



SUMMER 2013 NEWSLETTER

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The 2012 Election of MBS Officers and Trustees is now complete. All of the incumbents were re-elected as follows:

President: Dino Mandros

Executive Vice President: Bob Hussey

Secretary: Gerald L. Squier

Treasurer: Richard Philippi

Trustees – 6 year term:

Michael Ferlise & Glenn Schmelz.

Congratulations to all as they begin their new terms.

IN MEMORIAM

We regret to report the passing of three MBS members within the last few months. Sadly MBS Secretary Jerry Squier passed away in early July after a long illness. Jerry has been a long time member of the MBS, serving in many roles including most recently as MBS Secretary and Associate Editor of *Motor Coach Age*.

According to the MBS By-Laws, the Board of Trustees must now appoint someone to fill the balance of Jerry's term. As per the By-Laws "Under the direction of the President, the office of Secretary will handle all Society correspondence with the exception of certain correspondence handle directly by the designated committee chairs; will maintain all corporate and business records; will record the minutes of the annual meeting; any such other tasks as are necessary to carry out his/her duties and the business of the Society." As with all officers, candidates for Secretary must be paid-up MBS members for three consecutive years.

One of the additional responsibilities that Jerry had taken on is the production of the bi-annual MBS Newsletter. We are also asking for volunteer(s) to assume this duty. Please contact President Dino Mandros or one of the MBS Trustees via the MBS PO Box or via the MBS e-mail

address if you are interested in this position.

Tom Jones, MBS member and former MBS Library Curator passed away in May 2013. Tom was a long-time MBS member who, although not an elected officer, contributed much to the Society throughout the years. As Library Curator he reorganized and modernized our Archives and provided the important link to many people and organizations looking for bus information for books, educational research, and family histories. Tom contributed many articles to *Motor Coach Age* and assisted many authors in preparing theirs. He often assisted the Society's efforts at local transit shows and flea markets. Tom worked for many years in the NJ bus industry, as both a bus operator and as a bus company owner.

Frank Miklos, MBS member passed away in June 2013. Frank was more of a "behind the scenes" type of member. Although not primarily a bus fan, Frank's extensive knowledge of trolley and rail operations, especially in New Jersey, frequently crossed over to buses. This allowed him to act as a resource to many people documenting transit history throughout the US. Frank often contributed materials to the Society's Archives and he was an active member of the North Jersey Electric Railway Society and the Electric Railway Association based in NYC. Frank worked for many years for both the New Jersey Department of Transportation and New Jersey Transit in both their rail and bus operations divisions. Many of Frank's friends in the bus, rail and trolley organizations to which he belonged will miss him.

We extend our deepest condolence to Jerry's, Tom's and Frank's families at this difficult time.

2013 SPRING CONVENTION

On a happier note, the MBS Spring 2013 Convention was held on April 25-28, headquartered in Secaucus, New Jersey. More than 100 MBS members and guests from across the US and Canada enjoyed sunny warm weather as they toured midtown Manhattan on an open-top double decker bus and visited over 20 garages and terminals in Northern and Central New Jersey, all 5 boroughs of New York City, Long Island, Westchester and Rockland Counties in New York. Several hundred buses of all types and ages were available for photographing, with local rides on historic buses provided courtesy of the

Friends of the NJ Transportation Heritage Center at Lakewood.

Saturday night's flea market was a success, contributing much needed funds to the MBS Treasury. The business meeting was presided over by MBS President Dino Mandros and assisted by MBS Trustee Sid Keyles, both bringing members and guests up to date on MBS business, news and plans for the next convention during September 20-24, 2013 in London, England with additional stops at the Isle of Man and Paris, France. An extensive agenda is planned that will have, literally something for everyone. For more information on the Fall 2013 Convention, please contact MBS Trustee Sid Keyles (sidkeyles@optonline.net). The meeting concluded with a terrific slide show presentation by MBS member Trevor Logan featuring pictures of buses old and new from the greater NY/NJ area. A full description of the Spring 2013 convention will appear in the next MBS newsletter.

***Motor Bus Society Convention
Locations for 2013 – 2016***

<u>Year</u>	<u>Spring Location</u>	<u>Fall Location</u>
2013		London, England Sept 20-24
2014	Seattle, WA Apr 25-27	Grand Rapids, MI Oct 17-19 (<i>New dates</i>)
2015	Indianapolis, IN Apr 24-26	Halifax, NS Oct 9-11
2016	St. Louis, MO (<i>Dates TBD</i>)	

DONATING ITEMS TO MBS ARCHIVES

Are you interested in downsizing your bus collection? Know of someone who has a collection of bus related items as is looking for a good home for them? Then we want to hear from you! The MBS Archives is a great place to save those treasured items. Visit the MBS website for more details on how to donate items.

(<http://www.motorbussociety.org/howtodonatetoMBS.pdf>)

If you don't have access to the internet contact us via the MBS PO Box and we will be happy to mail you our "How

to Donate Guide".

MBS OFFICIALS

Current occupants of the positions listed in the MBS By-Laws are:

Corporate Officers (2013-2014)

President: Dino Mandros
Executive Vice President: Bob Hussey
Secretary: Vacant
Treasurer: Richard Philippi

Board of Trustees

2009-2014: Jim Gilligan & Sid Keyles
2011-2016: Murray Kramer & Fred Eisinger
2013-2014: Mike Ferlise & Glenn Schmelz

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library@motorbussociety.org - For inquiries and for making donations of materials or collections to the Motor Bus Society Archives and for requesting back issues of our magazines: *Motor Coach Age* & *Motor Coach Today*.

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