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# Desert Division

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## Care for a Slice of Pie?

Picture perfect weather greeted those brave Division members who made the trek into Phoenix last month. With the meeting coinciding with the last day of the Eastern Division York Meet, many of our regulars were missing in action. That did not keep our dedicated core of volunteers from their appointed rounds and more donuts than members greeted everyone, what a predicament to deal with, but somehow, we struggled with it.

Sales tables were up, and members were busy checking prices and getting last minute parts from DeLon, who will be gone for the summer.

President Allen was one of those that was missing in action, so Vice President Mike Dietrich brought the meeting to order promptly at 10:00 AM. Secretary Lautazi announced that there were no guests present at the meeting. Currently we have 207 dues paying members, with more than a dozen people who did not renew their Division dues for the new year.

Bob Herman gave the treasurers report with the Savings Account balance at \$19,807.52 and the Checking Account balance at \$4,750.22. Bob informed the membership that there are plenty of bills on the horizon and we will need to dip into the Savings Account to meet short term obligations.



### MARK YOUR CALENDAR – UPCOMING EVENTS

#### May 11 – The 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Pizza Meet and May General Meeting

8:30 AM member only swap – 10:00 AM Business Meeting – 11:00 AM FREE Pizza Lunch  
12:00 noon Auction preview – 12:30 PM Auction Starts! (Auction times approximate)  
Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church - Phoenix, AZ

#### May 12 – WVRHS Meet

9:00AM – 1:00 PM Glendale Christian Church, Glendale, AZ

#### June 8 – June Division Meet

8:30 AM member only swap – 10:00 AM Business Meeting – Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church - Phoenix, AZ

Mike reported on the La Posada Division fundraising car. Of the 125 car order, only 8 remain and there is an ad in the current edition of the TCA Headquarter News. Peter is currently getting licensing approval for the third car in the series, so this is your final chance to get the second car in the Fred Harvey House trifecta.

The Spring Picnic was a great success for all who attended. Although we were concerned about holding the picnic again in March, it was a fabulous day. With the nice weather over 90 members from over half a dozen clubs attended the annual spring picnic/mixer. Every gauge of train from Z to G and Live Steam was represented by members from the various clubs not only in the park but in town. This event is equally co-hosted by Paradise & Pacific, The Grand Canyon Model Railroaders and TCA Desert Division. Although the most visible are the TCA Grill Masters of Angelo Lautazi and Mike Dietrich, all three clubs work equally hard in the planning for this annual event. In fact, in just five short months P&P will be standing in line to secure the Stillman Ramada for next year.

It was reported that due to a "printing malfunction" (That's my excuse and I'm sticking with it) the Annual Raffle tickets will now go on sale at the May Meet. This is a great raffle for everyone. First Place will be a boxed postwar Lionel 1464W UP Alco Passenger Set from 1953. Although the set box will grade out at only a P-5, the set is a great postwar addition to anyone's collection. The set is complete, and the Alco's easily grade a C-8. Going for all eras of Lionel, the Second Place Prize is a big Ready-to-Run Lionel MPC 6-1072 Cross Country Express set from 1980. Winding up the raffle is the recent Lionel 6-81031 Lionel Junction Dinosaur Diesel. A little something for everyone and it could be yours on November 30<sup>th</sup> when the drawing will be held at the end of the November Toy Train Show.

Mike next introduced Auction Chair Chet Henry who spoke about the Pizza Meet. You make up your own lot and we charge you \$5 to out it in the auction. There is a rule change this year with the minimum opening bid of \$5. That doesn't mean you can bring in a box of rusty track and

take home a fiver, instead you will take home your box of rusty track and get your \$5 fee refunded.

Lastly, Mike reminded everyone that the next edition of the newsletter will be emailed to everyone that has an email on file. Only about two dozen newsletters will be printed and mailed to the members with no email. Phil Monahan asked if the BOD considered a surcharge for those that wanted a hardcopy. Mike replied that the Board is still working on the issue and nothing is firm at this time.

The Educational Segment featured **Jon Hinderer** who announced that his theme was "Look what I found in my garage this week". Jon had three Standard Gauge Engines that were built using kits from Franklin Shelly. Jon wrote an article for the Tinplate Times back in 2006 detailing these unique "Poor Man's President's Specials". <https://www.tinplatetimes.com/Tinplate%20History/PoorPres/poorpres.htm> These kits were built to use a Lionel #8 or #10 and it is unknown how many were ever produced. Playing along with that "Look what I found in My garage" theme, **Paul Wassermann** mentioned that he discovered an original Canadian Pacific set that he had not seen for 30 years. We don't know if Paul needs better inventory control or a better memory. **Roland LaHaie** had a very nice Weaver brass engine that he purchased on eBay that was listed as not working. However, being quite familiar with QSI sound problems, Roland managed to repair the engine without spending much money. He also brought in two Sunset Model Virginian Electrics, both of these scale engines had full command control.

Raffle Prize winners in no particular order.  
**Mark Thompson**-Hudson Ticket, **Angelo Lautazi** – Lionel Frisco Boxcar, **Chet Henry** – Lionel Toy Fair Boxcar, **Sam McElwee** – MTH Hopper, **Roland LaHaie** – Lionel Flatcar with trailers, **Dana Price** – KCS Flat w/trailer, **Merle Parise** – Boxed set of train stationary.

With the light crowd, those who bought a Hudson ticket had a good chance for the Hudson Hundo. The winner for April was Angelo Lautazi who pocketed the Franklin. Buy a Hudson ticket and come to the meet, maybe you can go home with an extra \$100 in your pocket also.





**Yes, it was a slow morning with many folks visiting the York. Roxanne held down the fort while Sam was visiting elsewhere**



**Yes, we had more donuts than members, and the selection was very good.**



**Roland LaHaie and Jonathan Peiffer taking a closer look at the Williams brass engine**



**VP Mike Dietrich leading the meeting while Bob Herman and Angelo Lautazi lend support**



**Jon Hinderer and John Craft check out the Standard Gauge trains Jon brought in that were put together from kits sold by Franklin Shelly in the late 1970's - 80's. A real garage find!**



**Doesn't happen all that often when one of the Division officers wins the Hudson Hundred. Secretary Angelo Lautazi, with notepad in hand, making sure it gets noted in the meeting minutes**

## **TCA Desert Division BOD Meeting – April 13, 2019**

The meeting was called to order at 8:37 AM at Shepherd of the Valley Church

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

Because Chris was attending York and on teleconference the following motion was made by Bob Herman; I move to suspend the rule in Robert's Rules of Order for this meeting that requires the President to be absent for the Vice-President to chair the entire meeting. Motion carried. Vice President Chaired the remainder of the meeting with Chris participating via teleconference.

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

**Secretary's Report** - Angelo reported that membership stands at 207 members. We had 14 members not renew their Division membership, many are still members of TCA. We did pickup two new members. Chris stated that during the Executive Committee meeting at York it was mentioned that we only have three new members according to the Win-Big campaign that started 9 months ago. New members are signing up but using the old form and the Division is not getting credit for the memberships.

**Treasurers Report** - Treasurer Bob Herman reported that the Savings Account is \$19,807.50 and Checking is \$4,750.22. Bob gave the BOD an update about upcoming bills and that he might need to withdraw some money from the Savings Account to cover expenses during the shortfall.

### **Old Business:**

**La Posada Fundraiser** – Only 8 cars remain. Peter has the unsold cars and will mail them as the orders come in. Peter is proceeding with the licensing required for the next Fred Harvey car in the series.

**Annual Raffle 2019** - The Annual Raffle will begin with the May Meet. The Drawing is scheduled for the November Train Show on November 30.

**Spring Multi-Club Picnic** – The picnic was well attended by about 90 members and their families. The weather was great and so was the food. (ed. - Thank you to all who volunteered and brought side dishes!)

**Upcoming Motions for the National Board of Directors** – Chris reported that he was unable to discuss the motions with the Executive Committee, instead a report was read why the Rules and Regulations Committee would not support them and asked that they be withdrawn. Chris stated he would contact the Rules and Regulations Committee and planned to proceed as planned to have them on the agenda for the TCA BOD to vote on in June.

### **New Business:**

**Christmas Party Member Gift** – The vendor that we were going to place the order for the member gifts was not at York. Shirley and Fred were notified, and they will make contact and order the gifts.

**0n3/0n30 Consignment** – Chris reported that the consignment sold very well at the recently held GPD TTOM April Train Meet in Tucson. He also took along some HO items that were also part of the consignment that also sold well. We are selling the items at train shows at reserve prices and will offer them on a sales list to interested parties following the show rather than place them in a separate HO and 0n3/0n30 Auction.

**Silent Auction Items** – Additional G Gauge items were discovered in the consignment and will be placed with a reserve in the newsletter. Unbid items will be offered for sale at the GCMR, In the Heat Meet in July.

**Electronic Newsletter** – Chris contacted the printer and discovered that we will lose our volume discount if we do a reduced printing. 50 printed copies would cost \$95 while currently 215 copies cost us \$240. The goal is to print about 30 copies. He stated he contacted several members at York, and one suggestion was for the Division to purchase a Laser Printer. Chris will have some cost projections to bring to the BOD next month.

**Annual April Fool's Joke** - The April newsletter article of producing ore cars as a fund raiser went over everyone's head. We will not be producing an Arizona Picacho Redrock Independence Line and Florence Oracle Oro Line ore car set.

**Adjournment:** Meeting was adjourned at 9:02 AM. The next Board meeting is scheduled to be on May 8th, 2019 at the home of Terry and Adrienne Haas.

Minutes submitted by: Secretary, Angelo Lautazi

## President's Message

April was a busy month for many of us. Along with many other Desert Division members I trekked off to the hallowed hunting grounds known as Eastern Division's York Meet. For me the week long journey is as much about reuniting with friends as it is about looking for that special piece for my collection. I also spend several days on trains the business side of the hobby. I'm in several meetings that are held during the three days that York is running, and just as many more informal meetings with small groups whose sole desire is to keep this hobby and TCA alive for another generation of train operators and collectors.

I spend two days at the National Business Office each trip. I spend at least one day working in the library doing research on various topics. Along with my research I usually find a book or two for sale at the surplus sale that I add to my shelves when I get back home.

In addition, I visit the National Toy Train Museum while I am there and try to post pictures on the clubs Facebook page. The museum volunteers have worked very hard the past several years and it shows with all the updated lighting and displays. Where before the museum was like walking into someone's basement to look at their collection and layout, now the place is brightly lit, and displays are constantly being rotated and updated. Each of the layouts have been overhauled and updated and the place sparkles with all the attention every detail is getting. You owe it to yourself to make at least one trip to York and the National Toy Train Museum and National Toy Train Library.

Of course this Spring was special because I made the trek to be with Scott and Elaine Eckstein who are the co-chairs for the 65<sup>th</sup> TCA Convention in Albuquerque just a few months. I did not know Scott and Elaine all that well when Dannie Martin and I

first approached TCA with the idea to have a small Chapter host a convention.

Back in 2012 most of TCA still had memories of our successful 2009 convention at the Marriott Desert Ridge which was, quite frankly, over the top at a Five Star resort. We had done our homework and we listened to the input from the Chapter members about where NOT to host the convention.

Hotel Albuquerque is unique among recent convention hotels because it is not part of any national hotel chain. It has large meeting rooms, a New Mexico flair that sets it apart from the bright shiny chrome of its competitors and most importantly, conveniently located to numerous shops and restaurants.

The property sold the Board of Directors and our concept, but then the reality set in. We were going to host, or assist in this case, another convention ten years after our last one. I was so fortunate and blessed to have Scott and Elaine take on the task of being Convention Co-Chairs.

I've joked with Elaine that I never thought I could find another Type A personality with OCD to match my own, but she has proved me wrong. We joke, cry and fret over everything, but make no mistake, she bests me in every category and often answers my questions before I even ask them.

That doesn't mean we do not need your help. We need you to commit to a time slot. We need you to tell us what you want to do and when you will be there to do it. This is not directed to the members in Phoenix or Albuquerque, this is directed to every member in Desert Division. We are all in this together. This is not "their" convention, but all of ours. I will have the sign-up sheet at the May meet and answer any questions you might have.





## RIO GRANDE CHAPTER APRIL EDUCATIONAL PICTURES



Jim Trever holding some examples of the Billboard set that features Many of the tours and locations TCA members will visit during the convention. The Billboard set is free and will be in the members registration packet



Chapter President Greg Palmer had many items to talk about during the Educational Segment. Here he is talking about his 1912 Carette #1 Gauge Boxcar from Germany



Boyd Reasor displaying his new American Flyer BNSF SD70 locomotive with Legacy



Bill Lubert had several soldering stations that he uses for all his brass work along with a International Model Products brass engine from 1951



## TCA Rio Grande Chapter News

By Gregory Palmer TCA 94-39039



The April Meet and Meeting was on the 27th this year due to the Easter Weekend being on our normal meeting date. We had a small turnout due to that conflict with the TTOS NM Division who also had a meet that day. Although we always try to avoid conflicts, sometimes circumstances make it very hard to avoid them. With only two months to the 2019 TCA National Convention, we had a lot of information to go over and this was the last Chapter meeting until then.

The Education Segment Show and Tell was started off by **Boyd Reasor**. He brought in his recently purchased Lionel S Gauge SD 70 ACe with Legacy. This was his first foray into upgrading his S Gauge empire into the modern era of electronic control and he had several questions on its operation. He came to the right place for answers. Art Lites, and others were able to answer his questions and get him on the right track. **Bill Lubert** was next and showed us his International Model Products 1951 Brass Steam Locomotive Model that he plans to restore to its former glory. He also had several, new to him, resistance soldering stations that will allow him to work with the brass models that he is collecting. **Jim Trever** showed off several sets Billboard inserts that he designed for the upcoming TCA National Convention. These will be in every registration packet and highlight numerous sites around the city and state. They will fit inside the common Lionel Billboard Frame. **Art Lites** talked about his article on the future of the model railroad hobby and how we could all help by becoming knowledgeable on the modern technology that is now the mainstream of the various manufacturers current production. (Editors Note; Art's article can be found elsewhere in this issue) **Greg Palmer** brought in a Georges Carrette No1 gauge freight car from 1912. He also showed how to tell Plasticville animals from reproductions to those present at the meeting and concluded with two historical videos, one featuring Frank Ellison's famous Delta Lines layout and the other was a video that highlighted Dorfan Trains.

The Meeting was brought to order with no guests or new members introduced. It was announced that there was a correction to the minutes from last month's meeting and the Chapter News printed last month. The Gondola that John Trever showed in March was a 6446-60. Joe Algozzini did not say one was rarer, only that the painted one is the only one he has seen, and that he has several. We apologize for misquoting Joe and appreciate him contacting us. The amended minutes were approved.

**President's Report:** My message to the group was how proud I was of them, and how proud I was of Scott and Elaine Eckstein. We have proved that even with 42 members we can put on a great National Convention. In 2012 then TCA Convention Chair Dannie Martin and Chris Allen visited Albuquerque and asked for our input about hosting a Convention. Our thoughts were that TTOS had just completed a convention and we noted some of the problems with using the Convention Center Downtown. They listened to our input and found the Hotel Albuquerque. We've taken the ball since then and the goal line is in sight with less than two months to go. Great Job by everyone involved!

**Treasurer's Report:** Everett Hagan reported the balance of \$5,527.06 in our checking account.

**Convention Chair:** The Convention Committee reported that 440 people are registered, and 107 tables sold. It would aid our planning if you could commit to a time slot rather than letting us know you will help where you are needed.

**Old Business:** The Chapter went over a compromise regarding our motion to require insurance and a tracking number on purchases made on the TCA Buy-Sell site. The members present voted to accept the compromise and we will withdraw the motion from the June agenda.

The after-Meet activity was a short Video slide program of Ross Jordan's recent trip to the UK. He showed off the Train Shows he went to. Great to see that the English have great fun with Toy Trains and Model Railroading. Hope to see all of you at the 2019 TCA National Convention in June.

## The Future of Toy Trains

By Art Lites TCA 97-44623

If You are looking for a starter set for your grandchildren, you will find that things have changed in the last five years. You will no longer find a transformer with variable voltage. You will find that even the basic train is controlled by what we "old timers" call radio control. The speed, sounds, smoke and couplers are controlled by a hand held device or your smart phone. I will review the basic offerings of the major manufacturers, Lionel and MTH. Your conventional transformers will still operate these trains, but it will be a separate purchase. Clearly the appeal to the new hobbyist and younger generation is command control. More specifically control with your smart phone.

What is smart phone control? The smart phone is part of what is called "The Internet of Things". For those not familiar with the term it refers one intelligent device interacting with another. Your phone can interact with your automobile, alarm system, sprinkler system, and your TV. Now your phone. can interact with your trains.

Let's review a little toy train history. Over 25 years ago, digital sound was introduced to the train hobby and it made a significant impact on our hobby. Our hobby marveled at the realistic sounds of steam and diesel engines. Several years later, Lionel introduced (or reintroduced if you count the 1947 Lionel electronic set) radio control. Lionel called this Trainmaster Command Control. Now the operator could control two trains independently on the same track. Multiple engines could be operated in a consist. Four years later, MTH followed with its' own version of command control with the capability to not only send commands to the engine but the engine could send information back to the operator. This was termed Digital Command System, DCS. Both of these systems are radio control. The components are smaller, and the systems can do

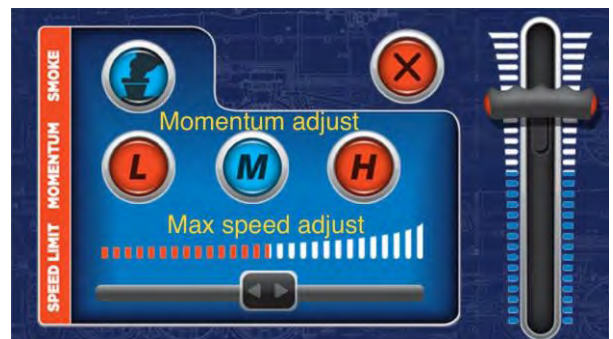
more because the computer systems are more powerful; but this is still radio control. What is new? Your tablet or smart phone is now the transmitter/receiver. So let's take a look at the two basic system you have from the market leaders.

First, we will look at Lionel's basic offerings. The term LionChief has been around for a few years. Now the basic sets have LionChief remotes as well as being Bluetooth compatible. The track is powered by an 18 V AC power supply. The train



**Lionel LionChief Remote – This one will only operate the engine included in its set**

comes with an engine specific remote. The remote offers an easy to use walk around control which seems to be more intuitive for preschool railroaders. However, the engine can also be operated with the Bluetooth phone app. This app can also be run on most tablets either android or Apple. The phone/tablet app is more



**Screen of smart phone with Bluetooth app**



sophisticated offering controls for couplers, smoke control, volume for sounds, momentum and more. It also offers the flexibility to operate other LionChief engines but not conventional engines because there is no control to vary the voltage to the track. Additionally, the LionChief engines will operate on TMCC, Legacy, and with some limitations on conventional layouts. LionChief will operate on the same track with TMCC, Legacy. All engines will operate in conventional mode.



**Lionel Lion Chief Polar Express Set. Notice the wall transformer plugs directly into the track**

The MTH entry level sets operate with DCS Explorer. The small transformer goes through the DCS which connects to the track. Control is thru a smart phone or IPAD with free the app from MTH. The operator can control up to three engines individually or all together. Functions include speed, sound, smoke, couplers, announcements and doppler effects. Again, because the track voltage is a constant 18 v., this set will not run



**MTH Starter set with DCS Explorer**

conventional trains. However, the DCS Explorer will run all MTH Proto 2 and Proto 3 locomotives.



**DCS Explorer and power supply. Notice that the wall transformer plugs into the Explorer Track Interface Unit, and the TIU into the track.**

Both sets are starter sets and provide control over engines only. Both sets allow several operators to run trains simultaneously with smart phones. The Lionel LionChief has its own remote which is simpler and might be better suited for the younger operator. The MTH DCS allows you to operate three trains at once and gives you a few more engine controls. If you want further information or to see these interfaces in action, I suggest you visit YouTube and begin searching for DCS Explorer or Lionel Wi-Fi.

Back to the title of this article, this hobby will never see the participation of the 1950s or even that of 30 years ago. However, the manufacturers have embraced technology and recognized that the smart phone is key to attracting the parents and youngsters of today.

The local hobby shop and train stores that used to be the source for demonstrating toy train innovations are fast disappearing and with them, the stream of people looking to join a local train club. One of the main theme of train clubs is "How can we attract new members". The train club that wants to be in existence in 10 years must use and demonstrate new technology to the public.

## More Pictures from the April Meets



The after-meet activity at the Rio Grande meeting last month was Ross Jordan showing pictures and talking about his recent visit to London and several train “expo’s” while he was there. Ross is holding a 3-D figure of himself that was made at one of the train shows.



Sam McElwee visiting with Delon Freije before he heads out of town for the summer



Janet Mattern getting her raffle tickets in the jar before the drawing. Thank you Janet, for supporting the Division

### MARY COULTER'S PRIZE: LA POSADA

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## SILENT AUCTION G GAUGE ITEMS

A couple of G Gauge Auction items were discovered as we prepared for the GPD Toy Train Operating Museum Tran Meet in Tucson last month. Like our earlier Silent Auction, they all have minimum bids. You may place your bid starting at the minimum opening price or above and call, email or give it to Bob Herman at the May Meet. If the minimums are not met, they will be sold either on eBay or this summer at the local Train Meets. Remember these items are auction consignments and sold "As is - Where is". Items condition is listed to the best of our knowledge. Winning bidders will be notified, pickup available at Division or Chapter Meet. Shipping Extra. All of these items will be available for inspection at the May Meet



Grab Box of G Gauge Items – Kadee Scale couplers, G scale logging kit and logging tools, too much to list! View in person at May Meet \$50 minimum bid



Accucraft AM32-110 two car short Flat Car set. NO BOX. What you see is what you get! \$35 minimum bid



Bachmann Spectrum 88998 Denver and Rio Grande Western 2 Bay Hopper – We have a total of 3 all new in the box - \$75 minimum bid for each car



Accucraft AM20-503 D&RGW Drop Bottom Gondola – New in Box - \$95 minimum bid



Bachmann Spectrum 88196 UTLX Framed Tank Car – new in box - \$50 minimum bid



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**Item No. 83095 Rio Grande™ #463  
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## PICTURES FROM THE NATIONAL TOY TRAIN MUSEUM OPEN HOUSE



A very windy brisk spring day greeted us this year for the Open House.



A nice display under the S Gauge layout of several American Flyer ALL ABOARD panels



The Marx display recently had the new LED lights added and it really pops out at you



Also benefiting from the new improved lighting, this display featured Skyline and other pre/post war buildings



The G Gauge layout is nicely done with a lot of LGB products and a European flair



The outside NTTM de-accession tent was pretty well picked over by lunchtime

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**FOR SALE:** Greenberg's Guide to Lionel Standard and 2-7/8" Gauges, 1901-1940. \$100 plus \$7.00 shipping. Please call Bruce Greenberg, 703-461-6991, 9-9 Eastern to order or visit his web site, [www.sykesvillehistory.us](http://www.sykesvillehistory.us)

**FOR SALE** Lionel Outfit 1520W Set Box MKT 2245A & 2245C with 2423, 2235, 2436 C-6, P-5 \$495 - #47 Double Arm Crossing Gate Green/Aluminum Gate C-6, P-4 \$50 - 184 Bungalow flower base red roof C-6 \$70 - 127 Lionel Town Station C-6 \$70 - A/F 788 Town Station L/N w/box \$50 - Fleischmann HO 114112 0-6-6-0 w/2 pass car & obs track and switches C-7 no box \$275 - Marx HO Set 1962 Rock Island Switcher, hopper, box car & caboose C-8 P-10 \$75 - 1950 Unique Lines 0-4-0- w/4 wheel tender C-5 no box \$75, Dannie Martin 520-360-0519 [dannieaz@cox.net](mailto:dannieaz@cox.net)

**FOR SALE:** Lionel Inventor Series from late 1980's into 1990's. Cars number 19506,19507,19508,19509,19512,19513,19522, 19523, 19528 and 19529. All C-10, P-10. \$169.00. If interested contact: Dave Cristofani (520) 825-9653 [adcrist@gmail.com](mailto:adcrist@gmail.com)

**FOR SALE:** Lionel Hogwarts set 7-11020, in OB, complete except no trans. ERR TMCC added! \$275. Lionel 6-28704 Pennsy Atlantic steamer OB. Modified for 4 chuffs. \$150. Can bring to Pizza meet for pickup if no trip to Paulden is desired. Peter Atonna [mjatonna@gmail.com](mailto:mjatonna@gmail.com) 928-308-3559

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**WANTED:** for my collection. Lionel prewar and postwar engines in master cartons, scarce separate sale items such as Lionel scrapers, bulldozers, boxed autos, Lionel 6464-700 Santa Fe, -900 New York Central, -250 Western Pacific, -450 Great Northern boxcars in Type III body molds, mint freight cars in high grade original boxes, 6414 Autoloaders with autos in yellow, brown, or kelly green with grey bumpers, following cars in separate sale boxes: 6352 Culvert car, 6352-1 PFE icing car, 3460-25 Piggyback car, any rare Lionel items. Bill Sivley 281-804-3629 or [mrwls911@yahoo.com](mailto:mrwls911@yahoo.com)



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## More views from the National Toy Train Museum Open House 2019



The American Flyer S Gauge Layout was running a mix of postwar and modern S gauge trains



One of my favorite views, the Standard Gauge layout with the DD '97 Water Tower and 2009 212 Gondola & containers



The NTTM de-accession tent at the end of the day had been picked over pretty good but there were still bargains to be found



One of the new rotating exhibits this year featured American patriotic sets. That curvy thing on the bottom of the exhibit is a special run complete 50 state boxcar set in N Gauge



2 Months and counting! Have you registered yet?

Have you registered for the TCA Convention?  
Do it today, registration is underway. Follow the link below  
[65th TCA National Convention Registration](#)

### DIVISION MEET LOCATION

Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church  
1500 W. Maryland Ave., Phoenix, AZ 85015



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## **YOU ARE INVITED TO A 75TH BIRTHDAY PARTY FOR THE AT&SF 2926 STEAM LOCOMOTIVE!**

**SATURDAY MAY 18, 2019**

**10:00 AM to 1:00 PM**

**1833 8th St NW, Albuquerque, New Mexico**

-  Kids, parents, and railroad fans! Enjoy birthday cake, ice cream, and soft drinks with the crew of the New Mexico Steam Locomotive and Railroad Historical Society
-  Bring a homemade birthday card to the 2926 or create one on site at our Birthday Card Station
-  Wear your best railroad attire and pose for a photo in the historic locomotive cab
-  Dance to music by Doctor Rock and Jazz a la Carte
-  Contributions to the restoration of the 2926 Locomotive are always appreciated

# “ONE OF ARIZONA’S LARGEST MODEL RAILROAD SWAP MEETS” CACTUS SUMMER TRAIN SWAP

**SATURDAY, JULY 27TH, 2019**

**SWAP FROM 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM**

Large Farmers Market at the same time!



## **NORTH PHOENIX BAPTIST CHURCH**

### **FELLOWSHIP CENTER**

5757 North Central Avenue, Phoenix, AZ 85012

**Aggressive Promotion \* All Scales**

**Great Location \* Free Parking**

**Food Available \* Fantastic Raffle**

**Test Track \* End-O-Swap Auction**

Presented by your pal, Casey Cactus, and the

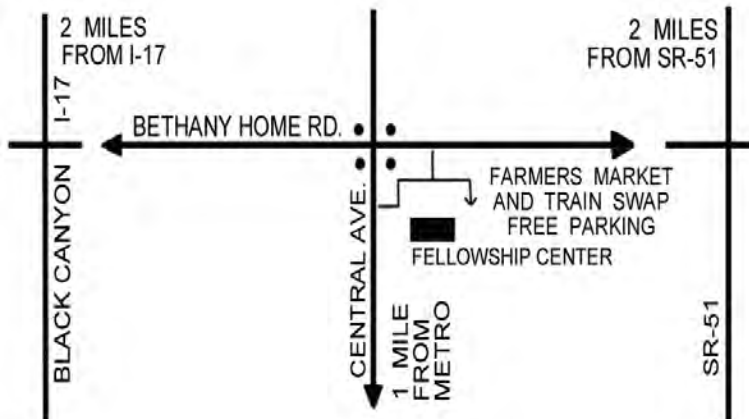
**GRAND CANYON MODEL RAILRODERS**

Print legibly. No refunds after July 20, 2019

**Join Our Fun Friday Pre-meet Denny's Dinner !**

Saturday set-up opens at 6:00 AM

**NOTE:** unclaimed tables will be released at 8:30 AM



Name

Address

City State Zip

Phone Email

**Security:** I will abide with badge identification entrance requirements.  
**Buying, selling, ethics and behavior:** In case of dispute, the Meet Chairperson and/or impartial referee appointed by the Meet Chairperson shall arbitrate the dispute and render a timely decision and I hereby agree to be bound by such decision. **I will not pack until 1:00 PM.** Not responsible for lost or stolen articles.

Signature Date

Make check payable to: **“Grand Canyon Model Railroaders”**

Mail to:

Glenn Saber: 3415 E Pasadena Ave., Phoenix, AZ 85018  
or credit cards accepted via PayPal at [www.gcmrr.org](http://www.gcmrr.org)  
email: [info@gcmrr.org](mailto:info@gcmrr.org)

Info: Glenn Saber 602-956-6695 or John Draftz 602-942-3457

### **\$25 per 8' banquet table**

(Bring a table cover, if desired)

How many tables? \_\_\_\_\_

Amount enclosed? \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Request? \_\_\_\_\_

Will you participate in the auction?

Seller? \_\_\_\_\_ Buyer? \_\_\_\_\_

### **Admission Name Badges**

**1 or 2 tables = 2 badges max.**

First and last name please

Badge Name \_\_\_\_\_

Badge Name \_\_\_\_\_

**3 or more tables = 4 badges max.**

Badge Name \_\_\_\_\_

Badge Name \_\_\_\_\_

**More badges available at \$5.00 each**

Name Badges **REQUIRED** for your security

**GROUPS, CLUBS: PLEASE CALL**



# Prescott Area

# BEAT THE HEAT

## Model Trains, Accessories & Toys

# SWAP MEET

**Saturday, August 17, 2019, 9 AM – 1 PM**

**Again at the Liberty Traditional School**  
**3300 N. Lake Valley Rd, Prescott Valley, AZ 86314**  
*Presented By:*

## The Central Arizona Model RR Club

**Adults \$5.00 – Children 12 and under Free**

**Contact: Dick Gage © 802-272-1352 or Doug Gilliatt 480-390-0320**

**Table Reservations \$30.00 per table in advance**

**\*\* 1 Free Admission with Each Table purchased \*\***

**Dealer Setup Time 7-9 AM – No Early Public Admission**

***The CAMRRC is Not Responsible for Lost or Stolen Items***

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Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

# of Tables \_\_\_\_\_ (Limit 4 per seller) @ 30.00 each \_\_\_\_\_

Helper Name \_\_\_\_\_ @ 4.00 \*\* \_\_\_\_\_

Helper Name \_\_\_\_\_ @ 4.00 \*\* \_\_\_\_\_

Lunch Reservations (sandwich, chips, soda) \_\_\_\_\_ @ 7.00 each \_\_\_\_\_

Special Requests \_\_\_\_\_ Total \_\_\_\_\_

**Make Checks payable to: CAMRRC and mail to  
CAMRRC, 514 Goshawk Way, Prescott, AZ 86301**



IT'S TIME AGAIN FOR THE FANTASTIC  
**BEAT THE HEAT**

**SWAP MEET BUS  
WITH MULTIPLE LAYOUT TOUR  
IN COOL PRESCOTT VALLEY, AZ**

(Swap meet presented by Central Arizona Model Railroad Club)



**SATURDAY, AUGUST 17, 2019**

CASEY SAYS; "IF YOU LIKE MY CACTUS SWAPS, YOU'LL **LOVE** MY BUS TOUR"  
**LET CASEY DO THE DRIVING!**



**COMFORTABLE DELUXE MOTORCOACH  
SAVE ON GAS AND STRESSFUL DRIVING  
ON-BOARD VIDEOS AND BOTTLED WATER  
ON-BOARD RESTROOM AND STORAGE  
PRIORITY ENTRANCE INTO THE SWAP MEET  
MULTIPLE LAYOUT TOUR INCLUDED  
OPTIONAL LUNCH WITH BEVERAGE**

**SWAP MEET ENTRANCE FEE INCLUDED!**

Of Course I'm Going: \_\_\_\_\_ Wouldn't Miss It!

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Select Your Pickup Location:**

**Arizona Mills at 6:00 AM** \_\_\_\_\_

**Paradise Valley Mall at 6:30 AM** \_\_\_\_\_

**Metrocenter Mall at 7:00 AM** \_\_\_\_\_

**Carefree Highway at 7:15 AM** \_\_\_\_\_

Number of adult GCMR club members: \_\_\_\_\_ at \$35 each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Number of adult Non-GCMR members: \_\_\_\_\_ at \$40 each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Number of children under 12: \_\_\_\_\_ at \$15 each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Number of lunches (OPTIONAL): \_\_\_\_\_ at \$7 each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total: **Make checks payable to "GCMR"** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Mail this form and check to:

Make your reservation early!

**Limited Seats Available**

**David Brown**

**3534 W. St. Charles Ave.**

**Phoenix, AZ 85041**

**(480-650-5336)**

Bus Trip Presented by:



All payments required prior to August 10, 2019. No refunds after August 10, 2019.