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WHEW!

Wow! How else can you explain the last three events of the year? For three consecutive weekends the Division hosted the annual November Auction, The Christmas Holiday Party, and the return of the Division Train Swap Meet. What a finish to the year!

Starting out the trifecta was the annual November Thanksgiving weekend Auction. With most of the hard work behind them, the Auction Committee put on a great auction of over 300 items and finished on time. Janet Mattern was busy before the auction making sure we had morning coffee and donuts ready for all the early arrivals and special thanks goes out to Barbara Lautazi and Laurel Allen for getting the food ready for lunch.

Our auctions take several months to prepare for and the careful planning results in a busy six hour auction that most times goes off without a hitch. This past summer the Division stored over a thousand items from various

consignors as we prepared for the auctions in September, November and January. Quite a bit of work goes into each auction by a small and dedicated crew of volunteers.

The Christmas Holiday Party is also the hard work of volunteers and this year the members were treated to a very nice gift, a Menards Flatcar with either a UP or BNSF load. In the distant past the member's gift was a die cast figure in either O or Standard Gauge. They followed a theme such as a circus, for several years so they could be added to most member's layouts. Over the years, many companies that we used to purchase the figures from retired, so the member's gifts slowly evolved to die cast vehicles that could also be added to layouts.

This past year the committee wanted to make the member gift special again and with interest in the Menards O scale line of trains and accessories growing it was decided to offer a freight car for the member gift and see how they

MARK YOUR CALENDAR – UPCOMING EVENTS

January 13 & 14 – **GPD TTOM Winter Meet** – Fri 1 PM – 6 PM, Sat 9 AM – 2 PM – Tucson, AZ

January 14, 2017 – **January Division Meet and Annual Business Meeting**

8:30 AM member only swap – 10:00 AM Business Meeting – Phoenix, AZ

January 21 – **Rio Grande Chapter Annual Business Meeting**

9:00 AM member only swap – 10:00 AM Business Meeting – Albuquerque, NM

January 21 – Desert Division presents – **“Souper Bowl III” Auction** – Paradise Valley, AZ

February 11 – **Division Meet** – 8:30 AM member only swap – 10:00 AM Business Meeting – Phoenix, AZ

February 18 – **Chapter Meet** – 9:00 AM member only swap – 10:00 AM Business Meeting – Albuquerque, NM

February 18 – **GCMR Cactus Winter Meet** – 9 AM – 1 PM North Phoenix Baptist Church – Phoenix, AZ

would be received. Initial reports are that everyone who received the flat car as a gift was very impressed by the quality and thought it was a great idea. The cost came in at nearly the cost we used to purchase the old member gifts at and the cost for the cars is underwritten by the auctions held during the Christmas Party itself. Excess cars not given to those in attendance at the party are sold at cost to our members. They and the ladies Lenox ornament annual gift will be on sale at the January Meet and will sell out fast. We cannot reserve one for you they will be sold first come first serve.

Wrapping up the year and what many pictures in this edition of the newsletter are focused on is the return of the Division Train Meet. Funny how a scheduling conflict that was instigated by our hotel was turned into such a rumored mess that we were out of the train meet business all together. I guess coming back strong, renting the Shrine Auditorium, and having the meet be as successful as it was proved how serious to everyone that we plan to be in this for the long run, as if holding train shows in town for over forty years wasn't proof enough.

If I sound a little sarcastic I guess I just might be. I'm damn proud of every hard working volunteer we have in this Division. Most put in as much time as they can, on events where they can help. Many involve the assistance of their spouses as an extra pair of helping hands, and all of us are getting older by the day and have

numerous other responsibilities. I never take any time that a volunteer can give this club for granted, nor do I ever want it to go unnoticed.

When Gerry Klei heard we were doing the show, he contacted me, and volunteered to be the Train Doctor. The morning of the show I had several member/table sellers help the small crew get signage up, set up the hall, and move boxes in. The Train Meet showed that it was an important event for the club to hold and you have a renewed commitment from the Board of Directors that it will happen again in 2017.

So what else is in store for the New Year? Quite frankly, we have always been a busy Division so you will see the return of many of our annual events that are already on the calendar for the year. Of course the Pizza Meetza, Spring Picnic, and Christmas Party are already being planned. We hope to have the date settled for the 2017 Fall Train Show and announce it at the Annual Business Meeting on January 14th.

In fact all the financial aspects of the Division will be covered at that meeting so if you have any questions about where we stand please bring them to the meeting and ask. The annual meeting will take place just before our normal meeting and usually only takes about ten minutes to cover all the items that we are required to report by the IRS law and our own Division Bylaws. Look at it as a "State of the State" for the Division, both financially and philosophically where we are and where we are headed. We look for you to attend.



These two smiling ladies greeted the public when they arrived, Barbara Lautazi and Laurel Allen



Beth Stange had a very full table at the Train Show and was busy most of the day



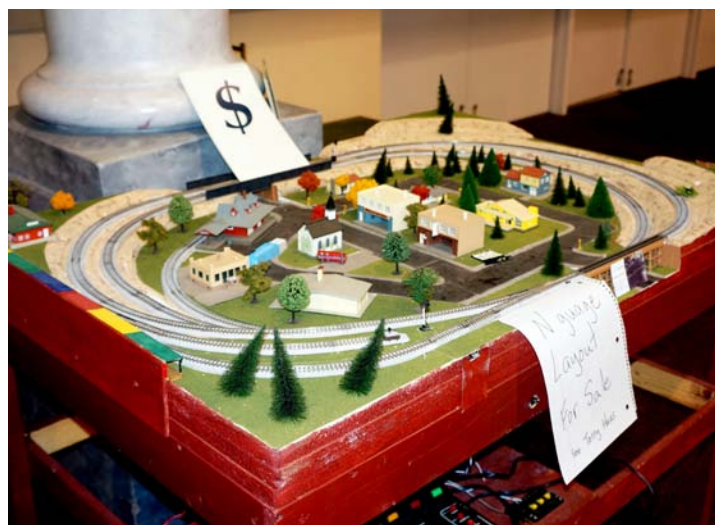
DeLon Freije had a table full of parts and customers



Very full house when we first opened up



After the initial onslaught Kay Vokac, Eva and John Upshur were all smiles.



The show had a little bit of everything for sale, even a N scale layout



Marty Wik gave Jerry Klei a break and manned the Train Doctor station



Shirley Hunter did double duty both at her sales table and selling raffle tickets with Janet Mattern

TCA Desert Division BOD Meeting

There are no scheduled Division BOD meetings held in November or December. The Division held an emergency BOD meeting prior to the November Auction on Saturday, November 26th, 2016 at Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church in Phoenix, Arizona at 8:30 AM. The only item on the agenda was to nominate Christie Wilson for National Secretary of the TCA, which passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned with no other business discussed. The next scheduled meeting is set for 7:00 PM on January 11th at the home of Chris and Laurel Allen. Members are welcome to attend but please call in advance so we can insure enough seating for everyone. If you wish to make a comment or suggestion about any of the events that closed out the year we would love to hear your input. Bring them to the Annual Business Meeting in January or contact any Division Officer or Director.

SOME CHRISTMAS PARTY HIGHLIGHTS



Greeting us as we walked into the Party; John and Eva Upshur, Kay Vokac, and Barbara Lautazi



The set of Menards add-on cars was a highly sought after raffle item



Looks like Peter Atonna is taking his coat off and getting ready to roll up his sleeves for some centerpiece auction action



For the second year in a row, a ticket purchased at the party won the Hudson. Newest Division member Dana Price was the lucky winner and took home the postwar Hudson

Presidents Message

The winter issue always seems to get me stymied as what to write about. Do I report about the great events that happened at the end of the year or do I look forward about the great year ahead? Well, since I've never been accused of being short on words let me do a little of both.

I've worked with the Desert Division Auction Committee for many years. Lead by Chet Henry and Peter Atonna, they and the volunteers often spend the summer gathering trains from consignors, get them lotted, print the catalog, and plan the event so we can have a fun day adding to our collections or layouts. The November Auction was the hard work of these members accounting for, most likely over a 100 volunteer hours to give us six hours of auction fun. We often lose track of all the work that goes on before the curtain rises and I truly appreciate all the efforts of everyone involved.

And speaking of hard work, did you enjoy the Christmas Party this year? The Christmas Party usually starts days -BEFORE - Christmas the year before the party as volunteers begin scouring the stores for items we can purchase at clearance prices for next year's event. Yes, it's true. Just as the raffle ticket sales help to offset the cost of the hall rental for our monthly meetings, all the raffle and centerpiece auctions help to defray the cost of the Christmas Party and keep the event affordable to attend. Take away the centerpiece auction, the raffles and the donations that many members give for both and the Christmas Party would cost \$50 or more each year.

Thank Barbara Lautazi, Shirley Hunter, Eva Upshur, Kay Vokac, their husbands and many more people working behind the scenes to do everything from print your name badges and wrapping all those gifts to the table centerpieces that made for a festive night. This past year the BOD worked with the committee to restore the member's gift to something memorable. I believe they did just that. This year all TCA members who attended the Christmas Party received a Menards Flat Car with load. It was a big hit and thank you to all who worked so hard to make the evening so memorable.

And finally how could we not close out the year without talking about all the work that went into the return of the Division Train Show such a

success. Success is measured on many different levels, not just the financial bottom line. So with a eye on getting the show restarted and the bottom line economics of a new facility, new date, new concept for the past few years a lot of work went into securing a facility that was central in location, priced right yet large enough to hold the proper amount of tables and yet with modest room to expand if needed.

After looking at and working out details with several hotels in the Mesa area we contacted the Shrine Auditorium and found that a date had become available for us to hold the show. I've documented the work that Fred Hunter and Ray Pomper put in to pull this off, but behind the scenes many others also contributed as well. Not counting your entire Division BOD who rolled up their sleeves and took on numerous tasks but also member Bill Gonyea, who did yeomen's duty early Saturday morning shagging boxes and getting the hall setup so we could open at 7:00 AM. It was a collective effort and it paid off as the table sellers were anxiously lined up at the back door to get their tables setup in the early morning hours. Many of them also pitched in and gave us a hand as well. For sure we had a few bumps, and it took a bit to get the wheels greased up and turning again but overall it was a great start for what we hope for many more shows to come.

Well that's a great wrap for 2016 but what's in store for 2017? Besides continuing to build on the past we have our popular Souper Bowl Auction coming up in only a few weeks. Of course the Spring Picnic is already booked and being worked on as well as the Pizza Meetza and as I already mentioned the Christmas Party and Train Show are also being planned, even though they are almost a year away.

Of course many of us continue to work on the 2019 Convention in Albuquerque. Make no mistake, this is our convention hosted by our Division members who live just a few hours away.

We have many surprises in the year ahead. I hope you will join us as the Desert Division plans a New Year of both fun and fellowship while we mix in a good dose of toy trains to keep it all the more interesting.



MORE HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE DECEMBER TRAIN SHOW



No matter if you looked from the back of the hall up on the balcony...



... or from the front stage. When we opened up the doors the public came in and the Train Meet was on!



John Craft is all smiles and had a beautiful table full of Standard Gauge trains



Founding member Ron White was presented with his 50 year TCA membership pin prior to the meet



It was nice to see Ivan English who made the trip up from Tucson for the show



Terry Gibbs was busy at his table



Another nice Standard Gauge set with OB



The table top auction at the end of the show featured many quality items including this nice Lionel ZW



TCA Rio Grande Chapter News



Holiday greetings from The Rio Grande Chapter! The New Year brings a new change for our monthly meets. Remember to bring your wallet and a table to the January meet. Starting with the new year we will have a small member only swap meet prior to our business meeting. There will be a few tables available in the church hall but to make the transition from swap meet to business meeting we recommend that you bring your own table.

There is a lot of news to report for the New Year and we will start off with the news that during the winter break, the Los Alamos mint car has turned a profit and now both fundraising cars are generating profits for the 2019 Convention treasury. Chapter President David Nycz will announce the amount during the January Business Meeting. The money raised

from the sale of these cars will help to fund several events we need to host during the convention week. In fact sales have been going so well that we are down to about two dozen of the Cumbres & Toltec Box Car and about 50 of the popular Los Alamos mint car. In fact we have seen the Los Alamos Mint Car selling on eBay for over \$100 when you can still buy them from us for only \$80. You just gotta love the American marketplace or as the old saying goes, "there's one born every minute."

The next Rio Grande Chapter meeting is January 21, 2017 @ 9:00 AM starting with the swap meet at Los Altos Christian Church located at 11900 Haines N.E., in Albuquerque.

We are still hoping to have an after meet visitation so stop by the meet and enjoy part of your Saturday with us.



Greg and Renee Holmes were the winners of the Rio Grande Chapter's 2016 successful train set raffle. The winning ticket was drawn on December 3rd, after the chapter sold tickets at various train events all year long. The Area 51 Lionel set was donated by Jim Trever.



The New Mexico Steam Locomotive & Railroad Historical Society is currently restoring Santa Fe #2926 in Albuquerque. She took part in Albuquerque's Luminaria Special on December 24, which was the 62nd anniversary of the date in 1954 she was pulled from revenue service.

DUES ARE DUE

Just as many of your other yearly subscriptions are up for renewal so is your Desert Division dues. How do you know whether you owe dues? Look at your address label. If it is highlighted in pink, you owe dues. Please remit \$10 per year for up to five years in advance in a check made payable to Desert Division – TCA and include it in an envelope with the Registration Form which appears elsewhere in this issue of the Dispatch.

If you don't want to pull apart your newsletter you may also print out the form from the Desert Division website. Visit TCADD.ORG and click on the "How to Join" button on the left, at the bottom of that page is the link for the

current Registration Form. Mail forms and checks to Angelo Lautazi, Division Secretary, at 6109 E. Sonoran Trail, Scottsdale, AZ 85266 on or before February 28, 2017. You may also save yourself postage if you wish to bring it to the January Meet or auction.

Please insure that we have all your personal information including phone numbers and email address correct. Not only will it help us to create the Desert Division roster and membership cards, it helps us keep postage costs contained. Every returned newsletter costs the Division over a dollar in postage costs to get your correct mailing address.

SOUPER BOWL III

First and most importantly remember the auction has moved for this event only! We are meeting at Paradise Valley United Methodist Church, on Lincoln Drive just west of Tatum Blvd. Preview begins at 8:00 AM, Auction at 9:00.

Although we are not holding the winter auction on Super Bowl weekend this year, it will mark the third installment of this new popular event for all our members to enjoy.

Who else but the Desert Division would hold a cooking contest and a train auction at the same time? We have been treated to some wonderful soups over the past two years and look forward to another tasty treat again this year. If you think you can top my pozole rojo

from last year, bring it on. Well okay, so it wasn't my recipe, I still know good pozole when I make it. This year I have another borrowed recipe from my trips to the Eastern Division York Meet and I can't wait to have you try it. But I need your help. I can't cook all the soup myself.

Signup at the January Meet and bring a small Crockpot to our winter auction. We rented a facility that has an adjoining kitchen so the soups will be kept hot until it is time to enjoy them at our mid-day break. The Division will provide all the utensils, bowls, crackers and plenty of napkins so plan to cook up a batch of your favorite soup or chili and join us for some auction fun and good eats.

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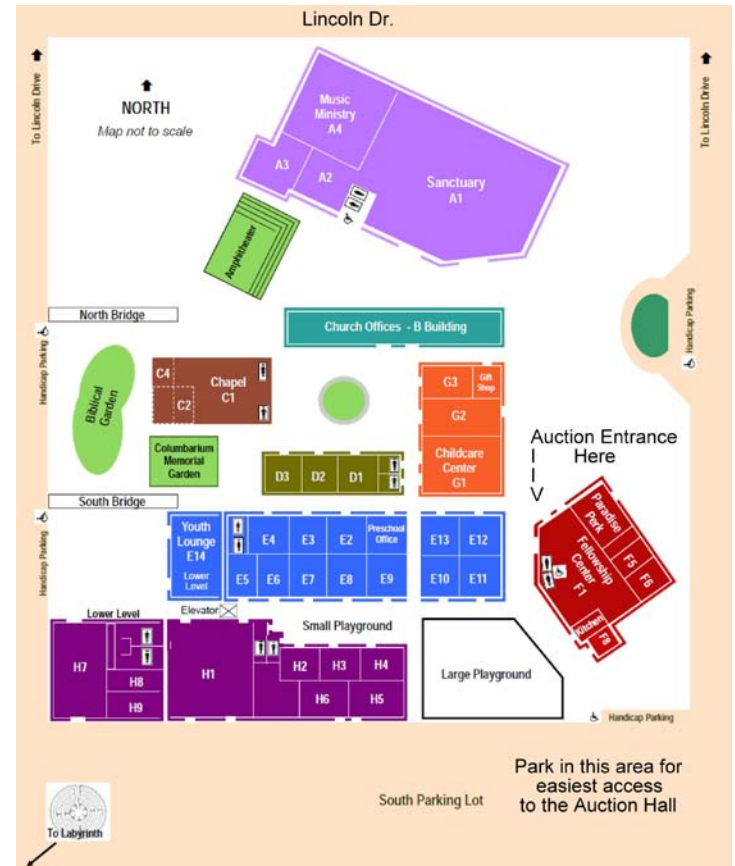
Preview 8:00 AM - Auction Starts promptly at 9:00 AM

More info and online catalog – TCADD.ORG



Last year's Souper Bowl Kitchen Crew of volunteers helped make the Day a great event for everyone who attended. Won't you help us out this year?

It is a very short 8 mile drive from our usual meeting place. Take Glendale Avenue east until it turns into Lincoln. The church is on the south side of the road.



We will be at a new location for this auction only!

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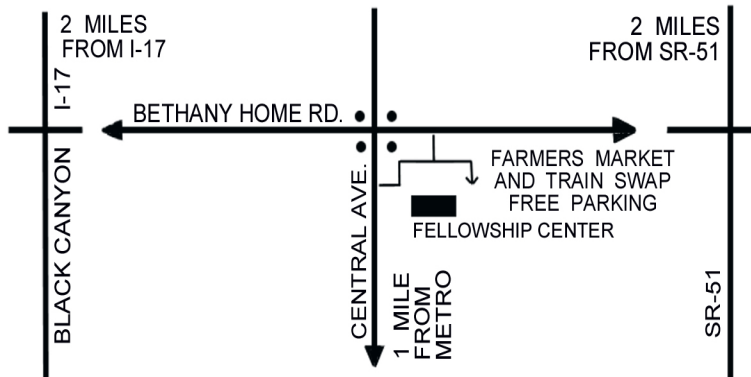
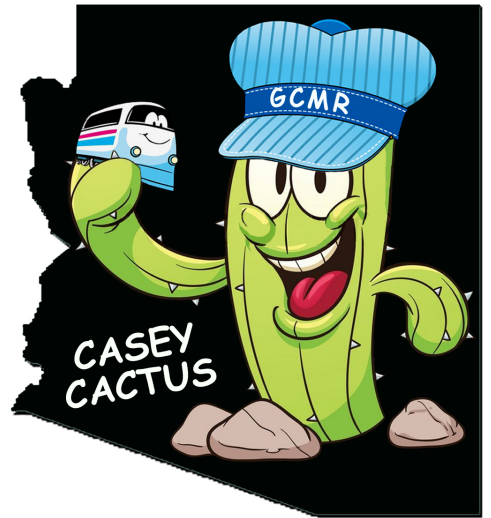
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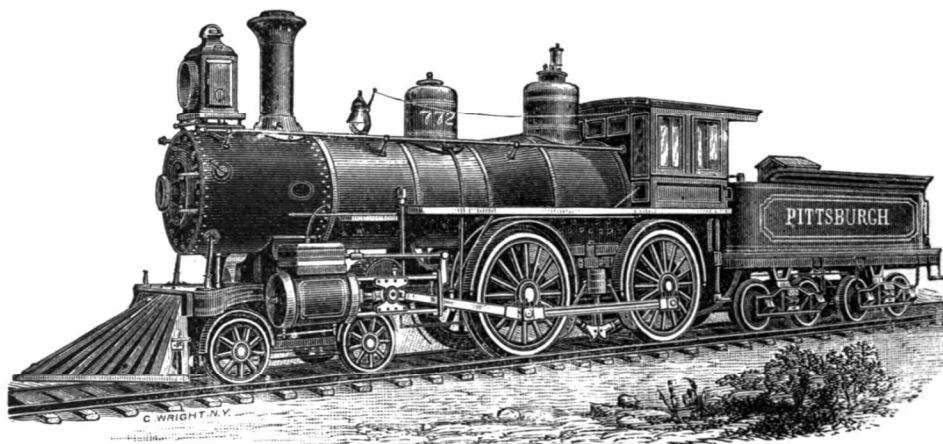
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WANTED: Cradle and yoke for 12" locomotive bell - Eye catching railroadania items - Chris Allen sparkyshome@cox.net

WANTED: PASSENGER SET: I'm working with a friend who is putting some train sets for a youth group and he is hoping to find an inexpensive passenger set, such as one of the MPC Amtrak sets. Track and boxes not important. If you can help, would you let me know. Peter Atonna mjatonna@gmail.com 928-636-4228

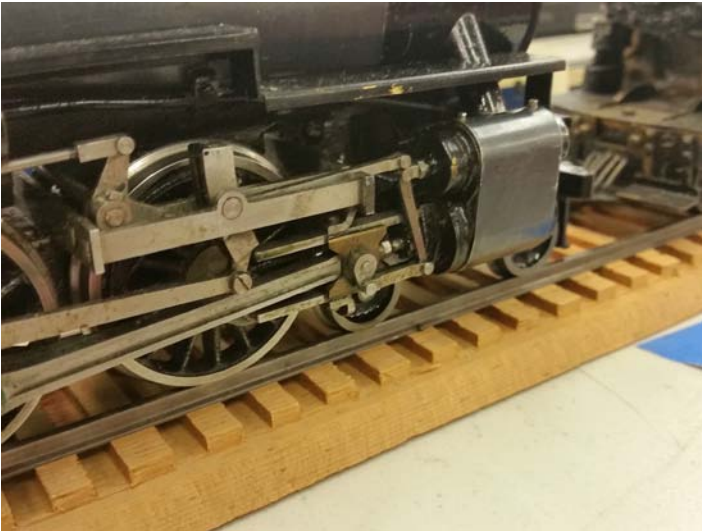
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FOR THINGS THAT DIDN'T FIT ELSEWHERE or BREAKING NEWS

If you follow the Division on facebook you may have seen the story and these pictures of member George Sokol's live steam engine he purchased at York and had on display at the Tucson GPD TTOM meet.



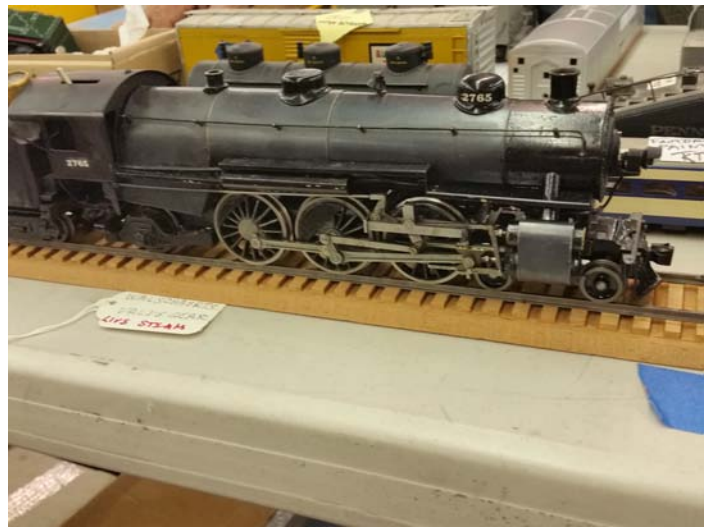
The craftsmanship of all the parts is impeccable and were most likely done by hand.



Below the cab you can see the actual working Walschaerts Valve Gear handle to control speed and direction



The tender appears to hold "white" gas which was a popular liquid fuel. The handle near the rear of the tender pressurized the fuel tank



Here is the overall engine, it is truly a one of a kind masterpiece and these pictures do not do it justice.

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