakeside property in the Fern Park area near Altamonte Springs. In addition to riding trains on Bruce's 7½"-gauge 2,800-foot-long "Paradise Park Railroad," attendees will visit Bruce's large indoor S-gauge layout and dine on a barbeque luncheon catered by Bubbalou's Bodacious Barbeque Restaurant (https://altamonte-springs.bubbalous.com/), one of the tastiest barbeque restaurants in the area! The menu will include BBQ chicken, pulled pork, tossed green salad, rolls, iced tea, lemonade and chocolate brownies. If you've been an SD member for awhile you will probably remember the good times we have had there in the past. Unfortunately, new insurance regulations will prevent Bruce from running any steam engines, but Bruce has a beautiful F7 AB diesel to pull us in our "passenger" cars. Important note on participation in the train rides: the passenger cars overlap the track gauge by several inches on each side and therefore are relatively easy to tip over. As a result some adults may have difficulty sitting in the cars and maintaining their balance. To prevent possible injuries and damage to the cars and trackage, and to avoid disappointment, Bruce respectfully advises that due to insurance regulations he will have the right to decline rides on his railroad to attendees who are not physically able to safely climb into and out of or sit inside the passenger cars. As an added bonus, Bruce will have a sale table with some of his excess toy trains for attendees to purchase. The cost to attend and participate is \$10.00 per person. Because the division is subsidizing a portion of the cost of the food, only SD members and their immediate families (spouse, children, grandchildren, etc.) are invited. Any member attending without family may bring ONE guest. The day's activities will start at 11:00 a.m. and end by 3:00 p.m. To participate, please sign up on the attached or enclosed Table and Events Registration Form (TERF). Directions to Bruce's as well as to the other three venues we will be using during this fun-filled weekend are included on pages 6 and 7 of this newsletter.

Event #2: The weekend's main event is our Fall Train Meet on Saturday, November 19 when we return to the Lake Nona Middle School where we had very successful meets prior to COVID. The school has high visibility along Narcoossee Road with easy access to the premises. We will be setting up in the spacious cafeteria again with its easy load-in/load-out access. The meet will open at 9:00 a.m. for TCA members (please have your TCA and Southern Division membership cards to show at the check-in table). The meet opens at 10:00 a.m. to the general public and closes at 2:30 p.m. Table holders can set up on Friday from 4:30 to 7:00 p.m. and also on Saturday from 7:00 to 9:00 a.m. To reserve a selling or display table please sign up on the attached TERF as soon as possible.

The Meet Story: Orlando Train-filled Weekend, November 18 & 19, 2022 (cont'd.)

Because this meet falls during that period of the year when people are starting to get into the holiday spirit, we have added an appropriate seasonal element to this meet: we will be welcoming a very distinguished visitor from the North - none other than Santa Claus himself! Santa will be there to talk with and have photos taken with the kids from 11:00 a.m. to noon and again from 1:00 to 2:00 p.m. So bring your small children, grandchildren or great-grandchildren with you. We expect that Santa's presence will draw many additional local families with children, and this is why you will see the meet being advertised to the public as a "Christmas Train Show." Photos with Santa can be taken for free with a donation requested to the Lake Nona Ronald McDonald House.*

Event #3: The "caboose" of the weekend is actually a 3-part event in itself. Starting as soon as members can get there after the meet ends on Saturday afternoon, we will have an "attitude-adjustment" hour at Chroma Bar & Restaurant in Lake Nona (https:// www.chromalakenona.com) where members and guests will have the opportunity to unwind by purchasing beverages of their choice. Then at 5:00 p.m. we will make a short drive over to the party room at the Lake Nona Ronald McDonald House where we will have a delicious Italian cuisine buffet dinner including salad, dessert and soft drinks (be advised that the Ronald McDonald House is smoke free and alcohol free). The cost to attend the dinner and party is \$10.00 per person. Again, because the division is subsidizing a portion of the cost of the food, only SD members and their immediate families (spouse, children, grandchildren, etc.) are invited. After dinner the Annual Division Awards will be presented to deserving individuals and then...the fun resumes with the always popular Show-and-Tell presentations. Several members will be displaying a unique item or two from their train collections. Show-and-Tell table space and available time will be limited to 5 presenters, so members who wish to bring something to show and talk about are asked to sign up on the attached TERF and send it in as soon as possible. We hope to wrap up the day's activities by 8:00 p.m. so everyone can be home or at their place of lodging at a decent hour.

Don't miss any of the fall festivities, and we hope to see many of you at all of these events!

Mike Mills and Bill Trappen

*The Lake Nona Ronald McDonald House (https://www.rmhccf.org) is located on the campus of Nemours Children's Hospital (https://www.nemours.org/locations/florida-primary-care-pediatrician-orlando-lake-nona.html).

For those unfamiliar with Ronald McDonald Houses, they are part of **Ronald McDonald House Charities** (**RMHC**). They are an independent American nonprofit organization whose stated

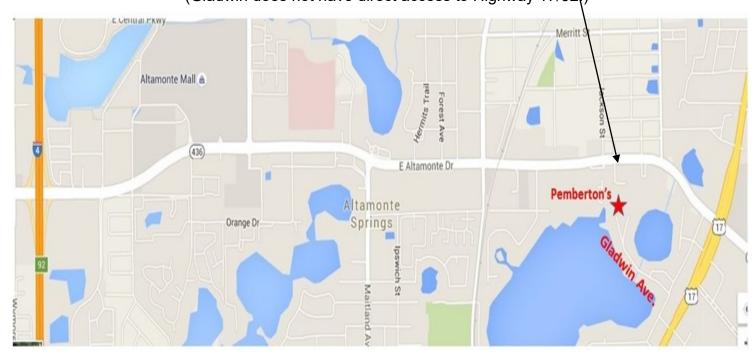


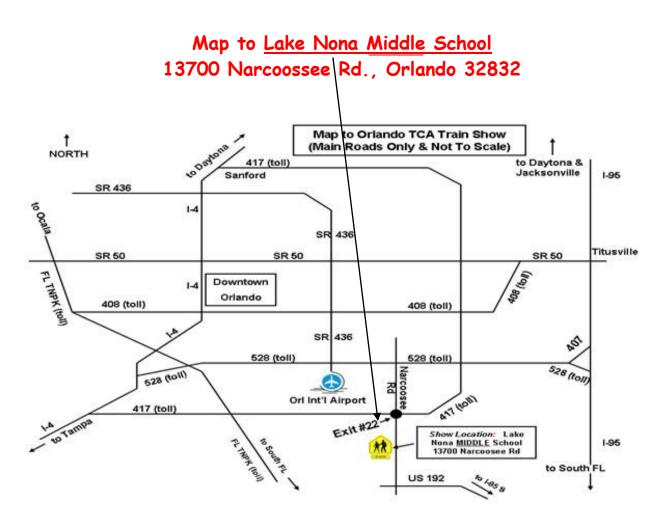
mission is to create, find, and support programs that directly improve the health and well-being of children. RMHC has a global network of chapters in 62 countries and regions under three core programs: Ronald McDonald House; Ronald McDonald Family Room; and Ronald McDonald McDonald Care Mobile. The first Ronald McDonald House was opened in Philadelphia in 1974. There are 368 Ronald McDonald Houses in 64 countries. These accommodate families with hospitalized children under 21 years of age (or 18 or 26, depending on the House) who are being treated at nearby hospitals and medical facilities. Ronald McDonald Houses provide over 7,200 bedrooms to families around the world each night, with an estimated value of \$700 million in lieu of hotel costs. (source: Wikipedia)

Map to <u>Bruce and Marya Pemberton's</u> 682 Gladwin Ave. Fern Park 32730

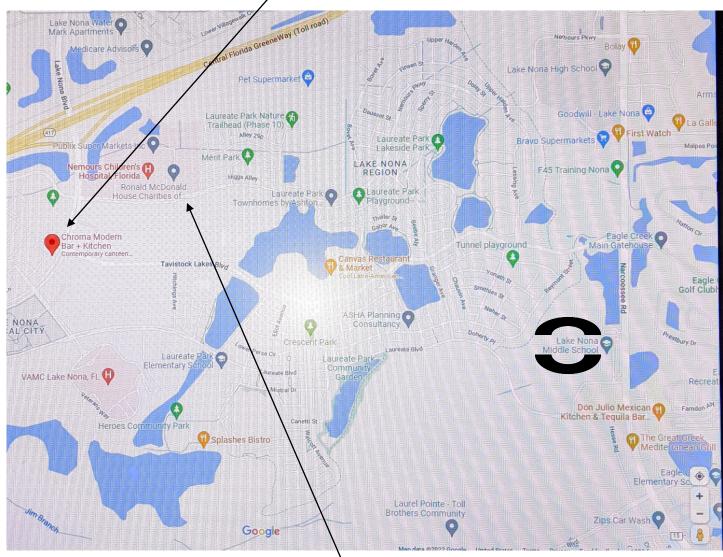
Watch for one of our members directing you to the parking area. We will have a golf cart available for those that need assistance walking from the parking area to the event area.

Fern Park is a small, unincorporated community between Altamonte Springs and Casselberry. (Gladwin does not have direct access to Highway 17/92)





Map to <u>Chroma Bar and Restaurant</u> 6967 Lake Nona Blvd., Orlando 32827



Map to <u>Lake Nona Ronald McDonald House</u> 6551 Nemours Pkwy., Orlando 32827

Have Train Stories to Share? Write for e*Train!

Since March 2002, TCA *e*Train* has established itself as *THE* premier online magazine available to train collectors, hobbyists, and the public on TCA's website. And we need *your* stories, book and product reviews, how-to articles - nearly any type of model- and toy train-related content - to make *e*Train* continue to shine.

If you're a train collector or rail fan who enjoys storytelling and sharing your knowledge, we would love to publish your work!

Get in touch with us to get started as a valued *e*Train* contributor! https://www.tcatrains.org/publications/write-for-etrain/

Minutes - TCA Southern Division Board of Directors Meeting via Zoom, August 29, 2022

A Train Collectors Association (TCA) Southern Division (SD) Board of Directors (BOD) Meeting was held August 29, 2022, beginning at 2:00 PM EDT. The meeting was called to order by President Mike Setzer.

Secretary Dienzel Dennis called roll with the following board members in attendance: President Setzer; Vice President Mike Mills; Secretary Dennis; Treasurer Mike Powell; Communications Officer Bill Trappen; and Past Presidents Steve Johnson and Charlie Anyan. A quorum was present. Invited guests participating were SD Webmaster Bill Porter; Pinellas Park Meet Host Guy Ateniese; and *The Layout* Editor Mary Anyan.

Mike Setzer reported a very positive experience at the TCA National Convention this past June and complimented the Dixie Division for its efforts. With regard to the 2025 convention in Jacksonville, Mr. Setzer advised he is in contact with the TCA national convention chairman and has kept him updated regarding the lack of Southern Division members indicating a willingness to assist.

As previously emailed to the board by Dienzel Dennis, 349 Active, 505 Inactive and 101 Deceased members currently are reflected on the SD roster.

Mike Powell reviewed the SD 2022 2Q Treasurer's Report, previously emailed to the board, and it will be included in the fall newsletter.

Bill Trappen reported on his activities since the last SD BOD meeting. He: 1) prepared the Southern Division input for the complimentary ¼-page ad and calendar of meets column for the August issue and the October digital issue of the TCA National HQ News; 2) prepared and sent the mailing list file to the newsletter printer for those members who do not receive the newsletter by email; 3) attended the Golden Spike Train Show in Deland in July with copies of the SD's Orlando Meet Flyer which were placed on the information table and also walked around the show reminding TCA table holders about the meet by giving them save-the-date cards; 4) attended a model train exhibit at the Lake Mary History Museum and left a stack of Orlando meet flyers which were set out on an information table; and 5) prepared a rough draft of a revised Orlando Meet Flyer which incorporates the additional attraction of Santa Claus being at the meet to take pictures with kids. A new master pdf file will be created, and enough copies will be made for the upcoming Melbourne, The Villages and October Deland shows plus local use.

Bill Porter reported that the website is running well. He welcomes photos he receives from SD members but only adds them to the website if the sender specifically gives him permission to do so.

Mary Anyan reminded the board that items for the fall newsletter are due to her by September 1 and provided a list of items still needed.

Regarding a Jacksonville meet in late September or early October 2022, Steve Johnson reported that he was unable to secure a meet host or venue in 2022 and will work toward a Jacksonville meet in 2023.

Bill Trappen and Mike Mills reported on the Lake Nona events. Mr. Trappen reported that the November 18th barbeque at Bruce and Marya Pemberton's will be partially subsidized by the Southern Division. Exact cost per person will be included in the information found in the Meet Story in the fall newsletter as well on the table and events registration form. Due to new insurance regulations, Bruce's steam engine no longer can be used for large gatherings. However, a diesel engine will be available.

Mike Mills advised that Santa Claus will attend the Lake Nona meet on November 19th and greet all attendees as they enter the building. Two photo op sessions will be available during the day for child attendees. He further advised that on September 1, the rental fee for the Lake Nona Middle School venue will increase. The board discussed this and agreed that this meet historically does well financially and sees no issue with the increase. Mr. Mills related that many commitments have been received for layouts and displays at the meet. He offered several topics regarding the meet and banquet for consideration, and the board held a discussion. Discussion topics: 1) donations for photo sessions with Santa be given to the Lake Nona Ronald McDonald House (LNRMH); 2) Sweet Mama's Restaurant will not be the location of the awards banquet. However, the LNRMH located on the campus of Nemours Children's Hospital offered to donate space in their center (40 people comfortably) for a just a donation to the House. The dinner will be catered, and alcohol and tobacco products are prohibited. Exact cost per person will be included in the Meet Story in the fall newsletter as well on the table and events registration form. LNRMH employees are still masked due to the pandemic but told Mike that SD guests could

Minutes - TCA Southern Division Board of Directors Meeting via Zoom, August 29, 2022 (cont'd.)

enter and exit from the outside of the building. Drive Shack (www.driveshack.com) is a games, golf, food and drink event space not far from Nemours that folks could visit before the catered banquet. 3) Mike also offered that any families staying in the Ronald McDonald House will be welcome to attend the train meet at no charge by bringing a copy of the flyer and presenting it at the check-in table or just mentioning they are from the LNRMH. 4) He also offered that families staying at the House will be welcome during the Show and Tell portion after the awards dinner. 5) Mike suggested that all Santa photo op donations be given to the LNRMH as well as a \$150 donation for use of the House for the awards dinner. 6) Mike also mentioned that he and Bill Trappen would like to see more train-themed door prizes for children and stated the Oriental Trading Company (www.orientaltrading.com) offers a multitude of train-themed items. He asked for permission to spend not more than \$75 on prizes, and Mike Powell approved.) Additional information will be contained in the Meet Story in the fall newsletter.

<u>MOTION</u> by Mike Mills and seconded: The Southern Division will subsidize both the lunch cost on November 18th and the dinner cost on November 19th. Motion unanimously passed.

Mike Setzer advised that he will assist SD member Will Wagner on December 11th and 12th at the 11th Annual Toy and Train Show at St. Mark's School Gymnasium in Palm Beach Gardens. Mr. Setzer asked if the board would like to consider sanctioning this as an SD show in 2024. The board discussed this, and it will be revisited at a later date.

Guy Atenise reported on the February 11, 2023, Pinellas Park Meet at the Performing Arts Center. The venue is secured. Mr. Ateniese will finalize the flyer and table registration form (TRF). The TRF will be included in the fall newsletter, and the meet story and TRF will appear in the winter newsletter. The board discussed increasing table prices at this meet.

<u>MOTION</u> by Bill Trappen and seconded: Increase table prices at the Pinellas Park Meet on February 11, 2023, to the following: 1) TCA Southern Division members who reserve one-three tables will be charged \$25 per selling table; 2) TCA Southern Division members who reserve four or more selling tables will be charged \$20 per selling table; and 3) TCA non-Southern Division members who reserve any number of tables will be charged \$30 per selling table. Motion unanimously passed.

Mike Setzer reported on the model train outing he would like to offer to the SD membership in Bushnell. This site offers a new train venue, a museum, a G-scale layout plus HO, O and S-gauge displays, and outdoor rides on a 7.5" G-scale railroad. An old-fashioned swap meet and an SD membership meeting could be held on the property. Mr. Setzer volunteered to be meet host. Proposed cost per person would be \$10 to include the train ride, museum tour and snacks. The board discussed this, and the general consensus was that this should occur in late March but will be revisited during a future board meeting.

Mike Setzer reported on another possible SD member outing – a Murder Mystery Train Ride in Fort Myers. Mr. Setzer reported that a private train car for SD members and guests can hold a maximum of 50 people, and the cost would be \$120 per person to include dinner and the train ride. The board solicits comments and interest from the membership, and this will be revisited during a future board meeting.

Mike Setzer reported that an SD member expressed a desire to host a train meet in south Florida. Mr. Setzer agreed to contact this member to further discuss and will report to the board in a future meeting.

Mike Mills updated the board regarding volunteers to maintain a G-scale train layout at the Winnie Palmer Hospital in Orlando. He stated that he and other members of the Village Walk Model Railroad Club volunteered to do this, and they are fully credentialed by the hospital as official volunteers.

Election of SD Board of Directors officers for January 1, 2023 – December 31, 2024, is scheduled to occur in 2022. President Mike Setzer advised the board that he will not seek a second term. A discussion followed with the board verbalizing their wish that with 349 currently active SD members, others will answer the call and serve in a leadership capacity on the board. It was unanimously decided that the board will actively and aggressively seek new leadership for the office of president, secretary and treasurer. Mr. Setzer agreed to serve as president until March 31, 2023, with Mr. Dennis and Mr. Powell agreeing to remain in their respective offices until others volunteer to run and are elected.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:56 PM EDT.

Respectfully submitted: Dienzel Dennis Secretary

The Southern Division says . . .



Two years have quickly passed since an election was held for SD officers. (Of 300+ active members, a grand total of 14 ballots were returned in 2020). Mike Setzer and Mike Mills have done a fine job as president and vice president, respectively, and the division is grateful to them for their service.

Mike Setzer advised the board that he does not wish to seek a second term, and Mike Mills advised that he will stay on as VP but does not wish to serve as president. Secretary Dienzel Dennis and Treasurer Mike Powell advised that they individually have served on the board for the past 14 years. Dienzel and Mike are interested in passing their torches. Bill Trappen has served in a variety of leadership roles for the last 40+ years. Steve Johnson served as division president for two terms and took on the monumental task of chairman for the 2020 Jacksonville convention, which had to be canceled. But he cannot commit to the 2025 Jacksonville convention, and a new chairperson (or someone even willing to serve as co-chair) has not been found. Charlie Anyan served as a meet host for several years, served as division president for two terms, and then served as TCA national president. Bill Porter, the division's website editor, contributes several hours each week to keep the site running (and running smoothly). Mary Anyan, the quarterly newsletter editor, contributes several hours each year on the newsletter as well as creates forms for train shows. Jay Zschau served as division vice president and is the current TCA national president. The combined total number of years of service for the above-mentioned is 100+.

The board is asking you to give serious consideration to providing *your* time and talent to keep *your* division running. The major issue in the division seems to be the lack of volunteerism and unwillingness to "get involved" in a leadership role or even assist at train meets. The face-to-face camaraderie at train meets seems to be less on the minds of today's members than selling trains and going home. Of course it's easier to just let others do the job, sit back, relax and show up for a meet to sell trains. But is it fair? Surely there are plenty of SD members who have the time and talent to get more involved.

The division generally has four meets a year, and these days folks willing to serve as a meet host (or even a meet co-host) are hard to come by. A board meeting usually is held the day prior to a meet. Board members are expected to attend the board meetings and the meets. Since 2020, several board meetings have been held via Zoom. Board members are given a stipend if they must travel over 50 miles one way to attend a meet. Granted, it doesn't cover all costs; but the price of everything has increased.

Given the above, the ballot for election of officers for January 1, 2023 - December 31, 2024, is not included in this issue. Mike Setzer graciously agreed to remain as president until March 31, 2023, when a successor hopefully is willing to run and be elected.

Please see the Volunteerism form attached to or included with this newsletter. Contact any board member with questions, comments or concerns.

Thank you for being a valued member of the Southern Division.

Your Southern Division Board of Directors

Upcoming Florida Train Meets/Shows

For the latest updates, check first with the meet/show hosts by phoning or referring to websites.

- Oct. 1: Train Show & Open House (Show: Pinellas Park Performing Arts Center, 4951 78th Ave. N., Pinellas Park 33781, 9A-3P; Open House: 12355 62nd St. N., Suite A, Largo 33773) www.suncoastmrrc.com/ (Suncoast Model Railroad Club)
- Oct. 1: 78th Florida Rail Fair, Volusia County Fairgrounds, Lawrence Arena, 3150 E. New York Ave., **Deland** 32724, 9A-4P, www.gserr.com (Golden Spike)
- Oct. 22-23: 74th Train & Toy Show, Pinellas Park Performing Arts Center, 4951 78th Ave. N., Pinellas Park 33781 (10A-5P; hrtrains.com) (HR Trains)
- <u>Nov. 6</u>: Zitnik Trains Fall Parking Lot Swap Meet, 5193 73rd Ave. N., **Pinellas Park** 33781 (9A-1P, pre-registration required, 727-201-9668) (**Zitnik Trains**)
- <u>Nov. 12</u>: Toy and Train Show, Lopez Hall, 7177 58th St. N., **Pinellas Park** 33781 (Vendors and Model Train Layouts, lunch available, Adults \$5.00, children 12 and under *free*, Hours 9A-2P, EARLY BIRD reservation (8-9A) \$7.00, www.regalrailways.com) (**Regal Railways**)
- Nov. 12-13: Pensacola Railfest 2022, Pensacola Interstate Fairgrounds, 6655 Mobile Highway Building 1, Pensacola 32526 (Sat. 9A-5P, Sun. 10A-4P; https://pmrc.us) (Pensacola Model Railroad Club)
- <u>Nov. 5</u>: Silver Springs Lions Club Train Show, First Christian Church, 1908 E. Fort King St., **Ocala** 34471 (9A-2P; https://www.ocalamodelrailroaders.com) (**Ocala Model Railroaders' Historic Preservation Society**)
 - Nov. 18-19: Train Meet, Outdoor Event, Awards Banquet and Show & Tell, Lake Nona (Orlando area)

 Meet Story and Table and Events Registration Form in this newsletter! (Southern Division)
- <u>Nov. 19-20</u>: South Florida Railway Museum Train Show & Swap Meet, St. Paul Lutheran Church, 701 W. Palmetto Park Rd., **Boca Raton** 33486 (Sat. train show and swap meet, Sun. train show only; <u>www.sfrm.org</u>) (**South Florida Railway Museum**)
- <u>Dec. 3</u>: Melbourne Train Show, Azan Shrine Center, 1591 W. Eau Gallie Blvd., **Melbourne** 32935 (9A-2P, call 321-805-1963 or visit http://schultzspacecoasttrains.com) (Schultz Space Coast Trains)
- <u>Dec. 8-11</u>: The Villages Holiday Train Show, Savannah Center, 1545 N. Buena Vista Blvd., **The Villages** 32162 (thevillagesmodeltrainclub.com) (**The Villages Model Train Club**)
- <u>Dec. 10</u>: Toy and Train Show, Florida National Guard Armory, 8551 W. Venable St., **Crystal River** 34429 (**Regal Railways**)
- <u>Dec. 10-11</u>: 11th Annual Toy and Train Show, St. Mark School Gymnasium, 3395 Burns Rd., **Palm Beach Gardens** 33410 (Will Wagner, 561-373-9603, <a href="mailto:www.usanc.org/www.nc.org/www.nc.org/www.nc.org/ww.nc.org
 - <u>Feb. 11</u>: Train Show, Pinellas Park Performing Arts Center, Pinellas Park Table Registration Form in this issue! (Southern Division)

Please send notices of upcoming Florida train meets/shows to Mary Anyan, maryanyan.mia1@gmail.com.

Promotion and Attendance at Southern Division sponsored Train Meets: In order to promote awareness and thus attendance, we list a schedule of upcoming shows on our Southern Division website as well as in each quarter's *The Layout*. We also promote these meets with flyers about upcoming shows available at non-SD sponsored train shows, thus marketing to folks who already have evidenced an interest in trains by attending the show. We are looking for TCA SD members to assist in that distribution. If you plan to attend any train-related meets, shows or other events, please contact Bill Trappen (bill9678@aol.com or phone 407-365-7860). Bill will get flyers to you to take to the meets and leave out for others. If possible, please give Bill at least 10 days' notice to ensure he has time to get the flyers to you. Thanks for your help.

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The deadline for articles, photos, etc., for the next issue of The Layout is

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