

# The Villager

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### **2003 Dues Now Due**

Dues for calendar year 2003 are now due. Please send your payment of \$8.00 to Plasticville Collectors Association, Secretary/Treasurer, 601 SE Second Street, Ankeny, IA 50021-3207. Early payment ensures that you will be listed in the 2003 PCA roster that will be mailed with the January 2003 issue of *The Villager*. Your 2003 membership card will also be mailed with the January issue of *The Villager*.

A sheet of 30 return address labels will be included in the January newsletter to all members who renew their membership by November 30. The labels will be the same

high quality as those currently offered in the PCA Corner Store.

Note: The PCA bylaws state that a new membership is retroactive to the beginning of the current calendar year and that all members are to receive all materials published during the current calendar year, up to the time of their membership, as part of their New Member packet. This ensures that new members enjoy all of the publications of the PCA for that year.

(Please refer to the Financial Report on the next page for an explanation of the need to increase dues.)

### **Nominations for 2003 Officers**

Nominations for the offices of President, Vice-President and Secretary/Treasurer are now open. Those nominated will be on a ballot available in the Members Only section of the website on December 1. All online members will be notified when the ballot is available. Online members who do not already have a User Name and password for the Members Only section of the PCA web site will be sent an email with those values prior to December 1. Ballots will be mailed to those members who are not online on December 1. All members in good standing may be nominated and self-nomination is

acceptable. Those nominees who are elected will serve as officers for the year 2003.

Please email your nominations to president@plasticvilleusa.org or mail them to President, Plasticville Collectors Association, Officer Nomination, 13301 Pepper Court, Germantown, MD 20874 or email them to kutza@erols.com. Nominations must be received by November 15, 2002 to be included on the ballot.

Editor's note: Joe Kutza, Doug Gilliatt, and John Niehaus have each expressed a willingness to serve the PCA for another year in their respective positions.

### PCA "Citizen of the Year" Nominations

It is the intention of the PCA to honor one member each year for their outstanding service to the organization. The honoree will be presented a certificate and will be profiled in an article in the January newsletter. Your PCA Officers are asking for your nominations for this year.

The service performed can be in many forms. One who recruits a large amount of members is performing a very necessary service. That person would deserve to be nominated. One who contributes articles on a regular basis is performing a service to the club also. A member who donates materials for sale to club members could be nominated.

Please send your nominations for PCA "Citizen of the Year" to PCA Citizen of the Year, 601 SE Second Street, Ankeny, IA 50021-3207 or email them to secretary@plasticvilleusa.org. Nominations must be received no later than December 15, 2002.

### **2002 PCA Financial Report and Dues Assessment**

Our financial goals as an association are to stay in the black through dues collection and advertising in The Villager, and to build a small amount of savings, to use for special projects and expenses, through various fundraisers. The PCA is not achieving either goal, yet remains financially stable overall due to a prosperous fund raising program. I want to take a moment to explain exactly what our expenses are and to justify the \$3 increase in our dues instituted by the PCA Board of Directors for 2003.

The single largest recurring expense of the PCA is the printing and mailing of our newsletter, The Villager. The cost for each member to receive four copies of The Villager by mail is \$6.84. Expenses include: paper and printing, wrapper, address label, return address label, postage label, stapling, and postage. Other recurring expenses include the printing and mailing of a Member Roster at \$1.64 per member; membership cards at \$0.10 per member; and the cost to mail an election ballot for those not online at \$0.49 per member. We pay \$9.99 per month for web hosting, and \$5.30 per month in bank fees.

Expenses for one calendar year based on the calculations above and 175 members:

Newsletters for one year for 175 Members:	\$1	,193.50	
Roster and updates for one year for 175 Members:	\$	287.00	
Membership Card		\$	17.50
Ballots that must be mailed (31)	\$	15.04	
Bank Account		\$	63.60
Web Site		\$	119.88

\*\*\* The total cost per member, per year – not including the mailed ballot, and assuming we limit The Villager to 20 pages per issue, is \$9.69.

Income projection and shortage at current and proposed dues levels:

Dues income based on 175 members and \$5.00 dues: \$875.00

Projected advertising revenues \$ 200.00 Total Projected Income \$1,075.00 Shortage to be made up from other sources: \$ **621.52** 

Dues income based on 175 members and \$8.00 dues: \$1,400.00

Projected advertising revenues \$ 200.00 Total Projected Income \$1,600.00 Shortage to be made up from other sources: \$ 96.52

A few months ago, we initiated the ePCA project. In this pilot program, about 20 Members volunteered to receive *The Villager* and the roster updates on-line only in the Members Only section of the PCA web site. The advantages of viewing *The Villager* on-line are two-fold: first, you can view and print it in color, and second, it saves the PCA the expense of printing and mailing a 20page newsletter. This pilot program proved that the online system works. We needed to help a few Members with the free Adobe Acrobat Reader software, but once those minor issues were addressed, things went smoothly. Now we are ready to roll out the ePCA program to every on-line member. You will receive an e-mail in the next month or so with a username and password that will allow you to access this area. We strongly encourage you to explore the Members Only section and contact us with any problems. Once you feel comfortable with the system, let us know so that we can discontinue sending you a hard copy version of The Villager and the roster updates. This is the best way for the PCA to become financially stable for the long-term.

One question you may have is "If we stand to save so much money by going to the ePCA program, why do we need to raise the dues?" There are two parts to the answer: first, we aren't there yet! I imagine that it could take as much as a year before we can get everyone to accept the on-line version (although I hope it's much sooner than that) and second, as stated in our financial goals, we need to have an amount of savings to address periodic one-time costs such as filing for 501(c)3 taxexempt status, attorney fees for reviewing certain documents, advertising, and setting up tables at regional shows. Our first fundraiser, the Add-A-Floor kits with the rare brown shrubs, has been very successful with 52 kits sold so far. These sales have kept us financially stable. However, sales of these kits have now slowed. The sale of PCA T-shirts will help, but we will earn less than we did with the kits. Therefore, the dues increase will help to cover the projected shortage and help to

recover the loss of income from the slowing sales of fundraiser items. While on the topic of fundraisers, a few Members have expressed a concern with the price of the items. My reply is that we are not here to sell items at cost. These sales are meant to raise funds and perhaps should be viewed as donations to the PCA. You can buy a shirt cheaper somewhere else, however, our price reflects our cost for the shirt and postage, plus a few dollars more to help us meet our expenses.

Assuming we maintain all of our members for another year, the dues increase will still leave us short by \$96.52. I believe that we can cover this shortage through the fundraisers, and through the savings we expect to materialize as Members choose the on-line format for receiving *The Villager* and the roster. Our relentless pursuit of advertisers for The Villager has also begun to pay off. We kept the income projection from advertising fairly conservative because we do not know for sure how many people will continue to advertise with us, or how

many more advertisers we can attract. By next year, we should have a better idea of how stable our advertising income will be.

I hope that this analysis has helped to justify to you, the Members of the PCA, the reason for the small dues increase. I did my best to be as detailed and forthcoming as possible in this "financial report." I think we have done an excellent job as a new Association in terms of recruiting members, and starting a newsletter. Expanding and updating our web site, in terms of both delivering and gathering information, is a major goal for the upcoming year. Hopefully we will be able to report a strong long-term financial situation to you at the end of next year.

We look forward to hearing from you about this financial overview. Let us know if you have any ideas for raising funds or for cutting costs. Please take a moment to send your \$8.00 dues to John Niehaus for 2003; we cannot afford to mail a reminder to everyone, so please do your best to remember!

### **Presidential Ponderings**



Hello to my fellow 175+ PCA Members! There is a lot of important information in this issue of The Villager. Be sure to carefully read through the Financial Report and the upcoming elections. As you will see, we were forced to raise the dues by \$3.00 for the upcoming

year. Even with this increase, the dues will not cover our expenses. Please, take a moment to e-mail the Secretary with a request for a username and password for the Members Only section on the PCA web site. In this section you will be able to download and view COLOR versions of the current and previous issues of The Villager. Once you are comfortable with the on-line version, please let the Secretary know that you no longer require a print version of our Newsletter. Choosing to receive The Villager on-line is the only way we can significantly reduce our expenses and save us a lot of effort as well.

Sightings: Over the last year several people sent me information on sightings of rare or new color combinations of plastic village items. Here is a brief overview of what was reported. First, Ray Scanland reported a red barbecue. A picture of this is available on the PCA web site. Bill Nole tells me that the red barbecue came with the House and Garden unit from the Make N Play line. Next, Charles Swanson reported a Littletown Freight Station with an olive drab platform, shack, and roof, with a red support post. There were no holes for a chimney or sign. Glen Raymond was able to

send a few pictures of the fairly rare 1605 boxed set. This 5-pieces set, shown in the 1979 catalog, contains a suburban station, a switch tower, a loading platform, a watchman's shanty, and a signal bridge. The box does not clearly fit in our box guide but is likely a variation of Type 8. Sheldon Wotring wrote an e-mail to the Yahoo! Plasticville Group stating that the Grandstand and Official's Stand come in a marbled version in addition to the standard brown. Finally, Dave Allen has been hitting the flea markets and antique shops in his area and reports finding a suburban station with a light gray roof and trim and a light chocolate brown platform. Dave also reports finding a covered bridge with a lightly marbled roof and roadway. Both of Dave's sightings can be viewed on our web site.

An interesting use of Plasticville: I received an e-mail from a gentleman in Maine who is putting together a bid to restore an old train station in his area. He plans to use a Plasticville Suburban Station in his "artist's rendition" of the final project. Good Luck to him!

Help! If you are a member of the Yahoo! Plasticville Group, please vote in the periodic polls that are listed. These are completely private; no one will know how you voted. These polls give us a tremendous amount of information. Your participation and feedback is greatly appreciated. The URL for voting in the polls is: http://groups.yahoo.com/group/Plasticville/polls

Thanks to everyone who contributed information for this article. Your thoughts, ideas, and sightings are always appreciated. Please use the contact information in our roster to let me know what's going on in your neighborhood.

### **Vice Presidential Insights**

Since the officers all serve at the discretion of the members I would like it to be known up front that I would consider it an honor if the members would allow me to serve as their Vice President for another year. It has been a wonderful year for the organization going from zero members to 175+ and still climbing. I have enjoyed the Web Site, the articles in the Villager as well as the e-mails from our members on various subjects relating to our hobby. In the coming year I am sure we will see a continued interest in the PCA and even bigger and better articles.

On another subject: which is that of On-line (e-mail) delivery of the PCA Villager. I would like to promote the delivery to our members via e-mail in place of snail mail delivery. I am sure there are some of our members might not want on-line delivery and that is your decision. However, for those who are considering on-line delivery here are some good reasons:

- 1. Timeliness Arrives immediately after being sent so you get to read the great articles and the ads ahead of everyone who receives it via snail mail.
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- 3. Search capability on-line so no more looking thru a stack looking for a specific article. On-line you can just search for the article (Keyword) to pull it up.
- 4. Portability If you are like me and you carry a laptop when you travel, it is great to have the issues on the computer. You can pull up and review an article while you are on the road. You never know when you will find something that requires some research on your part and the articles are there at your fingertips.

Last but not least, there are the cost savings to your Club, as there is no postage or printing costs associated with electronic delivery of *The Villager*.

**Doug Gilliatt, PCA Vice President** 

### 1952-2002: Celebrating 50 Years of the First Plasticville Patent

by Joe Kutza

I have been thinking of writing something to commemorate the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of patent # 2,600,900, the first Plasticville patent, since the middle of last year. I finally got around to writing a draft recently, and I realized that I didn't even know what the patent was for.

How many times have we all seen the phrase "Patented 1952" in either an advertisement, or on a box, or on a piece of Plasticville? Although some people think that the patent date is an indication of the age of an item, it is not. It just indicates when the patent was granted. So what was this now-famous patent granted for? I did some research on the Internet to find out all that I could on the subject, and was able to locate and download a copy of the original patent application. The application was filed on September 11, 1948 for a "Toy House" by Albert George McNeill, Philadelphia, PA, assignor to Bachmann Bros. Inc. Philadelphia, PA, a corporation of So what is this invention of Mr. Pennsylvania. McNeill's? Here is an excerpt from the original patent application:

"This invention relates in general to toys, and more particularly to toy houses of the knock-down or collapsible type. The principle object of the invention is to provide a toy house kit or assembly of a pleasing design, and simplified construction, and especially adapted for the amusement and instruction of children.

Another object is the provision of a child's toy house of collapsible or knock-down type, and formed of plastic, washable material that may be assembled in a matter of minutes by a child to serve both as a toy and/or as a decoration for Christmas gardens and the like."

So there you have it. Sounds easy enough, right? But wait, if this was a patent for plastic collapsible houses, how were our friends at Littletown and Marx able to make similar structures, without getting sued? Because technically, patent # 2,600,900 is not for the plastic house itself, but provides for three specific aspects of the house: 1) for the method of joining the walls of that house together, 2) for the method of the roof being held in place by small plastic lugs sitting on top of the walls, thus preventing it from sliding off, and 3) for the notches in the roof sections that allow a chimney piece to sit in place.

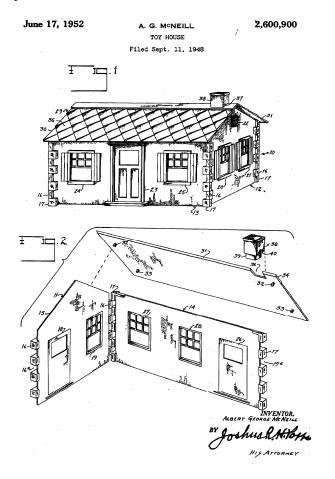
Now take a look at the two figures from the patent application. They are of a Cape Cod House. Yes, the first Plasticville-associated patent, and the one most often quoted, is for the type of connection found only on the Cape Cod House, and the original Toy Church. However, the roof aspect is more widespread, being used in several items. The chimney item is also quite restricted in this particular usage. Here is an excerpt taken from the "Claims" section of the original application regarding the method of connecting two walls together:

1.In a knock-down toy assembly of the character described, the combination of a pair of structural elements that are intended to be detachably secured together, each of said elements being made from a plastic material and having a main body portion that is relatively thin and an end edge, and a plurality of lugs arranged in spaced relation along said edge from which they project and integrally joined to said main body portion, each of said lugs being thicker than said main body portion and having a pair of

uninterrupted continuous parallel surfaces normal to said end edge, the spaced lugs on one of said elements being complemental to the lugs on the other of said elements between which they are adapted to frictionally interfit with the faces on the one lug engaging those of adjacent lugs to establish a detachable connection between said elements"

If you can follow that easily, you must be a lawyer.

What it's saying, in layman's terms, is that this part of the patent is for the type of connection found on the Cape Cod House. How many Plasticville items use that obsolete connection method? Very few indeed. Take a look at this section taken from Claim #4 regarding the roof pieces:



"4. In a toy house, front and rear walls of rectangular formation defined by end edges, top and bottom edges, a pair of end walls each having an edge corresponding to the end edges of said front and rear walls, and a pair of inclined top edges that meet at an angle and which are disposed above the top edges of said front and rear walls, each of said walls being made of plastic material and of relatively thin construction, a series of spaced lugs projecting beyond each end edge of each wall and integrally joined thereto, each of said lugs being thicker than the respective wall on which it is formed, the lugs on the edge of one wall interfitting with the lugs on the edge of an adjacent wall to establish a detachable connection therebetween, a pair of roof members resting on the top edges of said walls, and lugs projecting downwardly from the lower faces of said roof members, and engaging said walls adjacent to the upper edges thereof to detachably hold said roof members in position."

That's a mouthful to simply say that the plastic nubs on the inside of the roof will keep it from sliding off by resting on the top of the walls. Sheesh, I think the attorney was getting paid by the word! I won't bore you with the detailed explanation of the claim associated with the notches on the roof pieces for the chimney. That claim reads similar to the ones above. A complete copy of this patent application is available in the Members Only section of the PCA web site.

But aren't there other Plasticville patents? Yes, there are two other patents by Albert George McNeill, also assigned to Bachmann, and related to Plasticville. They are patent #'s 2,780,028 and 2,841,919. The first was granted on February 5, 1957 and is for the method of snapping a door in place such that it is then able to freely open and close. The second was granted on July 8, 1958 and is for the connection process that we generally see with Plasticville items; the internal connectors or lugs. Each of these will be presented in detail in future editions of "The Villager." Complete copies of each of the three "Plasticville Patent" applications are available in the Members Only section of the PCA web site.

Congratulations to Bachmann on this 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary, and thanks to Mr. McNeill for his creative genius that led to the production of Plasticville item.



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### GILBERT HO'S PLASTICVILLE STATION

by Dominic St. John

Hello everyone. First, I would like to thank John Niehaus for allowing me to submit an occasional article to the PCA newsletter. I'm certainly not a writer, but I am game. I only hope that you can bear with me, as I stumble along. Secondly, I don't presume to be an authority on Plasticville HO. Although I do collect it, and list the items as I acquire them, I am still learning as I go. I would believe that most of us

are in the same position. My only intention is to add to the mix, so to speak. I am happy to report on what I currently have in my collection, and to what I may add in the future. I would hope that any of you, who also collect the HO line, would do the same. Collectively we should be able to come to some conclusions as to color combinations and the scarcity of the same. Maybe we can uncover some oddities in the HO line. Or try to match colors to the years they were available. I always wonder if an item is in the correct box or not. At the very least we should have some fun while doing this research.

Now I think most, if not all would agree that toy trains brought us to collect the Plasticville line of toy train structures. Be it Lionel, Marx, or American Flyer, all these toy trains probably have one thing in common. They most likely shared the toy train table with the Bachmann line of plastic. In my opinion there is no other plastic house that can accept this honor. I spent many of my childhood days running American Flyer trains through my own little Plasticville. I'm sure many of you did too.

I was born and raised in New Haven, Connecticut, not very far from the A.C. Gilbert factory. So it makes perfect sense for me to collect the great Toy Maker's

trains. My first true passion is for his Gilbert HO line. That of course brought me to Plasticville HO. Now those two things are exactly why I write this in the first place.

A.C. Gilbert, along with other

train makers, had accessories that were supplied by Bachmann Brothers. Those same items were sold under the Gilbert name. In Gilbert HO it was the #701 Cheshire Passenger and Wayside Station. Of course it is really the Plasticville HO Suburban Station. The Gilbert item



which was catalogued in 55, 56 and 57 was supplied by Bachmann to Gilbert. It carries the name "Cheshire" which is the town north west of New Haven. You may know that A.C. Gilbert often used the name of the surrounding towns to decorate his items. There is the Mystic Station named for the old seaport town. You have the "Branford" Diner that is named after the town found east of New Haven. It is also the sight of A.C. Gilbert's shoreline factory buildings. They played a very important part in the war effort. Also in HO is the Paradise Diner. That name has ties to the town of Hamden where A.C. Gilbert had his nature preserve. It was also the sight of his company's employee outings.

Now back to the station. In my collection I have a number of Plasticville HO Suburban Stations. Both the HO - 100 kit as well as the 2605- 100 kit. In both kits the station has a molded white colored body. In the Plasticville HO kits I haven't seen anything other than a white station body yet. Maybe there are other colors out there. I just don't have one. On all the stations in my collection the roof is either brown or green. The doors will mirror the roof color in it's respective kit. The brown roof will have the brown doors and the green roof will

have green doors. The platforms in the early kits are brown. The platforms in my later kits are gray. On all the kits are cardboard roof signs with the name "PLASTICVILLE".

The Gilbert station, on the other hand, is molded in a cream color for the

body. More on the cream color later! The roof is reported to be either green or, as on my station, maroon. The maroon is another interesting color! The doors are green as well as the platform roof supports. So is a bench, found glued, on the Wayside platform. On the underside



Rubber-stamped <u>GILBERT</u> HO in the lower left and the molded-in Bachmann trademark in the lower right. The markings can more easily be seen in the color edition of the newsletter in the Members Only section of the PCA website.

of the platforms is the PLASTICVILLE. USA. trademark embossed on the plastic. Also on the bottom of both platforms is a GILBERT HO mark. It is a rubber stamp pressed at the factory. The three roof signs, the two for the station and one for the wayside station, are not cardboard. All three signs are plastic. They are stamped with "CHESHIRE" and then glued into place. It is easy to tell that the parts were supplied by Bachmann, but assembled at the Gilbert factory.

Now what intrigues me the most about the Gilbert HO Station are the cream and maroon colors. If there are no other colors other than white for the Plasticville HO Station body, then it would seem that Bachmann molded the cream color just for Gilbert. At the same time I wonder if the maroon color, on the roofs, is also exclusive? If there are no cream stations, or maroon

roofs, reported for the years 55, 56 or 57 you can then make the argument that these colors were made only for Gilbert. As a Gilbert HO collector, I am aware of agreements between Gilbert and the other train makers of that time. There were items supplied by others and sold by Gilbert. These same pieces are made to look exclusive to the Gilbert HO line. It certainly wouldn't surprise me if Bachmann did make these colors just for Gilbert. My theory may be wrong, but I would hope that it will get the HO people looking.

We can't let the bigger scale guy have all the fun! If there are any other colors other than white for the body, or maroon for the roofs, on the early Plasticville HO Suburban Station, then please forward any information to me for a follow-up article.

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### Reminiscences of a Plasticville Collector

by Dave Allen

I've enjoyed Plasticville since I was a kid. The parents would set up a huge town at Xmas, and we would turn off the regular lights in the room leaving only the town and tree lit. It was better than Disney. I also got hooked on American Flyer trains at that same time, and ran our holiday set until the transformer overheated. In my early American Flyer collecting years, I would pick up the Plasticville kits that matched the ones I knew at Xmas. That was back when you could get ranch houses and suburban stations for \$2 in the box, and hospitals were \$6 boxed with the furniture. I unloaded everything in 1989 and moved to Florida. After a few years, the bug came back, and I started collecting American Flyer again. I recall answering an ad in the paper for American Flyer trains for sale, and was asked to stop by to view the collection. The man had a steamer trunk full of stuff. They were his childhood trains. Included in this lot, which I was able to purchase, were several like new Plasticville kits. After sorting out the trains and putting what I needed in the collection. I decided the Plasticville was way too nice to sell. This is where I obtained my all white Motel. I know its original because I purchased it from the original owner. So I decided to be a part time Plasticville collector again.

I resolved to put aside any excellent and complete kits in the box that I happened to come across in my train hunting. Additions were very slow, and I still had no idea how collectable Plasticville had become, and had not a clue that a collectors guide had been published. After several years passed, I found myself between jobs, and bored to death waiting for the interviews to come. One weekend the cabin fever got to me, and I decided to take a mere \$75 and go to a local antique fair. What I expected to get with \$75 was beyond me, but I was going to make a day of it no matter what.

The first vendor I approached had 2, 8 foot tables full of boxed Plasticville. I didn't know where to start. I knew my funds were limited, very limited, and I had to choose the best one. Which kit should I try for, the Cattle Pen, the two Peach Cape Cods, the mint Roadrace Grandstand, or maybe the Greenhouse or Windmill. There had to be about 30 kits there. The dealer walked over and said he was more than willing to make a deal on that "stuff". I asked if he had any trains, and he said, no the damn trains sold immediately, but he cannot unload this stuff, and that he was tired of hauling it around. I was listening, and trying to determine if the Cattle Pen was complete. Then

came the bombshell. He finally blurted out that he'd take \$50 for the whole damn lot just to get rid of it. I said "Really???" How do you compose yourself after that? I thought about it for 1 minute and said "well,.... OK'. We packed them up into about 6 supermarket bags and I left the antique fair poor but thrilled. So much for a full day out

Of all those kits, ironically, only the Cattle Pen was incomplete needing one chute cross brace. I spent the next several days washing and cataloging my find, and carefully stashing it away. I was definitely hooked.

Less than a year later I moved back to the northeast and within about 2 years I completed my collection in so far as I had at least one of each item made. Many were the better colors thankfully, and some items were mint or tougher items. It was about this time that Bachmann decided to re-issue the classic kits. The market became saturated with these new kits, and I felt that the collectable market eased up quite a bit, so I stopped collecting.

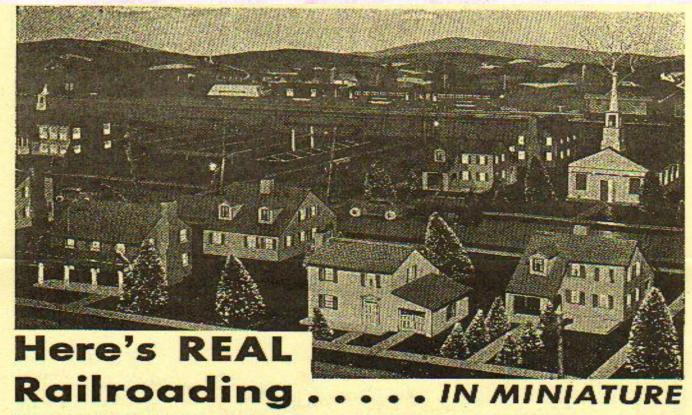
Now, several years later, I find myself looking for new directions to go as far as my collecting interests. I have a ton of American Flyer S gauge. My fiancé' is into the Gilbert HO, and I've branched off into 50's HO from other manufacturers. But these items do not come along as often as S gauge, and we found ourselves going to shows and not finding anything. She suggested we go back into Plasticville and try to get the color variations for many of the kits that we did not have. After some thought, I decided that this would be an excellent idea. I did a little reading, found out about the PCA, which I will be joining shortly, and also discovered the Yahoo groups area. I got the bug again. This past week as I was laid up with a bout of Gout, I made a short list of the color variations we needed.

Saturday, we took off for our first day hunting Plasticville in quite a while. In a little obscure town in PA, we found a bonanza. One small mom & pop train store loaded with original kits at give away prices. The blue and gray ranch, mint - \$6, the hospital with black lettering and furniture, mint - \$12, the cream trim split level, LN - \$8, the colonial mansion with green roof & trim, LN - \$6 and the list goes on. We walked away with two bags full of boxed Plasticville at our first stop. Further finds that day included a LN/OB Dairy Barn in tuscan for \$20, and the odd translucent green Bridge & Pond unit for a whopping \$2 in the box.

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### **Uncatalogued Plasticville**

by John Niehaus

How many of you have Bachmann item number 45999 in your collection? I would have to guess that there are very few who do as it seems to be a unique item and possibly rare, at least the box.

The box is a typical brown corrugated container of about 11 inches square and 4 inches deep. One side of the box bears the remainder of a Bachmann mailing label in blue. It also has Bachmann Ind., Inc. / 1400 E. Erie Ave., Philadelphia, PA. 19124 and HANDLE WITH CARE printed in red ink. The opposite side of the box has a white label attached containing four lines of text as follows. P/N 45999 / O SCALE 5PC. / BLDGS. / QTY 1. This side of the box also has additional printing in red as illustrated in the accompanying picture.

The box contains five 1980's vintage buildings. They include the 45960 Bank in light gray with a green roof, a 1956 Fire House w/two trucks one having a ladder and the other a water cannon. The third building is the 1951 combination Switch Tower and Signal Bridge. The switch tower is dark gray with brown roof while the signal tower is the standard black color. A 45961 Hospital is the fourth building. It is the usual white with a dark gray roof and trim. The 45958 Union station in the usual white with dark gray platform and green roof and trim completes the set.



Close up of box side and label

Each unit is poly-bagged as a complete unit. Each bag also contains the necessary instructions to assemble that specific building. Little is know about this item number and another that will be reported on in the next issue. One can only speculate that this item and the other was put together as a means of disposing of surplus items for which Bachmann may not have had appropriate boxes.

### The PCA Corner Store Items for sale by the PCA

Visit the PCA website to view all of the items offered.

Send payment and the description of item desired to Plasticville Collectors Association, John L Niehaus, 601 SE Second Street, Ankeny, IA 50021-3207 unless noted otherwise noted.

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### **Ongoing PCA Projects**

#### Plasticville Cathedral Census.

See the April 2002 issue of *The Villager* for details and a census form. We need to have greater participation in this project to make it viable.

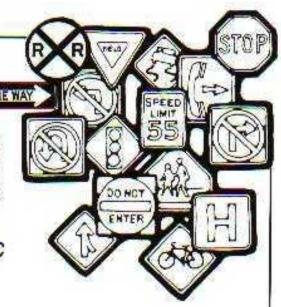
### Win a Trip to Disneyland jingle contest

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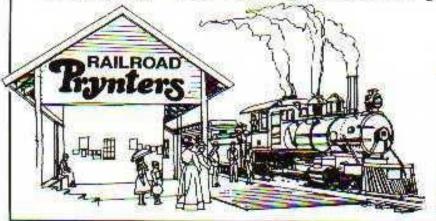


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### **Brick Paper For The Kitbasher**

It sure isn't Plasticville but there was a flurry of interest in brick printed paper recently in the Plasticville Yahoo groups discussion group. That interest started me on a search of manufacturers who offer various scale brick-printed papers for modelers. I found two printers. WSR Products is located in Connecticut. The other company, Railroad Prynters is located in California.

Railroad Prynters offers its brick paper in many styles and colors in O, S, HO, and N scale. One can purchase new brick in red or yellow and industrial soot stained brick in a random or even pattern. O and S gauge sheets are printed on 11" x 17" sheets and are on either .0065 thick paper or .0113 thick card stock. HO and N gauge are printed on 8-1/2" x 11" sheets on the same weight paper as the O and S gauge sheets.

Scored red brick, a simulation of bricks that have been painted over and then the paint ground off, is also available.

Railroad Prynters also provides the roofing material to finish your building. You may choose from yellow, rust, or light gray roofing shingles or yellow, rust, or light gray hexagonal roofing shingles.

Railroad Prynters does not stop there, though. They also offer concrete block in a light, medium, dark and stained pattern along with stained concrete slabs.

Hexagonal paving stones in gray or red, and stone and weathered boards in black or brown on gray paper are also available.

Railroad Prynters offers many more items including billboards, street signs, railroad yard signs, and acetate sheets for windows and full size reproductions of classic railroad posters among other items. These items can be ordered on glossy paper or self-stick paper.

Samples may be requested from: Railroad Prynters, Dept PCA, Post Office Box 13113, San Luis Obispo, CA 93406. Their phone number is 805 544-1678. See their ad in this issue for additional information.

WSR Products markets their brick-printed paper under the trade name of Brick-It. Their selection of colors and patterns is a bit more limited than Railroad Prynters but that should not stop you from requesting samples.

WSR Products offers five choices in brick paper: plain, brown, two-tone brown, dark red, and dark red two-tone printed on 10-1/4" X 16" sheets. No information as to material thickness was given for the samples I received but all measured about .013 thickness on my paper caliper. The two-tone and the dark red two-tone patterns have darker bricks randomly placed on the page. The brown pattern has various patterns throughout the entire sheet. The plain brick looks like what one would find on the local schoolhouse or a factory, as does the dark red.

Typical asphalt shingle roofing is available in a brown or charcoal color. A strip of ridge caps is included on the roofing shingle sheets something Railroad Prynters does not seem to offer. Adding this strip to the ridge of your building will add additional realism.

A bonus that is included with each order makes this company's product unique. Not only do you get the paper you order but you also get a pattern booklet. The booklet contains half size O scale patterns that can be enlarged to model an actual 1920's vintage firehouse. The model for the firehouse is located in Westport CT. The booklet, with pictures, leads you through the step by step process of building the firehouse.

Samples may be requested from WSR Products, Dept. PCA, PO Box 62, Colchester, CT. 06415. Their phone number is 860 267-8543

### **Resource Persons Found**

The following have graciously volunteered to be the resource person for the manufacturer or scale next to their name. A big "Thank You" to all of them. Please add these names to the first page of your roster.

Plasticville HO Littletown

Dominic SanGiovanni Doug Gilliatt

### **Resource Persons Still Needed**

We would like volunteers for the following nonelected PCA positions.

Those who volunteer would be the persons to whom the Officers of the PCA would contact with questions specific to the areas listed. Please let the Secretary know if you would like to be the resource person for any of the listed areas. Please let us know if there is another manufacturer with which you are familiar that is not listed.

Lionel Plasticville Plasticville N Skyline Storytown K-Line

### **Welcome New Members**

The following individuals' names have been added to the Plasticville Collectors Association membership roster as of February 15, 2002. A roster update sheet is included Richard E Behe, Pittsburgh, PA Larry A Terling, Cecil, PA David A Allen, Bear, PA Chris A Niehaus, Ankeny, IA Edward H Berg, Las Vegas, NV Ed Bryant, Winter Park, FL Joseph B Kmetz, Newport News, VA Joel D Lazarus, Richlandtown, PA Kenneth N Radecki, Novi, MI John R Hicks, West Chester, PA Dale Lopus, Romeo, MI Jerry C Burnett, Groves, TX Pat Pace, Anniston, AL Leslie K Malm, Lindenhurst, NY Rob D Kinsey, Lincoln, NE Joseph J (Bud) Santa, Mars, PA Lawrence D Deruiter, Cabazon, CO

with this newsletter. Please attach it to your roster for future reference.

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### **Proposed Members**

The following have applied for membership in the Plasticville Collectors Association. The names of all proposed members must be published for the review of the general membership before being accepted as members in accordance with the bylaws of the PCA. All names listed below will be added to the Plasticville

members in accordance with the bylaws of the names listed below will be added to the Dominic A SanGiovanni, North Haven, CT Robert Spivey, Decatur, GA Chet A Grodek, Chicago, IL John W Reisen, New Hyde Park, NY

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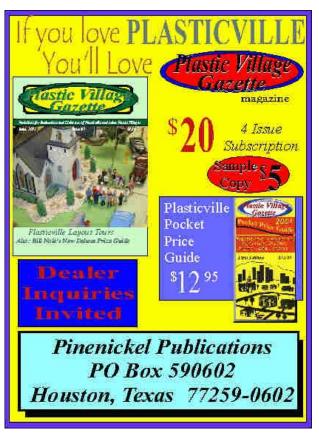
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Collectors Association rolls if no objection to such action is received prior to October 25, 2002.

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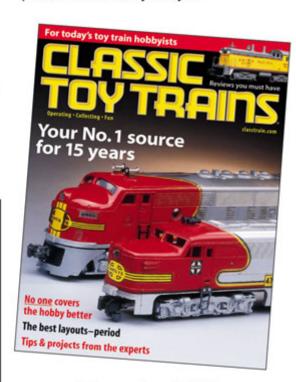
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### The Villager Mailbox

#### Letters to the editor:

Thanks for the newsletter. The McDonalds restaurant with drive-thru is so cute! I didn't realize the membership was so high. I thought the layout of the newsletter was excellent. I also thought it was a great idea explaining how to reach the URL of the website to those who are computer illiterate like myself. **Debi Wing** 

I just printed off Vol. 1, 2 and 3 on the HP LaserJet 4500 color printer. Hoo hoo haa! This is some pretty work. The pictures are as you see them on the 'Net'. **Fred Ruby #01-9** 

I, for one, *loved* the new issue of *The Villager*. It was informative and the ads, etc. are helpful, too. I plan on *keeping* ALL my issues and don't know which ones came out *before* them. I love belonging to PCA and I just hope I can find some kits BELOW the levels Bill's new book puts them at. Bill is a great guy and personally 'signed' my copy of his new book. He also sent me his 'sell' list, too. If I just had MORE money but I don't. So I'll do the best I can, right!

I'll be looking forward to future issues! I also subscribed to Mike's *Plasticville Gazette* and plan on keeping those, too! This is a nice new 'hobby' to be in to that is hopefully 'affordable!'

If you know of some 'reliable' people I could get things from my 'Want List,' kindly forward their e-mail addresses to me.

#### Regards, Robb Russo #02-138

P. S. I'll be glad to see my name on the Membership Roster next go-around. Then I'll feel MORE like that I 'belong.'

Hi John,

Thanks for the PCA past newsletters and roster. I recognize a couple names: Sheldon Wotring and Marty Johnson, both of whom I've known for several years. Great folks. Bill Nole, also!

Back in the mid 70's, when my son was 5 or 6, we unpacked my Marx trains and the Plasticville buildings I had as a youngster. They were shelf items for a couple years while we decided if the layout should be HO or Marx. After a few HO layouts, the Marx and Plasticville collection grew extensively. The HO was packed away and the larger items put on display and turned into an operational Marx/Plasticville layout.

If anyone is a subscriber to Classic Toy Trains, my collection was featured in the March 1999 issue. Although most of the pictures feature Marx trains, you can get a sense of the Plasticville collection involved.

The collection also features quite a bit of HO but most of it is packed away in boxes (no room) and some N scale at my son's house. Erector sets were and still are part of the collection also.

Enough rambling for now. Look forward to the next newsletter. I also subscribe to "Gazette", finding out about all this stuff at the recent TCA convention in St. Charles, IL. **John Torgerson #02-157** 

Hello.

My name is Donald Lee and I live in S.C. now. I joined PCA this summer.

I have a question for you. Did you ever try to unglue any Plasticville houses? Or do you know any person who can help me?

I have a lot of Plasticville houses and other things in HO-gauge. 02-145

I won on E-BAY a 2-story house and found that is glued together. A good 2-story house is hard to find and I want to save it if I can. Thank you. **Donald Lee #02-145** 

I have been a member since mid July yet I do not find my name in the roster or roster update pages. Why is that? Pat Pace #02-131

The roster is updated each quarter with the inclusion of a Roster Update page in the newsletter. Your name is on the update page that will be sent with the October issue. It will also appear in the Members Only section when our webmaster publishes the October roster update page to the website.

Your observation does bring up a good point. The Secretary should probably be the sending the roster update page immediately after the period for comments has expired rather than wait until it is published in the next newsletter.

As a new organization, comments such as yours help us to better serve the needs of the members. Thanks again. Editor

I was really surprised to get your letter from the PCA the other day with so many stamps on it. It has been many years since I have seen such a great envelope. Yes I will be happy to return them to you and....

Many years ago I ran a Ben Franklin Stamp Club at our local library while my kids were still young and several people donated many stamps for the kids to use and I gave freely of the stamps I received. Even with giving away as many as I did I still have many stamps left over. Question----Would you like to have them? They are mostly common in the 18 to 23 cent range. They are on close cut paper. We are talking about 25 to 30 pounds of stamps. I have a bunch of commemoratives that I will also include. Please let me know if you are. I knew that someday I would find someone who would be interested.

#### Ken Perez #02-172

The stamps that Ken offered were sent to a person in Missouri who conducts a stamp-collecting program for children in the fourth and fifth grades at five elementary schools in smaller towns south of St. Louis. Editor



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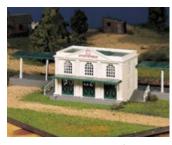
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### **Notes from the Secretary Treasurer**

#### Changes of address:

Please make the following changes to your 2002 roster.

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 Mike Cedro 01-28

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Rob Russo

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#### E-mail address corrections:

Please make the following email address corrections to your current roster.

Jerry Vega (01-33) is vega4@motion.net

### New classified ad expiration date code:

You will notice that there is a new and hopefully improved classified ad expiration code at the end of all classified ads. The previous code seemed to cause confusion – even for me! The code now states the month and year in which your ad will be last published in the

### Membership information privacy policy:

A question has been raised as to how the Plasticville Collectors Association will respond to requests for member information from companies and individuals outside the Association.

The Plasticville Collectors Association will not give or sell any information contained in the membership database to any company, organization or individual newsletter. If your ad were to have a code of Oct02 then your ad would be last seen in the October 2002 issue of the newsletter. It is hoped that this new code will make it easier for you to keep track of when your classified ads expire.

regardless of the purported purpose of that company, organization or individual.

Additionally the membership information is stored in a database on a computer on which appropriate security measures to bar unauthorized access to that data has been taken.

#### **Incorrect Email addresses**

Would the following people please send me their current email address. I send out memos to online members and the addresses listed fail.

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### For Sale

Huge collection of Plasticville, MarX, and Littletown for sale by the single piece or entire collection. LSASE for list or email at transam976@aol.com. Bill Rieken, #01-74, 58 Quails Crossing, Marion, MA, 02738. (Jan03)

NOMA station repair parts: Turntable casting wheels \$25 ea., motors \$45 ea. (not the same as originals), window sets \$4.50 per window, motor belts (small) \$6.50 ea., motor to turntable belts (large) \$8.50 ea., plastic corner posts \$10.00 ea., tower clock decals \$4.50 ea. Other parts available. Listing \$1.00. Shipping parts 10%. Chris Rossbach, #01-81, C/O Restoration Train Parts 135 Richmond Dr., Gloversville, NY 12078. (Jan03)

1800 Gas Station w/car, \$32. 1621 Motel w/3 cars, \$30. 1504 Mobile Home, white, \$70. 1606 Barnyard Animals, 18, \$24. 1804 Greenhouse, \$70. 1502 Cape Cod, peach, brown roof, white trim, \$40. All the above boxed, and complete. Many other boxed Plasticville items for sale. Paul Gurchik, #02-101, 203 Horseshoe Dr, Ebensburg, PA 15931 (Jul03)

PCS #0700 Banks Dist. by King, both color combos available, NIB \$30 ea or \$50 for both. DE-7 Diner complete OB red \$25. 1801 Bank, 1607 Firehouse, 1614 Police Station, all complete VG condition, \$125/lot. CC-9 Church, complete, all tabs present OB w/insert \$20.

### For Trade

Littletown #315 Spruce Trees, 3 boxes plus master carton. 12 trees per box. Tape on end flap of each box. 1905 Town Hall, complete, OB, VG condition. 1900 Turnpike, complete, VG condition, OB cellophane bag opened with small parts. ON-5 Outdoor necessities on card, VG condition. JC-3 Fence Tree unit, rare. lconway@jadecorp.com Lou Conway, 6984 Ely Rd, New Hope, PA 18938 (Jul03)

### Wanted

I'm looking for a couple of Plasticville HO Center Square kits. They were made as scenic classics but I'm most interested in the monuments that went in the center. I'm also looking for an HO scenic classic called the vegetable garden. Boxes or complete sets NOT required. Contact Joe Kutza, #99-1, at kutza@erols.com or (301) 528-6679. (Jul03)

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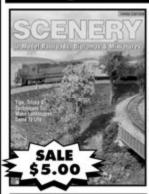
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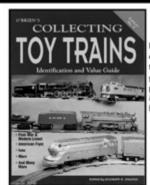


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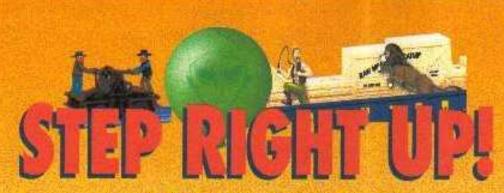
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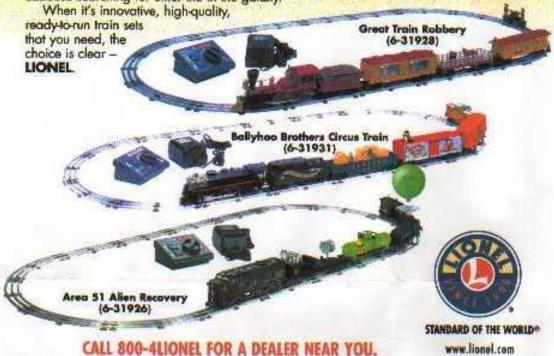


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