



Greetings to All

December 19, 2019



Season's Greetings to the TCA Family

The officers and staff of TCA extend our best wishes to our members around the world! Trains represent a wonderful unifying force among people across the globe, and we're thrilled to keep the tradition alive!

We hope the information in this email will represent the efforts we make to serve you well throughout every year! To get you in the holiday mood, we're proud to share several recent photos from the National Toy Train Museum. The Museum is currently following a limited operating schedule, and will close to the public for traditional repairs and updating from January through March.



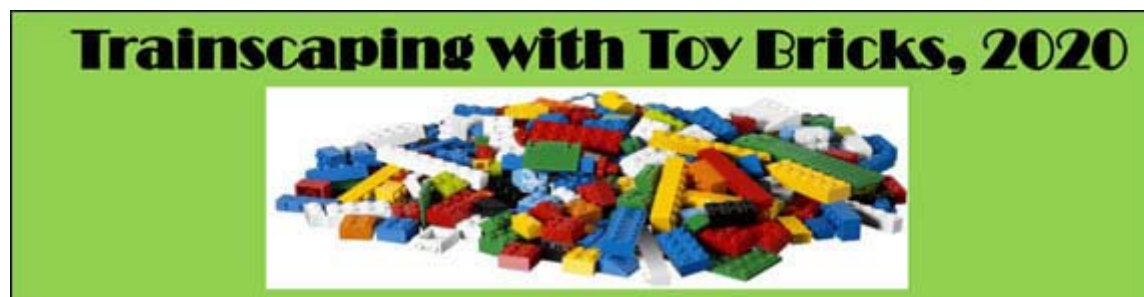
TCA e*Train
The Online Magazine of the Train Collectors Association™
Winter Edition Available

Winter TCA e*Train Ready for Holiday Reading

The newest edition, starting its nineteenth volume, [is ready here](#).

Featured articles include:

- Using fiber optics to create Christmas scenes.
- Part Two of Lego Bricks® and Lionel Trains®, showing extensive use of Lego® products in operating layouts and discussing the contest for Kids and Teens Club members (see below).
- 12 days of Toy Train Ads from our Facebook feature, plus Santa at the Museum.
- A tribute to Ron Morris, TCA volunteer.
- B&O Museum holiday events.
- Update to Hear Ye, Hear Ye, a sampling of the vitality of Division newsletters.
- Updates to longstanding favorites, with new photos and information: 6464 Car Chart, Mint Cars, Ultimate Lionel Sets.



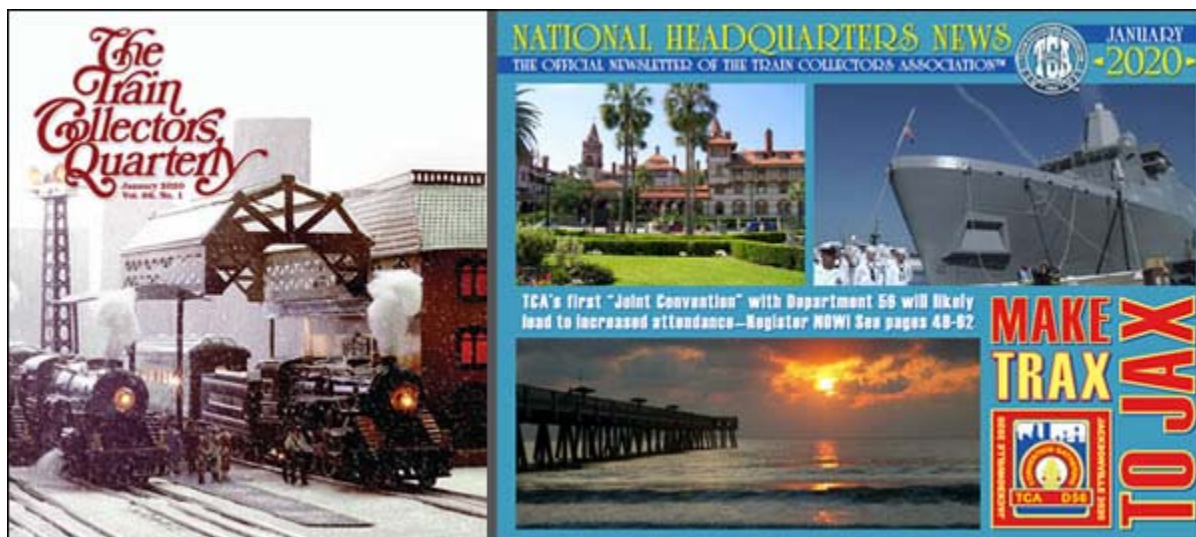
Kids and Teens Club Contest

As mentioned above, the current *e*Train* has [a great article](#) about some of the things that can be done on your layout with construction blocks, perhaps best known as LEGO® Bricks.

We'd like to remind members of the current *Trainscaping with Toy Bricks Contest* that's open to members of our Kids and Teens Clubs. Submissions are due to

contest@traincollectors.org by January 31, 2020. Full details are at the end of the article linked above.

Spread the word!



Two Online for You

The January issues of both [The Train Collectors Quarterly](#) and [National Headquarters News](#) are now available online for easy viewing, most likely before the paper copies hit your mailbox. Contents of these PDFs are searchable.

An important feature of this edition of the *News* is the Convention Section, loaded with details about the Jacksonville event June 21 - 28, 2020. And don't forget, [online registration at tcaconvention.org](#) starts January 2.



2019-2020 TCA ANNUAL APPEAL



Greetings TCA Members!
First, we want to sincerely thank everyone who contributed to any of our previous Annual Appeals. Your generosity is much appreciated, especially during the tough economic times many of us have faced in recent years!
In fiscal year 2018-2019, TCA raised over \$35,000 for the Annual Appeal—which came from generous members like you! We are very grateful to each of you who made a donation. With your help, we have been able to accomplish so much this past year!

The Time to Help TCA's Mission

TCA's annual giving program is now in operation. If you'd care to show your appreciation for TCA's efforts on behalf of our hobby, please consider this as a [time to make a donation](#).

DIVISION ADS FROM THE

NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS NEWS

THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE TRAIN COLLECTORS ASSOCIATION™

Once again, we're sharing several paid ads

[NETCA](#)

Southern New England Chapter (SNEC) meets January 5, 2020, 9 AM-2 PM at the Army/Navy Club, 1090 Main Street, Manchester, CT; new NETCA 2020 Commemorative Lionel O gauge JFK/New Haven Patriotic TOFC.

[Pacific Northwest](#)

4-car suite of MTH Premier 36' Woodside Reefers. These reefers have a Northwest-flavor involving different fruits found in the Eastern Washington area around Yakima. They carry the label of the Rainier Fruit Packing Company.

[METCA](#)

Lionel Made in USA Box cars are traditional style 6464 size, due third quarter of 2020. LionScale Reefer is in stock for immediate shipment.



Available for Shipping

While it may be a bit tight for delivery by Christmas, don't forget you could have one of our Southern Boxcars by New Year's. They're in stock at TCA. [Just go here](#) and order right away! (login required).

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