



Welcome to another issue of The Green Pennant Special. It is through this publication that we endeavor to keep the membership informed on happenings in the organization and the transit industry.

### \*\*\* FEBRUARY MEETING \*\*\*

The February meeting of The Omnibus Society of America was held on February 2, 1996, at the Welles Park Field House, located at 2333 W. Sunnyside in Chicago. The meeting began at 6:30 pm.

Our meeting for the evening was a slide presentation on articulated buses presented by George Krambles.

### \*\*\* MARCH MEETING \*\*\*

The March Meeting of The Omnibus Society of America will be held on March 1, 1996, at the Welles Park Field House, located at 2333 W. Sunnyside in Chicago. The meeting will begin at 6:30pm.

Our meeting for the evening will be a group participation slide program on snow.

All members are encouraged to bring slides of transit vehicles or properties taken in snow.

### \*\*\* CTA CORNER \*\*\*

On February 6, 1996, the CTA put up for bid all the spare GMC parts they had in stock.

Also, a CTA report dated February 9, 1996, indicated that NO GMC's were in service, so this looks like the end for the fishbowl bus in Chicago.

According to sources, the CTA MUST send 75 Flexibles to Atlanta, no ifs, ands, or buts. At this time there is no plan to put the GM's into a contingency fleet.

After the Democratic Convention there are plans to retire at least twenty articulated buses.

When the Green Line 'L' reopens late in March after an extensive \$343 million reconstruction trains will only operate between the hours of 5:00am and midnight, much to the surprise and dismay of some South

Siders.

Before the line was closed for reconstruction in 1994, trains ran all night. But CTA administrators say diminishing ridership and the agency's budget crunch led them to cut the hours.

Residents along the Green Line say the schedule change caught them by surprise.

CTA officials concede they recently informed community members about the new hours, even though the schedule change had been in the works since the rehabilitation project had begun.

But the CTA says Green Line communities are not being singled out.

"The South Side is not getting shortchanged," said Elonzo Hill, vice-president of service delivery. "The Ravenswood doesn't run 24 hours a day. Neither does the Midway Orange Line."  
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### \*\*\* PACE PATTERN \*\*\*

Pace bus lines began accepting CTA monthly passes February 1st - after a year without interchangeable passes between the two transit systems.

CTA has agreed to pay Pace \$125,000 each quarter in exchange for the suburban system's acceptance of its passes.

CTA and Pace shared a weekly and monthly pass system until early 1995, when CTA canceled its passes altogether and Pace created its own \$39 monthly pass. When CTA brought back its monthly pass for \$89 last summer, the two agencies could not agree on interchangeable passes.

Earlier this month, the Pace board accepted CTA's \$500,000 a year reimbursement offer. Pace officials say the new deal is far better than the old.

Before [when the two systems shared passes], Pace had no revenue agreement, Pace just kept the revenues from the passes sold in the suburbs. but the majority of passes were sold in the city and CTA was keeping that revenue.



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SAMTRANS

#	MAKE	MODEL	VIN	YEAR	ACQUIRED
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1st Series

300-359	Flyer	D10235C	1667-1726	80	New
400-443	AMG	10235B-8	000103-000146	77	New
500-529	AMG	10240B-8	001075-001104	77	New
600-639	Flyer	D10240C	1728-1767	80	New
640-652	Flyer	D10240C	2093-2105	80	New
700-709	Ikarus	286	10017-10026	81	New
800-821	Gillig	4096TA6V92	D1080424-445	83	New
850-893	Gillig	40TB966V92	E1080784-827	84	New
894-899	Gillig	40TB966V92	E1081028-033	84	New

2nd Series

100-114	Volvo	B10-M	FA009079, 9066-9068, 9071, 9074, 9070, 9072, 9078, 9080, 9073, 9075-9077, 9069	85	New
116-130	Neopl'n	AN460A	FL013437-451	85	New
400-437	Gillig	40102TB6V92T	L1083366-403	90	New
530-539	NFly	D60-90	LU0136641-650	90	New

Operated by Greyhound

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9116-9130	Neopl'n	AN460A	FL013437-451	85	Ex SAMTRANS 116-130
9436-9443	AMG	10235B-8	000139-000146	77	Ex SAMTRANS 436-443
9500-9529	AMG	10240B-8	001075-001104	77	Ex SAMTRANS 500-529
9630-9639	Flyer	D10240C	1758-1767	80	Ex SAMTRANS 630-639
9640-9652	Flyer	D10240C	2093-2105	80	Ex SAMTRANS 640-652
9801-9850	GMC	TDM 5303	005-054	65	LF Greyhound 9601-9650

Operated by Grovsehor

7/1/90 -

9116-9130	Neopl'n	AN460A	FL013437-451	85	Ex Greyhound 9116-9130
9500-9529	NFly	D60-90	LU013611-640	90	New
9882-9893	Gillig	40TB966V92	E1080816-827	84	Ex SAMTRANS 882-893
9894-9899	Gillig	40TB966V92	E1081028-033	84	Ex SAMTRANS 894-899

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