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Desert Division

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FALL TRAIN SEASON IS HERE!

All you have to do is look at the full fall calendar of events to know that the fall train season is here and you will not have too many weekends with little to do for the next several months. With fall officially underway for more than a week now the Desert Division is going full speed ahead with plans for two large 400+ lot auctions and the Pumpkin and Turkey Meet swap meets on the agenda. You will be hard pressed with a need to wander too far from the Division boundaries these days to find the train of your dreams. The September Meet was the first time Division members got together after the summer hiatus. With the planned discussion of the donation to the Scottsdale McCormick Stillman Railroad Park, many members drove long distances to attend so they could hear and have a voice in the discussion. As usual Barbara Lautazi and her crew of willing volunteers had plenty of free coffee, soda pop, and water for the calorie conscious members along with a tasty assortment of everyone's favorite donut. Sales tables sprouted up early and the day's events did not deter some members from purchasing a new addition to their consist or train room. President Pheiffer started the General Meeting promptly and Secretary Lautazi introduced three guests in attendance. Mike Bauer stated that he operates and collects MTH and Lionel O gauge, Mike Ward made many new friends when he mentioned that he collects American Flyer and Perry Wilcox, who is new to the hobby is learning fast the benefits of being a member of TCA. Treasurer Herman reported \$50,287.75 in the Savings account and \$8164.62 in the checking account. With the current financials stated President Pheiffer opened up Old Business with the motion that was postponed from the June General Meeting regarding the monetary donation to the Scottsdale McCormick-Stillman Park. President Peiffer first explained that several Division members have various roles at the Railroad Park. Some members are part of the Scottsdale Mechanical Society, a group that oversees all of the financial responsibilities of the park while quite a few other members have

MARK YOUR CALENDAR – UPCOMING EVENTS

October 13 – Regular Division Meet – Phoenix, AZ – 9 AM

October 13 & 14 – Rail Fair McCormick-Stillman Railroad Park – Scottsdale, AZ

October 20 – Sahuaro Central Fall Swap Meet – Adobe Mountain RR Park - 623-670-1904

October 28 – 6th Annual Pumpkin Meet – Albuquerque, NM – 9 AM (details inside)

November 2 & 3 – Gadsden Pacific Division T.T.O.M. – Train Swap Meet (details inside)

November 2-4 Cal Stewart Meet – Ontario, CA

November 24 - Turkey Meet Train Swap Meet – 9 AM Chaparral Suites, Scottsdale AZ

November 25 – Turkey Meet Auction – 400+ Lots! – 9 AM Chaparral Suites, Scottsdale AZ

December 2 – Holiday Party – Mesa Marriott – 4 PM (reservation form inside)

various roles as officers and members of several of the train clubs that operate within the park and in the same facility where we would have the display. These clubs operate under the same type of agreement that the Division would be entering into with the city of Scottsdale. President Peiffer then outlined that the discussion on the matter would follow Roberts Rules of Order where there would be a pro and con discussion on the issue which would alternate until one side or the other could not counter, at that time the vote would be called. Presenter Bill Mack was offered the floor first to again speak on behalf of his motion and what followed was a very insightful discussion on both the financial and the idealistic direction the Division was going to pursue in the years ahead. Alternating between the pro's and con's, members spoke on the need for the Division to continue its rich history of fulfilling the TCA mission of education and community involvement, while others voiced concern over a static display of trains or the return on investment of such a large sum of money. Russ Mosser explained the monetary figure was derived from the overall cost of the building being divided into the square footage of the space that would be taken up by the display. Although not an exact method for determining a donation it seemed like a logical starting point to open up discussion with the Division. There appeared to be support for moving ahead but the discussion got bogged down in the static display versus running layout, while members were still concerned about cost for the project. An amendment to the original motion came from the floor for the Division to donate \$5,000 as good faith while the membership worked out the details of what to propose to the Park officials. However after a brief discussion the amendment was defeated 25 - 15. With the amendment off the floor the original motion was voted on, however it also was defeated 25 - 16. Next, Paul Wassermann moved that the Board of Directors formulate a plan for Division participation at the Scottsdale Railroad Park in the next six months. That motion passed with only one dissenting vote. President Peiffer thanked all who voiced opinions on the matter and noted that while there were many opinions over the motion it was clear that the membership came together and discussed several alternative and exciting ideas in the desire to once again establish the Division as not only as a community leader but a Division in TCA that does more for the hobby than putting on train shows. Under new business President Peiffer spoke of the upcoming Rail Fair and that the Division would be borrowing a module to run trains if there was enough member participation. The DISPATCH editor noted the incorrect date for Rail Fair was published last month. Nominations for TCA National office were next on the agenda. Christie Wilson was nominated for National Secretary by Gordon Wilson and Katie Elgar was nominated for President-Elect by Chris Allen. Both nominations were unanimously approved by the membership present. Under Announcements Secretary Lautazi mentioned that any members wishing to purchase the Tracks Ahead Season 8 DVD's that featured layouts by Peter Atonna, Angelo Lautazi, Paul Wassermann and the Adobe Mountain Railroad Park should contact him. If he can secure twenty orders there would be a \$5 savings per DVD available to the members. Holiday Chair Ralph Treichel, mentioned that the location and date for the annual Holiday Party has been secured with the date and time being Sunday December 2nd at 4 PM at the Mesa Marriott on Centennial Way. Deadline for reservations is Sunday November 25th. Chet Henry announced he had the Turkey Meet auction catalogs for sale and would have them at the next Meeting as well. The auction has over 400 lots with many of trains in their original boxes. Beth Stange announced that table sales for the Turkey Meet are underway but she will not be at the October General Meet so mail them in to her instead. With no further business the Raffle prizes were awarded, however the editor was speaking with one of our new guests and missed the first few winners. He did however observe Gordon Wilson give Art Triant his prize of the TCA 50th Anniversary plate because he already had one. Jonathan Peiffer was the winner of the Hudson \$100 drawing.



John and Darlene Wiley behind their sales table



Is it a sale or just a how'd ya do?

SEPTEMBER MEET PHOTOS



Bob Johnston freshly returned from the C&NW Historical Society Convention has a new T-Shirt



Mystery solved! The "no name" ticket buyer caught in the act...



Wayne Ross was a happy raffle winner



Yes, Gordon Wilson "giving it" to Art Triant



Chef Martin of Fountain Hills in a rare grilling appearance at Casa Lautazi



It was not all about the fabulous food provided for the after meet visitation. Angelo had the layout up and running for all the guests to enjoy

TCA Desert Division BOD Meeting - Sept 5, 2012

The meeting was called to order at 6:45PM by Jonathan Peiffer at the home of Beth Stange.

In Attendance: Jonathan Peiffer, Art Triant, Bob Herman, Angelo Lautazi, Ralph Treichel, Beth Stange and Marty Wik.

Approval of Agenda - The agenda was unanimously approved as distributed.

Treasurer's Report - Bob presented the Treasurer's report. There is \$50,287.75 in the Savings account and \$8164.62 in the checking account.

Membership Report - Angelo reported that there were 285 current members in the Desert Division.

Old Business

Railroad Park Donation – Jonathan has been receiving negative feedback from members who are not able to attend meetings because they feel they are not included in the club affairs if they are deprived the opportunity to vote on important club matters. With the Board's approval, it was decided to seek to amend the current motion before the club, to forestall any membership vote at the September meeting and instead have the motion put in a written ballot which will be mailed to all active members. The Board expressed its support of Jonathan's article in the September newsletter in which he proposed alternative paths forward in the event the current motion is not passed. It was agreed that the current motion be decided on before presenting any other proposals to the membership. The current motion before the club is;

"Proposal that the Desert Division indicate to the city of Scottsdale that the club's \$30,000 donation for the train display area in the model train building at the Railroad Park, is pending approval by the TCADD membership by a vote at the September 8, 2012 meet".

2012 Turkey Meet – Plans are moving forward. A contract has been signed with the Chaparral Suites and a deposit has been paid. Advertising is being mailed next week and Jonathan is making posters for hobby shop windows.

2012 Holiday Party – set for Sunday Dec 9th. The members gift has arrived and in Ralph's possession. Sally and Shirley have the go ahead to find centerpieces suitable for auction.

Rio Grande Chapter visit – Fred Hunter is researching travel plans. It has been decided that a bus trip will not work. Too expensive and too long. Jonathan is hoping that individual members will make the trip for the Pumpkin Meet even if a group plan does not come about.

New Business

Railfair at the Railroad park - Jonathan wants to explore possibilities of the Desert Division having a presence at Railfair in some format. If a module is not possible at this point perhaps some small individual layouts could be present.

Next BOD Meeting - The next Board meeting will be held at Ralph's home on Wednesday October 3rd. One week earlier than previously planned due to BOD members scheduling conflicts.

Adjournment - Meeting was adjourned at 8:40 pm by Jonathan.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

While the calendar may say it's fall, those of us who live in the desert portions of the Division know better. We can hope that by mid-month the day time temperature will settle below 100 degrees. As every year in the Desert Division, there are lots of activities to finish out our calendar year. If you have not attended a Division function in the past because of the distances involved, or if you have always been curious about what our version of fall is about and have never been to the desert southwest there are lots of train related activities to enjoy!

Our last Division meet of the year is on October 13th. Let's all take the opportunity to talk trains as a group. While we have some business items, wouldn't it be more interesting if we really spent most of our time on the education segment? Our themes are interesting and I am sure that you would rather have someone talk about the special stories behind a particular train related item over me talking the entire meeting! Our theme is fall colors and Halloween so how can you creatively interpret that or as is usual in my case, misinterpret the theme? I will not bring a GG1 or will I? Trick or treat anyone? How about if the Division offered one free raffle ticket to everyone who presents something? Whatever it takes, let's make the October education segment one to remember.

The same weekend is Rail Fair at the McCormick-Stillman railroad park in Scottsdale from Friday, October 12th for setup through Sunday October 14th for teardown. For those who have not attended, this is a wonderful weekend with about twenty different operating modular layouts, all the clubs operating with full staff and lots of people interested in the hobby. If there is any doubt about the interest in this hobby from younger people attend this event. Crowds run from 6,000 to well over 10,000 depending on the weather.

Desert Division will have a presence at Rail Fair. How much of a presence depends on you. We have a 40'x50' shade cover this year and there will be a modular layout. Dallas Dixon will be bringing the dog-bone style layout many of you saw last year, which included two loops of track and 045 curves. Not nearly as complex to set up and has lots of play value for anyone operating as well the viewing pleasure for the public. Terry Bunish will be bringing his portable tin-plate layout as well. Do you have a small layout you want to bring to show off? If so, there is room. Simply let me know via email or phone. In addition consider volunteering to help with setup, operating, and tearing down over the course of the weekend. It doesn't have to be a lot of time, but if you are willing to spend simply a few hours come out and play. This is why many of us enjoy this hobby. It is a chance to see your train run that may have been limited to a shelf display in the past. This is also our opportunity to promote our Turkey Meet and there will be lots of flyers on hand. PLEASE make some time to spend a few hours playing!

The last Sunday of the month is the Rio Grande Chapter's annual Pumpkin Meet in Albuquerque on October 28th. For those of us, me included, who have not attended the meet, consider a weekend out of town to support the Rio Grande Chapter. Don't forget that Rio Grande Chapter is Desert Division and all of our Division members should do what they can to support this growing group in New Mexico. I will be attending and look forward to a weekend out of town!

Of course in November we will have our annual Turkey Meet at the Chaparral Suites again. The dates are November 24th and 25th. Last year was a great meet and this year should be even better. Tri-fold registrations will be going out, and the Division is actively promoting the meet. This show sold out tables last year and had a waiting list this year. Beth Stange's policy is strictly first come first serve. If you want a table in the main hall, be sure to get your registration in soon! No Turkey Meet can ever be successful without the efforts of all the volunteers who help behind the scenes to make this show happen. We will need people to help with unloading and hall setup on Friday, the 23rd. We will need people to assist with door registrations, monitoring the hall, helping with Kid's club activities and a host of other activities during the course of the meet. Again, even just a few hours of your time is extremely valuable to the success of the best and largest show in the desert southwest.

Don't forget that the Auction is on Sunday at the same location. This year we have a very full auction with lots of interesting items. Auction catalogs are printed and can be purchased from Chet Henry. Be sure to pick up your catalog soon and see what items you must simply add to your collection!

Finally, we have our annual holiday party in Mesa on December 2nd. We are sure of that date this year! Last year was a lot of fun for those who attended and we hope to make it more so this year. Don't wait to the last minute to get your tickets as Ralph and Sally Treichel need to get an accurate count sooner than later. This is early enough in the year that it doesn't interfere with all the other holiday parties, but it is still in December.

See you all at the October meet!



2014 HOLIDAY PARTY

Sunday, December 2, 2012

Mesa Marriott
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4:00 PM: Meet and Greet (cash bar available)

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The Ballroom will be set with tables of eight.

TCA Rio Grande Chapter News

By Gregory Palmer TCA#94-39039

A super late Summer Day greeted the TCA Rio Grande Chapter's members at the September Meet and Meeting. We started off the Meet with Tom Lawler introducing his guest, Ron Rosen. We hope he becomes a TCA and Desert Division Member so he can come back to the Chapter Meets in the future. We then had everyone introduce themselves and say if they had any interesting finds over the summer. Many interesting trips, such as the Beat the Heat Meet in Prescott Arizona, which was attended by several Chapter Members, to various vacation trips around the country, made for an interesting introduction segment. We then moved into the Show and Tell Section of our Education Segment of the Meet. Everett Hagan showed off his collection of Auburn Rubber Cars and Trucks from the 1950's and 1960's. He has a great collection of cars and trucks. They are of a size that can be used on a Lionel or American Flyer Postwar Layout. I know I had them on mine and still have some on display in my Postwar Train Room. It was great to see these cars and trucks as they brought back many memories to those present. Next John Trever showed off his completed collection of every known variation of the 6560 Lionel Crane Car. John explained the variations including those with different finishes, as well as those with different truck mounting configurations. He also displayed the red painted cab version. John is a member of the TCA Standards Committee and is well versed on Lionel 6464 Boxcar and Crane Car variations. He is always available to help members with questions and give his thoughts as well as educate members on Lionel variations. Next up was James Trever. He brought a Marxville Airport Airplane, Marx Playset People, non Lionel Pyro products from HG Play sets, including a rare color variation. During his discussion he warned members about how Lionel Military Cars can have the wrong Pyro vehicles on them and what to look for. James also showed off the differences in the original Lionel 6407 Missile Car and the "Postwar Celebration Series" Missile Car Lionel produced. Next he showed that his Postwar 6407 missile had a Sterling Capsule with Sharpener, but current thinking is that the original had no sharpener in the capsule. If you need to know anything about Marx Play sets or Lionel Space and Military Cars or Locos, you need to go no further than to ask James. He has helped me complete Playsets, as well as help answer questions on Space and Military items from Marx to Lionel. David Nycz brought in a Lionel SD-45 Dummy he purchased at the Beat the Heat Meet in Arizona. Lionel did not make a SD-45 Dummy but someone modified this one. He now has a great Rio Grande Coal Train headed up by an SD-40T-2 and his new SD-45 Dummy. He says it makes a great module train and he plans to run it at module events in the future. He will have it at the October 28th Pumpkin Meet running on a Module Layout. Art Lites showed off his hand made Minute Man B Missile on a MTH Flatcar. Art used custom made decals he generated from his computer and printer to add extra realism. He also educated the members on the real life missile firing boxcars used by the US Air Force, the "cold-war" Soviets, and China. We all found it an interesting discussion since Art was in the USAF as a "missiler". Warren Smalley showed off a USA Trains G Gauge Beer Car. It is weathered to look like it just transported Beer from Flagstaff to Albuquerque in the winter. Great job Warren! If you ever need information on the Cumbres and Toltec Scenic Railroad in Chama New Mexico, give Warren a call. He is always up there as a docent on that Railroad. Our guest, Ron Rosen brought in a Lionel 726 locomotive which was like his childhood

loco. He had many questions about the repair and care of his loco and true to form almost every Chapter member had helpful tips for him. Ted Hamler via email sent in a picture of the 1908 Olympic Gold Homecoming Medal he purchased at an auction of AC Gilberts personal items. This is not "the" Gold Medal, but a Homecoming Medal given to him after the Olympics. Contact Ted with your American Flyer questions as he is a recognized authority on American Flyer expert and regularly writes a column in the *S Gauqian Magazine*. He has also written several articles in *Classic Toy Trains* about American Flyer Trains. The Meeting portion started off with the Chapter reports. Chapter Treasurer, Bill Harris reported that we have \$1398.18 in the Checking Account. The members approved the advertising budget for the Pumpkin Meet which was not to exceed \$600.00 for advertising in the Albuquerque Journal for October 26th and 27th. We still need help at the door to take money for admission. Please call me at 505-898-3840 ASAP if you can give an hour or two for this purpose. Raffle prizes are also needed. Folks we have only 4 weeks to go, when you read this article. So please call and help the Chapter at the Pumpkin Meet. We will have several out of town guests at the Pumpkin Meet from Arizona, Colorado, and Texas. Once we know their schedules several of our Chapter Members will be offering to open their homes for layout tours. Special Note! This will be our last Meet at the Sombra Del Monte Church. The Church is closing the Meeting Hall after our Meet ends, so we need to find a new place. There were four places to choose from, and the membership narrowed the choices down to two. The Touch of Class Auction House on Carmel N.E. just West of San Pedro N.E., and the Los Altos Christian Church on Haines N.E. East of Juan Tabo N.E. The Membership voted to let the Chapter BOD decide on a place using these as the top two. We will tell you when and where the next TCA Rio Grande Chapter Meet and Meeting will be held, in the next issue of the Dispatch and via E-mail Blast. We just went over the 2019 TCA National Convention Hotel arrangements and the closeness to a lot of the Tours. Walking tours will be planned. I was at the September Division General Meeting and discussed the Division's vote and decision to plan for a display at the Scottsdale Railroad Park. Many Chapter members are excited about this and several have been to the park and find it a super facility. Dale Schafer wants to let the Chapter know that a place is still needed for the Jim Spatafora Layout. If you know of a place please contact Dale. Our after Meet activity was a tour of Scott Eckstein's Layout. Another fun time was had at Scott and Elaines' Home. We need After Meet Activities for January, February, and March Meets. Our Next Regular Meet will be January 19th at 10:00AM TBA. DO NOT FOREGET to come to the Sunday October 28th Pumpkin Meet which starts at 9:00AM at the Sheraton Albuquerque Uptown Hotel, at the corner of Manual N.E. and Louisiana N.E. Buy a table or two, help at the door, and just come and have fun. We need you to make the October 28th Pumpkin Meet a success. The flyer and Meet information is in this issue of the Desert Division Dispatch. Hope to see every member there.

!! RIO GRANDE CHAPTER - NEWS FLASH !!

As we were going to press we learned that on September 17th, the TCA Rio Grande Chapter BOD selected the Los Altos Christian Church at 11900 Haines N.E., in Albuquerque, NM, as the new meeting location for all of the Chapter's 2013 meets. The first meeting at the new location will be on January 19th, 2013. Further information and map available on our website, www.tcadd.org

RIO GRANDE MEET PHOTOS



John Trever and part of his 6560 collection



Everett Hagan (left) with his Auburn cars



James Trever discussing Lionel 6407 variations



Warren Smalley's weathered Beer reefer



After meet visitation, the Scott Eckstein layout



Light refreshments encouraged more fellowship at the Eckstein's

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**MORE SEPTEMBER DIVISION MEET PHOTOS
(and a few more happy raffle winners)**



OCTOBER EDUCATIONAL SEGMENT – FALL COLORS AND HALLOWEEN

Yes, it is October, but instead of making it Halloween orange and black, let's look at some unusual colors on our trains or even an unusual twist on the Halloween theme. Maybe a Southern Pacific "Black Widow" or a BNSF "pumpkin"? President Peiffer has announced a free raffle ticket to all who participate this month so be creative!

DESERT DIVISION TRAIN COLLECTORS ASSOCIATION



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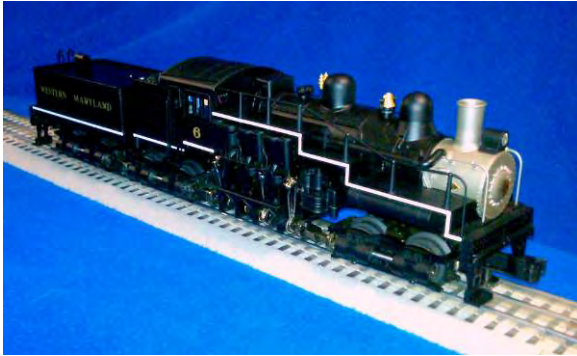
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TURKEY MEET AUCTION SNEAK PEEK

(See Chet Henry for your auction catalog – over 400 lot auction Sunday November 25)



ANNUAL HOLIDAY PARTY DATE AND LOCATION SET

The annual Holiday Party has been set for Sunday December 2nd, 2012. Holiday Party Chairs Ralph and Sally Treichel need your reservations by Sunday November 25, which is the Turkey Meet weekend. ABSOLUTELY no tickets sold at the door. The event is again scheduled at the Marriott Mesa Convention Hotel located at 200 N. Centennial Way in downtown Mesa. Doors open at 4:00 PM for a no host cocktail reception Meet and Greet with the Ballroom open for dinner at 5:00 PM.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

October 13	Regular Division Meet – Phoenix, AZ – 9 AM
October 13 & 14	Rail Fair McCormick-Stillman Railroad Park – Scottsdale, AZ - 9 AM
October 20	Sahuaro Central Fall Swap Meet – Adobe Mountain RR Park - 9 AM
October 28	Rio Grande Chapter - Pumpkin Meet - Albuquerque, NM - 9 AM Sheraton Uptown Hotel - contact Bill Spofford for information
November 2 & 3	Gadsden Pacific Division T.T.O.M. – Train Swap Meet - Tucson, AZ -
November 2-4	Cal Stewart Meet – Ontario, CA
November 24	Turkey Meet Train Show - Chaparral Suites - 9 AM - 3 PM - Scottsdale , AZ
November 25	Turkey Meet Auction - Chaparral Suites - 9AM - 3PM - Scottsdale, AZ Auction Catalogs available now - Contact Chet Henry
December 2	Holiday Party – Mesa Marriott – 4 PM - Mesa, AZ - <u>REGISTRATION CLOSES NOV. 25</u>

DIVISION MEET LOCATION

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

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