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Coca-Cola's 125th Anniversary

Exhibit Showcases Collectibles

Coca-Cola kicked off its 125th anniversary May 8 last year in Atlanta, GA, dressing its downtown headquarters as a gigantic billboard with numerous messages.



To mark that occasion locally a special exhibit from two private Coke collections are now on display at the Grove City Welcome Center and Museum, 3378 Park St.

The exhibit is free and the Welcome Center and Museum are open Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. The exhibit will run through Feb. 29. Saturday hours are planned and interested persons should confirm dates and times by calling 614/539-8747; out-of-area individuals can call toll free at 800/539-0405.

The local exhibit includes hundreds of pieces; every type of memorabilia from key chains to large wall clocks. Bottles, trays, toy vehicles, marbles, a denim jacket and more items than most could imagine are on public display.

One item that has drawn much attention especially with younger visitors has been the Anniversary Lionel vintage steam train. The train is reminiscent of the company's 19th century beginnings and the colorful exhibit includes a locomotive and tender, flatcar with vats, wood-sided reefer, simulated box load and a caboose. The train is operational on request. Other special exhibit items include a game where visitors can try to guess the year select Coke bottles were issued for consumption.



Coca-Cola Anniversary Train



Coke Collector Cards

If all the Coca-Cola ever produced was put into 8-ounce contour bottles:

- ✓ There would be more than six trillion bottles, which stacked end-to-end, would reach 468 miles high – 85 times taller than Mount Everest.
- ✓ The six trillion bottles roughly equals 966 bottles or more than 56 gallons of Coca-Cola – for every person in the world.

If all the Coca-Cola bottles in the world were laid end to end, they would reach the moon and back more than 1,677 times.