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# Desert Division

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## Last Meet Before the Summer Break

A pizza perfect day welcomed the members in attendance at the Division Meet in May. As usual with the member auction scheduled after the Pizza lunch, we had a very good turnout of members who enjoyed not only the lunch but all the goodies that Janet Mattern brought along to greet their early arrival.

Several years ago the Pizza Meet was moved to May after the Multi-club Spring Picnic was moved to April. This gives our volunteers a little break instead of back to back events two weekends in a row. While we don't catch everybody, May is also the last month we will see many of our winter visitors who head home before the summer heat.

The setup crew (those of us who show up early to get the hall ready) had the coffee brewing, and the fresh donuts greeted those who arrived early and got their sales tables ready for the steady stream of members who make this one of the busiest meets of the year.

President Chris opened the meeting promptly at 10:00 and announced that the Pizzas would arrive at 11:00, so that guaranteed a quick business meeting. There were about 50 members in attendance and no guests.

Secretary Lautazi announced our membership at 210 paid members. Next, was the



**Yes, it was the Pizza Meet and nobody went away hungry**

### MARK YOUR CALENDAR – UPCOMING EVENTS

#### June 8 – June Division Meet

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

#### July 27th GCMR Cactus Summer Train Swap

"In the Heat Meet" 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM Fellowship Center  
North Phoenix Baptist Church, Phoenix, AZ

#### August 17 – CAMRRC "Beat The Heat Meet"

9:00AM – 1:00 PM Liberty Traditional School, Prescott Valley, AZ

the introduction of our newest member Ray Strom. Angelo mentioned that Ray lives in Cottonwood and had Ray say a few words to introduce himself where we learned that he is a friend of Peter Atonna and runs trains with the Prescott group at their mall open house each month.

Bob Herman gave the treasurers report with the Savings Account balance at \$19,807.67 and the Checking Account balance at \$4,803.72.

We had a slight bump on the income side of the ledger with the On3/30 consignment being sold at the GPD Toy Train Museum Train Meet in April. We plan to take the remaining items which are mainly HO and sell them this summer at the GCMR Summer and CAMRRC Beat the Heat Meets. There are some unique items which most likely will need to be sold on eBay. There's not much interest in a Great Lakes Ore Dock in Desert Division territory.

President Allen mentioned that there were signup sheets on the front table for helpers for the upcoming National Convention. The Wednesday Silent Auction during the Welcome Party along with the trading hall setup and module runners being a primary need. It reduces the stress level on all involved if we have a time commitment slot filled in with a name, so contact Chris in Phoenix or Elaine in Albuquerque if you can commit to a time slot during the week. Decorations and setup for the closing Banquet on Saturday evening is also needed.

We just learned that RailFair 2019 will fall on the second Saturday this year. Many of our members are busy volunteering on our or other clubs layouts that weekend. The membership in attendance voted to move the October Meet up one week to October 5<sup>th</sup> to avoid the conflict. The church hall has been secured for that date.

The Volunteer of the Year is awarded to a non-member who helps the club during the past 12 months. This award usually is presented to the spouse of a member who not only tolerates our hobby but also actively participates in club activities. The Board of Directors selected Beverly Locke as the recipient of the award and President Allen presented her with the certificate and gift card.

President Allen put on his editors cap and explained to the membership that since we lost our printing discount by reducing our print run from 215 to 30 printed copies the last issue cost about \$2.80 each to mail to the thirty members. To get this cost in the \$1 a copy range the Division will buy a monochrome laser printer and use it instead of a commercial print shop. The other issue now becomes postage which is currently 70¢ per copy for First Class. The Board of Directors after running the numbers has decided to add a \$10/yr. surcharge starting in 2020 to any member that wants to receive a printed copy.

There was question about the church hall for 2020. Katie Elgar reported that the church members are expected to vote on the matter shortly, but all indications continue to point that the property will be sold and redeveloped this winter. Chris mentioned the Boards desire to keep the new location in the corridor between I-17 and SR51 in central Phoenix.

The Educational Segment featured **Mark Thompson** brought along several cardboard boxes that are great for storage or transportation of train cars and smaller engines without the original box. He also displayed a large truss bridge that he custom fabricated for the Paradise and Pacific layout in Scottsdale. The bridge is completed and needs to be powder coated. **Sam McElwee** had several nice commemorative medals and Safety Awards from the Union Pacific. His nephew is an engineer on the UP and knows that Sam enjoys collecting railroadiana and sends them to him. **Peter Atonna** had a story that only Peter could tell. Seems that somewhere along the way he picked up a nice Lionel postwar Santa Fe F-3 AA set from 1953 that came with matching aluminum cars. The ever-observant wise owl that he is, Peter checked for battery damage and noticed none. The set was pretty clean and after the appropriate time, ended up on his sales table. And that's when the story began. Seems he had a buyer, but he was a bit hesitant. After stopping by the table several times, they just couldn't work out a deal. Peter thought he was asking a fair price, but the buyer just wouldn't commit to purchasing a set that "had something wrong with it". Seems the buyer noticed something (continued on Pg 11)





**Early arrivals got the better tables and started setting up before the meeting**



**Terry and Jan Fagan setup for the last time before heading to Michigan for the summer**



**The Board of Directors selected Beverly Locke for Volunteer of the Year which Chris presented to her at the Meet**



**Sam McElwee's nephew is an engineer with the Union Pacific and sends him interesting railroading from work including these safety awards he has won**



**Mark Thompson had several items for the Educational Segment including this scale truss bridge that is waiting for powder coating before getting donated to the Paradise & Pacific layout**



**No this isn't an old picture, Dana Price did win the Hudson Hundred (again), this time for May**

## **TCA Desert Division BOD Meeting – May 8, 2019**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM at the home of Terry and Adrienne Haas

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

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

**Secretary's Report** - Angelo reported that membership stands at 209 members. The Win Big Campaign continues until the end of the month and Chris will bring it up at the May General Meet.

**Treasurers Report** - Treasurer Bob Herman reported that the Savings Account is \$19,807.67 and Checking is \$4,830.72. Bob reported that the recent On30 sales have given a temporary boost to the checking account and he did not need to move money to pay the recent bills. There were no other questions about the monthly income/expense report.

### **Old Business:**

**La Posada Fundraiser** – Only 5 cars remain. Peter has the artwork done and submitted for licensing approval. Friendly “update request” have been sent out to the contact to keep the process moving.

**Annual Raffle 2019** - The tickets are ready for the Annual Raffle that will begin at the May Meet. The Drawing is scheduled for the November Train Show on November 30. We will use a self-standing poster to help promote both the Hudson and the Annual Raffle.

**Christmas Party Member Gift** – The Christmas Party gifts are being acquired. There was another price increase for the Lenox spouse gift. Paul will confirm with the DoubleTree on the Sunday December 8<sup>th</sup> date and follow up with negotiating a contract. Several concerns were voiced by the Board for Paul to add to discuss with them during the contract talks.

**Pizza Meet update** – Chris contacted Beth Stange and reported that she is much improved and hoping to be released to 100% status shortly. Since she is still under Doctor care, she gave the ordering instructions on how to go about placing the order for the 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Pizza Meet. (editors note; Thanks Beth, the order came out fine, but we missed you and hope for a return to full health soon!)

### **New Business:**

**Rio Grande Chapter Convention Update** – The President has been asked to have a signup sheet at the Meet for convention volunteers. Help is needed in several areas including the Wednesday Welcome Party Auction that Peter Atonna will MC. We will take the trailer module over to the convention and could use operators and will need help with tear down on Saturday while Chris is in a meeting.

**On3/On30 Consignment** – The remainder of the On3/On30 consignment has been sold. Chris found a buyer at the Tucson show that he and Chet Henry met with and worked out an agreeable sale for the remaining inventory.

**Silent Auction Items** – Additional G Gauge items were discovered in the consignment and placed with a reserve in the newsletter. They will be brought for inspection to the May Meet. Unbid items will be offered for sale at the GCMR Summer Cactus and the CAMRRC Beat the Heat Meet, along with the remaining HO items still on consignment.

**Electronic Newsletter** – After looking at several options it was decided for the club to purchase a monochrome laser printer to print the approximately 30 copies needed each month. This gets the target price back down to about \$1 per copy, with postage making up 70% of the cost. The Board decided to proceed with adding a \$10 per year surcharge for members who desire a printed newsletter.

**RAIL FAIR 2019** – The date for Rail Fair this year conflicts with the Division Meet on October 12<sup>th</sup>. We will propose to move October's meet up a week, to October 5<sup>th</sup> to the membership Saturday.

**Adjournment:** Meeting was adjourned at 7:45 PM. The next Board meeting still needs to be determined pending travel plans for many of the members.

Minutes submitted by: Secretary, Angelo Lautazi

## President's Message

Summer is here, and here in Desert Division area that means we turn up the heat and dial down the activities until September.

That doesn't mean there won't be plenty to do. Laurel and I will be off the National Convention in Albuquerque and look forward to meeting many of you there. You've heard me say this many times, but we still can use your help. If you don't want to commit at the June Meet you can find either of us or the Convention Chairs Scott and Elaine Eckstein in the Registration and Convention Store room. Check in with us there because we can always use the help.

I'll be taking the trailer module over and although we didn't get some much-needed maintenance done this spring, it will run fine and be showcased for the unique and practical build that it is. We will have a variety of trains that we will bring along and running but we will need some operator relief. If I'm not in Registration or meetings you will be able to find me at the module.

But it's not all about the convention. Here in town we have the GCMR Summer Meet in late July. In mid-August the Central Arizona Model Railroad Club's Beat the Heat Meet now located in Prescott Valley. The Summer Cactus meet has taken the place of the old Train-o-rama, and the Beat the Heat Meet is among the oldest running shows along with the Tucson and Turkey Meets.

We've often talked about the GCMR bus trip up to the Prescott Meet. Not only can you relax and let someone else drive you to the meet, but there is plenty of storage for all your purchases and you won't get lost as the bus takes you to several of the layout tours in the afternoon following the meet. If you are new to the area or just new to the Prescott Valley Meet you might want to join all the other trainiacs on the bus for a fun day of swap meet and home layout tours. While you're at the Meet keep an

eye out for me, I'll have a couple of sales tables loaded with bargains.

Last month we had an article from Art Lites about the future of the hobby and some of the new tech that is available out there. This month there is an article from George Tsakiris of the WB&A Chapter that echoes many of Art's same thoughts. I found both articles thought provoking, so much so that I went ahead and purchased a little Lion Chief set that we can run on the layout and more importantly let the kids control on the layout as well. I'll be bringing the little set to the June Meet for everyone to have a hand at operating. It also happens to be identical to the set we have in the annual raffle. If you have never played with these Lion Chief remotes stop on by and give it a whirl.

As usual during convention week I will be in meetings for several day. The membership drop that we saw here in the Division has echoed throughout TCA this year. The Win Big membership campaign did not get the results hoped because we had very little member participation. There is no magic wand to fix the membership unless all of us gets involved. Sitting and grouching at a train meet that there isn't anybody to buy my stuff won't fix itself unless you help to bring in new members.

The Win Big contest concluded at the end of May and the results have not been announced yet however I believe several other Division's finished ahead of us for the largest percentage increase. Who knows, maybe one of our members will get the lucky ticket and win the random drawing for recruiting a member?

I hope you enjoy your summer. Because of the convention we combine the June and July newsletter together for the summer edition. I'll see you at the Meets!





## Sights in and around the Hotel Albuquerque



Outdoor sculpture at the Albuquerque Museum. The museum is a mixture of art and history and within walking distance to the hotel



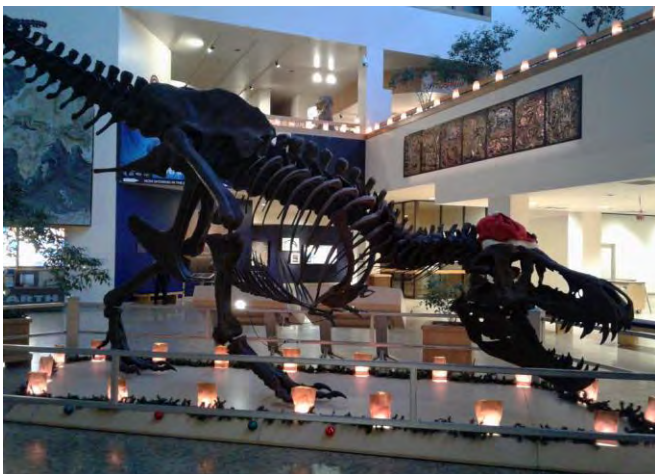
Yes, the Civil War reached all the way to New Mexico. Read about the story of Glorieta Pass and these field cannons in Old Town Plaza, one short block from the hotel.



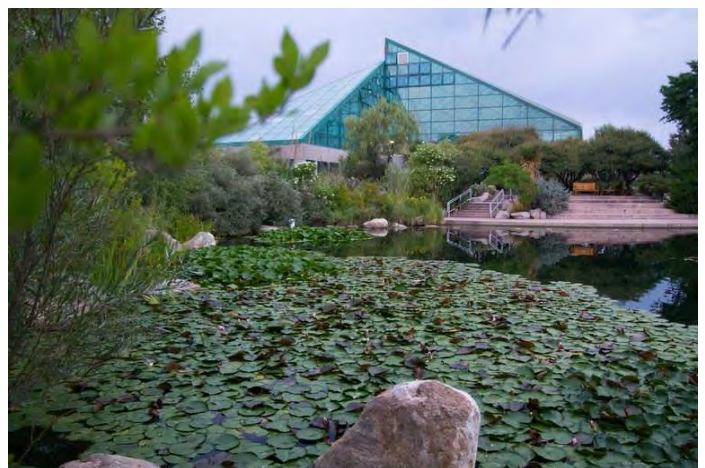
You're only a city block away from getting your kicks on Route 66. Several brew pubs and restaurants are located nearby and along Route 66



The Albuquerque Isotopes will be in town Tuesday through Friday playing Tacoma. The stadium is a short drive from the hotel



Dinosaurs, in Albuquerque? Of course right down the street from the hotel at the Natural History Museum



The Albuquerque BioPark is a Zoo, Botanical Garden, Aquarium, and more located just 2 miles from the hotel





## TCA Rio Grande Chapter

### **So, you're coming to the Convention?**



For many of you, this will be a return trip. Maybe you've attended our Pumpkin Meet. Others may have family in the area or studied at the University of NM. Some of you may have served in the military at the dozens of installations that dot our state. Hopefully, you've spent more than a night at a hotel somewhere along I-40 while travelling on to other spots.

Albuquerque is a college town, and with it comes the nightlife associated with a younger vibrant group of people that even extends into the summer when most are out of town on a break from classes. If you have your own car there will be several close by attractions that you can visit on your own. Maybe you are planning a drive down historic Route 66 or a trip out to Roswell, just to get it off your "bucket

list", Wherever you are headed just stop by the convention headquarters and get some insider scoop and tips. A slight detour from your trip to Roswell will land you in Lincoln County so you can visit the stomping grounds of Billy the Kid and Pat Garrett. You didn't think the Lincoln County War was in Nebraska, did you?

But you don't need a car to see some interesting sights as well. Just out the back door of the hotel is Old Town. There will be maps to all the stores, sights and Museums including the famous American International Rattlesnake Museum. From modern day culture and top-notch cuisine, to the history of the old west and maybe even outer space, it's all waiting for your arrival at the June 65<sup>th</sup> TCA Convention. We look forward to seeing you!



**Explora, a Science Museum for Kids of all ages**



**San Felipe de Neri church in Old Town**



**The gazebo in Old Town Plaza**



**The American International Rattlesnake Museum**

## GOING, GOING ?

by Peter Atonna TCA 75-7578

I am talking about the last four unsold La Posada cars sitting on my dining room table. In case you have not visited our DD webpage recently, on our sales items page it notes that there are only four remaining cars. Not that I am looking forward to a clear dining room table but thought I would let DD members know that if you have not bought your car and were thinking about it, it is now or never.

The design of the car matches the design of the first car in this series, the Fred Harvey car. And yes, I am calling it a series as there will be a third car, the El Tovar car. I have received the National Park Service and the Xanterra clearances, so need to do some photography, send some design ideas to Lionel and wait for

the rendering to start the production process. (Actually, our Northern Arizona weather has been so "non-Arizona like" that I have been holding off taking a trip to the canyon)

So, as a special one of the Last Four order, you can buy the car for local pickup at the reduced price of \$75.95. Just send me your check, made out to the Desert Division, and when I get it for that amount, I'll bring your car down with me to the GCMR Cactus Meet in July for you to pick up there. Just fill out the form below and send me your check for the amount of \$75.95. Of course, you can still order yours from our website for it to be mailed to you.

Going, going...?

### MARY COULTER'S PRIZE: LA POSADA

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## Hotel Suggestions in the Prescott area (the area code is 928)

(continued from the Beat The Heat article)

If you would like to stay at a nearby motel in Prescott Valley there are:

- Arizona Inn - 7875 E. Hwy 69 1-877-709-7784
- Hampton Inn & Suites - 2901 N Glassford Hill Rd ph. 772-1800
- Comfort Suites, - 2601 N Crownpointe Drive ph. 771-2100
- Super 8 Motel - 7801 E. Hwy 69 ph. 775-5888

If you would like to stay in downtown Prescott:

- Hotel St. Michael - 205 W. Gurley ph. 776-1999
- Hotel Vendome - 230 S. Cortez ph. 776-0900
- Hassayampa Inn - 122 E. Gurley ph. 778-9434
- Marriott SpringHill Suits - Depot Square, Sheldon Street and Cortez ph. 776-0998.



## IT'S BEAT THE HEAT TIME!

by Peter Atonna TCA 75-7578

As I write this article, it is late May, it has been raining on an off since last night and I hope to see 50 degrees here in Paulden. And, yes, it snowed this morning in Flagstaff! But you know as well as I do, by mid-August, a trip to the Prescott area is going to look really good! And our folks at the Central Arizona Model Railroad Club are already working to lay out the red carpet for you for a day of trains as well as a vacationing trip to the North Country.

So, now is the time to mark August 17th on your calendar. We again will be at the Air Conditioned, ground level hall of the Liberty Traditional School in Prescott Valley. It is right off SR69 in the heart of town. If you have been to the PV Event Center, the school is right to the east of it. There will be signs on RT 69 directing you right to the school.

Sales tables are sold out, so we know you will have a great selection of trains. Admission is \$5 with kids under 12 free with an adult. The show starts at 9am and runs to 1pm. If you have a sales table, the dealer setup is 7 - 9am. If you have questions, call Dick Gage at 802-272-1352 or email to: [vttoaz@cablone.net](mailto:vttoaz@cablone.net). Our CAMRC fellows will try to make sure your experience at the meet is a great one.

Even though the meet itself is in Prescott Valley, you still have a tremendous variety of activities if you would like to spend a weekend in the Prescott area. Here are some of the weekend's activities around the Prescott area.

Shopping - Downtown Prescott has one of the finest antique and arts districts in the state. The district lines Cortez and Marina Streets, north and south of Gurley.

Museums - Just north of Gurley is the Smoki Museum of Indian Art, while on Gurley is the Sharlott Hall Museum of local and Arizona history. Just north of town on SR89 is the Phippen Art Museum, one of the finest Western Art museums in the country. And brand new is the Prescott Western Heritage Foundation at 156 S. Montezuma located in an outdoor courtyard right on Whiskey Row.

Train Rides - Both the Grand Canyon Railway and the Verde Canyon Railroad are less than two hours from Prescott for a great Sunday day trip activity.

Outdoor activities - The Prescott area is a jumping off point for camping and fishing in the Bradshaw Mountains, bike riding on many of the area trails and hiking in Thumb Butte, Granite Mountain or the Peavine Rails to Trails. Lynx, Watson and Goldwater Lakes are great picnic locations.

Mortimer's Farm - Mortimer Nursery Farms located at the intersection of SR69 and SR169, will have a crop of corn and other fresh grown goodies ready for you.

Open Houses - The Prescott area is home to a number of home layouts, and we are happy to share some of the best with our visitors. For this year, we have six CAMRC members who have generously opened their layouts and collections for your enjoyment. Time for visiting starts at 2pm, after the meet. There will be maps available at the meet registration table. Be sure to pick one up on your way in.

Richie Scanapico - An outdoor Large-Scale layout surrounding two sides of his house with trains running in a setting offering spectacular views. In addition there is a display of Large-scale military trains in his garage.

Peter Atonna - A full basement high rail layout with an urban theme and a downtown featuring two midrise towers. To celebrate this year's Golden Spike celebration, I will be running UP 4014 and UP Northern #835. If you are overnighing on Friday and would like to visit, please let me know.

Donn Pease - A full basement HO gauge layout based on the Southern Pacific in southeastern Arizona. Much scenery is completed and has a artist painted backdrop.

Scott Hicks - Extensive Large-Scale garden layout in the landscaped backyard of a beautiful near downtown Prescott Victorian home with an O gauge layout running in the guest house.

Walt Bouman - G gauge above ground backyard fully landscaped outdoor layout. It is 1940s to 1970s era theme with both steam and diesel trains running.

Mark Ziven - Basement high rail layout, fully sceniced with open pit mine and industrial area highlights.

## View from the Observation Car

By George Tsakiris

(Reprinted by permission from "The Trolley" Vol29 #2 the WB&A Chapter newsletter)

### The Inevitable?

As president of the National Capital Trackers, former board member of the WB&A, and toy train hobbyist I have thoroughly enjoyed this hobby since my re-entering it fifteen years ago. It has led to lasting friendships, fun, and the enjoyment of sharing the hobby in a variety of ways.

However, when you go to train events such as York, trains meet, running train displays, etc. most of the folks putting these events on are older with a sprinkling of younger folks. At public displays many of those coming to view are younger but how many of them are willing to join a club, build a layout, or buy trains? Some younger folks enter the hobby but there is a larger number of older folks moving on to their final destination. Is the decreasing popularity of our hobby inevitable?

There are a variety of reasons for the lack of significant influx of younger folks.

With the current electronic screen/video game era, planning and constructing a layout may seem too difficult and too time consuming. Most younger folks may lack the skills to maintain their trains or build a layout. Many have never taken a shop class (are they even offered anymore?).

Add to this the trend away from social organizations, community or club-style groups and towards virtual media. People are very busy and don't have the time (so they say). This trend is being felt by many types of social organizations.

Many of us grew up when trains were a more visible means of public transportation. Automobiles and planes are the primary means of transportation (the northeast corridor and Chicago being exceptions). Kids wanted toys based on what they saw. What they saw were trains and trolleys!



Train display at Children's Hospital in Washington DC. A delight to the children young and old



The last reason I'll offer for the low number of younger folks entering the hobby is our (current hobbyists) inability to communicate with these folks in the methods younger folks use. No one younger than a senior citizen will read a flyer. The message can be communicated effectively by the electronic media we are so poor at using ourselves! What to do?

We need to have interesting websites, Facebook, YouTube videos, pictures, small but regularly sent instant messages. In these mediums people connect and "friend" each other. The messages you sent can have a multiplying effect as the message sent to one individual is passed on to others automatically. Connecting with your city, county or town, regarding events

and let them know about a train event coming up. Younger folks rely on social media when deciding on things to do. Remember flyers are for us old folks.....and we're already in the hobby!

My N scale friends tell a story of the power of social media. They had a display in a pullman car in Gaithersburg on a rainy Saturday. Not a lot of visitors. Suddenly, several buses pull up full of Chinese tourists. Huh? Turns out the N scale display was picked up and put on social media these folks are connected to. The result was 200+ visitors.

Hey "old-timer," get out of your comfort zone and get the younger generations as excited about trains as you are. You owe it to them!



**View of a holiday train show at Fairfax Station. Trains, holiday celebration, and history all in one place.**

(continued from Pg. 2) that Peter had missed. The Observation Car had the same nameplate as the pullman car, Silver Bluff. Peter has looked at the car several times and believes it is a true factory error, and it's no longer on his sales table!

Raffle Prize winners in no particular order.

**Don Locke** - Hudson Ticket, **John Upshur** - Lionel UP Boxcar, **Dana Price** - Lionel Santa Fe Boxcar, **Steve Bienstock** - Lionel Rock Island Boxcar, **Jon**

**Hinderer** - Lionel Clark Candy Boxcar, **Bill Richardson** - Lionel Burlington gondola.

With a big crowd it was very likely the winner was going to be present; he was and one of the luckiest members in recent club history. **Dana Price** not only won a raffle prize but also pocketed the Hudson Hundred for May. The last Hudson drawing before the summer break is coming up in June. Will it be you?



## More Pictures from the May Pizza Meet



A story as only Peter could tell it, seems an observant customer pointed out a new addition to his collection, *from his sales table!*



Everyone had a closer look at that observation car after the story was over. If you zoom in on the picture you might catch the nameplate



Don Locke bought several raffle tickets and then had trouble finding the winner when his name was called, but he did snag a freebie Hudson ticket



Bill Richardson won a Lionel gondola and it will need some new trucks to run on his S gauge layout



Barbara Lautazi and Laurel Allen hurrying to get the pizzas ready for the lunch bunch



The pizza line went out the door from the kitchen and into the meeting room



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**Need Parts? I'll see you in the fall!** I'm heading back home for the summer but will return in the fall - I'll be fully stocked up when I come back to town so be sure to stop by my table - DeLon Freije 701-331-2837

**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)

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**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)

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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.

**\*\*DEADLINE FOR AD's - THIRD SATURDAY OF THE MONTH \*\***

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



Mark Thompson with his cardboard train storage boxes. They are great for inventory, storage or transport



John Upshur was really happy to win this MPC UP Boxcar, or maybe he was just happy to win



Another view of the waiting line going out the door, this view is from inside the kitchen. Don't worry folks there is plenty of pizza



See what I said! We had a few left over as we always do and Peter was able to make quick work of them as the first items sold at the auction



3 Weeks and counting! Last chance to register June 7<sup>th</sup>!

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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# “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!



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### **FELLOWSHIP CENTER**

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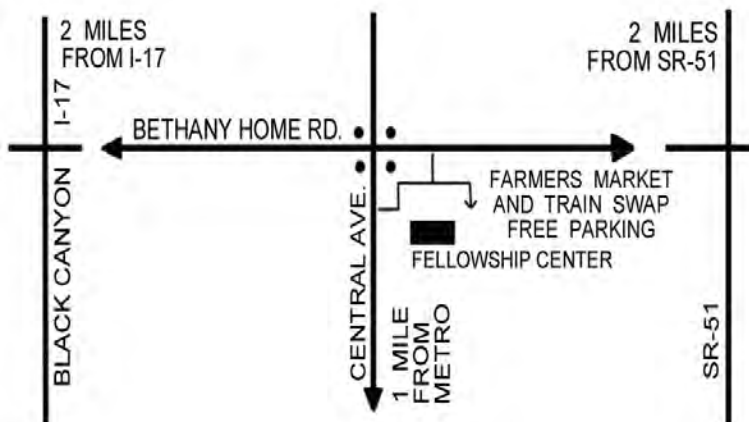
**GRAND CANYON MODEL RAILRODERS**

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**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



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City	State Zip
Phone	Email
<b>Security:</b> I will abide with badge identification entrance requirements. <b>Buying, selling, ethics and behavior:</b> 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. <b>I will not pack until 1:00 PM.</b> Not responsible for lost or stolen articles.	
Signature	Date
Make check payable to: <b>"Grand Canyon Model Railroaders"</b> Mail to: Glenn Saber: 3415 E Pasadena Ave., Phoenix, AZ 85018 or credit cards accepted via PayPal at <a href="http://www.gcmrr.org">www.gcmrr.org</a> email: <a href="mailto:info@gcmrr.org">info@gcmrr.org</a> Info: Glenn Saber 602-956-6695 or John Draftz 602-942-3457	

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

(Bring a table cover, if desired)

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First and last name please

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

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**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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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"  
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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 \_\_\_\_\_

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**Limited Seats Available**

David Brown  
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