



# The Villager

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## The PCA Web Site Has Moved

Have you seen the new web site recently? If not, take a trip over to [www.plasticvilleusa.org](http://www.plasticvilleusa.org). The content has been expanded with the addition of over 75 more pictures to the Individual Items section. More importantly, the organization and infrastructure has been greatly improved. The old version of the web site was stretched to its limits in terms of server space and thus Joe wasn't able to expand it further.

In January of 2002, the PCA signed up with [www.omnistarhosting.net](http://www.omnistarhosting.net) to provide us with enough server space and lots of nitty-gritty technical goodies to give us a solid foundation upon which to redesign our site. This is a prime example of your PCA dues at work for you.

When you first go to the site, you are

welcomed by a PCA logo and are asked to click to enter the site. Then you can see the new organization more clearly. A navigation bar has been added to the left side of the screen. The navigation bar makes it easier to get where you want to go. No longer do you need to wait for the entire first page to load! Now you can quickly get to the Plasticville items, or the Littleton site, the Storytown site, PCA Information, Contact page and lots more.

We have plenty of space to grow as well. As information and time becomes available, we will add pages for other manufacturers such as Marx, and for HO and N scale Plasticville as well. Feel free to make comments and suggestions on the web site. Just send them to

[webmaster@plasticvilleusa.org](mailto:webmaster@plasticvilleusa.org)

## Presidential Ponderings



Welcome to the second edition of your PCA newsletter, "*The Villager*." Those of you who have been with the PCA for a while may remember the newsletter that I used to occasionally send via e-mail. Those newsletters were not scheduled but served as a simple, effective way to get information to the group. Now that "*The Villager*" is in full swing, I am going to discontinue the e-

mail newsletters and instead provide tidbits of PCA news and general comments in this column.

**Trade On!** The Plasticville Trader is doing very well and is now supplanted by the 3 FREE ads each member receives in every issue of "*The Villager*." If you're not familiar with the "Plasticville Trader" it's simply a page on the PCA web site where members can have their wanted, for sale, and for trade ads listed for free (click on "Information and Stories" in the navigation bar and then on "Plasticville Trader").

Some people have had great success with the Trader and others have had their ads there for a while! Either way, it's a great resource for the Plasticville collector community and hey, it's free. Stop by today to see the new listings and directions for how to submit your own.

**Hit me!** As I'm writing this, the Web Site counter tells me that we are closing in on 10,000 visitors to the Plasticville home page/PCA web site. This counter has been in operation since April of 1997. A little math says that's about 2000 visitors per year but actually the bulk of those hits have come within the last 2-3 years. Feel free to add a link to the PCA site on your home page or business page. Speaking of links, you may notice the new "Links and Sponsors" page on the site. Anyone who advertises in "The Villager" automatically gets listed on this page of the web site. That's quite a bit for your advertising dollar! The links section is limited by design. I didn't want to have lots of meaningless links but prefer to have only a few choice links to sites that the PCA feels may be of benefit to its members. We are a bit at odds here because we want to promote advertising in "The Villager" and thus not give free advertising on the site. So, the

links will be limited to information and not-for-profit sites as much as possible. I have added a link for the Plastic Village Gazette, even though it's a business, because the Gazette is such an important part of Plasticville collecting community. Everyone interested in Plasticville should know about and subscribe to the Gazette! Another current link is for the Tinsplate Marxists site. This is an interesting site dedicated to Marx trains and accessories. You can find pictures of Marx buildings on

this site and is one of the reasons why I have been so slow to develop the Marx page on the PCA site. Check them out. You will find lots of interesting information.

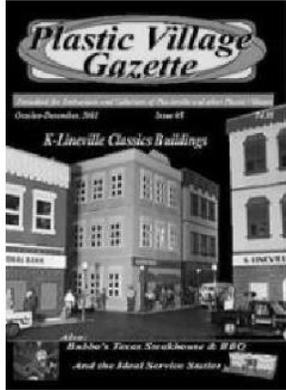
**Thank You!** I just want to take the opportunity to thank everyone who has sent questions, information, and pictures to me recently.

Thanks to Mike Gural and Doug Gilliatt for sending me some great pictures!

Thanks to Bob Coniglio for that great story about his "Trip to Plasticville" in the first edition of "The Villager."

Thanks to Fred Ruby for advice and comments on the design of the new web site. Fred saw some of the beta versions of the site and helped me to get some things straightened out and looking better. John Niehaus and Doug Gilliatt also proved helpful comments on site development.

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Thanks to John Niehaus for all of his hard work as the Secretary-Treasurer of the PCA! John puts in a lot of effort to keep the PCA running smoothly and calmly puts up with my endless comments. John also edits "The Villager" all by himself, including making all of the calls to prospective advertisers.

Thanks to Mike Murphy for a recent series of e-mails regarding the boxes used for the new edition Plasticville items (look for more information on this in the next issue).

Thanks to Ronald Schlicht for an e-mail describing some Marx figures. Ronald has a layout featuring over 1700 people! You can see some pictures of his site by going to <http://www.trainweb.org/bsg> and clicking on members and then on his name.

**One last item.** Thanks to Brady Burge for sending links on the new K-Line buildings to the Plasticville Group at Yahoo!

## Cathedral Census

One of the goals of the PCA is to create a census that is as comprehensive as possible of the variations in each item produced by Bachmann. Let's start with an item that has few variations and see how it goes. Should we be successful with this unit then we will address another one in the next issue of *The Villager*. This will be an ongoing project but with a great reward if we persevere.

The cathedral seems like a good place to start. There are three items numbers assigned to the O scale cathedral, C-18, 1904, and 45981 plus the HO and N scale numbers. Please send the HO and N scale numbers and information to the editor as well so that they can be included in the census.

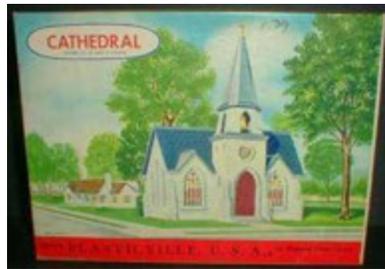
Here are the some of the questions we will need answered in order to put together a

Groups. K-Line has come out with two versions of older buildings in a new format. They have the colonial house but have placed it on a resin base and included details like a smoking chimney, lighted interior, and a moving swing set in the front yard. They also have a new version of the old Marx factory which also features moving parts. Look for Brady's message if you're a member of the Yahoo! Group or search around at <http://k-linetrains.com> for accessories and then buildings. It's not an easy site to navigate but it's worth the trouble to see these new offerings. It's great to see that K-Line is on the ball and thinking of new items for the fans of plastic villages. The new items should be available in Spring 2002 (that's now). Please let us know if you see any around and if you purchase one, we would love to hear what you think!

comprehensive listing. What color are the sides and roof of your units? Is there a difference in the color or pattern on the front doors of the various numbered units? Is there a difference in the color or pattern of the "stained glass" windows of the various numbered units? Are the names printed in the same weight on all boxes of the same item number? *(It is known that the 1814 Switch Towers came in boxes with either standard or bold printing on them.)*

Should we be able to answer these questions, then we are on our way to creating a database for Plasticville pieces that will rival any other for completeness.

There is a census form near the end of this newsletter. Please complete it and send it to the Plasticville Collectors Association, Cathedral Census, 601 SE Second Street, Ankeny, Iowa 50021-3207.



## Proposed Grading Standards

As with all other groups of collectors, it is the responsibility of the group to create a set of standards for describing the items encompassed by that group's bylaws. The standards below are the proposed grading standards for both plastic village pieces and the package in which they were purchased.

These standards will be considered accepted by the general membership as of July 1, 2002 unless suggested changes are communicated to the Grading Standards Committee. Please address all comments

to: [villagereditor@plasticvilleusa.org](mailto:villagereditor@plasticvilleusa.org). Include the words *Grading Standards Comments* in the title of your message if you are commenting by email. Please address all "snail mail" comments to *Grading Standards Committee, Plasticville Collectors Association, 601 SE Second Street, Ankeny, Iowa 50021-3207*. All messages received will be made available to the entire Grading Standards Committee for consideration.

### Introduction

The following grading standards are to be used when describing the condition of Plasticville or other plastic village items, their boxes, catalogs, and other paper items. Missing or broken parts must always be stated in addition to the classification. Presence of any known reproduction parts or use of parts from other kits to complete a set must be stated.

ANY GRADING SYSTEM IS OPEN TO INTERPRETATION. It is the responsibility of the seller when selling to PCA members (and ideally to everyone) to strictly use these grading guidelines and let the buyer determine if they are too conservative for the item in question.

### Grading for plastic items:

Mint	Brand new, absolutely all original and unused, still in sealed cellophane or plastic bag if applicable.		have small chips, cracks, or melt marks that are generally not noticed; may be glued.
Excellent	Little sign of use, no nicks, scratches or blemishes; no faded lettering, no dust or dirt (factory glue, if noticeable, should be stated) no user-applied glue.	Fair	well used, faded lettering, may be painted with non-water soluble paints, may have spray-on snow that is not easily removed, may have larger chips, cracks, or melt marks that are very noticeable (on front or roof of building) may be glued.
Very Good	used, may have slightly faded lettering or some dust/dirt; no chips, cracks, or melt marks; no user-applied glue.		
Good	well used, faded lettering, may have significant dust, dirt, or water-soluble paint that can easily be cleaned off; may	Poor	junk condition, large pieces missing or cracked, may be glued, possibly good for parts or kitbashing.

### Grading for boxes:

Mint	Absolutely unused, complete with inner lining (if appropriate), no fading, no wear of any kind, no water marks, no blemishes, no price marks (tag or written). Still factory sealed, if appropriate.		
Excellent	Little sign of use, complete with inner lining (if appropriate), no fading, very minimal wear, no water marks, no dents, crushes, tape, or split corners, may have price marks.	Very Good	Some signs of fading or wear (rubbing), may be missing inner liner. May have tape on the interior only. May have very minimal dent or crush. No water marks, no split corners. Price marks intact (not torn off or erased). All flaps still present. No warpage. May have very small tears near ends or on corners.
		Good	Significant signs of wear, fading or rubbing. May be missing inner liner. May have some dents or crushes. May have split corners. One flap may be

	missing. May have minor water marks but little or no warpage. May have exterior tape in reasonable condition. May have small tears.		May have significant exterior tape. May have other markings or punctures. May have large tears, mildew, or discoloration.
Fair	Significant signs of wear, fading, or rubbing. Missing inner liner. Dented or crushed. May have split corners. May have more than one flap missing. Water marks and warpage may be present.	Poor	Not complete, missing flaps, top, bottom, or sides. Heavy mildew or discoloration. May have large tears or significant warpage. Possibly good for information.

**Grading for paper:**

Mint	Human hands have not touched item since leaving original factory. Individual pages are assumed to have never been opened. All edges are crisp and paper is free of all flaws. Original paper folds are crisp with no signs of damage. No rusty staples.	Good	Item shows significant signs of use. Complete. May have unoriginal folds (ex. lengthwise) or “dog-eared” pages. May have very small tears. Staples may be rusty. May have several markings on the interior. May have some tape. Still good for reference.
Excellent	Human hands have touched item since leaving original factory. Pages have been opened. All edges are crisp and paper is free of all flaws. Original paper folds are crisp with no signs of damage. No rusty staples, creases, tears, or other blemishes. May have store or dealer stamp appropriately applied.	Fair	Item shows significant signs of use. Pages may be loose or missing. Edges may be damaged. May have several markings on the interior. May have larger tears, folds, or dog-eared pages. May have signs of dirt, oil, or water damage. May have a lot of tape.
Very Good	Item shows moderate signs of usage. Complete. No creases, tears, water marks, or other damage. Very few, neat interior markings may be present. No tape.	Poor	Pages missing or loose. Heavily damaged. Some or all of printed material is illegible. May have extensive use of tape.

**Neighboring Villages**

**Marxville, Littleton, Skyline and Storytown**

**HELP WANTED!** *The Villager* is searching for members to write articles on buildings manufactured by companies other than Plasticville. Please contact the Secretary if you would like to submit an

article for this column. Illustrations or photos to enhance the article will be greatly appreciated. All articles received by the Secretary will be acknowledged with a sheet of personalized PCA address labels.

## **How Can You Help Grow the PCA**

The PCA membership is growing. There is no doubt about that. Just look at the list of new and proposed members in this newsletter. All of them have joined since the publication of the January issue of *The Villager*.

Here are a few ideas how each of us can help grow the PCA.

- Are there any train meets that you attend? Take a few PCA membership applications to the next train meet you attend. Odds are that the promoter of the meet will gladly let you place them on his literature table.
- Are there any hobby shops in your area? Call and ask the Manager/Owner if you may visit with him about the PCA. Take copies of *The Villager*, along with some PCA applications, when you go for your visit. It is possible that the shop personnel may know of Plasticville collectors in the area and will offer to give those people an application the next time they visit the store.
- Are you a seller on e-Bay? Why not add a note to your auction descriptions inviting those who view your items to join the PCA if you are a seller. Include a membership application in the package when you send an item to an auction winner. It probably would not cost you anything but it may entice the buyer into joining the PCA.
- Are you a buyer on e-Bay? Why not include a membership application with your payment when you mail your payments to sellers.
- Do you communicate through email? Most email programs allow you to add a “signature” to any outgoing emails. This “signature” can, in most cases, be more than just a single line of text. Add an invitation – complete with a link to the PCA website – to join the PCA as part of this “signature”. Here is an example: *“Join the fastest growing organization dedicated to collecting plastic village buildings. Visit our web page at <http://www.plasticvilleusa.org> to view and print a membership application.”*

## **Welcome New Members**

The following individuals’ names have been added to the Plasticville Collectors Association membership roster as of February 1, 2002. A roster update sheet is included with this newsletter. Please attach it to your roster for future reference.

Shirley M Hunter, Scottsdale, AZ  
Alan W Murray, Atlanta, GA  
Johnny Ourso, Tucson, AZ  
Arnold Douglass, Eatontown, NJ

Lawrence Fachler, East Brunswick, NJ  
Chuck Bryner, Orange Park, FL  
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Robert A Schmidt, South Milwaukee, WI  
Gerald Fuglewicz, East Aurora, NY  
Ron J Barrow, Highland Heights, KY  
William J Goodman, Newport News, VA  
Donald W Goodman, Westerville, OH

## 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 Collectors Association rolls if no objection to such action is received prior to April 15, 2002.

Objections must be in writing, signed by the objector, and mailed to Plasticville Collectors Association, Member Admission Committee, 601 SE Second Street, Ankeny, IA 50021-3207 and received before the above noted date.

Gerald L Schuchard, Auburn Hills, MI  
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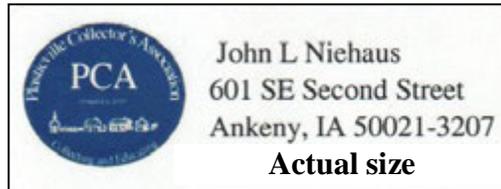
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The cost for a single sheet of labels is \$1.50 with additional sheets costing \$1.00 each. The labels will be mailed flat and in a large envelope to ensure their safe arrival.

Send payment and the number of sheets desired to: PCA Labels, Plasticville Collectors Association, 601 SE Second Street, Ankeny, Iowa 50021-3207

## Win A Trip To Disneyland

Disneyland, in conjunction with Bachmann Industries created a promotion that included a sticker on the tops of various Plasticville buildings that stated, "Win a Trip to Disneyland". Inside each of these specially marked boxes was an entry blank.

The entry blank contained instructions to complete the last line of a jingle of four lines and where to submit their completed jingle. The contest had a closure date of January 14, 1956.

Let's start a little contest right now. Anyone can enter! Just fill in the last line of the jingle that was on the flyer. The PCA officers will choose the 5 or 10 best ones and then put them out for a poll so everyone can decide the winner. The prize will be a sheet of thirty high quality, laser printed color personal address labels with the PCA logo prominently displayed along with your name and address.

Please send all entries to Plasticville Collectors Association, Disneyland Trip, 601 SE Second Street, Ankeny, Iowa 50021-3207 or you may send an email entry to [secretary@plasticvilleusa.org](mailto:secretary@plasticvilleusa.org). Please use "Disneyland Trip Entry" as the subject of the message. All entries must be received by April 30, 2002. The winner and runners up will be published in the July edition of *The Villager*.

*Editor's note: Doesn't anyone have a line for this jingle? The amount of entries has been much less than anticipated. Look the jingle over again and submit your entry or entries. We must all be fairly creative or we wouldn't have anything for a train layout but a flat piece of plywood. Give it a go. You have nothing to lose and possibly a sheet of address labels to gain!*



Here's the jingle as was written:

**The new toys of plastic are my favorite kind  
Their bright colors make them easy to find  
They're smooth and they're tough - as real as can be**

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*(fill in the 4th line of the jingle on the line)*

## **Resource Persons Needed**

We would like volunteers for the following non-elected 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. As with Jell-O, there is always room for more.

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Plasticville N  
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King Plasticville  
Littletown  
MarX  
Skyline  
Storytown  
K-Line  
Kleeware  
Ideal  
American Flyer

## **The Smaller Size of Things HO and N Scale Buildings**

A person, using the byline Annie Mouse (anony mous) has volunteered to write an article on HO buildings. Look for that article here in the July issue.

Who wants to write an article on N scale buildings? Articles in this section need not be strictly Plasticville. Articles on any

manufacturer's HO or N scale items will be welcomed and rewarded with a sheet of personalized PCA return address labels. Yes, even you can use the Annie Mouse byline if you prefer to remain anonymous.

## **The Villager Mailbox**

I received the first ever issue of the Villager the other day and I just have to let you know how much I enjoyed it.

I thought it was great with the history of how the PCA was formed and a little info about our Officers.

The Win A Trip to Disneyland was neat and I hope to get my entry in soon. I shared this with my wife & family who normally stay out of Plasticville and they plan to help me with it.

The Article on the Trip to Plasticville was very enjoyable and bought back many memories.

The one thing I admire the most about the PCA is that it really helps in Collecting and Educating us about the world of Plasticville and Neighboring Villages.

I wrote to John Niehaus and thank him for his involvement of helping to get the PCA started and the newsletter.

I am looking forward to his progress on his research project of the various colors of the items matching to the boxes they originally came in. I suggested he talk with a good friend of mine, Jonathan Morse (PCA # 01-21), a very knowledgeable person about Plasticville boxes.

I also can't stop telling people about the PCA & the Plastic Village Gazette. Every time I have an opportunity to share Plasticville with people I speak of the Mayor " Bill Nole", The PCA and The Plastic Village Gazette.

What an education we all can get from these resources. Bill Hunter # 01-25

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## **Fundraiser add-a-floors and shrubs still available**



The King Plasticville add-a-floor units and unissued color shrubs are still available. A limited edition set is for sale containing one new King Distributing Add-A-Floor in red or brown AND six shrubs in never before released colors (2 each of brown, light buff, and medium buff).

If you read the third edition of the Plastic Village Gazette, then you are familiar with the story of these ultra-rare, never released brown and buff shrubs. The intent was to include them with the King Distributing Apartment House back in the early 80's but they didn't make the final cut! Bill Nole has graciously made these shrubs and the NEW,

never opened, Add-A-Floors available to the PCA for this promotion and fund-raiser. Now is your chance to own a bit of Plasticville, USA history!

These are sold as a set: one Add-A-Floor in your choice of brown or red AND 6 of the shrubs (2 of each color). The price for each set is ONLY \$35.00!!! ALL proceeds from the sale of these sets goes to the Plasticville Collector's Association (PCA).

There is a limit of 3 sets per person. These are available in very LIMITED numbers and sold first come, first served.

Send an E-mail to Joe Kutza at [president@plasticvilleusa.org](mailto:president@plasticvilleusa.org) to place your order. Orders will be accepted in the order in which they are received. There is a \$5.00 S&H fee for up to 2 sets. The fee is \$6.00 for 3 sets. Payment must be by check or money order, payable in US funds and made out to the Plasticville Collectors Association. Please allow 6-8 weeks for delivery by USPS.

## **Articles Solicited**

The Plasticville Collectors Association needs your help with newsletter content. The editor of *The Villager* needs your help to assure that this newsletter contains the type of articles you wish to read. The size of the article is unimportant.

Please send articles that you feel will be of interest to the other members to: Plasticville Collectors Association, The Villager editor, 601 SE Second Street, Ankeny, IOWA 50021-3207. You may also submit articles by email to

[villagereditor@plasticvilleusa.org](mailto:villagereditor@plasticvilleusa.org). Please be sure to include your name and member number so that we can ensure a correct byline on the article.

Now let's make it worthwhile for you to send in an article. The editor of *The Villager* will send you a sheet of thirty (30) personalized address labels to you for each article received. These are high quality laser printed labels and will have the PCA logo printed in color along with your complete mailing address printed in black.

## Roster Corrections

The email address for Arnold Douglas is arnold.douglas@mail1.monmouth.army.mil. The roster erroneously lists it as .mail it is

actually .mail1 with the last two characters being the letter L followed by the number 1. Please update your roster listing.

## Notes from the Secretary Treasurer

### **Membership growth:**

We now have over 115 paid members! This can be considered nothing less than phenomenal growth considering for a club that is approximately five months old. Applications for membership are still coming in on a regular basis as evidenced by the list of proposed members in this issue. You, the members, must be getting the word out about the club.

### **Roster Changes:**

Please be sure to let me know when you have a change of email address. I sent out a list of proposed members to all of you who are on line and got back four failures. Please send me your current email address if you did not get a list of proposed members from me via email in the last month. Check the roster and let me know if your email address has changed from what is printed there.

### **Classified Ads:**

One of the benefits of membership in the PCA is your FREE classified ads. I am really surprised at how few of you are taking advantage of this benefit. Your only expense is the time it takes to fill it out and the postage to mail it to me. The form is now available on the PCA website and at the Yahoo groups discussion site.

Your free classified ads in *The Villager* will run for a total of four insertions before being removed. Ads that are over the 50 words free limit will be run based on the amount of payment sent with the ad. The ten cents per word charge for all words over 50 is on a per insertion basis. If you send an ad of 70 words and a payment of \$2 that will

allow the ad to be run once. A payment of \$4 for the same ad will allow the ad to run in two issues.

You can determine the last issue in which your ad will run in by the code in the parenthesis at the end of your ad. The first two digits are the year and the last two digits are the issue for that year. A code of 02-03 would mean that your ad would appear for the last time in the July, 2002 issue of *The Villager*.

Please contact the editor if you wish your ad removed before its expiration date.

### **Newsletter Articles:**

Any magazine depends on input from subscribers to ensure an ongoing magazine. The same is true for an organization's newsletter.

One of the purposes of the PCA is to educate. That can be accomplished only if we share our cumulative knowledge. I am certain that the PCA has experts on the various scales of Plasticville and on other manufacturers' buildings also. Please consider writing an article or articles for publication in this newsletter.

Your editor and the officers have a limited amount of information that can be used in this newsletter. Your support is needed to enable the PCA to publish a newsletter of this size each quarter.

### **Cathedral Census**

I am excited about this census. We members will be counting heavily on the veteran collectors to help us with this endeavor. They are the ones who bought these items new and still have them that way for the most part. My hopes are high.



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PART NO.	ITEM	COLOR & QUANTITY
BL1	2-STORY COLONIAL PORCH POST	RED__ WHITE__ TAN__
BL2	2-STORY COLONIAL ANTENNA	RED__ WHITE__ TAN__
BL3	2-STORY COLONIAL WEATHERVANE ROOSTER	RED__ WHITE__ TAN__
BL4	2-STORY COLONIAL CHIMNEY HALF	RED__ WHITE__ TAN__
BL5	WATCHMAN SHANTY LITE	LT.BRN__ DK.BRN__ LT.GREY__ DK.GREY__
BL6	WATCHMAN SHANTY CHIMNEY	LT.BRN__ DK.BRN__ LT.GREY__ DK.GREY__
BL7	LOADING PLATFORM CHIMNEY	LT.BRN__ DK.BRN__ LT.GREY__ DK.GREY__
BL8	SWITCH TOWER CHIMNEY	LT.BRN__ DK.BRN__ LT.GREY__ DK.GREY__
BL10	NEW ENGLAND RANCHER ANTENNA	WHITE__ TAN__
BL11	NEW ENGLAND RANCHER CHIMNEY HALF	WHITE__ TAN__
BL15	COLONIAL MANSION CHIMNEY HALF	WHITE__
BL16	POLICE ANTENNA	RED__
BL17	POLICE ANTENNA BASE	RED__
BL20	SCHOOL HOUSE WEATHER VANE	WHITE__
BL21	TOWN HALL WEATHER VANE	WHITE__
BL22	FROSTY BAR STOOL	WHITE__ YELLOW__ SALMON__
BL23	FROSTY BAR SIGN (\$3.50 EACH)	WHITE__ YELLOW__ SALMON__
BL24	SMALL BARN WEATHER VANE HORSE	RED__ WHITE__ LIGHT GREEN__ DK GREEN__
BL25	SMALL BARN VENT CAP W/HOLE	RED__ WHITE__
BL26	SMALL BARN VENT CAP W/O HOLE	RED__ WHITE__
BL28	COLONIAL CHURCH CROSS	WHITE__
BL31	PARISH CHURCH CROSS	WHITE__
BL32	SMALL COUNTRY CHURCH CROSS	WHITE__
BL33	SPLIT LEVEL RAIN SPOUT SHORT	WHITE__
BL34	SPLIT LEVEL RAIN SPOUT LONG	WHITE__
BL39	TURNPIKE LIGHT HOLDER	WHITE__
BL40	TURNPIKE CONE (4 PCS/\$2.00)	WHITE__
BL42	FACTORY STAIR RAILING	TAN__
BL49	HAYWAGON STAKE (8 PCS/\$4.00 )	RED__ LIGHT GREEN__ YELLOW__
BL55	SUBURAN STATION & CAPE COD CHIMNEY	WHITE__
BL56	CAPE COD CHIMNEY	YELLOW__ PEACH__ TURQUOISE__
BL57	RANCH HOUSE CHIMNEY	WHITE__ YELLOW__ PINK__ LIGHT BLUE__ BROWN__ DARK GREEN__ SALMON__ TURQUOISE__ REDISH SALMON__

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## The Villager Classified Ads

### **For Sale**

Plasticville collection for sale. Email for list at transam976@aol.com. Bill Reiken (03-01)

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., plastic, painted clock decals \$4.50 ea. Other parts available. Listing \$1.00. Shipping parts 10%. Chris Rossbach, 135 Richmond Dr., Gloversville, NY 12078. (02-02)

1800 gas station w/car \$32, Motel w/3 cars \$30, PO-1 post office \$22, SM-7 supermarket w/red roof & letters \$42, SC-4 schoolhouse w/flag \$22, 1918 park assortment \$42, 1907 apartment house \$65, 1503 add-a-floor \$42, 1624 house under construction light gray \$75, 1953 drug store \$55, 1901 union station \$40, CS-5 5&10 store \$20, DH-2 hardware/pharmacy \$20, 0650 covered bridge \$25, 1851 barn w/chrome trim \$25, all complete & boxed. Paul Gurchick, 203 Horseshoe Dr., Ebensburg, PA, 15931, (814) 472-4349 (02-02)

#1607 Fire House with a gray siren. This is a very rare version. Item is complete. No glue and in very good condition original box

### **For Trade**

One #1900 Turnpike Interchange Kit. Original box. Complete with all small parts. All letters intact on signs. Also #1701 new England Ranch House, white walls, turquoise trim, gray roof. Tip missing on

also in very good condition. Will provide pictures if interested. \$225 See Bits and Pieces on page VII in the Plasticville Illustrated Price Guide of 1993. lconway@jadecorp.com Lou Conway, 6984 Ely Rd, New Hope, PA 18938 (02-04)

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, 58 Quails Crossing, Marion, MA, 02738. (02-04)

Farm Implement set, yellow with green trim, complete, no box, \$35. AD-4 Airport Administration Building, complete with original box \$55. Many other Plasticville items in stock. See list at www.garystrains.com. Gary D Mosholder, 186 Pine Springs Camp Rd., Boswell, PA 1553 (02-04)

#10 SASE for a list of my boxed "O" scale Plasticville. I have many parts and accessories. Special deal on 100 Plasticville parts for \$40.00. Firehouse with trucks #1921, \$18.00. Motel with Autos #1621, \$25.00. SC-4 School House \$14.00. dbhunter@fuse.net Bill D Hunter, 1333 Ashford Dr, Florence, KY 41042, Phone 859 525-7183 (02-04)

patio otherwise in good very good condition. Advise what you may have to trade for. lconway@jadecorp.com Lou Conway, 6984 Ely Rd, New Hope, PA 18938 (02-04)

## Wanted

Wanted: Littletown/Kleeware, MarX plastic buildings. Boxed with no missing parts preferred. However also looking for parts. trainsfan@aol.com Douglas Gilliatt, 956 W Sherri Dr, Gilbert, AZ, 85223 (02-04)

Wanted: Good condition BOX for #1804 greenhouse. [johnln@netins.net](mailto:johnln@netins.net) John Niehaus, 601 SE Second St., Ankeny, IA 50021-3207 (02-04)

Wanted: Upper Walkway for # 1975 Coaling Station. Contact Steve Brown at [peggyconroy@aol.com](mailto:peggyconroy@aol.com). Steven A Brown, 1704 2nd St., Rensselaer, NY 12114 (02-04)

Wanted: Skyline K-5 church in all white, K-10 Westchester house in blue and K-10 Westchester house in maroon. Do not need boxes just complete buildings. [cfrey57@aol.com](mailto:cfrey57@aol.com) Chris Frey, 243 Memorial Blvd., Newmanstown, PA 17073 (02-04)

NEED Gold Cross for C-18 Cathedral. Need gold bell for C-18 Cathedral. Gold bell with steeple section also OK. [lin372@msn.com](mailto:lin372@msn.com) Michael "Kit" Walshoch, 4776 Terry Rd, Jackson, MS 39212-5622 (02-04)

UNBROKEN PARTS WANTED: Airport Administration Building, blue front canopy; Cathedral, silver cross; dog house, white roof; Loading Platform, grey-black chimney, roof support; Trailer, turquoise base, awning; yellow Playground swing frame; Suburban Station, green roof; TV Station, all tower parts; Two Story Colonial, red, tan, & white porch floors; grey cupola roof. [fritsto@ci.akron.oh.us](mailto:fritsto@ci.akron.oh.us) Thomas Fritsch, 630Wyandot Ave, Akron, OH 44305-1832. (02-04)

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Wanted marbled railroad work car, blue bus, blue ambulance, red roof post office. [remgm@aol.com](mailto:remgm@aol.com) Gary Remaley, 5747 Terrace Dr, PO Box 62, Neffs, PA 18065 (02-04)

#1609 Street Accessories unit. The item is the blister pack style. Would like to have unopened but will consider opened if all packaging materials are there. Also wanted #1701 New England Ranch House with red roof, must not have any glue. Also want Fire Helmet pencil sharpener w/paper shield. [lconway@jadecorp.com](mailto:lconway@jadecorp.com) Lou Conway, 6984 Ely Rd, New Hope, PA 18938 (02-04)

Wanted: ANY Plasticville, Littletown and Skyline Churches, (only with original boxes and accessories please), Contact [jge107@psu.edu](mailto:jge107@psu.edu) Josh Erling, 119 N Patterson St Apt #1, State College, PA 16801 (03-01)

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- (1) Note the complete item number, including the price code and any dashes.
- (2) Note if the font used to print the item number and price code is regular weight or bold.
- (3) Note if the item is O, HO or N scale.
- (4) Note if the color is light, dark, medium, bright or whatever descriptive term seems to apply.
- (5) Note if the door is a label, painted or the same color as the walls.
- (6) Note various window patterns found on items of the same item number.

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