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MAY FLOWERS AND DESERT MEETS

The May meet was a treat for all who attended, including new member Trudy Powell and returning member Bill Freeman. Treasurer Bob Herman announced that we have \$23,558.30 in checking and \$47,127.53 in checking. This month's 40th Anniversary gift for all in attendance was a booklet including pictures of Turkey Meet and Convention buttons.

President Jonathan Peiffer announced that this year's Turkey Meet will be held at Chaparral Suites in Scottsdale. Set-up is Friday, November 25; the Swap Meet is Saturday, November 26; and the Auction is Sunday, November 27. In addition, there will be operating layouts which will be open to the public. Anyone interested in putting items into the Auction should contact Chet Henry. Lots need to be determined by mid-June so that the Catalog can be available by the "Beat the Heat" Meet in Prescott this August. Beth Stange is serving as Registration Chair, and she will open her train room on Saturday night after the Swap Meet for an "Open House" for our membership.

The membership embraced the idea of another Division train trip, possibly to the Verde Canyon. Watch for details should this come to fruition.

The Desert Division's Holiday Party is scheduled for December 11, 2011, beginning at 4 PM at the Mesa Marriott.

The TCA National Convention will be June 26 through July 3 in Sacramento, California. Jonathan Peiffer will present a motion to remove the two-signature requirement. Chris Allen spoke in favor of the motion, stating that there will still be the year-long probation period for oversight of applicants. The membership present supported the motion.

The Education Segment began with the production Copper Hopper with the decal and ruby load. Members are encouraged to order theirs early. There is an order form in this issue of the *Dispatch* for your convenience. Jonathan Peiffer showed some reference publications he is using for his work with Sunset/3rd Rail on their EMD E7 model. One publication was an entire issue of the *Burlington Bulletin*, dedicated to nothing but the history of E5, E7, E8, and E9 diesels used by that railroad. Another was a book dedicated to Pennsylvania Railroad EMD E7, E8, and Alco PA models, including photographs of nearly every road number. Beth Stange brought her "Beth's Diner" made from a train that she and Tom had purchased at a train show at Christown Mall. With Bob Dennison's help, it is now a reality. Ralph Treichel brought his 800 series train that his parents bought in 1940 for him to run under the Christmas tree.



COMING UP . . .

JUNE 11 – Regular Division Meet – Phoenix, AZ – 9 AM

Educational Segment – Summer Fantasies on the Train

JUNE 26-JULY 3 – TCA National Convention, Sacramento, CA

JULY 9 – Division Mini-Meet – Phoenix, AZ – 9 AM

AUGUST 20 – Beat the Heat Meet – Prescott, AZ – 9 AM

SEPTEMBER 10 – Regular Division Meet – Phoenix, AZ – 9 AM

SEPTEMBER 17 – Rio Grande Chapter Meet – Albuquerque, NM – 10 AM

OCTOBER 22 – 40th Anniversary Party – Chaparral Suites, Scottsdale, AZ – 6 PM

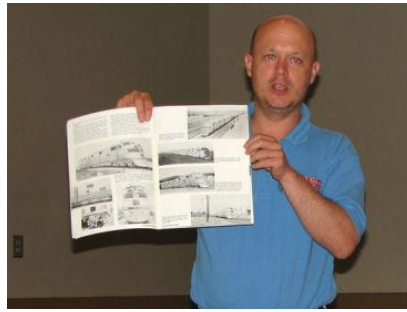
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Some of our members drove to Williams for National Train Day. Seventeen of them stayed for dinner on Saturday night. They reported that this was a grand event.

Raffle prizes were awarded as follows:

Bob Dennison	K-Line Happy Birthday Ashley Box Car
Dave Brown	Williams Platinum Car
Boyd Reasor	Lionel N&W Box Car
Jack Eaton	Hudson Raffle Ticket
Chet Henry	Hudson Train Picture
Bill East	PRR Mug and DVD
Barbara Turner	<u>Old West Railroads</u> , a Time-Life Book
John Upshur	Catalog and Pre-War Trains Book
Angelo Lautazi	Athern HO Kit N&W 1148 Work Car

In addition, Brad Martin won the Hudson \$100 bill.



Top Left: Bob Dennison mans his sales table at the Desert Division Meet.

Top Center: Jonathan Peiffer shows his research materials.

Top Right: "Beth's Diner"

Bottom Left: Ralph Treichel with his 800 series train.

Bottom Center: Brad Martin wins the Hudson Raffle \$100 prize.

RUBY HOPPER RAFFLE

In addition to the custom designed Ruby Hopper Cars, there is one special car, the prototype, number 001. With the car comes a ruby jewelry set, including earrings, ring, and necklace. The ring will be sized to fit the winner, after that winner is announced. The entire collection, jewelry and hopper car, will be raffled off by the Committee from now until the Anniversary Party on October 22, when the lucky winner will be announced. Tickets, which cost \$1 each or 6 for \$5, will be available for sale from now through the gala Banquet on October 22, 2011.



DESERT DIVISION MEMBERS IN CTT

Have you seen the July, 2011 issue of Classic Toy Trains? If not, you should! As a matter of fact, the attention to Desert Division members starts with the Cover. How impressive is that? Peter Atonna's Paulden & Seligman layout greets you on the cover and continues on page 42 with a 6-page feature article. Early on in this issue, don't miss a major spot on page 14 with a wonderful story and photo from the layout of Division Board Member Tony Saulina. Congratulations to both men for their inclusion in our hobby's Premier Tinplate Magazine.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It came a little later than expected, but the heat is on! This point has been especially brought home as my air conditioning decided to quit during a balmy 100°. If nothing else, it serves as a good example of how the Desert Division does not take the summer off! We had a good meet in May and our June meet is always a great way to get your early summer train fix. If you haven't attended a June meet in the past, put June 11th on your calendar.

The 2011 "Turkey Meet" is coming together. It will be held at the Chaparral Suites and will include a Friday setup, a Saturday swap meet and a Sunday Auction. We will still feature operating layouts for the public to enjoy. Beth Stange, who will be the Registration Chair, is even opening her home after the meet to enjoy some time running trains on her layout. It should be a great weekend.

Since the auction is official, we are seeking collections or lots to offer. Members have already stepped up with pieces of their collection to offer, but we could always use more. This auction will get significant exposure and we hope to attract many people this year. Please see Chet Henry about anything you may consider entering.

Our 40th Anniversary celebration dinner is just around the corner on October 22nd. If you haven't already done so, remember to SAVE THE DATE! Copper hoppers are now in production and all orders to date will be filled by the June meet. We still have them available for you to order. Not only is the car a unique piece, it is priced very reasonably for an all metal copper plated and numbered car. Please see Christie Wilson with your orders.

The 2011 TCA National Convention in Sacramento is just around the corner. It is not too late to sign up. With a Convention being in practically in our backyard, it would be excellent to see a strong showing from the Desert Division. Tours are selling out fast, so act soon. With a welcome party in the California State Railroad museum and a Cal-Stewart meet at the end, you can hardly go wrong! The next closest TCA Convention will be Houston in 2016.

While on the subject of TCA National, please consider making a contribution to the Annual Appeal. Yes, many have received multiple emails and mailings regarding the goal of raising \$50,000 this year. If that goal is met, an anonymous gift of an additional \$5,000 from a single member will be donated. We often forget the benefits of our National organization, getting caught up in the "what's in it for me" thinking. There are the usual benefits we all know about, the TCA Quarterly, the National Headquarters News, and access to the best collection of toy trains in the world with the National Toy Train

Museum. Without TCA National, we would not have the kind of Desert Division we enjoy so much today. We are in the very strong financial position we enjoy thanks to our hard efforts in pulling off two very successful NATIONAL conventions that made this Division solvent and stable for a long time to come. It is time to reflect on these thoughts and return the favor. I am contributing to this effort. If I can manage a small donation, without question, everyone in this Division can. We have a lot to be proud of in the Desert Division; let's continue to be proud of our accomplishments and our generosity to others.

The Railroad Museum of Pennsylvania is in the process of installing a new "ground source heat pump" to help stabilize both the temperature and the humidity. While very expensive to install, this improvement will pay for itself over time, not only in energy used, but also in greatly reduced costs to maintain the collection. This museum is just down the street from our National Toy Train Museum. What if TCA stepped up to help fund a similar system to protect equally priceless collections?

On a more local note, there was discussion at the last membership meeting about taking another club excursion "ride-a-train" somewhere. The last one was really that much fun! While this idea is being researched for ideas, what ideas do you have for a social gathering? It does not necessarily need to be train related. Getting together with friends and families has been at the core of what has made this year so successful for the Desert Division. Have an idea? Share it please!



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BOD MEETING

The next meeting of the Desert Division Board of Directors will be held at the home of Marty and Paula Wik, beginning at 7:30 AM. Members are welcome to attend. Please call 480-488-8625 to be sure there are enough chairs.

RIO GRANDE CHAPTER NEWS

by Gregory Palmer TCA# 94-39039

The New Mexico Railroad Fair Meet was a great success. We had over half of our Chapter members attend, and several had tables full of toy trains. The NM Railroad Fair had tables of Railroadiana, Books, Railroad Art Work, Model Railroad Supplies, and of course, plenty of Toy Trains for sale. I found a small estate collection of boxed post war Lionel with the liners for a price too good to pass up. It looked like all Rio Grande Chapter Members there came away with lots of good stuff for their collections. The New Mexico Railroad Fair is always in May and we will continue to have our Meet in conjunction with that activity.

Our Meeting went well. I informed the Chapter that we did not get the 2018 TCA National Convention, but that the Chapter and the Desert Division will ask for the 2019 Convention. I will keep the Chapter informed on the progress. Our first topic of business was the 2011 Pumpkin Meet and Auction on Sunday, October 30th. Ads are already in to Classic Toy Trains for the October and November issues. I am also in discussions with the TCA National Business Office about the ad for the September issue of the National Headquarters News. At the Meet we also discussed the need to get the word out to the public. The 2011 Pumpkin Meet and Auction flyers are already produced and were passed out at the New Mexico Railroad Fair. If anyone would like to help pass out flyers, please contact me. They will soon be in the Hobby Shops and at other Swap Meets in the region. I am in the process of talking to KOB TV 4 about help with their canned food drive for the holidays. We will try to see if they can help us advertise the Pumpkin Meet. We need a lot of raffle prizes. If you have any item you would like to donate to the Rio Grande Chapter, please let me know. It is essential that we have a great raffle, in order to make enough money to cover the increase in the hall and table rental fees. We know all Chapter members support the 2011 Pumpkin Meet. Now we are soliciting your help for the time during the show in places such as the door, the Auction, and other areas. Please call me anytime and let me know what you can do.

At the September 17th Meet, which will be held at 10:00AM at Sombra Del Monte Church, we will have a formal slate of Officers and Board Members for the January 21st Meet, at which time we will hold our Election of Officers for 2012-2014. We have had the basic slate of people run the Chapter since it was formed in 2006. All positions will be available. At the September Meet the current Officers will be asked their intentions about running for office. If you would like to get involved in running this great TCA Chapter, please contact me or Secretary Scott Eckstein before September 17th. We will publish the slate of Officers and Directors in the October Chapter News in the Dispatch. The election will be held on January 21, 2012, at our Meet. Since we will not have a regular Meet until September 17th, your Board of Directors will have several Meetings over the next few months, to finalize the planning and operation of the 2011 Pumpkin Meet.

Have a great summer, find some trains, and remember that your Board of Directors will be working hard this summer to make the end of 2011 and the start of 2012 another successful year. The After-Meet activity for September 17th will be lunch at the Flying Star on Manual and Utah N.E., and then back to Sombra Del Monte Church for a Toy Train running session downstairs at the Jim Spatafora Memorial Layout. Bring your trains, both O-gauge and S-gauge, and run them all afternoon. See all of you at 10:00AM, September 17th at Sombra Del Monte Church, at 2528 Utah N.E. in Albuquerque. New Mexico.



Paul Hurford sets up his table at the NM Railroad Fair Meet.



Tom Lawler talks with DD member Nick Schnakenberg.

HIDDEN TREASURE IN THE VALLEY OF THE SUN

by Gregory Palmer TCA# 94-39039

I had a great time in April at the Pizza Meetza Meet and Auction, which was on April 9th. Although it was cold and wet, plus we had to drive back at the end of an Arizona mountain snow storm, I still enjoyed everything including plenty of low carb Pizza. I did very well selling my stuff at the Auction, and always enjoy talking to everyone. After the Auction was over, my sister and I went to Mesa to go through the various Antique Malls in the area. During one of the searches, in our favorite Mall, my sister Mechele found a possible surprise and possible future Birthday gift for me. However my Lionel hunter sense went off and I surprised Mechele with my appearance in the same aisle where she was looking at the item.

What she had found is a very scarce Lionel number 6 Locomotive. It did not have a Tender, but was in good shape. It was in C-6 condition. Although the surprise was gone, I went ahead and purchased the item for \$60.00. What a hidden treasure. It seems that every time I come to the Valley of the Sun I find a treasure. This time it was a super find. I have repaired it so now it is in running condition. I also have commissioned Joe Mania at JLM Trains to make a Reproduction #6 Tender for me. It will now pull my string of Lionel 10 series cars. Once again I have found a hidden treasure in the Valley of the Sun.



RUBY HOPPERS - THEY'RE FINALLY HERE – GET THEM NOW!

After months of delay resulting from a lack of Decal Production, the Desert Division's beautiful 40th Anniversary Copper Hopper is at long last here and ready for YOU! Specially produced for just the Desert Division by the company known as K-Line by Lionel, Division member and former TCA President Nick Ladd used his ingenuity to have this car produced from Copper for this *avant-garde* Division.

On one end of this magnificent piece are the graphics which discreetly tell the world that this car was produced for the 40th Anniversary of the Desert Division and contains the date of the Division's admission into the TCA, June 25, 1971. On the underside of the hopper, between the operating hatches, each car is affixed with its own precise number, from 002-104. That same number also appears on the box to confirm its authenticity.

On each side of this two-pound copper behemoth is a water based decal featuring the Desert Division's 40th Anniversary Logo, the same one you find on our shirts and on this Dispatch. Topping off the hopper is a load appropriate to this occasion. The 40th Anniversary gem is a RUBY, and our loads are a glistening, Ruby Red.

You would expect to pay well over \$150 for such a piece. Not so! We are able to sell these heavy duty pieces for \$65.00 (plus \$10 postage if you can't pick it up locally). It will look great with the hopper you purchased at the 2009 TCA Desert Division TCA Convention. Order one or more today. We have only 104, and we'll be taking them to the Convention in Sacramento this June for sale. Don't miss your chance to get this piece of Desert Division history. There will never be another 40th Anniversary. The proceeds of this car will help defray the costs of our 40th Anniversary Banquet Celebration on October 22, 2011. Buy yours now! Checks should be made payable to Desert Division – TCA.

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Please reserve _____ Ruby Hoppers for meet delivery at \$65 each.

Postage - \$10 each for non-meet delivery. No postage charge for cars picked up at monthly Desert Division meets.

My check for \$_____ is enclosed.

Name _____ TCA Number _____

Address _____

NATIONALTRAIN DAY - 2011

by Peter Atonna, TCA 75-7578

Photos compliments of Jonathan Peiffer, TCA 01-53047

For the second year, the Grand Canyon Railway, the Grand Canyon Chapter of the National Railway Historical Society, and the Williams Chamber of Commerce put together a weekend of railroad themed exhibits and entertainment to help celebrate Amtrak's 40th Anniversary and their fourth National Train Day. Arizona was a hotbed with events at the Arizona Railway Museum in Chandler, in Flagstaff, in Tucson, at the Verde Canyon Railroad, and the big one at the depot of the Grand Canyon Railway in Williams.

The highlight of the weekend was 45 minute train trips behind GCR steamer #4960 and the opportunity to get an escorted tour of the railroad's locomotive and car shop. In addition, the grounds hosted model railroad club displays including the Arizona & Southwest Model Railroad Society HO and N gauge layouts, Arizona Model Railroading Society N gauge modular layout, Arizona Tinplate Trackers tinplate modular layout, Jerry McKinzie's G Gauge circus layout, Grand Canyon Model Railroaders traveling multi-gauge trailer, Point of Rocks N gauge Model Railroaders modular layout and Polar Express layouts by Peter Atonna and Sharon Dowhan. Additional live exhibits included presentations by the Harvey Girls from Winslow, an outdoor ride on train and Operation Lifesaver. Also available were a classic car show and an antique tractor show, as well as a railroad photography display. On the depot platform, visitors could view into GCR steamer #29 and go into the NRHS ATSF caboose, a GCR passenger car and diesel locomotive, as well as viewing a contemporary BNSF diesel locomotive.

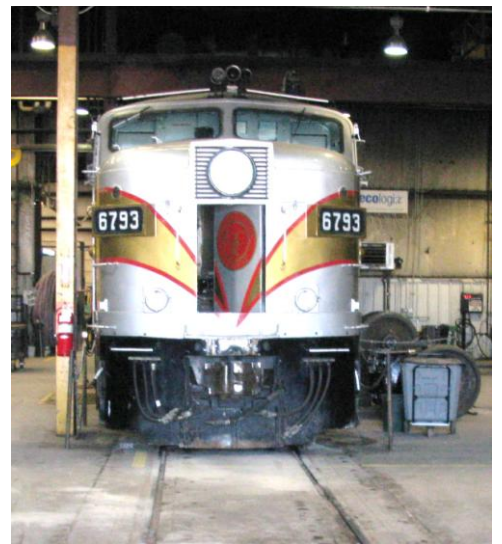
I don't know if there is a place at the DD's meeting hall to watch a video, but if so, I'd be happy to bring a 19 minute video of the event I've put together to show at a future meeting.



Left: BNSF diesel on display
Center: The "cowboys" await the departure of the "Day Train."
Left: It was a "beary" good time at National Train Day 2011, with visits from the Bearizona Bear and Smoky the Bear.



Above: Winslow Harvey Girls
Center: GCR #4960 on a run of the Cataract Creek Rambler.
Right: GCR Alco #6793 on display during the shop tour.



BEAT THE HEAT MEET

by Peter Atonna, TCA #75-7578

Have you marked your calendar for this year's edition of the Beat the Heat Swap Meet in Prescott? We hope so. This year's event will be held on August 20th. Our traditional event is sponsored by the Central Arizona Model Railroad Club and features over 90 tables of goodies, an afternoon of layout visiting and an invitation for you to enjoy the weekend in the Prescott area. The meet is held at the Prescott Activity Center, 800 E. Gurley in downtown Prescott. If you haven't come before, the Activity Center is right on the main street, a half mile after you enter town on SR 69 or 89, just follow the signs to Gurley Street. Each year we have been selling out our sales tables so you will have a great selection of trains. Admission is \$4 with kids under 12 free with an adult. The show starts at 9am and runs to 1pm. We are taking table reservations now in case you want to make sure you have one waiting. They are still only \$23 each and that includes one admission. Table reservations must be paid in advance. Dealer setup is 7 - 9am. Send your reservation with your check to Norm Delucchi at 242 Thoroughbred Dr. Prescott, AZ 86301-6688. If you have questions, call him at 928-445-5379 or email to: npdelucchi@cablone.net.

To help you plan, here are some of the weekend's activities around the Prescott area.

-Shopping - Prescott has one of the finest antique and arts districts in the state. Located conveniently downtown, less than a mile from the Activity Center, the district lines Cortez and Marina Streets.

-Museums - Next door to the Activity Center is the Smoki Museum, while downtown is the Sharlott Hall Museum and just north of town is the Phippen Art Museum

-Train Rides - Both the Grand Canyon Railroad and the Verde Canyon Railroad are less than two hours from Prescott and would make a great Sunday activity. If you like train watching, there are a couple of superb locations near Williams and Ash Fork. Just check with me for some good locations.

-Outdoor activities - The Prescott area is a jumping off point for camping and fishing in the Bradshaws, bike riding on many of the area highways and hiking in Thumb Butte, Granite Mountain or the Peavine Rails to Trails.

-Farmers' Market - Yavapai College, located on Sheldon St. just north of the Activity Center, hosts a farmers' market Saturdays 7:30 till noon.

-Young's Farm - Good news. For those of you, for whom a Prescott visit tradition was a stop for corn at Young's Farm, it has been announced that the Mortimer Nursery family is reopening the farm and will have a crop of corn ready this summer. So check it out on your way home.

-Open Houses - The Prescott area is home to a growing number of home layouts and we are happy to share them with our visitors. Eight fellows and a club have generously opened their layouts and collections for your enjoyment. Time for visiting starts at 2pm on Saturday, after the meet. There will be maps available at the meet registration table.

*Mike Nelson - An O scale layout with multiple tiers and an including operating On30 layout. Large collection of O scale locomotives on display (note: Mike is open from 3 to 7pm)

*Jim Hanna - A large HO scale sceniced layout complete with multiple layers and bridges. Jim operates multiple trains with DCC

*Ray Dextraze - Early 20th Century American and European toys and trains all displayed in a beautiful setting.

*Marlin Benson - Three train rooms filled with trains and displays. His high rail layout occupies two rooms. A Large Scale loop lines the walls of one train room.

*Stan Cedarleaf - An outdoor Large Scale layout over 100 feet long with multiple trains running. Be sure to enjoy the "crow's nest" viewing spot.

*Warren Webster - Another outdoor Large Scale layout, just down the street from Stan with multiple loops and spectacular wooden bridges.

*Peter Atonna - Large O gauge high rail, fully sceniced layout. The Ash Fork extension is well under way. Displays of prewar and postwar trains.

*Scott Hicks - A garden layout in the large back yard of his historic home, just walking distance from the Activity Center

*CAMRRC On30 group and The Point of Rocks N gauge club - located together in a building at the Yavapai County fairgrounds. Both have operating layouts.

We hope you plan to spend the weekend in Prescott. If you would like a nearby motel for your stay, here are some suggestions (the Prescott area code is 928):

A short distance from the Activity Center are:

+ Heritage House Motel (across the street from the Activity Center) 819 E. Gurley 445-9091

+ Apache Lodge (a genuine 30's motel) 1130 E. Gurley 445-1422

+ American Motel, 1211 E Gurley 778-4322

+ Econo Lodge, 1225 E. Gurley 445-7057

+ Super 8 (on the next street to the north) 1105 E. Sheldon 776-1282

+ Motel 6, 1111 E. Sheldon

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+ Hotel Vendome 230 S. Cortez 776-0900

+ Hassayampa Inn 122 E. Gurley 778-9434

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Educational Segment: Summer Fantasies on the Train |
| June 26-July 3 | TCA National Convention – Sacramento, California |
| July 9 | Desert Division Mini-Meet – Phoenix, AZ – 9 AM |
| August 20 | “Beat the Heat” Meet – Prescott, AZ 0 9 AM
Contact Norm Delucchi: 928-445-5379 |
| September 10 | Regular Division Meet – Phoenix, AZ – 9 AM |
| September 17 | Rio Grande Chapter Meet – Albuquerque, NM – 10 AM |
| October 22 | 40 th Anniversary Party – Chaparral Suites – 6 PM – SAVE THIS DATE NOW! |
| October 30 | Pumpkin Meet – Sheraton Albuquerque Uptown Hotel, Albuquerque, NM – 9 AM
Contact Greg Palmer: 505-898-3840 |
| November 26-27 | Turkey Meet and Auction - Chaparral Suites, Scottsdale, AZ – 9 AM |
| December 11 | Holiday Party – Mesa Marriott, Mesa, AZ – 4 PM |

DIVISION MEET LOCATION

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