## Bus Musings





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We continue to forge ahead with plans for the Museum in concert with the Antique Automobile Club of America. By the time you receive this newsletter we will have received the "formal" agreement from AACA.

In the meantime, ground has been broken for the museum on a picturesque hillside located on Pennsylvania Highway Route 39 just outside of anything else?) we have 18 buses in the MOBT fleet and they are stored in four locations. Not only is this inconvenient, but it is costing us money in rentals. The Board is looking into consolidation of this storage space. We need a facility that is within easy driving of Hershey, so that we can switch our display at least quarterly. To achieve this at a reasonable rate, we have selected the former industrial

The late Reed Shaeffer (former SEPTA employee) has willed us his collection of Bus Transportation, Mass Transportation, and other bus items. These are now in the MOBT archives. Duplicates will be sold at flea markets.

MOBT will be present at the "Gathering of Buses" at Double A Transportation (Rocky Hill, CT) on April 3, 2002.

## From the Directors

Hershey, PA. Several Board Members visited the site on April 23, 2002, and were greeted with a virtual flurry of activity. The facility should be open by April, 2003.

Buses will be mixed with "period" automobiles when the Museum first opens. We feel this is a good thing that will instill more interest in buses by a public who is generally cool to the "lowly" bus.

Speaking of buses (is there

city of Lebanon, PA as a possible storage site. Properties are available and reasonable. Hopefully, by our next issue we can report more about this.

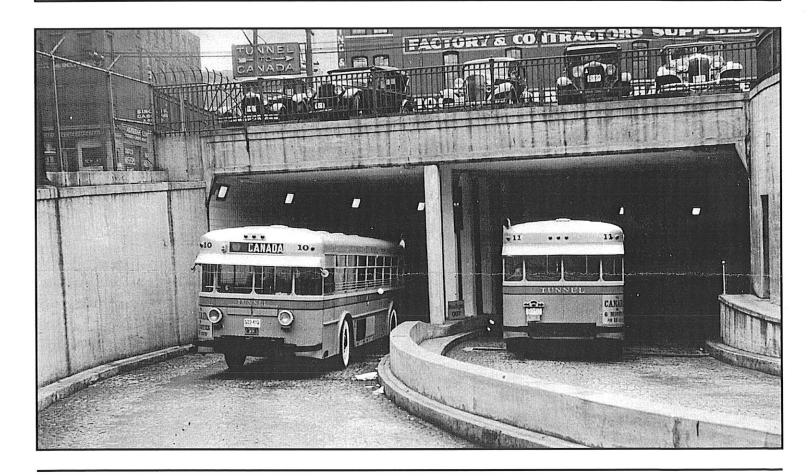
Ann Maguire (wife of our respected late President Dick Maguire) has presented us with a check in the amount of \$50,000. She has also donated Dick's superb collection of five buses to MOBT. We gratefully acknowledge this generous gift.

Please continue your support by "talking up" the Museum and adding a new member or two -- What a bargain at \$20.00.

Enjoy your summer!

Please consider donating any excess literature, photos, models, etc., to MOBT. This archival material will either be displayed or sold to be added to our treasury and assets (currently near the million dollar mark).

	HISTO	ORIC BUSES CURRENTL	Y OWNED BY MOBT
		HISTORIC BUS	SOURCE OR DONATOR
1	1927	<b>Fageol Safety Coach</b>	Maguire
2	1928	Yellow Coach	Magnano
3	1929	Yellow Coach Model W	Fullington
4	1936	Fitzjohn Chevrolet	Maguire
5	1940	White, Model 786-1	Glikin
6	1946	GM 3703	Magnano
7	1947	<b>Flxible 29 B1-47</b>	Maguire
8	1952	GM 4103	Magnano
9	1953	Chevrolet (Wayne) School Bus	Lehman
10	1956	GM 4104	Maguire
11	1964	GM 4106	Maguire
12	1971	Golden Eagle 05	Continental Panhandle Trailways
13	1974	<b>AM General Transit Bus</b>	Gr. Richmond Transit Authority
14	1985	Volvo B-10 M Transit Bus	SEPTA
15	1975	GM T6H 4523 A	CAT



## Above:

We just love this photo - two vintage Twins (Model 40's) in the Detroit Windsor Tunnel circa early 1930's. Note the five "period" autos parked on the roof of the bridge, and the whitewalls (wide of course) on the buses!

FITZJOHN DURALINER (right) The late Charles Bender captured this 1949 Fitzjohn Duraliner while it was on a charter to Washington, DC in May of 1950. The operator was Herman Transit Lines (Ohio).





(left) ACF-BRILL C-36 Former Harrisburg Railways Co. #810 rests in the storage yard of sister ATE property Cincinnati, Newport and Covington (CNC) in the summer of 1959. These buses were only used for a short time while in CNC hands.

GM PD 3751 (right)
Pictured at the Trans-Bridge Lines
facility in Phillipsburg, NJ in the
winter of 1961. This coach brought a
charter group to nearby Lafayette
College.





(left) **FORD TRANSIT**Representing a TTC Ford of the 1940-1946 era, this unit is preserved and is on display at the Halton County Radial Railway (Rockwood, Ontario).