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# Desert Division

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## HAPPY NEW YEAR – WELCOME TO 2018!

Whew! What a busy ending to 2017 we had! Elections, Train Show, Auction, Christmas Party, it seemed like every weekend was tied up. Along the way we also gave away the 2017 Raffle prizes and the postwar Hudson. I wish I could say that 2018 will be quiet but we have two events already on the agenda for January, so don't relax just yet. After all the Souper Bowl Auction lets you put on your chef's hat and show your cooking skills as well as your collecting prowess.

This was our second year at the Shrine Auditorium in Phoenix and things are getting a bit better now that we are a little more familiar with the location. Attendance was about the same as last year which was good considering we moved the date back to November. Early indications are we will remain on the third Saturday in November for 2018, but have not signed the contract until after the January Division BOD meeting. We will have a full report during the annual Business Meeting in January.

Following the November Train Show we held a very full November Auction. If you purchased the auction catalog early, you undoubtedly noticed that it contained several

quality pieces and I can't remember an auction when I heard auctioneer Peter Atonna state how rare it was to see certain items and on several occasions state he had never seen one at our auction ever before. Not only that, Peter himself was busy bidding on some of them, so there really were some unique items in that auction. Some of those same consignors will have additional items in our January Auction.

Of course, as I already mentioned the January Auction, now called the Souper Bowl, is my favorite since so many homemade soups and chili's show up. Although we never know what the weather will be, the menu promises to be full of flavor. The tasty soups I get to sample from many of you have become a part of Division tradition as much as the Pizza Meetza.

We will have a signup sheet at the January Auction and if you wish to show off your newest crock pot or latest recipe please consider signing up. I haven't decided if I will stick with my traditional southwest flavored soups and chili's as in years past or break out one of my mothers tried and true belly pleasers, but her homemade corn chowder sounds awfully good to me today...

### MARK YOUR CALENDAR – UPCOMING EVENTS

**January 5 & 6 – GPD WINTER MEET** – Fri 1 PM – 6 PM, Sat 9 AM – 2 PM – Tucson, AZ

**January 13 – January Division Meet and Annual Business Meeting**

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

**January 20 - Rio Grande Chapter Annual Business Meeting**

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

**January 20 - Desert Division SOUPER BOWL Train Auction** – Auction Preview 8 AM – 9 AM – Auction starts 9 AM  
Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church 1500 w. Maryland – Phoenix, AZ

The Fred Harvey Trading Co. boxcar sales have reached an important milestone. Over the winter break we received word that they are currently 2/3 sold out. We will work with the Rio Grande Chapter this summer as they promote the 2019 convention this year in Warwick, Rhode Island. I anticipate they will sell rather briskly in the convention store. For those of us working on the Albuquerque Convention it's hard to believe that it is only 18 months away!

The annual Christmas Party wrapped up all the formal Division activities for the year. We heard from many of our regulars that they had scheduling conflicts this year but for those of us who attended, it was a great end of the year party.

The Christmas Holiday Committee does a great job shopping the post-Christmas sales trying to find great and fun centerpiece items and this year they found a couple that really resonated with our members. Dilly! Dilly! (look for the picture in this issue)

What really set this event apart from year's past was that after hearing from numerous members that the diecast cars were getting a little "long in the tooth" and several attempts to find a suitable member gift alternative it was decided to offer a few quality items and have a drawing for the prizes for a few lucky members. Of course, there are happy winners and then there are the rest of us. But about 1/4 of the members present went home with a nice present from the party.

Of course, the ladies still received the Lenox snowman ornament, a tradition that we dare not break until Lenox decides to stop producing them.

A big thank you to all our volunteers who helped make these three events so successful. Many of our committees are working short handed and we need your help. Even if you have only a few hours to spare please volunteer to help out. Several of our Chairmen have been serving on these committees for over twenty years and would like to still be active but begin mentoring their eventual replacements. The time commitment varies by committee so if you would like to learn more contact them or me at the next meeting.

As I mentioned we closed out the year with a series of raffle prize winners announced at the November Train Show. First Prize for the Annual Raffle of the MTH UP M10000 went to Ralph Treichel. Second Prize of the mint MTH Operating Car Wash still in its shipping carton went to Beth Stange. Third Prize was a real Jim-Dandy, the METCA Palisades Park Trolley went to Phil Todd.

For the past two years, the winning Hudson ticket had been purchased at the Christmas Holiday Party. Christie Wilson did double duty working hard to make sure all the tickets were sold prior to the party this year. She was successful and the winner this year for the Hudson was Jonathan Peiffer.



**Chris Wieclaw and wife Mary from the Rio Grande Chapter were in town for the November train Meet and brought the Mighty Casey Riding train, much to the delight of our young visitors.**



**Hard to decide which of the smiling faces to use. We have numerous pictures of the kids having fun riding the train at the show and many waited patiently for their turn.**





During a slow part of morning we got away from our admissions desk and took a couple of quick pictures



Looks like Ray Pomper is about to make a sale from something "under the table"



Christie Wilson trying to convince a prospective buyer that he really needs one more car



Steve Bienstock and John Craft share a quick laugh as they pass intel to each other about where the deals are



It's not S gauge so I'm selling it real cheap...



Hard to tell if this is a stalemate or a sale



## **TCA Desert Division BOD Meeting**

There are no scheduled Division BOD meetings in November or December. The next scheduled meeting is set for 7:00 PM on January 10<sup>th</sup> 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.

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### **SOME CHRISTMAS PARTY HIGHLIGHTS**



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



**A view of some of the early arrivals from the back of the food buffet line**



**Linda and Ray Pomper hiding behind a Santa Claus table centerpiece while Paul Malek seems to be trying to blend in with all the red on the table.**



**Looks like Peter Atonna is trying to get another \$5 bid from someone while Angelp Lautazi, Chris Allen and Bob Herman can only smile at the bidding antics**

## Presidents Message

I hope you had a marvelous holiday season and a great start to 2018. Whether it was the religious celebration of Hanukkah or Christmas or the simple traditions of Santa Claus or Happy Yule, this time of year resonates with toy trains and seems to bring back many fond childhood memories.

As part of my retrospection I often think back to my childhood fascination with trains, how my family encouraged that joy, and how sharing that joy with my family also rekindled the joy I've carried all these years.

I'm not really a hardcore collector. At best I could be defined as a bit of a hoarder and a bit of a dreamer mixed together. I also like variations, but not really all that hardcore either. Friends share things they have discovered, and I like passing that on to others. Maybe I'm violating some secret code among variation collectors, I've never been called on it.

TCA has given me a rare opportunity to meet some truly great collectors and see first hand some magnificent collections. To a man, these members joyfully opened their homes, shared not only their knowledge but shared the experience of finding such rare items.

More years ago, than I care to remember I started a 6464 boxcar collection after seeing a complete collection at a Desert Division member's home. That collection stalled when I saw a complete postwar military and space collection, boy, I always liked those as a kid! Well, then I discovered motorized units, soon after that was Marx tin... Well, I think you have a rough idea of my collection of stuff.

But, the collection is a collection of stuff I like, and that is the most important thing to me. Along the way I've picked up knowledge about a variety of things and expanded my collection in areas I never even knew that existed.

My emphasis has always been focused on a running year-round layout. My childhood layout was a simple Marx set with a simple loop of Marx track and a single siding. I had a few accessories that I purchased over the years. But as I have mentioned to quite a few of you, it was located in my Grandmother's basement. It was a carrot to get me to come over and do chores for her. Raking leaves, cutting grass, whatever odd job I could do

resulted not in a few extra bucks in my pocket, just some time to spend in the basement with my layout. I did that until the family moved to California from Ohio when I was in 6<sup>th</sup> grade. That Marx set never made the move and remained behind. When my Mom and Dad went back to Ohio years later to close out the house following her death the set could not be found. Most likely it was given away (hopefully) or just set out in the trash. After all, it was just an old toy.

Why the story? Well, as part of my retrospective look back in my life, I also include my time with you and TCA. This past year I have lost several long-time friends in the Division. That old toy brought many of us together. I never knew TCA existed thirty years ago. I operated my trains in solitude, buying bits and pieces at local hobby and train stores. In fact, my mother's second cousin back in Ohio was my most frequent supplier, and most of the items were bought sight unseen. I might never have joined TCA had it not been for the module and the fun shared operating trains in the public. I mean a grown man still playing with toy trains? It was the joy of running and playing with the trains, designing layouts and the open houses that I visited that brought me to TCA, not the collecting of rare trains. Sure, I've learned to appreciate them over the years and I chase a few myself, but I still get my most joy from the hobby meeting with fellow trainiac's, learning something new, hearing about their recent acquisitions, or just sharing the joy of their most recent family visit where they shared it with other family members. For most of us there is no one to pass this joy down to. I don't fault the generation behind me, but I don't let it stop me from sharing my joy with other's.

Running trains continues to be contagious. I look for that one person in a hundred that lingers at the layout. It could be either a child or adult, but I'll detect that certain spark that brought me into the hobby is now in someone else's life. I may never see or experience that spark turn into a flame, and perhaps it never will, but for a moment it was there. Just like it was for many of us those many years ago. Happy New Year!



## 2926's RETURN TO STEAM

By Jon Spargo, TCA 05-59326 - Chief Safety Officer, NMSL&RHS

It is mid-day in Los Angeles in the late 1940s as you approach Union Station to board one of the Santa Fe Railway's crack passenger trains that will take you to Chicago in 39 hours! Along the way you'll be pampered by a staff of attendants like no other in American railroading. That includes being wined and dined by the legendary Fred Harvey's food service.

As you approach your gleaming stainless-steel Pullman coach you notice a giant steam locomotive attached to the front of your train with the number 2926 emblazoned on the side of her tender. Peacefully, little puffs of steam appear from the engine giving no clue as to the 5000 horsepower about to be unleashed upon the rails beneath her. After a friendly wave to the engineer you board your coach just as the conductor shouts his final "all aboard!" His hand signal is acknowledged by two short blasts of 2926's whistle. As you take your seat, a gentle jostle tells you your journey is beginning.

Leaving Los Angeles, you are whisked eastward through the Los Angeles basin. After a stop at San Bernardino, 2926's next challenge is pulling your train up and over legendary Cajon Pass which she can accomplish all by herself without the use of a helper. After a brief stop in Barstow, your train heads east out across the Mojave Desert. The gentle rocking of your Pullman coach gives little indication of speed. When you consult the on-board speedometer in your coach you are amazed to see it pass 90 miles per hour! At 90, the massive 80-inch driving wheels of 2926 are turning over at better than 6 times a second! A short time later you notice the speed is steady at just over 100 mph!

While we might fondly remember or read about the heyday of steam, a bold reminder of what

it was like is alive and well in Albuquerque, New Mexico. After 9 years of service and over one million miles, 2926 was retired and the giant 4-8-4 northern was lovingly placed in a city park in Albuquerque where she sat on display for 44 years! In the late '90s a group of steam enthusiasts, led by a former fireman who fired 2926 in his youth, began the arduous process of liberating 2926 from the city park with an eye toward restoring her to operation. For the sum of \$1 The New Mexico Steam Locomotive & Railroad Historical Society (NMSL&RHS) purchased 2926 from the City of Albuquerque in 1999, moved her from the park in 2000 and moved her again in 2002 to the current site where restoration work began.

17 years later the restoration is complete and excursions behind 2926 have begun. To date over 200,000 volunteer man hours and \$2.7 million dollars have brought this magnificent engine back to life again as a living, breathing, example of the heyday of travel by rail behind the epitome of steam power. 2926 is the largest steam passenger engine running in excursion service and is one of the few steam engines running regularly on main line rails.

As members of TCA you will have an opportunity to get up close and personal with 2926 and rub elbows with the crew that has lovingly restored her. Mark Wednesday, June 26, 2019 on your calendars. TCA members attending the 2019 National Convention in Albuquerque, New Mexico will be hosted for a special open house at the 2926 restoration site. If you've never rubbed elbows with "big steam" this is your chance. Oh, don't forget to bring your cameras! If you'd like a sneak preview of what you will see, please visit [www.2926.us](http://www.2926.us).





## TCA Rio Grande Chapter News

### 18 Months and Counting Down!



Holiday greetings from The Rio Grande Chapter! Remember to bring your wallet and a table to the January meet. We will continue to 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. Of course, we will have our elections for the next two-year term. But even bigger than that will be the continuing work on the 2019 Convention. This begins our busy year as we will have a booth at the 64<sup>th</sup> TCA Convention this summer in Warwick, Rhode Island. We will also have a booth at the Eastern Division York Meet in October. If you are planning on attending please let Scott or Elaine know, we could use help manning the

tables during those events. We've been working hard during the winter break and our planning will begin coming together as we get ready to actively promote the convention.

We should also have the latest updates on the Fred Harvey Company fundraising car. Although we haven't heard the money numbers we did hear that they are now 2/3's sold out!

The January Meeting will be the Annual Business Meeting as required by TCA Bylaws for non-profits. There will be reports on the Pumpkin Meet and 2017 Raffle and many other events of the past year so mark your calendar and plan to attend.

The next Rio Grande Chapter meeting is January 20, 2018 @ 9:00 AM starting with the swap meet at Los Altos Christian Church located at 11900 Haines N.E., in Albuquerque.



The 2926 after a New Mexico monsoon swept through the worksite late last summer. The lady cleaned up real good.

Photo's courtesy 2926.us website



Inside the cab of the 2926 the work of volunteers continues to get all the plumbing finished. Remember you will get this close to the 2926 cab and learn about the restoration project at the 2019 Convention in Albuquerque

## DUES ARE DUE

Just as many of your other yearly subscriptions are up for renewal so is you 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 \$15 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, 2018. 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.

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## SOUPER BOWL IV

We will not even know who will be playing in the real Super Bowl 52 this year but the Desert Division will have our own "Souper Bowl IV" auction just as planned on Saturday January 20<sup>th</sup>.

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 and chili's over the past three years and look forward to another tasty treat again this year.

After not even earning an honorable mention in Souper Bowl I, I have come back strong in the past two years as have my competitors, or should I say challenging chefs? We will have a pot of certified gluten free chili on hand but for those of you who want to walk on

the wild side, let me introduce you to my family's tried and true recipe. Will it be 16 bean surprise, maybe split pea, or most likely will I pull out all the stops and bring corn chowder? I need your help. I can't cook all the soup myself. At least not for everybody we hope will attend this great auction.

Signup at the January Meet and bring a small Crockpot to our winter auction. 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. By the way, the auction catalogs are available at the January Meet or you can preview the catalog on our website <http://tcadd.org/auctions.html> but don't forget to stop by for the best tasting auction in TCA.

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## IN MEMORIUM – BILL MACK

Just as we were finishing up this issue I received the news that former Division President and 2009 Co-Chairman Bill Mack, passed away on December 28<sup>th</sup>. Bill had been a staunch Division supporter for years and was instrumental in securing the Scottsdale Jaycees Hall after the Division out grew the confines of Ray Korte Chevrolet's salesman's meeting room.

Of course, many of you remember Bill for his leadership role when we hosted the national convention in 2009. Bill was used to giving you orders and then just expected you to "get it done". He didn't micromanage you, but he did expect it to be done! Long before there was caller id I knew Bill was on the line with his usual greeting, "Hey big guy, Mack here."

Bill received his first train set in 1947. His father was in the Air Force and the Lionel 2020 set was purchased at the local Base Exchange. It wasn't until three decades later as a member of TCA that Bill learned that the set was an uncatalogued set put together by Lionel especially for sale at military base exchanges. A new set followed each year until, as many young man's mind tends to wander into other areas. Bill packed them up and set them aside instead of selling them like so many of us did.

Then because of Polaroid film promotion in 1970 he got back into the hobby via an HO train set. HO and shag carpet didn't prove to be a satisfactory pairing and a short time later, Bill had his old Lionel trains down and running again. Bill and Jean eventually moved into the home in Scottsdale that most of you remember. Bill's postwar collection and neat tightly organized layout was featured in Classic Toy Trains and was featured during the layout tour for the convention. For those of us fortunate to visit the layout it was so compact but filled with just about



every postwar operating accessory made. He claimed that he enjoyed both sides of the hobby, operating and collecting, but those of us who knew Bill knew the operator bug glowed a little brighter. He loved running his trains for friends and family alike and needed no excuse to take you to the layout.

For almost two decades Bill and Jean would organize the annual BOD dinner. This event allows the spouses of past and present BOD members to meet in a social, non-train related atmosphere and to share stories with each other. Bill hated meetings, so this was just another way the Board members could share time with each other away from the business of the club. On more than one occasion these dinners would turn into a "roast" for some past President or Board member keeping with Bill's often-heard motto, "make it fun".

Bill was also active in the Arizona Air National Guard flying KC-135's with the Copperheads and of course his long tenure with the Scottsdale Charros.

Funeral Services were not available as we went to press but we will publish them when they become available. Please keep Jean and all the Mack family in your thoughts and prayers.

## ELECTION NEWS

On December 1<sup>st</sup> 2017 Election Chairman Steve Bienstock and members John Craft and Chris Allen counted ballots for the election. Since the offices were unopposed, all candidates were elected. Bylaw ammendment #1 for the dues to increase to \$15 per year was approved 78 yea, 18 nea. Bylaw ammendment #2 to allow electronic voting was passed 79 yea, 17 nea. More information and discussion on the Bylaws changes and election will be held during the annual Division Business Meeeting in January



## MORE HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE CHRISTMAS PARTY AND TRAIN SHOW



DILLY DILLY! Mark Thompson really wanted the Santa centerpiece to add to his collection and paid a recent history record amount for it



Another view of some of the early arrivals that filled the Banquet Hall at the Mesa Marriott



Another happy child running the rails on Mighty Casey who was busy most of the show



Hard to see Marty Wik and Gerry Klei working the "Train Doctor" table



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FOR THINGS THAT DIDN'T FIT ELSEWHERE or BREAKING NEWS



Chris Wieclaw sitting down for a minute during his very busy morning. Thank you, Chris and Mary, for making the trip over from New Mexico, the kids loved it!



Looks like Paul Malek is in awe of Ray Pomper selling a postwar item



Paul Wassermann with his Foosball Table, well maybe mini Foosball. He claims he only put one ticket in the bag but walked away with the prize



The party can start, we're here! Peter and Mary Jane Atonna arrived early but the paparazzi still found them

Have you registered for the TCA Convention in Warwick, Rhode Island this year?

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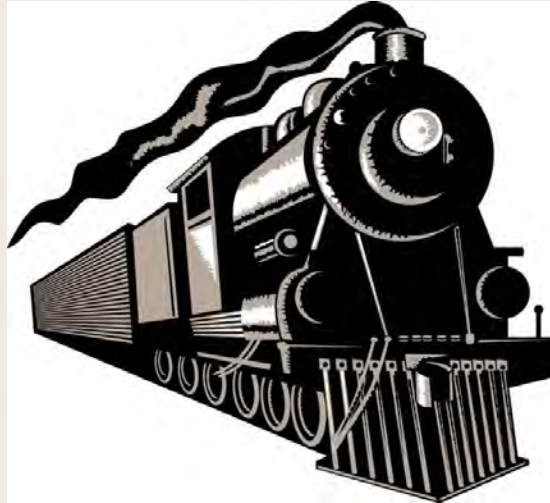


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