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**Inside This Issue:**

This is the first waybill with the new board members and not so new board members to some of you. We'll discuss the upcoming 2015 Convention hosted by the METCA Division. Larry Laskowski has an excellent article on the TCA's 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary set and as always, a cup of Joe with our president, Stu! So sit back, relax and enjoy the ride.

**Coming in the next Waybill:**

2014 Convention stories. Updates on the 2015 TCA Convention hosted by METCA. Answer to abandon in METCA as well as the next mystery location.

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# Coffee With Stu



There's tons of info to report on. If you want to know what it is, DON'T read the rest of this column, since I'm going to touch on the highlights. Instead read the rest of the pages in this issue of the Waybill. This is YOUR newsletter. In no particular order, let me mention some of the newsiest things.

We have a new Waybill Editor. Sam Deo, a previous METCA Treasurer, is now taking over as Waybill Editor from Larry Laskowki. Larry has done a great job creating a vibrant and exciting newsletter chocked full of interesting articles. Don't worry, we're not done with Larry yet. I've asked Larry to continue to write the Long Island Sounds column. It's always been well received by our members. Also, Larry remains on the BOD as well as being the co-chairman of our annual banquet. Sam is transitioning into his new role, but he's hit the ground running. Just check out this issue of the Waybill. I think you'll agree that our newsletter continues to be in great hands. Just one thing, please show Sam your support by writing an article for him. Need an idea? How about a paragraph or two on how you got started in the hobby? How about a paragraph or two on your best train "find"? Maybe it was an under the table discovery or something you pulled out of the garbage. Either way, let's hear about it.

Steve Musso is working with RMLI (Railroad Museum of Long Island) to host another Night at the Museum. It's in the beginning of April (see flyer later in this issue). It's a fantastic hands-on evening for kids (both young and old alike). After running the program last year, Steve couldn't decide who had bigger smiles, the kids or their parents/grandparents. So, if you're looking to have some fun quality time with your kid or grandchild, let Steve know that you're up for smiling. You'll come away with lasting memories, just be ready for your cheeks to hurt from so much smiling.

Meet your new Board of Directors. Last year was an election year for METCA. You elected your new BOD that took office on January 1, 2014. For your Officers, continuing on as Secretary is Bob Amling. Don't get hung up on titles. Bob really is the glue that holds the Division together. Back for another term as Treasurer is Jeff Corrick. Trust me, the Divisions funds are in capable hands with Jeff. He's even brought our financial statements out of the Excel age and into the world of professional accounting software. Old timer Kevin "Kev" Quinn is back on the Board, this time as Vice President. Kev has such a great attitude and sacrifices much of his time (as well as Renee, his wife) for the Division. Rounding out the BOD are your Directors. Ben Fioriello and Larry Laskowski remain as Directors and we're happy to have the continuity that they provide (as well as being co-hosts for our annual banquet). Sam Deo (your editor) returns to the BOD ... he just couldn't stay away. Finally, Bob Dobrowolski, a previous Director, has been re-elected to the BOD. Unfortunately, he won't be hanging around too long. Just a few days before I wrote this column, Bob informed us that his "real" job has been transferred to Houston, TX. So, we'll be missing him real soon. Our loss is Lone Star Division's gain. Best of luck Bob. Oh yeah, you're stuck with me as your President for another term. If you want to meet any of your BOD's, stop by the METCA table at the Greenberg train show in Edison, NJ on March 29 and 30.

As you know (please tell me that you do know this already), we're hosting the 2015 TCA National Convention in the New York metro area. Elsewhere in this newsletter you can find our usual update on planning activities. Now that we're just a little more than a year away from go-time, we'll also be providing you with some "teasers" about the convention highlights. Thanks go out to Rich Levow for providing this first installment. Speaking of Conventions, I'll be at the 2014 Philadelphia TCA Convention. I really encourage you to go and join me there. Not just because the Philadelphia convention will be fun but because that's the start of the official public promotion of our 2015 Convention. It sure would be nice for the Philadelphia attendees to see a bunch of smiling faces from the tri-state area.

You want Division Cars? We got Division Cars. Well actually, we don't really have many available because we've sold a ton. This is just more of a shipping update. Order forms can be found in this newsletter as well as on the METCA website. Our 2013 2-pack of CNJ (Blue Comet and Jersey Central) Mint Cars was shipped out at the end of 2013 (sorry for the late notice). Our 2014 Erie Lackawanna Mint Car has just been delivered to us from Lionel. You  
*(Continued on next page)*

can expect delivery by late April (or maybe the beginning of April if I can get them to the Post Office before I leave on vacation). We do have a few Erie Lackawanna's available. We're also doing things other than Lionel Mint Cars (yes, I know they're not for everyone). We have an MTH Modell's Sporting Goods Trailer on a New York & Atlantic flat car. These are in stock and ready to ship (probably by the

end of March, give or take). Only a handful remain. Also, we're taking orders for a custom run of Atlas O 40' Woodside Reefers. We have less than 10 sets of 3-rail available as well as only 8 sets of 2-rail remaining. These are due by the end of the year. All of the above are exclusive METCA items, not available from any other source.

We get lots of inquiries about the status of when METCA will return to running train shows, so here's where we stand. New York ... St. Helen's. Bob Amling has run this show for years with amazing success. After Bob notified us that he was going to step aside as show chairman, we were unable to find someone to take over. We ran one more show without a show chairman and most of the responsibility was unfairly dumped on Bob. We won't make that mistake again. So until someone volunteer's to take the bull by the horns (it's more like a calf than a bull), no more New York Shows. In New Jersey, we own the assets of Don Brill's former Train-O-Rama Dover High School show. Bob Dobrowolski was working on finding suitable locations (actually, we have one, we're just working on a date). Bob's moving to Texas. So our NJ Show efforts take 1 step forward and 2 steps back. Just 2 days ago, another location was recommended to me. There are only so many hours in the day and if I put that on my list of things to do, it will get done, well, never. I'll attempt to delegate the investigation of this site to someone else. However, with Bob D's departure, until someone volunteer's to take the bull by the horns (it's more like a calf than a bull), no more New Jersey Shows. See a trend here? I'm not trying to sound negative, just trying to provide an honest realistic answer. For these shows to happen, we need non-BOD members to step up and say "yes, I'll do whatever it takes". We'll support you with whatever financial resources and experience/information the show requires. Believe it or not, we might get involved in Connecticut. We've been approached by NETCA, our neighboring Division to the north about running a joint show. The tricky part is finding the right location. This is a (slow) work in progress.

We are very excited to announce a new partnership with DASH. DASH stands for a website called collector - model trains. Check out: <http://www.collector-modeltrains.com> Their website offers a variety of services and features such as online auctions (buying and selling) and a collection management system (i.e. inventory software). There are 2 different membership levels. The mid-level membership (called CLUB level) is normally \$15 per year, but through our partnership, it's FREE. If you want to go for the upper level membership, they'll reduce the price of that by \$15 as a way to take advantage of the CLUB level credit. You should really go check out the website and see all that it has to offer to see if it's right for you. Our exclusive link is <http://www.collector-modeltrains.com/dash/metropolitan-division-members/> DASH also has an ad included in this issue of the newsletter.

So much for a short column.



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## Table skirt on a budget

Sam Deo 05-59610

While I was admiring the layouts at the NJ Highrainers recently, one thing really stuck out; the table skirts. Most of us who run our trains on a permanent layout focus on scenery, wiring, track plans, and of course, the trains. But at the end of the day we have a home made table which usually isn't the nicest thing to look at. Add some wires hanging down and underneath our train tables can be down right ugly. One thing you'll notice, or perhaps not notice, on these large layouts that are open for public and/or club display, is the skirt or fabric that covers the under side of the layout and usually goes to the floor. They look great and complete the layout but we're talking fabric here which isn't cheap. Well here's an idea that I just did on my home layout that looks great and didn't break the bank.

My layout is in our finished basement which also acts as a play room for our two boys, a place for my wife and me to play darts and have a drink, as well as a hang out when we have friends over. One thing that always stuck out like a sore thumb was the bench work under my layout. I built this layout trying to use wire channels in the framing and make it as neat as possible. Even with that you can still see some wires that hang down slightly for slack and the support pieces to hold the table up, not very pretty if you ask me. The best way to tackle this is with a skirt and I figured I could just go down to the local fabric store, buy something cheap and attach it to the table. My layout is roughly 10'x15' and 30" high. The cost of the raw materials from the fabric store for a canvas would be around \$275, this doesn't include the sewing that would be needed as well so the fabric doesn't fray. Being the "thrifty" person that I am, I knew there had to be a way of cutting down this cost.

While working in the garage I found an old canvas drop cloth in the corner. I realized that this was the same material as the fabric in the store except that it only comes in one color, an off white neutral tone. I did some quick math

and headed over to the home supply store where I bought four 4'x15' drop clothes and 60' of 1"x2" pine to use as a frame and anchor point. The total bill came out to less than \$110 for all the materials needed. I went home and got straight to work on my new project.

The canvas is slightly larger than the height of the table. This left me with two choices, either I cut the cloth down to 32" and hem it or I leave it long and fold it over the inside of the skirt. I decided to fold it to save time. I took my 1"x2" stock and placed the canvas over it. On the front that would be exposed for people to see it hangs down around 29 1/2", just enough so it doesn't touch the floor. On the back side we had a little over a foot hanging down. I then ran wood screws through the bottom of the 1"x2" into the canvas then the bottom of the 2"x4" that makes up the sides of the table bench work. This essentially sandwiched the canvas between two pieces of wood making a very clean installation. I continued this around the entire layout. Where two drop clothes met I butted them up so I have a nice "doorway" to access the underside of the layout. I also installed a light under the layout when I first built it to help see when I was wiring. This really comes in handy now that the skirt is up.

All in all, the project was inexpensive, easy to do (it took me about 3 hours from start to finish which included cutting the wood) and the results look great. It does move much faster with a second set of hands but not necessary. The skirt makes finishes the layout, hides the underside and doubles as fort for the kids. Plus it's easy to slide their toy box under it when we have company over. Because I wanted to do this on a budget and not spend a lot of time on it I left the canvas its natural color, however I would think that the material could be dyed in almost any color you would want to suit your needs.

Before



After



The finished product, complete with a few vintage drafting stools for the kids to watch the action and my 3 year olds pedal fire truck just in case things get out of hand!

Spring is upon us! Yet the train season on Long Island is still in swing. So let's see what is happening on the Long Island Model Railroad clubs scene.

Tom Lamb tells us that **The St James Model Railroad Club** had a successful open house season in 2013. It's time for maintenance and the club is replacing track on its mainlines. The Club meets every Wednesday night at 8:00 PM in the basement of the Mills Pond House. The layout is 38'x48' and features 9 trains running at one time, a subway line, a circus, a haunted Ghost town and plenty of cities and villages. Check it out. They are located in Mills Pond House, 660 Route 25A, Saint James, NY. Check it out here <http://stjamesmodelrailroadclub.weebly.com/>



Steve Scagnelli of the **Trainmasters of Babylon** club invites you to visit their New Home with a 4000 square foot Train room located at 120 Schmitt Blvd. Farmingdale NY. See the HBO Soprano's layout, and the layout built for the Planting Fields in Oyster Bay and check out the progress on their new operating layout. Open House dates for the 2014/15 season are November 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>, December 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>, January 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> and January 31<sup>st</sup> and February 1<sup>st</sup> Show Times are 12 Noon to 4 PM. The club's location is convenient to the LIE so come out and help with the layout, Participate in the layout building as well as accumulating a bunch of friends who like you are into trains. See TMB here at their website [www.tmbmodeltrainclub.com](http://www.tmbmodeltrainclub.com)

**Central Operating Lines** is progressing with their new layout at 50A Carlough Road in Bohemia NY, near the Long Island MacArthur airport. The club reports 4 mainlines are operational and work is now focused on Scenery and Details. Check out that downtown scene on the right. An open house schedule is part of future planning but you can see these folks at their swap meets in Farmingville, April 6<sup>th</sup> and May 4<sup>th</sup>. the largest show in Suffolk County. Be sure to check back on the COL website [www.coltrains.com](http://www.coltrains.com) for more info and directions.



From Bob Trnka we hear that the **Nassau Lionel Operating Engineers** have their new city construction underway at the south end of the layout, above the existing tracks. Estimated completion date is the end of 2014. The club has also started installing signals on the layout. About 300 are planned altogether. Much scenic work underway; check out the icing platform. The club has a scheduled open house the weekend of March 14<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>. Look to the first two weekends in December 5-7<sup>th</sup> and 12-14<sup>th</sup>, Fridays 8-10PM and weekends 1-4PM for the next shows. More info at the club website <http://nloe.org/>

**The Railroad Museum of Long Island** and **METCA** are partnering for a Kid's club Night at the Museum on Saturday April 5<sup>th</sup> from 4-9PM., 416 Griffing Avenue Riverhead, New York The program includes, Materials to build your very own model diorama, Pizza dinner served at the Museum, Ride on the historic 1964 -1965 World's Fair LIRR Park Train and Learn how to make trees. The museum opens Saturdays at 10AM beginning on this date and is open at both Greenport and Riverhead starting the weekend of May 24<sup>th</sup> Check <http://www.rml.us/RMLI/Welcome.html> for details.



Well that's the news from Long Island. See you here soon at our clubs.

## METCA 2015 Tour Teasers!

The week of 6/20 – 6/28 will be one that you will long remember as one of the “times of your life”. The following is a “sneak peek” of two of the tours that we will be offering.

### **"All that is within me cries out to go back to my home on the Hudson River" – FDR.**

This trip takes us to Hyde Park, NY which is nestled high above the majestic Hudson River north of New York City.

Our first stop will be the Home of Franklin D Roosevelt National Historic Site. Springwood was the estate that he loved & the place he considered home. The first US Presidential Library was started by FDR here. Visit the home of FDR and the Presidential Library & Museum to learn about the only President elected to four terms.



Our visit starts with an introductory film at the visitor and education center, followed by a ranger-led tour of FDR's home.

The 300 acre site includes the museum, gardens, trails and the final resting places of FDR, Eleanor Roosevelt and his little dog Fala.



Our next stop is lunch at the Culinary Institute of America. Here you will be enjoying a gourmet lunch prepared by world class chefs. Lunch is included in the tour price.

Following lunch, we continue on to one of the region's oldest Hudson River Estates -- Vanderbilt Mansion National Historic Site, historically known as Hyde Park. For nearly two centuries, this place has been home to socially prominent New Yorkers. A superb example of its type, Hyde Park represents the domestic ideal of the elite class in the late nineteenth-century America. It provides a

glimpse of estate life, the social stratification of the period, and the world of the American millionaire during the era historians refer to as the Gilded Age.

The National Park Service preserves over 200 acres of the original property, including historic buildings, original furnishings, manicured landscapes, natural woodlands, formal gardens and associated documents. The centerpiece of the estate is the mansion, a masterpiece of American Beaux-Arts design by the distinguished architectural firm McKim, Mead & White.

## They Say The Neon Lights Are Bright On Broadway

While Paris may be the “City of Light”, that nickname was acquired because of the fact that it was the center of ideas and education during the Age of Enlightenment. New York, on the other hand is indeed the “City of Lights”. We will be arriving in the city as dusk turns to nighttime. You can watch the New York of the night come to life before your eyes as darkened office buildings and skyscrapers come to life.

You will experience various sections of the city and end up in Times’ Square, the “Crossroads of the World”. You’ve seen New Year’s Eve on television, now you can stand where so many revelers have stood and soak up the electric atmosphere.



The TCA was approaching its 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary as an organization in the early 1990's and was looking for a very special offering to commemorate the occasion. Thus, the idea for a 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary Lionel O gauge A-B-A F-3 set, painted in the TCA colors of Orange, Brown and silver striping



was born. TCA members could order this item, Lionel 6-11737, in advance of the 1994 convention.

TCA subsequently offered to members, a matching bay window caboose, Lionel 6-52036. But a freight train, it was not to be as TCA and Lionel announced plans to create a custom set of its 16 inch Aluminum smooth



sided passenger cars for the TCA. Original plans called for a 4 car set with each car being offered as a convention car bearing the name of the convention city on the car side in the year that the car was released. The initial 4 cars released in 1995 through 1998 were limited to a maximum of 3 cars per member and were offered at prices shown in the listing that follows. The initial car release included 6-52062 **City of Seattle** '95 Skytop observation - \$145, 6-52085 **City of Dallas** '96 Full Vista Dome - \$130, 6-52106 **City of Phoenix** '97 Dining Car - \$130 and 6-52143 **City of Providence** '98 Coach - \$130.

When the Skytop, **City of Seattle** was released in 1995, there were coloring, gloss level and lettering variation from the previously released F-3 set. What to do? Simple, Lionel through TCA offered a replacement set of F-3 A-B-A shells, 6-28112, so owners could correct the engine to better match the passenger cars. These were made available by Lionel via special order for a very limited period.

When the City of Providence was released in 1998, TCA announced an additional car to be made for the set. Within the year, it was decided to offer yet two more cars to create a 7 car set. These additional cars were 6-52155 **City of San Francisco** '99 Baggage - \$145, 6-52191 **City of Grand Rapids** 2000 Duplex Roomette - \$149 and the 6-52220 **City of Chattanooga** 2001 Vista Dome - \$123



During this time, there was considerable member interest in additional motive power for the developing set. While previously released cars were readily available to new members and new future releases could be ordered, matching locomotives were another story. To meet the additional interest in matching locomotives, TCA offered first from MTH, its Railking O scale 30-2172-1 TCA ALCO PA A-B-A set, in matching colors released in 2000.

The desire for a steam power offering was met in 2001 with the release of the K-LINE 3685-2000 GS-4 TCA 40<sup>th</sup> ANIVERSARY 4-8-4 with TMCC. This too was a semi-scale item like its two diesel predecessors. As a GS-4 in the TCA colors, it was evocative of the Southern Pacific Daylight trains, always popular with collector and operators. It also was the first TCA locomotive offering with command control, TMCC in this case.



The TCA 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Passenger train was completed over the next two years with the release from TCA and Lionel of yet two more cars for the train. , 6-52250 **City of Chicago** 2002 Combination

car - \$130 and finally 6- 52274 **City of Los Angeles** 2003 RPO Car - \$143

At the time of their production, 7 of the 9 car types offered by Lionel had previously been issued as part of Lionel's regular catalogued car line offerings. Two cars in the TCA set were unique, never produced before designs from Lionel.

The Skytop lounge Observation car, named **City of Seattle**, the first car in the series modeled the unique glass paneled observation end first used in the prototype by the Milwaukee Roads **Cedar Rapids** which the railroad used for its transcontinental service **The Olympian Hiawatha** between Chicago and Seattle.



TCA described the Skytop car in its announcement of the 1995 TCA Convention Cars as built by Pullman-

Standard for the Milwaukee Road on the St. Paul to Seattle run. These cars were used by Union Pacific, Canadian National and Rio Grande. The Lionel Skytop is aluminum, with rear observation window and lighted hallway down one side of the car, with compartment room doors visible through the windows. On the compartment side of the car the windows show venetian blinds. Adult and children' figures are seated in the lounge area. Lionel stated they will not bring this car out in other road names. And this will be the only opportunity to purchase this unique Lionel car." A portrait of an individual appears on an interior door as you look into the car from the drumhead, supposedly Richard Kughn, then president of Lionel Trains, Inc.



The last car in the series was also a unique, never produced before car. Released in 2003, TCA offered the **City of Los Angeles**, a Railway Post Office Car. The

RPO car was described by TCA in its announcement of the 2003 convention cars as a very special car has not been previously produced by Lionel and is the first of its kind. It is a handsome, extruded aluminum, lighted RPO car decorated in all respects like the previous cars in the series". Subsequent to the TCA issue, Lionel did produce other RPO cars.

The TCA passenger set is a handsome set to have. It is a stunning looker and offers two unique offerings that were first time offerings when they were released. Individual components of the set do turn up at various meets and for sale venues/vehicles. Probably the best way to acquire the set would be as a complete offering with the Lionel F-3s with replacement shells and the 9 passenger cars. My instinct says to me that the MTH and K line engines may have been made in smaller numbers than the Lionel F-3s and could be somewhat harder to find. Happy Train Collecting MIGS.

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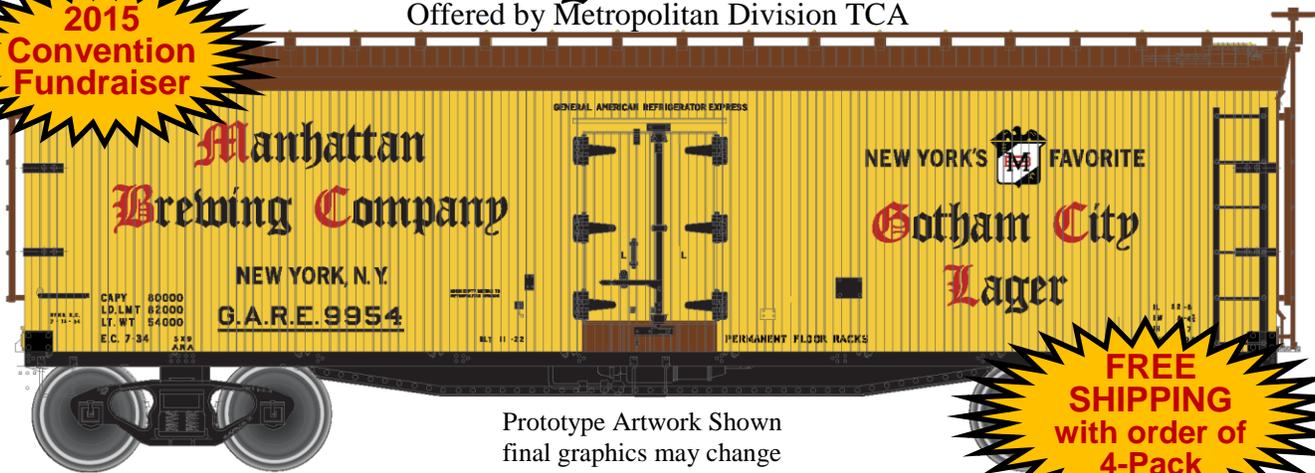
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SATURDAY, APRIL 5, 2014**

**LESS THAN 10 SETS REMAIN**

# Manhattan Brewing Co. Atlas O 40' Reefer

Offered by Metropolitan Division TCA

**2015  
Convention  
Fundraiser**



Prototype Artwork Shown  
final graphics may change



New Amsterdam Ale  
Road Number 9915



Big Apple Pilsner  
Road Number 9961



Empire State Stout  
Road Number 9943

Manhattan Brewing Company closed their doors decades ago. Regardless, we couldn't think of a more appropriate name to adorn the sides of this Atlas O 40' Woodside Reefer to raise awareness for the TCA 2015 National Convention hosted by METCA. This Master Line reefer will be offered in 4 road numbers (and 4 "flavors") with your choice of 3-Rail or 2-Rail trucks. Each variety of our reefer pays homage to one of the various names that New York has been known as over the years. These cars are scheduled for delivery in late 2014. Order now because production quantities have been set and are ultra-low (only 48 of each in 3-Rail and only 12 of each in 2-Rail). We hope that one or more of these cars suits your taste (buds)!

**Available exclusively from METCA. First Come, First Served ... Last Call !!!**

All checks or money orders must be in U.S. funds.

Mail to: METCA Division Car  
c/o Stuart Rankin  
6 Packard Drive  
Middletown, NJ 07748



**Make checks payable to METCA.**

Shipping Charges  
1 car is \$10, 2 cars is \$19, 3 cars is \$25  
Add \$4 for each additional car  
Free on 4-Packs (1 of each Variety)

Questions? Email: [DivisionCar@METCA.org](mailto:DivisionCar@METCA.org)

Order Form Online at [www.METCA.org](http://www.METCA.org)

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Indicate Qty. of each Variety: \_\_\_ Gotham City, \_\_\_ Empire State, \_\_\_ Big Apple New Amsterdam not available separately, only as part of 4-Pack

2  
Rail

I would like \_\_\_\_\_ 3-Rail Manhattan Brewing Reefer(s) at \$79 ea \$ \_\_\_\_\_

I would like \_\_\_\_\_ 3-Rail Manhattan Brewing Reefer 4-Pack(s) at \$299 ea \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Shipping on Individual Cars (see table above) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

For 2-Rail Cars, add \$5 per car \$ \_\_\_\_\_

AK, HI, and Canada add \$10.00. Foreign Orders add \$20.00. (per order) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Donation to the METCA 2015 Convention Fund (any amount is appreciated) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone No. \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_ (WAY)

# METCA 2014 Erie Lackawanna Mint Car Order Form

Metropolitan Division TCA



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Order NOW – First Come – First Served – Only 500 Made

PHOEBE SNOW was a runaway successful marketing campaign promoted by the Lackawanna Railroad. Phoebe, a woman dressed in white, was symbolic of how clean their locomotives ran because they used hard anthracite coal. After the merger with the Erie Railroad, the widely popular Erie Lackawanna continued to use this reference for their top-of-the-line named trains. METCA has incorporated this theme into our 2014 Division Car. This new Limited Production 6-58569 Erie Lackawanna Mint Car is 100% Lionel made and decorated, features die-cast sprung trucks/couplers, a metal brake wheel, a metal frame, and includes a gold bullion bar load. This car is already in production and is scheduled for delivery in early 2014. This car is the perfect companion to METCA's railroad themed *Heritage Mint Car Series*©. Order now because production quantities are set. Previous cars in the *Series* have all Sold Out, so don't wait until the last minute to order! **Available exclusively from METCA.**

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Your cancelled check will be your only receipt.  
Please return the below form with payment.  
Offer limited to TCA members only.  
Please print clearly.

Questions? Email: [DivisionCar@METCA.org](mailto:DivisionCar@METCA.org)

Order Form Online at [www.METCA.org](http://www.METCA.org)

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I would like \_\_\_\_\_ Erie Lackawanna Mint Car(s) at \$69.00 ea \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Shipping on First Car \$ 9.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Shipping on Additional Cars is \$4.00 each \$ \_\_\_\_\_

AK, HI, and Canada add \$5.00. Foreign Orders add \$10.00. (per order) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Donation to the METCA 2015 Convention Fund. Any amount is appreciated \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Join METCA or Renew.** Pay 2014 METCA Dues\* (optional) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\*If you include an email address for e-delivery of METCA Newsletter, dues are \$5 per year.

\*Without an email address, please include a total of \$15 per year for printed and mailed paper copy.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone No. \_\_\_\_\_ TCA # \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_ (WAY)

# Abandon in METCA

I wanted to mix it up a little and do something different with the back cover. If this works hopefully it will stay.

The picture below is from an abandon railroad relate item within the METCA region. Do you know what and where it is? If not don't worry, the answer will be in the next waybill so stay tuned!

