



MOTOR BUS SOCIETY

NEWSLETTER

WINTER 2011

2010 Election Results/

The results of the 2010 election for MBS officers are as follows:

Total ballots cast: 147

For President: (2011-2012)

W. Vallow	60	
D. Mandros	86	(Elected)
Write-in	1	
No votes	0	

For Executive Vice President: (2011-2012)

R. Hussey	142	(Elected)
Write-in	2	
No votes	3	

For Secretary: (2011-2012)

G. Squier	138	(Elected)
Write-ins	3	
No votes	6	

For Treasurer: (2011-2012)

R. Phillippi	143	(Elected)
Write-ins	0	
No votes	4	

For Trustee position No. 1 (2011-2016)

M. Kramer	142	(Elected)
Write-ins	0	
No votes	5	

For Trustee position No. 2 (2011-2016)

F. Eisinger	132	(Elected)
Write-ins	6	
No votes	9	

Motor Coach Age Publication

During the past ten years, production of *Motor Coach Age* has varied quite significantly. In 2002 production was under the editorship of the late Mac Sebree; in 2003 he became ill and was unable to continue the work. Production was then assumed by the previous editor, Albert E. Meier, who by 2006 was afflicted with a debilitating illness himself; Meier passed away at the end of 2007, and his work was assumed by Eli Bail and Gerald Squier.

During Al Meier's illness, production suffered and in one year, only one issue of *MCA* was produced. The Society's Board of Trustees responded to the reduced publication by declaring a temporary moratorium on the collection of membership dues.

As documented on Page 2 of this issue, for the period 2002-2009, a total of 29 issues of *MCA* were produced and mailed, including a total of 924 pages or 31.8 pages per issue.

At the standard of four issues per year, 36 should have been produced during the nine years between 2002 and 2010. But since the collection of dues was suspended for two years, only 28 issues needed to be produced. Since 29 were distributed, each member who paid billed dues for that period actually got one extra copy for the money.

Why does *MCA* production appear to be behind schedule? Even though members were not billed for two of the nine years between 2002 and 2009, issues with cover dates for all of those years were produced. When the current *MCA* staff assumed responsibility in 2008, cover dates were seven issues behind. Although 13 issues were produced in those three years, production is still six issues behind. To alleviate this situation, the MBS Board of Trustees has decided to catch up by doubling up on the cover dates temporarily. We intend to produce five bi-annual issues in 2011 for members who have paid their 2011 dues (which were billed in the summer of 2010). Each of these five issues will carry two quarterly issue numbers, but they will be the size of normal single issues.

Production of *Motor Coach Age* is done by volunteer labor, and the staff is dedicated to producing a quality magazine. Staff will endeavor to meet the proposed schedule and will do so barring unforeseen circumstances.

To get back on schedule and return to a calendar year payment of membership dues, the MBS Board of Trustees voted to postpone distribution of the 2012 dues invoices until the end of 2011, with payment due by the end of the year. After that time, invoices will be mailed at the end each calendar year for the next year. Members who have paid un-invoiced dues in 2011 will have these payments credited to 2012.

Gathering of Buses

The *Gathering of Buses* for 2011 will be held at the Greyhound Bus Museum in Hibbing, Minnesota on August 16, 17 and 18.

Activities will include tours of the museum, outside displays of buses, guided bus tours of the Hibbing area and a sit-down dinner. There will be ample time to meet with old friends, make new ones and other bus folks.

For more information on the *Gathering of Buses*, contact;

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Motor Coach Age Publication Data					
Date	Cover Date	Subject	Pages	MBS Membership Dues Invoice Sent	
2002					
3/02?	2002 Jan-Mar	Southern Limited (IL)	28	Jan 02 for 2002	
6/02?	2002 Apr-Jun	Glacier (MT)	36		
9/02?	2002 Jul-Sep	Chicago – Part 4 (IL)	32		
12/02?	2002 Oct-Dec	Detroit Suburban Buses (MI)	36		
2003					
3/03?	2003 Jan-Mar	Associated Bus Co. (NJ) – Turntables for Buses	32	Jan 03 for 2008	
6/03?	2003 Apr-Jun	Fresno	32		
9/03?	2003 Jul-Sep	D. C. Transit System	40		
12/03?	2003 Oct-Dec	SEMTA and SMART – Pontiac (MI)	32		
2004					
3/04?	2004 Jan-Mar	Eastside and Comprehensive (NY) –Trombly MC (MA)	24	Jan 04 for 2004	
6/04?	2004 Apr-Jun	Long Beach (CA)	56		
9/04?	2004 Jul-Sep	Racine (WI)	28		
12/04?	2004 Oct-Dec	Sunbury (PA) – Boston & Worcester Lines (MA)	32		
2005					
3/05?	2005 Jan-Mar	The Orange Line (WI) – Baltimore Update (MD)	20	Jan 05 for 2005	
2006					
3/10/06	2005 Apr-Jun	Oshkosh (WI)	24		
7/--/06	2005 Jul-Sep	Des Moines (IA)	52		
2007					
1/25/07	2005 Oct-Dec	Passaic (NJ)	36	Only 2005 members who did not pay on 2006 invoice billed	
9/21/07	2006 Jan-Mar	SP&S (OR) – Janesville (WI)	24		
2008					
1/28/08	2006 Apr-Jun	Norwalk (CA) – NJT Bus Assignments (NJ)	24	Early summer 2008 Due by 9/1/08	
4/10/08	2006 Jul-Sep	Beloit (WI) – Terminal Island Revisited (CA)	24		
7/3/08	2006 Oct-Dec	Plymouth & Brockton (MA) – Passaic Contract (NJ)	32		
11/18/08	2007 Jan-Mar	Cross Town (CA)	40		
2009					
2/3/09	2007 Apr-Jun	Queens-Steinway (NY)	32	Mid-summer 2009 Due 9/30/09	
5/28/09	2007 Jul-Sep	Chicago – Part 5	36		
7/4/09	2007 Oct-Dec	Southern Trailways (LA)	28		
8/24/09	2008 Jan-Mar	Continental Southern Lines (LA)	24		
11/6/09	2008 Apr-Jun	Pueblo (CO)	24		
2010					
2/4/10	2008 Jul-Sep	Oxnard-Ventura (CA) –Gold Coast	32	Early summer 2010 Due 9/1/10	
8/5/10	2008 Oct-Dec	Red & Tan (NJ)	32		
11/16/10	2009 Jan-Mar	Yosemite (CA)	32		
2011 (Proposed)					
1/11	2009 Apr-Jun	Middlesex & Boston (MA)	24		
	2009 Jul-Sep	\			
3/11	2009 Oct-Dec	/ Combined as Jul-Dec 2009	36		
	2010 Jan-Mar	\			
5/11	2010 Apr-Jun	/ Combined as Jan-Jun 2010	32*		
	2010 Jul-Sep	\			
7/11	2010 Oct-Dec	/ Combines as Jun-Dec 2010	32*		
	2011 Jan-Mar	\			
9/11	2011 Apr-Jun	/ Combined as Jan-Jun 2011	32*		
	2011 Jul-Sep	\			
12/11	2011 Oct-Dec	/ Combined as Jul-Dec 2011	32*		12/11 for 2012

* Estimated based on average page size of recent issues

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OBITUARY

Wade Bates, 70, long time MBS member passed away suddenly on March 17, 2011 of an infectious disease.

Wade had worked in the human resources field; in his retirement, he drove a school bus; he was co-author of the Red & Tan story in the October-December 2008 issue of *Motor Coach Age*.

We extend our condolences to his wife Gail, his three children