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# Desert Division

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## KICKING OFF A NEW SEASON

Well, Desert Division rolled into 2018 under a full head of steam. First with the Annual Business Meeting and January Meet followed up the next weekend with the Souper Bowl Auction. We even ran trains for a school to mix in a little train fun in with all the other train events we had.

A nearly full house greeted everyone at the Division Meet. The sales tables were in full swing, the coffee was fresh, and the donuts were moving off the table. Friends were catching up with the latest news after the winter break.

President Chris Allen got everyone under control and called the Annual Business Meeting to order at 10:08. A quick head count showed we had about 50 members present and many guests as well. Secretary Angelo Lautazi introduced two guests who became members of the Division at the Meet. Tom Gardner recently moved into the area and likes to collect O gauge. Jack Buchanan also joined the clubs ranks after a recommendation from the fellows over at the Paradise and Pacific. With these two members Division active (dues paying) membership now stands at 238.

Bob Herman gave the Treasurer's report of 19,805.18 in the Savings Account and \$10,796.50 in Checking. Continuing the financial theme, it was reported that 2017 ended with deficit because of slight losses for the Train Show and Christmas Party, mainly based on lower than anticipated attendance at both events. In addition, the third fund raising car sales have slowed and have yet to post a profit.

Chris reported that the latest figures from the National Business Office show that there are 22,462 members in TCA worldwide. Of the 310 members that live in geographical Division area, as Angelo reported, only 238 pay dues and are active Division members. We continue to try to stay in contact with many of these distant members who live outside of the Phoenix and Albuquerque metro areas and make them aware of events that might bring them into closer contact with us.

Wrapping up the Annual Business Meeting Chris reported the results of the recently held elections. All officers ran unopposed and were elected. Both Bylaws amendments passed which means that Division dues starting January 1<sup>st</sup> will

### MARK YOUR CALENDAR – UPCOMING EVENTS

#### February 10 – February Division Meet

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

#### February 17 - Rio Grande Chapter Meet

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

**February 17 – GCMR Winter Cactus Meet** – 9 AM – 1 PM (Discount admission coupon inside)

North Phoenix Baptist Church – Phoenix, AZ

#### March 10 - March Division Meet

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

be \$15 a year, payable up to five years in advance. If you prepaid your dues under the old rate, you are grandfathered until they expire. There were no questions from the membership and the Annual Business Meeting was adjourned at 10:20

The regular club meeting continued with Chris mentioning that the delivery of the newsletter is now taking over a week from the time he drops it off at the Post Office. Many members at the meeting reported they still had not received their January Newsletter. He did remind everyone that the newsletter is normally on the website the week before the meeting.

Chet Henry spoke about the upcoming "Souper Bowl Auction". A sign-up sheet was on the front table for members to sign-in and decide who was bringing what soup. The club will provide all the utensils, crackers, sodas as usual.

Paul Wassermann had the completed Division patch and several of the new light weight "active wear" polo shirts on hand along with order forms. The new shirts sell for \$35 each and are available in a variety of colors and several styles, including several for the ladies. You must prepay to take advantage of low price and the shirts will be delivered at the next monthly meeting.

Member of the Year award went to Chet Henry. Chris mentioned that Chet is the current Auction Chairman and worked throughout the year picking up train consignments and getting them ready for the auctions. There were co-winners of for the Volunteer of the Year. Barbara

Lautazi and Shirley Hunter shared the honor as both worked to plan the annual Christmas Party along with purchasing and wrapping all the gifts. Katie Elgar was recognized with the presentation of the Division Honorary Life Member award in recognition of her term as TCA National President.

The Educational Segment started with Paul Wassermann showcasing his custom Copper Hopper consist made from the 2009 copper hoppers. The loads featured various brightly colored "mineral" loads from Arizona. Roger Meekhoff brought a rare Gilbert exploding mine car. Roger, an avid Gilbert collector, knew the car were rare but was surprised when one recently sold on eBay for over \$1,000. He plans to keep his, thank you very much. Jonathan Peiffer had a 3<sup>rd</sup> Rail Santa Fe e8 diesel that he provided research one. It had very detailed stainless-steel panels and included yellow grab bars that generated some controversy on the chat groups, even though they are prototypically correct. Chris Allen brought in several detailed Lego buildings that he hopes to feature on the train layout getting the idea from the Cactus Lego User Group that is featured on the Paradise and Pacific layout.

Raffle Prize winners in no particular order, MTH 7-Up Boxcar-Dave Brown, Lionel Hellgate Boxcar-Dana Price, Lionel Reading Boxcar-Bill East, Lemax assortment-Chet Henry, bag of layout signs-Christie Wilson, Metal layout figurers-Jon Hinderer, assorted Railroad items-Loren Hess.



**John Jr. is in town and helped John and Darlene Wiley at their sales table**



**A nice view of Paul Wassermann's colorful copper hopper train and the new Division shirts he is taking orders for. Order yours at the next meet!**





**Dave Brown and Jack Eaton buying raffle tickets and chatting with Angelo and Bob**



**Co-winners of the Volunteer of the Year Award, Barbara Lautazi and Shirley Hunter**



**Chet Henry, Member of the Year, well earned for all the time he spends on the Division auctions**



**Katie Elgar recognized with the Division Honorary Life Membership Award**



**Roger Meekhof talking about his Gilbert exploding mine car when he saw one sell recently on eBay**



**Jonathan Peiffer and the beautiful scale and prototypical 3<sup>rd</sup> Rail Santa Fe E8 he brought**

## **TCA Desert Division BOD Meeting – January 10, 2018**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM at the home of Chris and Laurel Allen

In Attendance; Chris Allen, Mike Dietrich, Bob Herman, Angelo Lautazi, Paul Wassermann, Terry Haas and Jonathan Peiffer. On teleconference Greg Palmer and David Nycz

**Approval of Previous Meetings Minutes** – The minutes from the previous meeting were approved.

**Secretary's Report** - Angelo reported that membership stands at 236 members of which 120 owe dues for the upcoming year. A dues reminder has been sent by email. All dues should be sent to the Division Secretary.

**Treasurers Report** - Treasurer Bob Herman reported that the Savings Account is \$19,805.18 and Checking is \$10,796.50. The budget for 2018 will be discussed later under New Business.

The year-end financials were reviewed. The budget deficit was a result several factors including carrying the unsold inventory of the fundraising cars and losses posted by the November Train Show and Christmas Party. Gate at the show and attendance at the Christmas Party were lower than expected.

### **Old Business:**

**Club Elections** – Jonathan Peiffer has joined the Board as a Director at Large. All the other officers were re-elected. The Election Committee reported that 98 ballots were returned. In addition to the officers the Bylaws amendment increasing dues to \$15/year was passed 78 yea, 18 nay. Bylaws amendment allowing online elections passed 79 yea, 17 nay.

**Goodbye David** - David Nycz attended his last meeting as the outgoing Rio Grande Chapter President. He thanked everyone for their support of the Rio Grande Chapter and especially to Chris for all his work on their behalf. The Board members thanked David in return for his input and ideas over the past four years.

**Polo Shirts** – Paul brought some shirt samples to the BOD meeting. Members present were impressed with the light weight and quality of the shirt. Paul explained the process of how the Division logo will be applied to the shirt. Paul will bring the shirts and order forms to the meet on Saturday and begin taking orders.

### **New Business:**

**2018 Budget** - Bob submitted a proposed operating budget for 2018. Preliminary figures show a potential for a \$3,00 deficit this year. The members discussed storage units' costs and if there was an alternative location to store the module trailer. The trailer suffered some weather damage when stored outside. Next to facility rental, advertising was a major expense for the train show. This year the newspaper advertising will be eliminated and more emphasis will be placed on social media and show flyers. Hudson Raffle will return with ticket sales beginning in February. Last year's winner decided to take the Hudson rather than the cash. This is the fourth straight year that the winner has opted for the Hudson so demand for this postwar collectible remains strong. .

**Desert Division Train Show 2018** – It was decided to keep the November Train Show as a one-day event on the third weekend in November. GPD TTOM in Tucson will continue to do the second weekend, however they will eliminate the January and June shows. Admission will be \$5 to speed admittance and make change less problematical.

**Christmas Party 2018** – Comments received about the Christmas Party were discussed. It was decided that the Christmas Party will continue but a new location will be investigated. Those in attendance were disappointed in the food and the facility needs an update. The member's grab bag will continue as will the Lenox spouses gift.

**Committee Chairs 2017** - Editor of the Newsletter – Chris Allen, Webmaster – Angelo Lautazi , Auction Chairman – Chet Henry , Christmas Party – Barbara and Angelo Lautazi The position of Sgt at Arms is not filled yet.

**Division Member and Volunteer of the Year** – Chris explained the reason for moving the award to the Annual Business Meeting and away from the Christmas Party. He also clarified that the Volunteer of the Year must be a non-TCA member. After discussing various candidates, it was decided to award two Volunteers of the year to Barbara Lautazi and Shirley Hunter for their work on the Christmas Party. Chet Henry was nominated as Member of the Year for his tireless efforts as the Division Auction Chairman

**Adjournment:** Meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm. The next Board meeting is scheduled to be on February 7, 2018 at the home of Angelo and Barbara Lautazi.

Minutes submitted by: Secretary, Angelo Lautazi

## Presidents Message

Wow! What a start to a New Year! Busy meeting followed up by my favorite auction, the Souper Bowl. Well, okay. I've never been to a train auction yet that I haven't come away with something new that I discovered that I must have, but the Souper Bowl brings out the best in the Division, the best cooks that is.

Thank you to everyone who brought in soup or chili for the lunchtime break. Everyone pitching in made for a most flavorful lunch and the cold front that came through made the delicious soups all the much better. Hard to believe that a week later I'm sitting in shorts again as I type up this message, but Arizona did have a winter this year, it came on a Saturday.

I've mentioned several times that you are the reason I belong to TCA. I guess I'm lucky to be such a "people person" and enjoy getting together with everyone in such a wide variety of venues. At church last Sunday pastor mentioned that he caught himself whining about the whiners. I had to chuckle because at times I'm as guilty as well. I can't fix what's going on with our hobby, no new blood, lack of volunteers, prices plummeting, but I do enjoy helping out where I can and I so much love to watch the interaction and friendships within our community of friends.

The Souper Bowl Auction brings all this into clear focus. The members who take a few hours out of their day to make soup or chili and then bring it in to share with others. We had members who never even took a bid card, they came to watch the auction in the morning, share some lunch with others and then leave. That's true TCA fellowship, we are a true sum of our many parts.

Following the Souper Bowl I was able to take the club's train module over to a preschool "Transportation Day". This was in addition to the one we do at our hosting church.

I never get tired of running trains for the children, in fact it recharges my batteries more often than not. I never take trains that I don't expect to end up on the ground. I'm one of those guys you might hate to have around when you are running your trains. Why? I want the kids to touch! They were designed and built as a toy to be touched and played with by children. I'm not talking about your "collectable" but the run of the mill, garden variety, seen one, you've seen a hundred, train that was meant to be played with.

I talk to parents and the kids. I look for that proverbial "spark" and I find it in the most unlikely places. During my most recent outing a DPS officer came up and said he didn't think he could compete with me. He had "Rollover Randy" the Arizona DPS simulator that show the importance to wearing seatbelts to kids in case of a rollover accident. He'd start that simulator running and stuffed animals simulating unbelted children would come flying out of car seats and through the windows. It was a pretty impressive demo.

We chatted in-between classes coming out and I learned that he had a small N scale collection, unfortunately in boxes and put away. But there was that spark. We talked about TCA, trains, all sizes and why we did what we did. He helped me with several derailments and getting cars back on the track and by the time the kids were done, and we were packing up he stopped by one more time to say goodbye.

I told him thanks for all the help he gave, and he said it had been fun being around the trains again. I told him I had hoped to be back next year, and he said the same, but only if they put me next to you. We laughed, and I told him we both were there to plant seeds. He was there with the hope that the kids would remember the lesson he had and would buckle up even in their car seat. You never know that next accident you roll up on maybe that child had attended one of these classes and was now alive because of the seed you planted. Me I plant seeds hoping that one day maybe a parent or even this child might remember the magic of owning their own railroad, being in control of their own empire, keeping the hobby alive and sharing the joy of just running trains for the enjoyment and laughter of others.

He laughed and said, "Well I sure had fun watching you, the trains, and all the kids mesmerized by the layout." I told him to make it better, track your trains and share the joy yourself. I might just do that he said. I told him no maybe, just do it, the fun is there, you experienced it yourself again today. Perhaps somewhere in town a box of old trains is being opened for the first time in years, if for nothing more than the memories of the joy they once brought him. I sure hope so.





## RIO GRANDE CHAPTER EDUCATIONAL PICTURES



John Trever with several early TCA Conventions cars from the late 1960's



Scott Eckstein with his cast iron Ives 3260 Series 3 locomotive. Quite a find!



Jim Trever with his 1955 Kusan "O" gauge two rail, D.C. powered train set



Pete Gerity, TCA 75-7981, talked to the group about the blueprints and drawings presented to Frank Pettit of Lionel for the EMD generator & track grinding car later turned into the track cleaning car

### RIO GRANDE CHAPTER BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2018-2019

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## TCA Rio Grande Chapter News

By David Nycz – TCA 94-38787



The January Rio Grande Chapter meeting was held on January 20, 2018 at Los Altos Christian Church with 17 TCA members attending. The Members Only Swap Meet began at 9:00am.

**Show and Tell:** John Trever brought in various TCA convention cars he had recently acquired at auctions. He had some of the earliest convention cars, a 1966 TCA Convention Bay Window Caboose, a 1968 TCA Convention Tender Shell, and a 1970 TCA Convention #6464 Box Car. Dale Schafer displayed a PRR Tender shell that had holes for lights. Jim Trever had a 1955 O gauge, two rail Kusan Train Set, that was DC powered. This was a complete set box, track, and transformer. Jim then discussed the history and different owners of the Kusan tooling, which later ended up at Williams and Kline. He also brought in an out of print Greenberg Kusan Collectors Guide. Scott Eckstein had a cast iron Ives "O" gauge 3200 Series 3 locomotive that he recently acquired. She's a little worn but still runs like a top. Art Lites talked about the new book he received this past Christmas, "[American Toy Trains](#)".

### Officer's Report:

**President's Report:** President David Nycz thanked all who helped him through his years as President. He then discussed some of the changes the Chapter had made and the need to continue to change.

**Vice-President:** George Domeny also thanked the members for their support and help. Both he and David will not be running for re-election for another term.

**Treasurer's Report:** Everett sent a report showing a balance of \$4,487.68. 2017 started with a balance of \$3,683.04. (+\$809.07)

**Convention Chair:** Scott Eckstein reported that Items for store are ordered and in Production for Warwick Convention Store. Scott, Elaine and Ross are currently attending.

**Board Member at large:** Art Lites reported that the module for the MTH Phone operating app is up and running. Art asked for volunteers to help him run the system at the shows. Volunteers included, Jim Trever, Ross Jordan, Pete Gerity, and Phil Donk. Art reported that there was a lot of interest in the phone demonstration he did at the Pumpkin Meet.

### Old Business:

**Election of Officers:** The Slate of Officers were presented and elected as follows; President: Greg Palmer, Vice-President: Jim Trever, Treasurer: Everett Hagan, Secretary: Scott Eckstein, Board Members at Large: Art Lites, Jon Spargo, and Ross Jordan.

**2017 Pumpkin Meet:** The results were presented and discussed. The attendance was 210 paying adults, 178 attended in 2016. The raffle income was \$192 for 2017, \$216 in 2016 and \$384 in 2015. More effort must be put into selling raffle tickets. Total income 2017 was \$2,520. Office supplies cost \$152, newspaper ads \$488. Total expenses were \$2,577 with a loss of \$57.33. 60 tables were sold with 61 tables sold in 2016.

**Train donation** - sales were \$543 for the year.

**Train set raffle** - raised \$481 after expenses. Tickets were sold at NM Railfair (cancelled for 2018), 2926 Open house and Rails Along the Rio Grande train show.

### New Business:

The 2018 budget was presented and accepted. The 2018 Pumpkin Meet will be October 28th at the Sheraton Uptown (10am-4pm) Table prices will be \$25 for members and \$30 for non-members. The club pays over \$30 per table to the hotel. Frank Dean suggested and will put together directions for Nextdoor.com so that we can use it to advertise the Pumpkin Meet. Individual members will have to publish in their own neighborhood. This advertisement is free. The board will review the newspaper ad for 2018, possibly diverting some funds to Facebook advertising. Our Facebook site was discussed and how some clubs find this is a great way to increase membership. Jim Trevor volunteered to help Art Lites whose son set up the site. Dale Schafer asked if the tables at the Pumpkin Meet could be arranged differently to accommodate more tables. The board will follow up.

**Meeting dates for 2018:** February 17, March 17, April 21, And September 18, - 9:00 AM members only swap meet 10:00 AM meeting. Pumpkin Meet October 28<sup>th</sup>.

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## **(continued) Rio Grande Chapter News**

### **Other Events:**

February 3<sup>rd</sup> - TTOS Swap Meet

March 3-4 - Rocky Mountain Train Show in Denver, CO

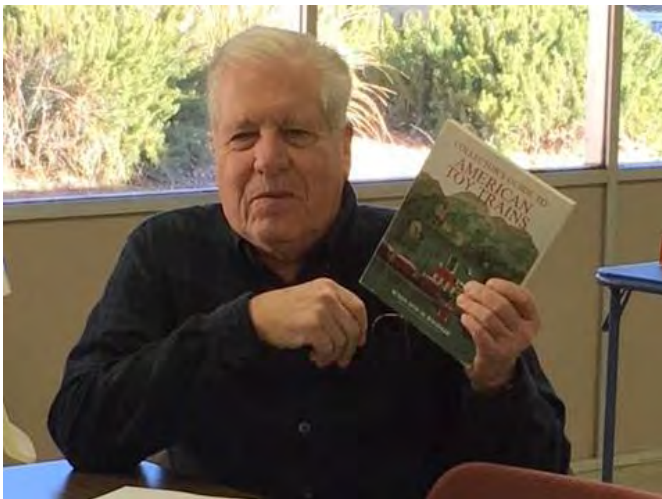
March 17-18 - Southern NM N-Scale Open House and Swap Meet, Las Cruces, NM

### **After meeting Educational Segment:**

Pete Gerity, TCA 75-7981 addressed our group on January 20th. He summarized observations, discussions and recollections of his visit to the Lionel Plant and Service Station in Irvington and Hillside NJ in the Fall of 1955. The visit coincided with the Speno Rail Services chief engineer, Mr. A.T. Bruno presenting full blueprints and drawings of the Speno Rail Services rail grinding train, and the EMD Division of General Motors mobile generator car to Frank Pettit of Lionel so that they could produce models based on these two cars about a year later. Ultimately, the GM car was produced with very high accuracy, and after three iterations, the Lionel track cleaning car resulted from this sharing of blueprints of the rail grinder cars. Original copies of the blueprints and copies of articles based on this visit which appeared in "Model Railroad Collector" magazine in 1982 and 1983 written and published by Pete Gerity were made available to the group. In addition, both cars were on display along with unmarked, unpainted original passenger car bodies, roofs and locomotive moldings obtained by Pete from the Lionel "dumpster" were shown as well.



**Pete Gerity with some of his dumpster dive treasures**



**Art Lites talked about his Christmas present, Collectors Guide to American Toy Trains**



**Dale Schafer and his unusual PRR tender shell**



## 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. **Deadline for the annual dues is this month.** 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 February Meet. Your prompt action helps us to create the Desert Division roster and membership cards. **Please insure that we have all your personal information including phone numbers and email address correct.** This helps to keep postage costs contained. Every returned newsletter or roster costs over a dollar in postage fees to get your correct mailing address.

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## Running Trains for Transportation Day

On Thursday January 18 we took the Desert Division Trailer module out for an early morning spin and setup at Grace Christian Academy in Tempe for their Transportation Day. A quick setup with no fuss and no real detail on the layout, the emphasis was on running trains for the children.



Hard to see all the smiling faces through the early morning glare. Also it's hard to tell who had more fun, them or us



DPS's "Rollover Randy" was right next the Division trailer module in this early morning picture taken during the setup

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## SOUPER BOWL IV HIGHLIGHTS



Looking for those bargains during the preview



Great table full of variety of trains, all found a new home



The front line all ready for the bidding to start



It's too early for me to tell you my story, do you want to be here all day???



Picture of the chef's who contributed to the lunch, we only missed Phil who was working the front table



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The soup and chili was very tasty and popular



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Jon Hinderer had a few items and a big warm smile

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