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It's Train Show Season Again!

The winter train show season is here again, with the big railroadiansa show in Gaithersburg, MD kicking it off. There is always something to buy at Gaithersburg, but the regional railroad hobby shows are worth attending as well. I usually come home with something new for the collection from the model train shows, and I try to set up a table at some of them as well. The smaller shows are the best place to introduce the collecting aspect of the hobby to new participants, and are a good way to sell more common items, too.

My only problem with railroad shows is that I usually end up running into people that I know, and if I stop to visit with them, I end up missing half the tables. That is why the KL&L Convention is my favorite event each year (and I'm not just making a pitch for it - the convention is what got me to join in the first place). The KL&L Convention always has plenty of memorabilia to see and/or buy, but it has time built into the schedule to allow for meeting with fellow history buffs and collectors. As a social event for railroad enthusiasts and historians, it can't be beat.

One person who won't be attending this year's convention is Key Lock & Lantern board member Patti Gray, who passed away on November 22nd. While there is a story about her service to the organization later in this issue, I just wanted to mention how much that I personally will miss seeing her at various events. The best aspect of being involved with KL&L is meeting people who share an interest in railroad and transportation history, and Patti was always fun to hang out with at shows and meetings.

Whenever someone makes the final run to the roundhouse in the sky, it always reminds me of the reason that we are members of KL&L. Over the course of our lives, we dedicate a large amount of time and resources to the preservation of history, and I think that most of us would like the fruits of our labor to remain after we are gone. Organizations such as KL&L provide the means to share our work with others, and pass it along to future generations.

On that note, I would like to encourage everyone to submit articles and photos for publication in the print edition of the *Key, Lock & Lantern* magazine. That is the one and only reason that it exists - to be the means for you to share your knowledge with those who will appreciate it. It never ceases to amaze me when I talk with members at the convention, and I discover how much information is filed away in their heads. Let's get it out there, while we still can!

Issue #179 of the magazine (the first for the 2016-2017 year) has been mailed, and I'm hoping to get back on time by sending out #180 in short order. If you received a notice with the magazine that you are overdue to renew your KL&L membership, don't forget to send in your dues. There is already some excellent material lined up for this year.

As always, thanks for your ongoing support, and I hope to see many KL&L members and guests at the convention in the spring. Registration information will be available soon, and hotel reservations are now open. See you there!

Dave Hamilton, KL&L President & Editor

Railroad Event Calendar



Upcoming historical society conventions, special events, railroadiansa shows & auctions. Listings subject to change. Check show web sites before traveling and visit www.klnl.org for updates. See submission guidelines at the end of the calendar.

- Feb 11 Jacksonville, FL** - Jacksonville Train Show at the Prime Osborn Center.
Info: www.gserr.com
- Feb 11 Sharpsburg, MD** - Hagerstown Model RR Museum Train Sale.
Info: www.antietamstation.com
- Feb 12 Fishkill, NY** - Railroad Hobby Show. Fishkill Rec Center.
Info: www.kingstontrainshow.com.
- Feb 18-19 Buffalo, NY** - Western NY Train Show. Erie County Fairgrounds Event Center.
Info: www.wnyrhs.org.
- Feb 18 Houston, TX** - Greater Houston Train Show. Stafford Center.
Info: <http://sanjacintomodeltrains.org>.
- Feb 19 Buena Park, CA** - California Express Railroadiansa Show. UFCW Hall.
Info: www.californiaexpress.net.
- Feb 19 Jacksonville, FL** - Jacksonville Rail Fair. Prime Osborn Convention Center.
Info: www.gserr.com.
- Feb 25-26 Allentown, PA** - Spring Thaw Train Show. Allentown Fairgrounds Ag Hall
Info: www.allentowntrainmeet.com.
- Mar 4-5 Denver, CO** - Rocky Mountain Train Show at the Denver Mart.
Info: <http://rockymountaintrainshow.com/>.
- Mar 4 Ft Wayne, IN** - Maumee Valley Railroad Club Model Railroad Show & Swap Meet..
Info: <http://maumeevalleyrailroad.com>.

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On the Front Cover:

A MARC Brunswick Line commuter train from Gaithersburg arrives at Washington Union Station during the 2016 Railroadiansa Show. Dave Hamilton photo.

2017 KL&L Convention to Feature an Excursion on the DL&W Mainline



The schedule of events for the 45th Key, Lock & Lantern Convention is currently being finalized, and registration forms will soon be posted on the KL&L website and mailed to members. The convention will be held over the weekend of May 11-14, 2017, at the Radisson Lackawanna Station Hotel in historic Scranton, PA. A variety of activities are planned for each day:

Convention registrants arriving on Thursday, May 11th will be able to meet fellow members in the pub for informal drinks and dinner. Early room-hopping will take place in the evening, allowing members to take the first look at the memorabilia that will be on display at the show.

On Friday, May 12th, a special excursion train will be run on the Delaware-Lackawanna RR's former DL&W mainline through the Pocono Mountains. The train, pulled by historic Alco diesels, will board at the hotel at 10am, for an 8-hour round trip to Portland, PA in the Delaware Water Gap. A lunch stop will be made at a location to be determined. There will seating available in a former EL Comet coach, a restored caboose, and the GVT's recently acquired business car.

Due to the fact that we are using freight railroad equipment and the loading areas are not regular platforms, passengers will be required to climb steps on this trip. Those members who are unable to ride on this trip (or do not want the "railfan safari" experience) will have the option of riding one of the shorter Steamtown excursions that will be operated that day.

The excursion train will return to Scranton by 6:00pm, which will allow members to eat dinner on their own, before more room-hopping in the evening. The Key, Lock & Lantern board meeting will be held at 8:00pm. The hotel bar will be open, for those who need some extra courage to make a trade, or just to hang out and tell railroad stories.

Alco power on the Delaware-Lackawanna Railroad lays over outside of Steamtown in Scranton, PA. The D-L will host a KL&L excursion over the former DL&W main to the Delaware Water Gap in Portland, PA. Dave Hamilton photo.

The traditional main event of the convention, the Transportation History Exposition, will be held on Saturday, May 13th, in the hotel banquet rooms. We have expanded to almost 3500 square feet of exhibit space this year, for displays of railroad and industrial artifacts. Setup and early admission for those who registered in advance begins at 8:00am, and the doors open to everyone at 9:30am.

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Hotel Reservations Now Open
Visit the Convention Page at www.klnl.org



The Steamtown National Historic Site is home to a large collection of rolling stock and displays of railroad artifacts.



The centerpiece of Steamtown is the former DL&W roundhouse, which houses equipment & exhibits.



The KL&L Convention banquet will be held on the platform where passengers once boarded the Phoebe Snow.

The annual membership meeting of Key, Lock & Lantern is tentatively planned to be held at 11:00am, followed by the popular fundraiser “auction.” The hotel restaurant will be open for lunch, and box lunches will be available for exhibitors at a reduced rate, once again sponsored by the *NY-PA Collector* magazine. Exhibits will close at 2:00pm.

A banquet dinner will be held at 6:00pm in the dining room located on the platform where passengers once boarded trains such as the “Phoebe Snow.” Railroad history programs will be presented following dinner, and the adjacent bar will be open for socializing after the close of formal activities.

Sunday is currently planned as an “open day” for convention attendees to visit Steamtown and the Electric City Trolley Museum, which are located within a mile of the hotel. KL&L will most likely arrange some type of group tour or activity, for those who are interested. There are also plenty of other activities in the area, including coal mine tours and museums, and shopping at the Marketplace at Steamtown.

The Radisson Lackawanna Station is now accepting room reservations at a special KL&L rate of \$119 per night plus tax. A limited block of rooms is available at this rate, so make your reservations now! There is a link on the KL&L convention page at www.klnl.org that will take you directly to the hotel website’s KL&L reservations page.

So make plans today to attend the 45th annual Key Lock & Lantern Convention in Scranton. After three great years in Utica, this popular event has grown again, and should be the best one yet! Watch the KL&L Facebook page, the KL&L website, and the next edition of this newsletter for registration information and forms, which will be available soon.



The restored DL&W interlocking tower at East Stroudsburg is one of the many historic structures which are still standing along the route of the KL&L Convention’s excursion train.



For Additional Photos, Visit the KL&L Page on Facebook. Use the link at www.klnl.org.

Dirk Soulis Sells Scarce Railroad Memorabilia in Online Auction

Dirk Soulis has been including consignments of railroadiana in his regular sales during recent months, and his September internet-only auction included many lots of dining car china and other railroad memorabilia. Scarce china from the Gulf Mobile & Ohio attracted a fair amount of interest, but a drumhead and signs from the Frisco were the stars of the show. Unusual artifacts from western roads often surface in Soulis auctions, so it will be interesting to see what might turn up this coming year. *All photos, descriptions, and prices realized courtesy of Dirk Soulis Auctions.*



A \$275 bid took home this lot of three nice pieces of Wabash Banner pattern china.



A Gulf Mobile & Ohio Railroad Rose pattern dish cover sold for a high bid of \$400.

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The drumhead sign from the Frisco Memphian train brought in a number of bids, finally selling for \$4500.



A \$350 bid was needed to purchase this cast iron "RR Crossing 1-Mile" sign.



A lot consisting of a creamer and gravy boat in the GM&O Rose pattern went to a new home for a \$300 bid.

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RAILROAD MEMORIES

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Announcing Auction 97 Closing January 8, 2017. Featuring over 40 lanterns including BTBB CRI&P, StP&DM; BT MK&TRR; D&RGRR & more. Locks including D&RG Ice House; D&H, Santa Fe & AL six lever pancake locks; Fancy cast GNRV, & WP; China including rare demitasse from D&RG, SLR, WP & NP. Keys including KPRW. Passes including silver TPA and so much more. I am also proud to be offering a large builders plate collection that will include some extremely rare and seldom offered plates. Printed catalogs are available for \$20 each and include a complete prices realized list. Auction is hosted on my website with live on line bidding as well as multiple photos of each of the pieces. Remember I guarantee authenticity on everything I sell. Website will be posted in December so if you are not already a registered bidder be sure to sign up now.



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D&RG RY Ice House Lock



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Sold For:
\$825

KPRW Key



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Sold For:
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NCRW Key



Sold For:
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Top Shelf Railroading Brings High Prices at Fall Brookline Auction

Despite the fact that consignments keep pouring in, Scott Czaja at the Brookline Auction Gallery continues to assemble lots that consist of rare and high quality artifacts. Although you can still get an occasional good deal at a Brookline sale, bidders are just as likely to get a “steal” on a Monet at a Sotheby’s auction. The October railroading auction at Brookline was no exception, with plenty of higher end memorabilia bringing in top bids. With an ongoing backlog, auctions will again be held in both January and April this year. *Photos, descriptions, and prices realized courtesy of Brookline Auction Gallery, and do not include buyers premium or shipping.*



A small locomotive bell possibly from the East Branch & Lincoln logging railroad sold for \$650.



A \$1200 bid was needed to purchase this Pennsylvania Railroad triple marked brass top bell bottom lantern.



A \$500 bid was needed to take home this Maine Central Railroad Pinecone logo 1/2 pint creamer.



A lot of rule books from the Eastern, Norwich & Worcester, Boston Concord & Montreal and others sold for \$140.

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Railroadiana Auction – April 29, 2017 – Brookline, NH

Auction information including photos: www.tagtown.net

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Not photographed - Alan Thomas collection slides, negatives, scrapbooks back to the 1950s – lots of steam
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Catalog on LiveAuctioneers.com - We also accept absentee bids via: email & mail
Quality consignments are welcome for future sales - call Scott or email: sczaja@hotmail.com

Gaithersburg is Still the One When it Comes to Memorabilia Shows

Anyone who collects railroad or transportation memorabilia will likely still remember their first trip to Golden Spike Enterprises show in Gaithersburg, MD. While there may be larger railroad hobby shows (but not many), Gaithersburg outshines them all when it comes to authentic artifacts. With several buildings and hundreds of dealers, there is almost too much to see in one day.

Serious collectors learn fast to buy a weekend pass that will allow early admission during setup on Friday and Saturday before the show opens to the public on Sunday. In fact, many sales take place during unpacking on Friday, and Saturday is when most transactions occur. In recent years, the advertised show day of Sunday has been relatively quiet.

The 2016 Gaithersburg show was no exception, with many happy collectors showing off their purchases at the hotel on Friday night. Saturday was the “elbow to elbow” day, as the



most sales had been made, and the dealers simply hung around and chatted with each other. Everyone seemed pleased with the results of the show, having sold a little and bought a little (sometimes more).

While there may not be as many tables as in the heyday of collecting, and the crowds aren't quite as large, there is no doubt that Gaithersburg is still the one.

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late arriving dealers set up and the rush was on the snatch new finds before they disappeared. While the price tags at the show usually reflect the high quality of the merchandise, there are always some good deals to be found.

Sunday morning saw a surge of day trippers when the doors first opened, along with some hobbyists who came for the adjacent model train show. However, by early afternoon,





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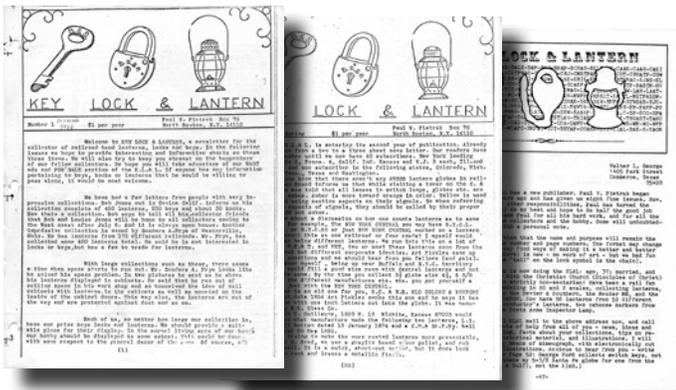
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Fifty Years of Key, Lock & Lantern

We couldn't let the year 2016 go by without noting that it was fifty years ago that Paul Pietrak began an experimental newsletter for collectors of railroad hardware by sending out a one page flyer to a handful of people who had shown an interest in this aspect of the hobby. Based on the positive response to his inquiry, Paul mailed out a quarterly four-page newsletter entitled *Key, Lock & Lantern*, with information gathered from its readers about railroad markings, hardware makers, and restoration techniques.

By the end of 1966, the size of the photocopied newsletter had been increased to six pages, with forty subscribers paying \$1 a year to receive the unique publication. One page was always filled with "Want Ads," as serious collectors had quickly discovered that KL&L was the best way to get in touch with each other. With this first year deemed a success, Paul continued producing *Key, Lock & Lantern* throughout 1967, until other projects began to require more of his time.



The Spring 1975 issue's 16 pages included articles about railroad history, studies and diagrams of unusual lanterns, announcements of collector's meets, and new finds. Sadly, this would be Bill Lindblom's final edition, as he passed away on May 4, 1975. Forbes Hauptman put out an interim issue to inform subscribers, but *Key, Lock & Lantern* was suddenly in limbo.

Fortunately, KL&L "Want Ad" editor Joe Gross would not let the publication fade away, and he brought production back to western New York, recruiting fellow collector Pete Gores as editor. Using his friend Henry Pape's print shop, Pete was able to improve on the quality that had been established by Bill Lindblom. After a brief delay in startup, Pete published a Fall/Winter 1975 edition, awakening *Key, Lock & Lantern* from its dormant state. He continued to expand the content of the newsletter during 1976, and then handed off the editorship to Hugh Guillaume at the beginning of 1977.

During the year, Jim Crosby joined Hugh as co-editor, and assumed full responsibility for the role with the Spring 1978 issue. While KL&L's area of coverage had already been expanded beyond its namesake types of hardware, more articles about china, uniforms and other memorabilia began to appear during this period. Production of *Key, Lock & Lantern* also became more of a team effort, with Joe Gross and Richard Barrett acting as publishers.

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This could have been the end of the publication, but KL&L had already started evolving into something that was more than just a newsletter. While still not a formal organization, the subscribers were not just names on a mailing list - they were a fraternity of railroad historians and collectors. With contributions of material still pouring in, the job of editor and publisher was assumed by Walter George of Commerce, Texas in 1968.

Walter continued to expand *Key, Lock & Lantern* over the next two years, eventually reaching 14 pages. This period was one of change in the railroad industry, with many older companies disappearing in mergers, resulting in a surge in the popularity of railroad memorabilia. With the number of subscribers steadily increasing, Walter George decided that it was time to hand off the newsletter to someone with the means to continue its growth.

Bill Lindblom was a printer from Zion, Illinois and had been one of the first subscribers to *Key, Lock & Lantern*. Effective with the Summer 1970 issue, Bill took over the newsletter, which for the first time was produced on a press instead of being mimeographed. In addition to better photo reproduction, popular features such as the switch key diagrams were introduced over the next few years.



Fifty Years of Key, Lock & Lantern

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In the spring of 1979, Richard Barrett took over as editor, converting the format of the publication from single stapled sheets into the traditional magazine format that is still in use today. With an expansion to twenty pages, KL&L became even more popular among historians and collectors, and the subscription rate grew from 375 in 1975 to over 600 copies. Dick continued to add new columns and subject matter (including timetables and paper), increasing the size of the magazine to forty pages.

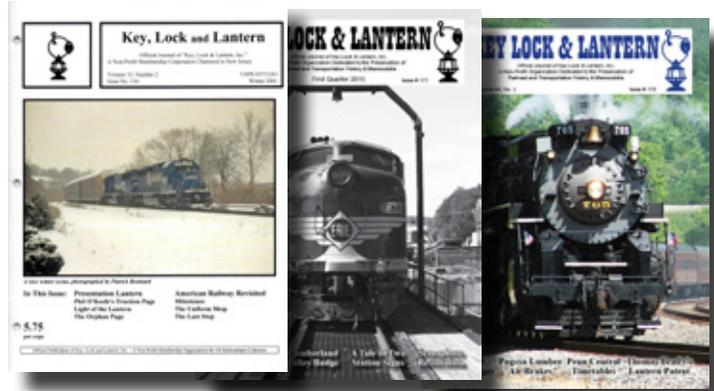
In 1982, the non-profit National Association of Railroadiana Collectors was formed to take over publication of the *Key, Lock & Lantern* magazine. Richard Barrett initially served as editor under the new organization, until handing the job over to Joel Shaw and Sam Ferrara in the summer of 1984. Joel and Sam continued producing a high quality publication for the over 900 members of N.A.R.C., and introduced more in-depth articles covering railroad history.



At the end of 1988, in order to streamline administrative functions, Key Lock & Lantern was established as a non-profit organization in New Jersey, taking over publication of the magazine. Gerard Geisler assumed the duties of editor during the following year, and continued in this position until 1994. This period saw many new contributors of material to the magazine, and the addition of new topics, feature articles, and regular columns.

In 1994, Richard Barrett returned as editor, publishing his own research in the magazine, much of which would later serve as the foundation of several books that he co-authored with Joe Gross. Dick called on many past contributors to become active in the organization again, and added columns covering subjects such as traction memorabilia, artifact history, and supplier catalogs. At the end of 1999, he turned the job of editor over to Pat & Sam Lombardi.

At the time, the new editors probably didn't realize the challenge that they faced, as the growth of the internet over the next few years saw the demise of many print publications. *Key, Lock & Lantern* was no longer the primary means of communication between collectors, and shows and auctions were often advertised online. Many of the "old timers" in the railroad history fraternity passed away, and the younger generation was more interested in playing video games than collecting antiques.



Despite these many obstacles, Pat & Sam adapted the KL&L magazine to a new role in the digital millennium, with a variety of content that couldn't be found anywhere else. H&S Graphics of Lodi, NJ, was selected as printer, and the high quality of their work became a hallmark of *Key, Lock & Lantern*. Color covers were introduced, which included photos of contemporary railroading for the first time, and many new contributors joined the old timers in submitting articles.

It was this fresh approach to the magazine that kept KL&L alive through the Great Recession of 2007, when spending on hobbies and antique investments declined. Membership in the organization dropped to 150 people, but the dedicated KL&L board and editors held things together until the economy improved. Sadly, just as things were picking up again, Pat Lombardi passed away in December of 2009.

In 2010, Key, Lock & Lantern president David Hamilton took over as interim editor, and eventually stayed on in the position on a permanent basis. With a resurgence of interest in the railroad hobby, membership in KL&L began to rebound, and has now passed the 350 mark again. The magazine, which had been reduced to 12 pages on the austerity budget, was gradually returned to the current 24 pages.

Today's *Key, Lock & Lantern* magazine features full color photos throughout its pages and professional-quality layout at facilities provided by the *NY-PA Collector* magazine. The content of the magazine has been expanded to include more articles about transportation history and culture, while still keeping Paul Pietrak's original newsletter at its core. KL&L serves to bring antique collectors, transportation historians, and railfans together in their common goal of preserving history and memorabilia from this fascinating industry. It has been a great 50-year story of how Key, Lock & Lantern reached this milestone, and we can look forward to the next half a century!

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Key, Lock & Lantern Loses Long Time Board Member & Supporter Patti Gray

It is with great sadness that we report the loss of long-time Key Lock & Lantern trustee Patti Gray, who passed away on November 22nd after a long illness. Patti's many friends and relatives in her hometown of Chittenango, NY will no doubt remember her involvement with community activities, such as the local ambulance corp. However, most Key Lock & Lantern members knew Patti best as a regular exhibitor at many KL&L conventions and railroad shows over the years.

It was always a pleasure to visit with Patti whenever she was manning a show table with her husband Lyman. More than just a "helper," Patti was a knowledgeable collector herself, and was an active participant in the activities of KL&L for well over thirty years. As a trustee on the Key, Lock & Lantern board, Patti always offered excellent suggestions for improving the organization, and often kept the debate going on topics that needed to be resolved.

But although she was all business in the boardroom, her friendly personality was always evident at train shows and meetings. If you were lucky enough to receive a table assignment next to Patti, you knew that you would have someone nearby who was enjoyable to talk with during those late afternoon hours when things were winding down.

When Patti first became seriously ill several years ago, her perseverance in overcoming her challenging symptoms and continuing to attend shows was a



Patti and Lyman Gray greet visitors to their display of railroadiana at a recent Key, Lock & Lantern Convention held in Albany, NY.

source of inspiration for everyone who knew her. With the constant support of Lyman, Patti was able to participate in many events, including the dinner and train excursion at the 2016 KL&L convention in Utica.

If Lyman & Patti missed a show, everyone knew that she was having a rough period, from which she always bounced back. This past year's convention was her final one, though, and although Lyman will no doubt continue to put together excellent

displays in the future, it won't be quite the same without our friend Patti at the exhibit table.

While most of us became involved with KL&L to further our personal collections, it is sharing our interests with others that soon became the most rewarding aspect of membership. Patti Gray's hard work and support of the organization over the years, and her efforts to promote the hobby, are an example of what Key, Lock & Lantern is all about. She will be missed.

Key, Lock & Lantern Meeting Scheduled & Nominations Accepted

The annual membership meeting of Key, Lock & Lantern, Inc will be held at 11:00am on May 13, 2017, at the Radisson Lackawanna Station Hotel in Scranton, PA. All members in good standing are invited to attend.

In accordance with the KL&L bylaws, nominations for the position of Trustee at Large will be accepted up to 60 days prior to the meeting. Nominations for

any officer position will be accepted up to 30 days prior to the meeting. Current officers and trustees will automatically be renominated unless they indicate in writing their intent to withdraw, at least 45 days prior to the meeting.

If the number of nominees exceeds the number of vacant positions, an election by written ballot will be conducted. If written ballots are unnecessary, a voice

vote will be held at the annual meeting. Any other business to be presented at the meeting is welcome, and should be submitted at least two weeks in advance for inclusion on the agenda.

All nominations should be submitted to the acting Secretary at the address listed in the current magazine. Please contact Dave Hamilton at transportsim@aol.com with any questions.



A \$750 bid took home a 1946 builders plate from the Baldwin Locomotive Works in Philadelphia, marked "7229."



A high bid of \$275 was needed to purchase this nice Gulf Mobile & Ohio Rose pattern dinner plate.



A Chicago & Alton Railroad silver tureen made by Albert Pick & Co. went to a new home for \$150.



An unusual enamel cuspidor marked for the Frisco brought a high bid of \$120, despite a fair amount of wear.



An ornate silver plated flower vase made by Gorham for service on the Frisco sold for a high bid of \$325, while a \$190 bid was needed to purchase this nice example of a Santa Fe Mimbreno pattern chocolate pot.



A Wabash Banner pattern demitasse cup & saucer by Syracuse sold for a high bid of \$170.

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A lot of Santa Fe Bleeding Blue china including a luncheon plate and fruit bowl brought a \$170 bid.



The blue etched "SL&SF Ry" globe in this Frisco lantern by Dressel garnered some interest, selling for \$375.



A \$350 bid was undoubtedly a good deal for whoever knew where locomotive number plate "3658" came from.



A nice example of a Missouri-Kansas-Texas Alamo "Blue Service" dinner plate sold for a \$250 bid.



One of several unique items in the sale, the Frisco "Sunnyland" train sign sold for \$1150.



A \$325 high bid took home this fancy cast New Haven lock marked for the Old Colony Division.



A Rhode Island Locomotive Works framed builders photo of Providence & Worcester "William S. Slater" sold for \$1000.



A \$550 high bid was needed to purchase this nice Maine Central Pinecone logo toothpick holder.



A \$950 high bid purchased this interesting Lunkenheimer whistle advertising display.



Dater dies remain popular, with this example from the New York Central station at Fonda selling for \$130.



Somewhat scarcer than typical New York Central china, this Mercury pattern custard cup by Buffalo sold for \$325.

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A brass top bell bottom by Steam Gauge & Lantern marked "CRR" with a red cast B&M globe sold for \$400, an \$1100 bid was needed to take home a double marked Fitchburg lantern by SG&L, with blue FRR globe and a CT Ham brass top bell bottom marked "Fitchburg" with a red flashed "FRR" cast globe brought \$550.



The Rutland Railroad only had one dining car in service, so the \$475 price for this Meriden tea spoon was no surprise, nor was the Rutland dinner knife by International Silver which sold for the same price.



A nice Lehigh Valley Railroad "Batavia" pattern saucer (without matching cup) sold for a high bid of \$180.

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A nice brass fire department lantern with a red over clear hand blown globe went to a new home for a \$1700 high bid, an \$800 bid was needed to take home this rare Rutland & Washington Railroad fixed globe lantern, and a Yankee Lantern by Taylor Manufacturing of New Britain, CT, featured in Issue #179 of the KL&L magazine, sold for an \$800 bid.



The Adirondack Scenic Railroad's operation of the former New York Central Adirondack Division is expected to be discontinued next year, making the Lake Clear Junction sign even more appealing, and bringing an \$800 bid.



This set of five railroad theme occupational shaving mugs with illustrations of rolling stock and owners names, in varying condition, went to a new home for a \$475 high bid. Continued on Page 23.



A framed circa-1870's depot timetable from the Boston & Albany sold for a \$600 high bid, while a marked "FRR" frame added to the appeal of this Hoosac Tunnel Route broadside, which sold for \$650, and this New Haven ashtray/drink stand from a parlor car brought a surprising \$1400 high bid. You never know what will happen at an auction!



A unique finely detailed 36" long model of the Mohawk & Hudson "Dewitt Clinton" train sold for a high bid of \$1700.



Thompson lanterns from the Concord with clear cast globe (\$1100) and Fitchburg with blue cast globe (\$2100).

Deegan dining car chimes (\$230) and signal lantern holder from the locomotive "Governor Gilmore" (\$2300).

Railroad Event Calendar

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- Mar 4** **Perris, CA** - Orange Empire Railway Museum Railroadiana Swap Meet.
Info: www.oerm.org.
- Mar 5** **Clark, NJ** - Jersey Central NRHS Train Show. Mother Seton High School.
Info: www.jcrhs.org.
- Mar 11** **Middletown, PA** - Harrisburg Railroad Show.. Middletown First Church of God.
Info: <http://harrisburgnrhs.org>.
- Mar 12** **Old Greenwich, CT** - Southern Connecticut Model Train Show.
Info: www.southerncttrainshow.com.
- Mar 18** **Corvallis, OR** - Winterail Show. Corvallis High School.
Info: www.winterail.com.
- Mar 19** **Kingston, NY** - Railroad Hobby Show. Murphy Midtown Center.
Info: www.kingstontrainshow.com.
- Mar 25** **Joplin, MO** - Joplin Museum Train Show. Joplin Museum Complex.
Info: www.tristatamodelrailroaders.com.
- Mar 26** **Batavia, NY** - Spring Great Batavia Train Show. Quality Inn (former Clarion Hotel).
Info: www.gsme.org.
- Apr 1** **Pine Bluff, AR** - Arkansas Railroad Museum Railroadiana Show & Sale.
Info: www.arkansasrailroadmuseum.org.
- Apr 1** **St. Cloud, MN** - Granite City Railroad Show. Rivers Edge Convention Center.
Info: www.granitecitytrainshow.com.
- Apr 8** **DeLand, FL** - Florida Rail Fair. Volusia County Fairgrounds
Info: www.gserr.com.
- Apr 9** **Amsterdam, NY** - Alco Historical Society Rails Along the Mohawk Train Show.
Info: www.ahts.org.
- Apr 15** **Columbus, OH** - Buckeye Railroadiana Show. Ohio Expo Center.
Info: www.gserr.com.
- Apr 23-24** **Calgary, AB** - Super Train Railroad Show. Genesis Centre.
Info: www.supertrain.ca.
- Apr 27-30** **Houston, TX** - Katy Railroad Historical Society Convention.
Info: www.katyrailroad.org.
- Apr 29** **Braintree, MA** - Mail, e-mail & phone bid only auction of large lock collection.
Info: www.schofieldauction.com.
- Apr 29** **Brookline, NH** - Railroadiana Consignment Auction. Brookline Auction Gallery.
Info: www.tagtown.net.
- May 5-7** **Marlborough, MA** - New York Central Historical Society Convention.
Info: <http://nycshs.org>.
- May 11-14** **Scranton, PA** - Key, Lock & Lantern Convention. Railroad History Expo
Info: www.klnl.org.
- May 17-20** **Camp Hill, PA** - Pennsylvania Railroad Tech & Historical Society Meeting.
Info: www.prrths.com.
- May 18-21** **Durand, MI** - Durand Railroad Days. Various locations around town.
Info: www.durandrailroaddays.com.
- May 20** **Chester, MA** - Chester On Track Festival. Chester Railway Museum.
Info: www.chesterrailwaystation.net.
- Jun 1-4** **Stamford, CT** - Railway & Locomotive Historical Society Convention.
Info: www.rlhs.org.

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For Sale: Keys, Locks, Lanterns, Ephemera, etc. Mostly NE including ME narrow gauge. Jerry Devos, PO Box 376, Towaco, NJ 07082. 862-222-5264. jdevos99@aol.com.

For Sale: Original steam, electric & diesel locomotive builders plates. Currently wide range of N&W diesel plates in stock. E-mail for current list: rjmuldowney@comcast.net or call Ron Muldowney at 609-397-0293.

For Sale: Old (1850's-1890's) New England railroad paper items. Lots of old name railroads, also Rutland, Central Vermont, Housatonic, Fitchburg, etc. Good to excellent condition. Contact Chuck Hall at 315-824-1674.

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For Sale: Railroad locks, keys and more for sale. For more information, visit website at www.angelfire.com/biz/toysoldierhq/Railroad.html. Kent Sprecher back in the hobby!

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Wanted: Switch keys from the L&HR, WVRR, SRR, NY&ERR. Stock Certificates: Wawayanda RR, Mine Hill RR, Pequest & Walkill RR, and Southfield Branch RR. Phil Simms, 8 Still Waters Drive, Campbell Hall, NY, 10916. Call 845-427-5051.

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Wanted: Lanterns, globes, locks, keys, hat badges, RR PD or RR Fire Dept items, Long Island RR & Staten Island Rapid Transit. Bob Myers, 36 Pine Hollow Lane, Greenlawn, NY 11740. 631-757-9540. robertrail@yahoo.com.

Wanted: Items from the Surry, Sussex & Southampton Ry. Jerry Rakes, PO Box 384, Tappahannock, Va 22560.

Wanted: B&O Yale signal locks, cast B&O or Y&T Butler, Charleston, Delphos, Ohio River & Shenandoah divisions. David W. Robinson. dwrbo@aol.com. 540-820-8998.

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Wanted: Canadian switch keys. Looking for keys from Canadian roads for my collection and display in a small museum. Will purchase or have some U.S. keys for trade. Contact Brad at alco1310@sympatico.ca

Wanted: LV, D&H, CV switch, signal, mechanical, motive power dept. lock sets. Uniform cap badges. Anything northeast. Chuck Hall. 315-824-1674. E-mail: mollymussonhall@yahoo.com.

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