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DESERT DIVISION IS 50!

HAPPY NEW YEAR! It will be 2022 by the time you receive this newsletter and I for one am glad 2021 is behind us. It is our desire to get back to our normal printing schedule going forward this upcoming year as things finally appear to have gotten back to a workable normalcy.

The last few months saw both the Rio Grande Chapter and the Desert Division once again host their annual trains meets, the Division hold the fall auction, and we all celebrated our 50th Anniversary as a TCA Division with a wonderful, combined Christmas and Anniversary party.

We will continue to place your safety first as we all try to sort through current guidelines for safe gatherings. Until we hear otherwise we will have hand sanitizer and masks available at all Division Meets. Our Division meeting location, Paradise Valley United Methodist Church has an

indoor gathering of fifty or more people will require a mask, but with many members wishing to stay home, we are still within those guidelines. We will also continue to broadcast live on Facebook all our meetings. You do not need to register or be a member of Facebook to view anything we post, it is simply a public webpage, just as any other page you visit on the internet.

Let's try to get you up to date on all the past events of the past six months.

It was decided to try and hold as many meets as possible at our new temporary home in Paradise Valley at the Methodist Church. This location is not as far north as the Elks Lodge and has lower monthly rent than any facility we had been using. What is also nice about this facility is the fact they do the setup and teardown so for the most part we just arrive for the meeting and then leave afterwards. No setting up, tearing down, or cleaning

MARK YOUR CALENDAR – UPCOMING EVENTS

January 8 - Desert Division Meet and Annual Business Meeting

8:30 AM member only swap – 10:00 AM Business Meeting - Paradise Valley United Methodist Church (PVUMC)
4455 E Lincoln Dr, Paradise Valley, AZ 85253

January 15 - Rio Grande Chapter Annual Business Meeting

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

January 29 - Desert Division SOUPER BOWL VI – Toy Train Auction

Auction Preview 8 AM – 9 AM – Auction starts 9 AM – PVUMC – Paradise Valley, AZ

February 12 – February Division Meet

8:30 AM member only swap – 10:00 AM Business Meeting – PVUMC – Paradise Valley, AZ

Up after we leave. That made an easy decision to try our first ever "mini-meet" in June. We had about thirty table holders both Division and the public arrive around 7:30 for their setup and since we did not charge admission, we estimated about hundred plus people came in for the two-hour show.

Following the June show we bought several tables at the GCMR "Summer Cactus" meet. With the Delta variant in the news, attendance was a little on the light side but those that came seemed to be in a buying mood. The Division had several tables selling some G Gauge items that usually have little interest in our regular auctions.

One of the brighter moments this past summer was Desert Division taking the module over to the TCA National Convention in Burbank, California. I'm proud to be part of **TCA and the only national train organization that had a convention this past summer.**

It was not without some hiccups and curveballs thrown at the host, Western Division from the start, but they fought through it all and those of us that attended had a great time. The convention date moved from June to the middle of August and the event was shortened a few days.

We arrived with the Division layout trailer on Tuesday and helped elsewhere at the convention wherever we could. We were able to setup the trailer in the public area a day ahead of schedule and had a much more relaxed setup. We ran trains all day Friday and until 2 PM Saturday when all the modules needed to be taken down for the closing Banquet reception.

If you subscribe to our Division Facebook page, we went live Friday afternoon from the show and gave members who couldn't make the trip a quick tour of the convention. That video is still available on our Division Facebook page if you would like to view it.

Because of the need to move the convention back to August, the closing day of the convention fell on the Beat the Heat Meet.

Reports from table holders and Division members who attended were that sales were about on par despite a slightly lighter attendance. Members who drove up to attend the show also reported a smaller crowd than usual, but that meant more bargains for them. The layout tours following the Meet also continue to be a hit. We heard many comments that the tours make the drive worth the extra windshield time from the Valley and

throughout the state. The hospitality of the CAMRRC membership continues to make this meet among the best in Arizona.

The fall train season kicked off with us holding both a September and October in person meets. October also saw us run the trailer module at Rail Fair. We had anticipated a large turnout to Rail Fair since it was held outdoors, but it was still rather lightly attended as people were still trying to work through all the latest information and safety protocols.

November saw the return of the train auction and what a busy day that was for everyone involved. One of our largest auctions in years had 2350 lots of everything from HO and H gauge to prewar trains. We were able to have a great lunch and Janet Mattern saw to it that had plenty of donuts and coffee to keep all the auction volunteers in high gear.

With another successful auction under our belts we turned our attentions to the November train show that was held at the El Zaribah Shrine Auditorium in Phoenix. Although we did not sellout we had a better than expected turnout with quite a few last minute requests for tables. Public attendance was light but on par from what we are seeing as the public continues to grapple with the latest variant news. Also, we decided to cut the show hours down from four hours to three. That seemed to be popular with our table sellers since the old noon to 1 PM was a graveyard. We had only one person come to the door looking for the show after we closed at noon.

Taking a two-week breather we celebrated Desert Division's 50th Anniversary with a combined Christmas and Anniversary Party. What a great job Kat Vokac, Eva Upshur, and Barbara Lautazi did! This party had been in the works for over six months and the committee worked hard with Treasurer Mark Thompson and the Elks Lodge. We had a marvelous buffet of Prime Rib, Chicken and Salmon and there were enough leftovers for those hungry enough to get seconds.

Of course we had the normal auction shenanigans courtesy of Peter Atonna, but a Christmas Party or any party wouldn't be the same without them. Wonderful time was had by all who attended, especially by Mark Thompson who won the 1964 Lionel Hudson in the yearly raffle.

2021 NOVEMBER TRAIN SHOW – SHRINE AUDITORIUM



Christie Wilson working on an early morning sale



View looking to the front of the Shrine Auditorium before the show opened



Vice President Mike Dietrich talking with Barbara Lautazi and Laurel Allen manning the front lines



View from on high. The overview of the Shrine Auditorium



Let's open up! Table sellers ready to go



That's more like it. Aisles full of people and sales tables already emptying out.

TCA Desert Division BOD Meeting – October 9, 2021

The Board of Directors held a Board meeting on October 9 prior to the October General Meeting at Paradise Valley United Methodist Church. Minutes from that meeting are available from the Secretary.

TCA Desert Division BOD Teleconference Meeting – November 17, 2021

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM via teleconference

In Attendance; Chris Allen, Mike Dietrich, Angelo Lautazi, Paul Wassermann, Steve Bienstock, Greg Palmer. Because of a schedule conflict treasurer Mark Thompson submitted his report via email

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

Secretary's Report - Angelo reported that membership stands at 218 paid members.

Treasurers Report - Treasurer Mark Thompson reported that the Savings Account is \$6,500.58 and Checking is \$12,122.38, CD Account 20,189.89 and PayPal with \$2,178.76.

Old Business:

Fundraising Car Updates: Delivery of the 50th Anniversary car continues to be delayed. Lionel has informed us that they are waiting for the paint that is coming from China. The Rio Grande chapter has returned ten Harvey boxcars that were not used for their convention. Chris suggests that we create a bundle and sell them with the current Harvey car.

New Business:

TCA National Secretary: - Motion by Steve Bienstock: "I nominate Katie Elgar for the position of TCA National Secretary". Motion was seconded by Gregg Palmer and the Board approved unanimously.

Nov. 20 Train Auction: - Chris reported that the recent lotting of the auction found some discrepancies in lots for seller 7. They will have an addendum sheet for the buyers. Lunch at the auction will be 3ft subs from AJs.

Desert Division Train Show 2021: – Only 83 tables sold so far. This event may be a financial loss for the club and there will need to be consideration as to whether we can continue at the Shrine location. Chris asked that board members at the show try to get some feedback from sellers. Especially if they would accept a higher table cost. Cost for the Auditorium in 2022 will be \$1,000 higher.

Christmas/50th Anniversary Party: – Dec 12 Angelo reported that the committee met with the Elk's Lodge Chef and were pleased with the room and the menu. The décor is set and the buffet menu will have three choices of Prime Rib, Chicken or Salmon. As Division Historian, Chris will bring significant items from the Division fifty year history.

Annual Business Meeting Jan 8: - This is mandatory for an incorporated non-profit

Souper Bowl VIII: – will be held at PVMC and Chris announced the church has relaxed their food protocols so we will be able to bring in our soups and chilies. There will be some serving restrictions in place but otherwise the cookoff will be allowed which is always a big plus for this auction and the everyone who attends.

Covid Mint Car - Chris had some reservations about raffling the car at the Anniversary party because of a possible low turnout. Paul disagreed saying that the importance of the event deserved to have this special raffle. He suggested that another car be made for a spring raffle and this would offset any monetary shortcomings at the party. There was discussion and all agreed to have the car raffle at the party.

Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 7:55 pm. The next Board meeting is scheduled to be on January 6, 2022 at the home of Chris Allen or held via teleconference

Minutes submitted by: Secretary, Angelo Lautazi

Presidents Message

Dear Friends,

Happy New Year to one and all. It's been a rough year for many of us, some more than others but I feel confident that we can begin to put things back on track from here on out.

I can't really start the new year without looking back and thanking all the people that made last year so successful. We tried our best to keep members safe, work within the guidelines that were constantly changing and keep the club as active as we could during a most difficult time.

One of the things we did last year that we will continue to do in the future is to hold outdoor parking lot "Mini-meet's". These were simple affairs where sellers drove in with their vehicles and set up a few table or just sold trains out of the trunks of their cars. Having an outdoor open-air meet was safe, the cost was a fraction of what it would have been for renting a hall and most importantly everyone who participated had fun. Look for the return of the "Mini-Meet" in 2022.

We also had a few indoor meets last year as well, renting out a Banquet Room from the Elks Lodge to hold our meetings. While we had food restrictions in place, we were able to hold meetings indoor during the warmer months.

The fall had what might have been the last Rail Fair held at McCormick-Stillman Railroad Park. There are lots of rumors floating around that the city wants to lengthen the running of the "Spook-track-ula" Halloween event. Seems even though this is a public park, revenue talks, and they make more money selling tickets, food and rides for the Halloween event than they do for Rail Fair. Looks like it might be a casualty of the times.

We did have fun running the trailer and I would like to thank Division member **Ray Pomper** for his donation of the MTH DCS Explorer that we ran during Rail Fair weekend.

This interface allow us to run MTH and some Lionel trains of the layout without all the extra setting up of the MTH DCU and remote. Setup was fast and easy and updated the layout nicely for those members who bring the newer locomotives to run.

The November Train Auction could not be held if it wasn't for all the hard work of the auction crew. From start to finish the inventorying, lotting, transporting, setting up and then packing up the bidders the event takes a lot of planning and the help of over fifteen members filling in various roles and of course the expert story telling and auctioneer, Peter Atonna.

The November Train Show was again held at the Shrine Auditorium. Table sales were a little light and a review of those "missing in action" revealed that many enjoyed a Thanksgiving with family and friends after the shutdown of 2020. We do plan to return for the Shrine for 2022 but have heard some unsettling news that the facility was hit hard by the pandemic and is financially struggling to keep the doors open.

With all the bad news swirling about, it was such a relief to me personally to turn the reins over to the Christmas Committee who put together a wonderful combined 50th Anniversary and Christmas Holiday Party. To say they knocked it out of the park is putting it mildly. The room decorations were blended nicely, the menu they worked out with the Elks Lodge was some of the best food we've had in many years. Special thanks goes to the committee of **Eva Upshur, Kay Vokac and Barbara Lautazi** who spent months planning and working to make it special. **Linda Thompson** also worked behind the scenes that night as a good liaison between the club and the Elks staff.

Stay safe, I am looking forward to a great New Year!

Chris

PICTURES FROM THE 50th ANNIVERSARY PARTY



The Phoenix Elks Lodge Banquet Room filled up quickly as members arrived to socialize



Some of the Division historical items. The 1975 McCoy Boxcar, 25th Anniversary Step Van and items from the 1997 National Conventoin



Vice President Mike Dietrich and wife Michelle selling a raffle ticket to Janet Mattern for a chance to win the special Covid Mint Car. Only 4 were made.



Partial view of the buffet line that always starts out with salad. Wait the best is yet to come...



There it is! Prime Rib cooked to perfection and deliciously seasoned along with all the fixin's



The ladies that made it happen, Barbara Lauazi, Kay Vokac and Eva Upshur get a huge thankyou and a round of applause from all of us



TCA Rio Grande Chapter News

By Gregory Palmer TCA 94-39039



Hope everyone is staying safe and healthy. We have had several meetings since the New Mexico Governor has relaxed the rules for mass gatherings. Attendance for these meetings is slowly picking up as more and more people are adjusting to the new rules and have gotten vaccinated.

Last year one of the questions that we posed to you was how we could improve the meets and what could all of us do to make the meetings less "meeting" and more trains, because we all know more trains means more fun.

After some discussion some of the ideas presented were more Show and Tell, more educational activities, free coffee and donuts, and maybe even a free lunch at the end of the meeting. Another idea was to start the meetings an hour later at 11:00 AM.

Of course you can continue to bring items to sell to fellow members but with a very limited number of tables available for our meeting we ask that if you wish to sell bring your own table.

Just weeks before we hosted the Pumpkin Meet we lost Chapter member Bill Spofford who served as the Meet Chair for many many years. Bill was one of the original members when the Chapter formed and his help, enthusasiam, and friendship will be missed by all of us.

The Pumkin Meet was moved to a new location last October and considering everything that was going on at the time had a good turnout. Things are always slow when yo move a location or change the day, but as we continue in the new location I believe things will improve. We had a nice run at the hotel but it was getting harder to keep the meet profitable with all the extras that are not needed at a Train Meet but the hotel charged us for.

Following the Pumpkin Meet we received news that Bill Lubert passed away suddenly. This came as quite a shock to many of us. Bill attended

every meet and donated generously to our 2019 National Convention. Bill was a longtime model railroader and I met him first in 1966 when we were both members of the Albuquerque Railroad Club. Bill loved to model in o scale two rail.

Editors Note: I've come to knw Bill over the past several years and a more generous man is hard to find. I last talked to him at the October Pumpkin Meet and we were making plans on doing some "horse trading" in February when I returned to Albuquerque for the Meet. He helped me personally with the 2019 convention in many ways including taking hundreds of photos that he shared on a disk with me later. Godspeed Bill.

Our next Chapter Meeting is scheduled for Saturday January 15 at 11:00AM at the Los Altos Christian Church South Education Building at 11900 Haines N.E., in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Besides all the bragging that will go on about who got what for Christmas as you munch away on coffee and donuts will be the presentation of confirmed nominations for Rio Grande Chapter Board of Directors. The **nominations are: President, Art Lites, Vice President, James Trever, Secretary, Scott Eckstein, Treasurer, Everett Hagan, Board Members at Large: Jon Spargo, Ross Jordan, and Boyd Reasor.**

Don't miss the meeting thinking you'll be drafted, in a small club like ours we needs all hands on deck evry month, we can't run the club with just the board members.

You make the difference and you can help out in many ways. We need someone to take photographs during the meetings to highlight the Educational Show and Tell, and we need **YOU** to participate in the Show and Tell. We have many challenges ahead, but things can only improve if we all pitch in and do our part and work together in the Chapter and with all the clubs in the area.

DUES ARE DUE BY FEBRUARY 28

The Division Board of Directors voted not to collect dues for 2021 because the summer and fall of 2020 was such a bust with everything being cancelled. In 2021 we kept costs to a bare minimum by suspending the newsletter a few times and not renting a meeting room with smaller attendance but holding outdoor parking lot meets in their place. With a schedule full of events for 2022 including a spring picnic and Pizza Meet we will again be collecting dues for the upcoming year.

Dues are \$15 per year, and you must keep your National TCA dues active as well. You may pay up to five years in advance if you desire. You may contact Division Secretary Angelo Lautazi by replying to this electronic newsletter

to see if you owe dues or stop by the front table at the January Meet.

Please ensure that we have all your personal information including phone numbers and email address correct.

If you don't want to pull apart or print your newsletter you may also print out the form on 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, 2022. You may also save yourself postage if you wish to bring it to the January Meet or the Souper Bowl Auction.

SOUPER BOWL VIII

What started out as an experiment, has turned into one of the tastiest auctions in TCA. We welcome back the return of the member hosted SOUPER BOWL VIII.

That's right, gone are the single serve box lunches and bring on the crock-pots full of homemade goodness. Who else but the Desert Division would combine a cooking contest and a train auction? Well, it's not a true cooking contest but we have been treated to some wonderful soups and chili's over the past seven years and this year hopes to be a return to culinary greatness after last year's individual boxed lunches. We made it work but the lunches were no match to our own members culinary skills.

I'm looking forward to bringing a recipe that was given to me by past Chapter President David Nycz who treated me to a wonderful bowl of Pozole Rojo a few years back and one that I had made and never modified. It's that good.

But I need your help. Unless you want to fight over a single pot of Pozole I will need a little

help in the kitchen. The Division will provide certified gluten free chili and all the utensils, bowls, crackers, rolls, and plenty of napkins. But that's it. Gluten free chili or Pozole unless you sign up and bring a batch of your favorite soup or chili and join us for some auction fun and good eats.

Please email or call me with what you plan to bring so we can better plan for the day. There will be some serving precautions in place in light of the current health situation, but the day is set and our tastebuds are waiting to see what you have in store for us.

Auction catalogs will be available at the January Meet. 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. No Buyers Premium, Peter Atonna's humor and a great homemade lunch. What more do you need to kick off 2022 Desert Division style? Do you have what it takes to beat the best Pozole in the Territory?

SURPRISE FROM YORK

by Peter Atonna

For the first time in four years, Mary Jane was able to join me for a York trip. And, yes, we took Amtrak. Hint: food on the Southwest Chief was superb! And on the Capitol Limited - yuck. Amtrak has restored full dining on western trains, not yet east of Chicago.

As most of the articles about the show noted, many major and minor dealers were not there, and the layout of the halls was changed to provide more distancing. In the Orange Hall that made for great aisle wandering as many were wider and sellers sat behind their tables rather than in the aisles.

Lionel was there, but unfortunately the upcoming Acela was not (but a preview was on their Facebook page the next week). Guess who has one on order. Bad news on our A-1 Beer car. Per Lauren, the paint manufacturer still has not been able to obtain a mineral needed to make the yellow for the car. No estimated shipping date.

We wandered the halls Thursday and Friday, but other than some parts, nothing was purchased. Too many lookers to spend a lot of time at tables and my wants list is pretty small. Mary Jane noted a M&M electric loco which we both thought was cute. Yes, we are M&M devotees. But we went on to see if any of the M&M cars were at the show. Finding none, we still went back to buy the loco, and of course it was gone!

As noted, the old Yellow Hall was reopened for the first time since the Orange Hall was built and in addition to overflow dealers, the TCA had their deaccession and library duplicates there for sale. We did a quick pass there, but with people near the tables, I didn't stay long.

So, on Saturday morning, we were going to go to Strasburg for a TCA museum visit along with the Pennsylvania Railroad Museum and lunch at the Red Caboose Motel. But before leaving, I did my often quick run through the York halls since 90% of the buyers are gone by then and you can actually see things on the tables and talk to the

vendors. Yes, I did find two postwar cars that wanted homes here in Paulden.

Before leaving I went back to the TCA booth, as much to say hello to Melody and Tim who were manning it. But I did wander the library items to see if there was anything interesting. I had not noticed it, but among the books and paper was the box for the **Lionel Paper Train!** Carefully opening, it looked new!



I quickly asked Melody the price and it was well in the ballpark of what I would pay! So, I thought about it, even went out of the hall, but then said, I would never see one like that again and quickly went back in.

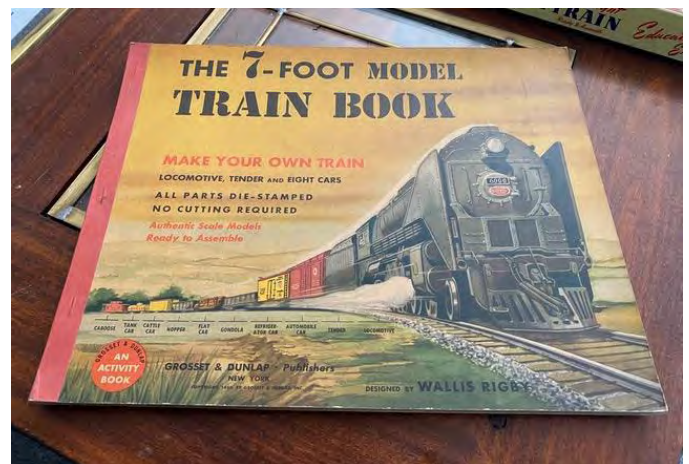


Now, for we paper collectors, in my mind, there are four "holy grail" original items that are almost unattainable:

- 1901 Lionel catalog (Paul Wasserman has one of these!)
- Volume 1, No 1 of the Lionel Magazine
- 1945 Lionel Advance catalog
- and an unused Paper Train in the box



But wait, there is more! Inside the box, there was something else. It was another paper train in a punch out book! Again new, but this time copyrighted 1950. Nonetheless, it too is part of my collection.



It was still there, I turned around and got out cash and went to pay. I asked Melody why it was still here as I would have thought it would have been picked up within minutes of the opening on Thursday. She said several people looked at it, but for some reason, nobody bought it. All I can guess is that the paper gods were waiting for me.

So, it is now on display on my bookcase and here are some shots of it.

York, you never know what you will come home with. That is why thousands come back each year.



Table decorations for the Anniversary Party. The hall and table decorations were a beautiful blend of our 50th Anniversary and the Christmas Holiday



Looks like the Auction Committee did double duty this year. Auctioneer Peter Atonna and Chair Paul Malek with the annual party items

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But wait, there's more!

The A-1 Beer car wraps up the Arizona Brewing Company story. Our first two cars in the series featured the prewar Apache Beer brand. After the war, all Arizona drank Arizona Brewing Company's A-1 Beer.

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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

WANTED: Do you have a postwar Lionel steam engine laying around that you are stripping for parts? Contact me I want to bring those old engines back to life. I'm out of town for the summer but will be back in town in the fall with spare parts for all your needs. Give me a call for your parts or if you have a steam engine that needs a new home. - DeLon Freije 701-331-2837

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More Pictures from the 50th Anniversary Party



No, Peter isn't looking to buy a ticket for the Covid mint car, he wants a Hudson ticket thinking it would improve his odds. (it didn't)



Another view of the interior of the Elks Lodge Banquet Room where the party was held



A view of the auction items. Each table had a beautiful floral display instead of the usual table top auction items.



Division President Chris Allen introducing TCA National President Stu Rankin's 50th Anniversary congratulation message to the members



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