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SPRING IS HERE (FINALLY)

The "Boys of Summer" are back and the snow birds are flocking home as we open up April. We hope you will be able to join us at the spring multi-club picnic, we will have pictures next month since this newsletter is written before the event happened.

Recapping; the March meeting was quite a show. We hadn't seen this much activity on the front educational table in quite some time. If you missed the event jump over to the clubs Facebook page where a video of the meeting is still available online. More about the educational segment later.

We were saying goodbye to some of our part-time members who joined us for the winter but head for the cooler climes during the Arizona summer and some of the sales tables reflected that closeout, I don't want to take it back home with me price. Between an overflow of educational items and the sales tables, the room was quite full.

President Dietrich called the meeting to order at 10:00 sharp mentioning that the business was going to be brief today due to the response for the educational segment. Secretary Lautazi announced our membership at 153. The rosters were handed out at the meeting and the remainder will be mailed out to all members in good standing who are current in their Division dues. Angelo introduced our newest member, Guy Ferranti who just moved to Arizona.

Treasurer Thompson reported the following balances: Checking \$16,199.67, Savings \$1,496.20 PayPal \$1,032.78, He also reported that when the CD matured, he put \$10,000 in a fixed CD and withdrew a little from the Savings account added it to the remaining CD balance and opened a second "liquid" CD account for \$7,000. **Editor's Note:** This number was incorrectly reported both in the minutes and in the newsletter last month. The club

MARK YOUR CALENDAR – UPCOMING EVENTS

April 8 - April Division Meet

8:30 AM member only swap – 10:00 AM Business Meeting - Room H-1,
Paradise Valley United Methodist Church (PVUMC) 4455 E Lincoln Dr, Paradise Valley, AZ 85253

<u>Educational Theme – The wonderful world of spring colors</u>

April 15 - Rio Grande Chapter Meeting - LOCATION CHANGE
We will be rolling back into Wheels

9:30 AM - Wheels Museum - 1110 2nd SW, Albuquerque, NM

May 13 - May Division Meet and the PIZZA MEETZA!

8:30 AM member only swap – 10:00 AM Business Meeting – 11:00 AM Free Pizza lunch! 11:45 The May Member Auction – How many Lots? How many you bringing? Fellowship Hall (The Big Room) PVUMC, 4455 E Lincoln Dr. Paradise Valley, AZ had a \$15,000 CD that matured. Treasurer Mark Thompson split that money and opened two new CD accounts, one fixed for \$10,000 and one "Liquid" for \$7,000. I reported the new fixed CD at \$15,000 last month and apologize for the typo.

Old Business. President Dietrich informed the membership that the board has approved the Bylaws change of returning to the old calendar year election and officer terms. Copies of the existing and proposed amendments were on the front table before the meeting. Motion by Chris Allen, "I move the Bylaws of Desert Division be amended to revert to the old calendar year officer terms." Motion seconded. Mike explained the proposed change again and asked if there were any questions. Hearing none he called for the vote. Motion passed unanimously by a show of hands by the members present at the meeting.

New Business, Mike announced the upcoming multi-club spring picnic and asked members to bring a side dish or dessert. The April Meeting will again be held in room H-1 (the small room) and the May Meet will be our Pizza Meet and member Auction held in the Fellowship Hall. There are several nice items that have been donated to the club that will be in this auction and members are encouraged to bring items as well. A partial list of some of the noteworthy donations will be in the May newsletter.

Mike gave the floor to member Sam McElwee. Sam mentioned that he recently read an article in the October 19, 2022 issue of *The Saturday Evening Post* titled "Model Railroading Gains Steam" https://www.saturdayeveningpost.com/2022/10/model-railroading-gains-steam/ He mentioned it was nice to read something positive about the hobby and not the usual "doom and gloom".

The Educational segment was, "What other hobbies or collections do you have?" and it generated a huge response. Jonathan Peiffer had an Oberheim Electronics analog synthesizer from 1988. Over the years he has bought and sold many synthesizers and the value has fluctuated. A few that he sold years ago have ballooned in value as musicians are now looking to the unique sound of the older synthesizers. Terry Haas and his father were Pontiac dealers for a time, and he has collected a lot of Pontiac memorabilia. He had a Franklin Mint

replica of his first car, a 1955 Pontiac Star Chief, and a Delorean Award their dealership received. Terry also had memorabilia from Pure Oil another company his father worked for and Airstream trailers made in his hometown. He closed with something very few men in the room could duplicate. Ten years ago was the 50th Anniversary of his High School basketball team making it to the state championship game. Terry had a newspaper clipping taken during the 50th anniversary celebration still fitting into his High School jacket. Ralph Treichel's other hobby is woodworking. He enjoys making seasonal wooden toys for his grandkids and brought two colorful Easter Bunnies pulling a basket. Paul Wassermann has an interesting side collection of restaurant menus, all acquired legally by Paul's jovial manner and simply asking for them. Many come from restaurants in and around his many travels to York. His most prized one, however, is from a famous New York City Hotel and he related the story of attending a conference there and needing to change room five times because the rooms were not ready or had mechanical issues. John Craft has many collections, but today he spoke of his collection of clocks. John had a English Lantern Clock from 1640 on display and mentioned that besides collecting he also does repair on them but to keep peace in the house he disables the chimes and gongs. With Christie and Gordon Wilson it's not about what they collect, but what they don't. She had examples from their M&M, Kachina Dolls, musical instruments, and matchbook collections. Of all, she likes the matchbooks the best because they are small, easy, and free to collect. She also had a few editions of this newsletter in which she and Gordon were editors showing that the pages were type written and the photographs were really cut and taped to the pages before they were copied and mailed. Mike Dietrich is another multicollector. Today he was showing some of his Disney travel magazines, vintage baseball gloves and fountain pens. In addition he also collects old military gear and clothing. A train tie in with a piece of the clothing he brought today was finding its buttons embossed with a Zephyr train. John Zaval had a nice selection of foreign auto license plates. John spent many years in the Netherlands and had license plates from that time. (Continued Page 5)

MARCH DIVISION MEET PHOTOS



What would you like to buy? The sales tables were up and open early.



Whatever Sally and Barb are talking about Ralph and Angelo had better be prepared.



No, Phil Todd is not setting up a Boutique. These are some of the items he brought for the Educational Segment of the Meet.



Jonathan Peiffer had his analog Oberheim synthesizer from 1988. From state of the art, to outdated technology, to collectable in thirty years.



What's more amazing, Terry Haas still fitting into his old High School jacket or that he still has his old jacket 50 years later?



After hearing the story about all the bad rooms Paul and Irene went through in New York City the menu was a small compensation.

(But it is kinda snazzy...)

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TCA Desert Division BOD Meeting – March 8, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 PM at the home of John and Adela Craft

In Attendance; Mike Dietrich, John Craft, Angelo Lautazi, Mark Thompson, Terry Haas, Paul Wassermann, and John Zaval. On teleconference: Art Lites and Chris Allen

<u>Approval of Previous Meetings Minutes</u> – The minutes from the previous meeting were approved.

<u>Secretary's Report</u> - Angelo reported that membership stands at 151 paid members. We had 12 members for the current year that did not renew. The Rio Grande Chapter is recruiting new members which is keeping them even with membership attrition due to members passing.

<u>Treasurers Report</u> - Treasurer Mark Thompson reported that the Savings Account is \$1,496.20 and Checking is \$16,199.67, CD Account 10,000.00 and Liquid CD, 7,000.00 and PayPal with \$1,032.78.

Editors note: There was an typo in last month's newsletter. The old CD was \$15,000. When it matured it was split into two new accounts of \$10,000 and \$7,000 not **\$15,000** and \$7,000 that was reported in the minutes.

Old Business:

Bylaws Change: – The Board reviewed and discussed the Bylaws change to revert to the old election cycle based on the calendar year. Motion by John Craft; I move to change the Division Bylaws back to the old election cycle. Seconded. Motion passed unanimously. Mike will present the Bylaws change to the membership present at the March General Membership Meeting.

<u>BOD No Host Luncheon</u> – The dinner was at the Bottega Pizzeria Ristorante, and all agreed that a good time was had by all who attended. It was recommended that a different table seating arrangement needs to be made so the event could be a more social gathering as intended.

New Business:

Spring Picnic: – The picnic is set for April 1st at the Aste Ramada at McCormick-Stillman Railroad Park. Chris emailed Angelo and Mark the "shopping list" from previous years to help with the planning. Mark will get the food, Angelo will get the grill supplies, Chris will bring the "picnic" tub from club storage that has the picnic supplies. The club will not purchase fried chicken this year.

Committee Reports:

Fall Train Show: Chris updated the board on the location search. Facilities that can stage 100 tables are just as expensive as the Shrine. Mark has reserved the Elks Lodge as a backup however it will only hold about 50% of our normal table sales. The price is very reasonable.

Auctions – Pizza Meet: Chris reported for Paul Malek that the auction will have several nice items including a ready to Run set that has been donated. This is a members auction and we hope the members respond by adding their own items as well.

Auctions – Selling on eBay: The club will need to establish a new eBay account and link it to the bank account. The old accounts are invalid and have been shut down by eBay.

Auctions – November The date is not set because of the uncertainty of the November Train Show however the consignments continue to come in and Peter believes we are now at 300 lots, which is our target. New consignments will go into January 2024.

Storage Unit; Mark informed the board that the new management at the storage unit has changed the terms and we now have to pay twelves months rent in advance to get the thirteenth free

<u>Articles of Incorporation</u>: Mark noted that the document does not reflect the current board following the recent elections. Chris said he will file for the amended update with the Annual Report due in June.

Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 7:58 PM. The next Board meeting is scheduled to be on Wednesday April 5, 2023, at the home of Angelo Lautazi.

Minutes submitted by: Secretary, Angelo Lautazi

Editors Note: These minutes are condensed for publication – See the Division Secretary for the official minutes if you have any questions.

Presidents Message

Dear Friends,

Welcome to April and spring has sprung! Temperatures are warming and the dessert is awash in wildflower colors and a carpet of green. While our thoughts turn to outside pursuits, we still have a tremendous amount of activity for the Division moving along in 2023.

Our upcoming events are listed below in the "Ear to the Rail" update I hope to feature in each newsletter. We hosted a spirited monthly meeting where we challenged everyone to discuss their interests outside of trains. By all accounts it was a huge success as we had a packed house and nearly an hour of discussion. The items discussed, the hobbies, the memories, are what make us, well...us, and it was great learning about everyone's interests. Due to the response, we will repeat this theme later in the year or next year.

Spring has me thinking of warmer (hopefully dryer) days, festive colors, chocolate bunnies, dying eggs, Easter, and family. So, I challenge you to bring an item/train that rekindles you found memories of past Springs.

Just another reminder that it's dues season and I hope you will take the time to renew both your TCA and Desert Division dues. We look forward to updates on the Holiday Party and Turkey Meet as the spring develops. By the time you read this you will have joined us for the annual picnic and to see into the future...it was a fantastic event, and we thank our chefs Angelo and Mark for their hard, hot work once again this year.

Ear to the rail:

April 8th Regular meeting and member

sales tables

May 13th Regular meeting and Pizza auction

As I will close each newsletter, I hope to welcome you to one of our events or meetings and I'd like to add two more "C's" to the Chamber of Commerce slogan: Collecting and Camaraderie, as the latter is what keeps us going!

April education segment: The wonderful world of Spring colors.

(Continued from page 3) He went on to explain that it is very common to buy cars from other countries and the plates have special markings on them to designate what region of the country the car (and driver) is from. Angelo Lautazi brought a large album containing his Baseball card collection. His collection started in 1956 and went through the mid-sixties. Considering how kids abused baseball cards he is proud his cards survived in pretty good condition. Chris Allen has been a Ham Radio operator since 1965 when he received his first license when he was 14. Much of his early equipment came from Army surplus and he had photos showing some of it. Chris said his hobby turned into his life's vocation as a repair technician. Phil Todd, gets the blue ribbon as the #1 collector. Phil and Dotty's home is a museum in itself. Phil has travelled the world extensively and he brings back oddities and souvenirs. Eclectic is only the beginning. Shoe brushes, glass bottles, stoneware foot warmers (over 400 of these alone), knife rests, soup mugs, beer steins, sand flowers, painted eggs and menus from all over the world. WOW, what a great educational segment!

Raffle prize winners in no particular order. Angelo Lautazi Hudson Ticket, Terry Haas BASF Tank Car, John Upshur Industrial Rail Tank Car, Dave Ely Lionel Box Car, Christie Wilson Lionel Visitor Center Tank Car, Paul Wassermann Marx metal tunnel, Sam McElwee Lionel Semi tractor and trailer. Peter Zwerin was the winner of the Hudson Hundred for the month of March. Who will win in April? Maybe you?

RIO GRANDE CHAPTER PHOTOS



Chris Wieclaw's 0 and S gauge tracked portable layout was up and running early



Scott Eckstein had his magical trolley switching station to station all day



Ross Jordan is literally holding down the 0 and S gauge "high tech" table



George Domeny looking over the Workman's Standard and 0 Gauge layout



Overview of all the layouts we had running at the Bacca Multigenerational Center



President Art Lites demonstrating how easy it is to use the Lionel LionChief system



TCA RIO GRANDE CHAPTER NEWS

By Art Lites TCA 97-44623



Spring has sprung this week, but it still seems like winter. With the cloudy, rainy weather, it seems like good weather to stay inside and run your trains. It was good weather to showcase our club meeting at the Domingo Baca multigenerational center.

The purpose of our meeting at a multigenerational center was to give exposure to TCA. As most of us know we are largely unknown to the New Mexico community. We know that we cannot grow our club if no one recognizes TCA or what we do. Therefore, the board decided that meeting in a public venue would be positive exposure to the club. The center is one which hosts many activities for retirees and for children.

A lot of work went into setting up multiple displays designed to show several gauges of toy trains. I would like to recognize everyone who helped set up the four displays. We met at 9:00 am and worked hard to get everything up and running by 9:30. We were able to show Standard gauge, S gauge (postwar and modern), and o gauge (prewar, postwar, and modern). We had **Tom Lawler's** recreation of Lionel's disappearing train layout, the Workman's Standard gauge and O gauge trains (we hear that this will be a part of their larger home layout). We can't wait to see the final result. Chris Wieclaw's two layouts; one with O and S gauge and another with O gauge, two S gauge and an O27 track. Finally, Scott Eckstien's magic trolly layout which has a trolley visiting four different stops seemingly self-controlled.

It would be an understatement to say there was a lot of train action. We had everything from 100-year-old trains to Lionel's Bluetooth controlled model. Our display was well received by attendees (there were plenty of doughnuts to go around) and by all accounts members had a great time. Several members had never seen Standard gauge running. We talked with several prospective members and an individual who volunteered to do a program on small digital cameras which could be placed on trains.

Looking at April and beyond. We have multiple programs planned. Our April 15 meeting will be held at the Wheels Museum, 1100 2nd St. SW, Albuquerque, NM. We will meet at 9:30 am for running trains, show and tell, and swap meet. Bring your trains. You don't need cars, just an engine and you are good to go. John Westfall will assist you with the little wagon to get from your car to the layout. Cab-1 will be there to assist in running TMCC, Legacy or conventional. See you there for some fun. In the business portion we will be taking nominations for officer positions.

Our May meeting will be at Boyd Reasor's place in Edgewood. His layout features both O and S tracks. This means those of you with S gauge engines who want to run long trains this is your chance. Lunch will be served. Bring your trains to run. Don't be left out of the fun. This leads us to the TCA/TTOS picnic on June 24th. This will give us a chance to meet with some TTOS fellow hobbyists and show them what TCA is all about.

Over the last year, your board has been planning a special outing. Finally, a tour of the Belen Yards is in the works. We will meet for lunch at Petes in Socorro. In addition, there will be a special surprise that has been planned by John Spargo. This will follow the yard tour. John will not tell me what is in store; but he promises that it will be something we will never forget. A date has not been set but the board is looking at sometime late April or May. More details later. Happy trains.

The Dorfan Travel Fast Wide Gauge Set

By Gregory Palmer TCA 94-39039

I have always enjoyed Toy Train Auctions and I love our Desert Division Auctions. At the recent Souper Bowl Auction in January, I won a Dorfan Wide Gauge set, with the help of Gordon and Christie Wilso who did the bidding for me and Paul Wassermann for shipping it to me.

This set was only made in 1928 and missing from my collection. As some of you know, Dorfan was using the new method of diecasting which was relatively new at the time. Dorfan and later Lionel, had problems in the keeping the mixture pure of contaminants which was not well known at the time. Dorfan Locomotives suffer from this contamination that is called Zinc-Pest, which causes the metal to disintegrate.



The Dorfan Wide Gauge Set in the auction was number 892, the Travel Fast Set. The Locomotive was a Dorfan 2920 in olive-green and the cars were painted the same olive-green color. Before the Auction I asked Peter Atonna about the condition of the locomotive, and he told me he had never seen a locomotive in this good of shape. With that

information I placed my bid with Gordon and won.

It is truly a wonderful set. But it did not run. In looking at the motor the main idler gear was missing most of its teeth. Should I take it apart and replace the gear or just have a great display model?



First, I needed to first find a gear and then decide on repairs. I was lucky and happened to find a new original replacement for the main idler gear and then had to decide to take it apart or leave it alone? I might not be able to do it, but this locomotive was designed to be taken apart by children.

I decided to not take it apart but try and replace the gear the hard but safe way. Every gear was attached by screw axels, so if I could get the screw to come off, I could replace the worn gear with the new idler. After several hours of work, I was able to reattach the new gear. Next, I connected the headlight wires, oiled, lubed and cleaned the contact rollers and put it on the test track, and it ran.

I then had to put new Dorfan diecast style trucks on the Passenger Cars. They had Lionel 500 series trucks. I purchased MTH



Dorfan reproduction diecast trucks. Some of the last parts from MTH Tinplate traditions which closed in 2019. I wired the lights using the original wires to the trucks. The cars all lighted, even the Baggage Car.

I put the set on my Pre-War Layout (Photos of Set) and turned on the power and the set ran like a champ. I ran it several times around, and it never skipped a beat. Since I have never seen a Dorfan Set run I was amazed. Even though it took me hours of time in the repair it was well worth it. Also, no damage to the loco in doing the repairs. Having

a Dorfan set in this condition and in running condition is why I enjoy my Membership, and my friendships in the Desert Division and the TCA.



MORE FROM THE BACCA MULTIGENERATIONAL CENTER



Elaine Eckstein doing a little maintenance of their Trolley layout



Looks like Boyd Reasor has Everett Hagan's undivided attention whatever they are discussing

The Waltz and Wardz Railroad Paul Wassermann TCA 73-5169

We all know Walt Disney and Ward Kimball shared a love affair with trains. What is not widely known is the presence of a large 0 scale Lionel layout situated in Disney land on the second floor above the general merchandise store on Main Street. I am unaware of any literature, history, or tales relating to this rumored Lionel layout.

We have a tradition of going to Pasadena once or twice each Spring. The Rose Bowl is the venue for a huge flea market where I have made many vintage purchases, trains and otherwise. Lots of memorabilia from the golden years of Hollywood can be found and piles of interesting stuff that could be used to dress a Hollywood set.

On our last visit to the Rose Bowl I spied an unusual tender sitting alone amongst the usual old junk found at these

meets. Although there were no other rolling stock or locomotives what caught my eye was the graphic....this tender was labeled "THE WALTZ & WARDZ R.R. The Z's instead of S's certainly would be consistent with Mr. Kimball's known sense of humor.

Unfortunately the seller couldn't provide any meaningful history on the piece. He had apparently acquired it with a bunch of toys and other items from one of many yard sales he frequents each weekend. So I can't prove the history of this piece, but it certainly would be consistent with something from the Disneyland layout.

So I am suggesting that all you eagle eye TCA'ers out there keep on the lookout for additional rolling stock marked "WALTZ AND WARDZ R.R."!! There clearly is more to this story.



TOM LAWLER'S "MAGIC MOUNTAIN" PHOTOS



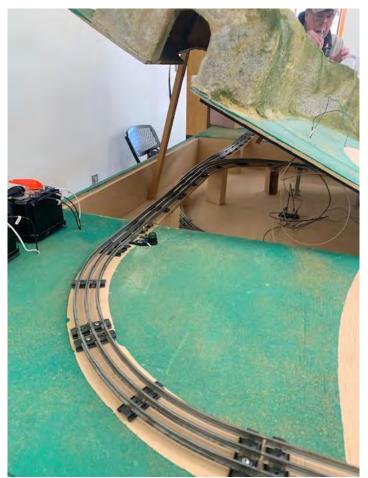
Tom Lawler has the top popped up and is doing a little pre-meet work on his Magic Mountain layout



His layout is built to similar plans of the Lionel 1950 D-27 Dealer Display layout Lionel used to demonstrate the new Magnatraction locomotives.



Working under the hood you can see how the track twists and turns, hiding the train from view



This is a fun layout to take to public shows such as the Bacca Center and always draws a crowd. Thanks Tom for bringing it out.

MORE DIVISION MARCH MEET PHOTOS



Ralph Treichel likes to do woodwork besides train collecting and had several examples.



VP John Craft is giving Mike "that look" as he holds up a English Lantern Clock from 1640.



Christie Wilson had a bagful of collectables from Kachinas to M&M's but brought down the house with her swimsuit collection.



Yes, President Mike talked about his Disney collection, but among other things he collects are vintage Baseball gloves.

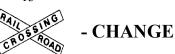


John Zaval lived in the Netherlands for several years and had numerous license plates and explained the regional codes on them.



We even had time to do the Hudson drawing and Pete Zwerin was glad he showed up in March. Will you be there for the April drawing?

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FOR SALE: Lionel Model Builder magazine, complete run #1 thru #80 (1937-1949) plus the pre-release Sample Copy of Lionel Model Engineering. All with covers, no cut-outs; \$495 + S/H, or I'll bring to DD meet. Tim Halchuck, Fountain Hills, AZ. Cell 213-700-5455 or email tim@sound-sources.com

<u>FOR SALE:</u> Lionel 6-38057 Weyerhaeuser Timber Lumber Company 3 Truck Shay Locomotive (2002) \$600 - MTH 30-4158-1 RailKing R-T-R Alaska SW-1500 PS2 4 car set, track & transformer mint in box w/shipper \$200 - Lionel CAB-1 Remote and Base \$75 - PayPal & credit cards - Chris Allen 480-820-9559 sparkyshome@cox.net

<u>WANTED</u>: 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

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This page is provided as a service to our members for trading among themselves on a space available basis. Contact them directly for items listed above. Contact Editor when your item sells so space can be made available to other members.

THE BACK PAGE - MORE PHOTOS FROM THE PAST MONTH



Ever see this much passion over a bottle? You would if you heard the tale from Phil Todd about his rare Codd

Soda bottle from the 1870's



Yes, the rosters went out in the mail last month. Why two colors for the membership cards? Using up NOS to save the club some money.



DeLon will be heading home for the summer soon.

Better stock up on before he heads north.



A somewhat panoramic photo of the "small room". It gets busy early but we can always pull out more tables and chairs if we need them.



2023 TCA National Convention

New England TCA Division

Burlington, Vermont

June 24 – July 2

NEXT DIVISION MEET

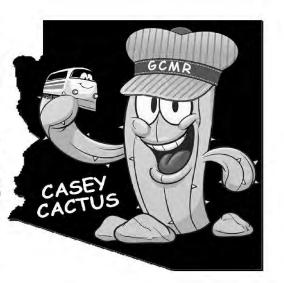
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