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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

by John Draftz

The annual P&P/GCMR/TCA picnic was held at the McCormick RR Park March 29th. I was not aware of anyone leaving hungry. Thanks to all those who made the picnic happen.

April is and will be active. Roger Bourque, John Draftz, Larry Messing, Bill Richardson and Glenn Saber erected the canvas garage at Adobe the 6th. That should help protect the mobile layout from the elements.

John Draftz, Rick Fortmeyer and Bill Richardson "cleaned out" our storage unit removing those things that needed to go and otherwise organizing what was left to make access easier.

The P&P will use the mobile layout at the Paradise Valley United Methodist Church Easter Saturday, the 20th.

The Rails, Rods & Steel Wheels Car Show has been at Pioneer Park in Mesa, had been in April, and we usually took the mobile layout to it; however, that show has been cancelled. We will be notified if it's rescheduled for the fall.

Our annual Spring Mini-Meet that will follow the format we've used before. Initially only GCMR members can have a free sale table at the church to sell to the public. Any tables still available at the first of the month before the meet (April 1st) will be made available to

members of other railroad clubs. The meet is free to the public. Janet has been willing to serve as the event coordinator. Let her know if you want a table (602-569-0568 or tjmattern@cox.net). We'll want the test track there. Our challenge is to get the word out to the public. If you know of anyone who's a train person, invite them to the mini-meet.

The mobile layout is approaching its "annual maintenance time" where we adjust and tweek as needed. We'll be able to use the MLS patio for a May 4th Saturday morning work party starting about 8. Come out and help if you can.

See you at the mini-meet.

CALENDAR

GCMR meets are held at 9:00am in the Parish Hall of Our Saviour's Lutheran Church at 1212 E Glendale Avenue in Phoenix, located on the north side of Glendale, just east of the traffic light at 12th St. It is easily reached off the Glendale Exit of either I-17 or SR 51. Go east from I-17 or west from SR 51 to 12th Street.

April 20 - Paradise Valley United Methodist Church—Easter Saturday, P&P use mobile layout

April 27 - GCMR meet - Our Saviour's Lutheran Church Spring mini swap meet & regular meeting

May 25 - GCMR meet - Our Saviour's Lutheran Church - Memorial Day - Space/Military trains/hardware

June 22 - GCMR meet - Our Saviour's Lutheran Church - Hot Dogs and Apple Pie; Flag Day; Red, White, and Blue trains; patriotic trains, cars, etc.; item(s) w/flag(s)

July 26 - Summer Cactus Meet workers - dinner at Dennys

July 27 - Summer Cactus Meet - North Phoenix Baptist Church

August 17 - Beat the Heat Meet - Prescott Valley - bus trip and layout visits

MINI MEET UPDATE

by Janet Mattern

We have twenty tables spoken for out of twenty-seven for April 27th, from 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM, at our usual hall at 1212 E. Glendale Ave., Phoenix (Lutheran Church Parish Hall), The doors open at 7:00 AM to 7:15 AM for setting up the tables for the meet, members can place their items for sale on the tables (first come, first served on which table you get), and then we have a short business meeting before the hall is opened up to the general public at 9:00 AM.

MEETING NOTES

by Bill Richardson

March GCMR Board Of Directors (BOD) Meeting
by Secretary Bill Richardson

NEW BUSINESS:

President John Draftz will no longer be involved in the registration process for the Cactus Swap Meets. Treasurer Glenn Saber will now be the sole point of contact for registration at the July Summer Cactus Meet.

Rod Johnson informed us of the Sesquicentennial celebration (150th anniversary) of the Golden Spike is occurring on May 10th, 2019 at Promontory Point in Utah. Rod to provide Peter Atonna with more information for the GCMR news bulletin.

Glenn Saber has determined that Saturday April 6th at 9:00 AM will be the date/time we install the new fabric garage out at Abode Mountain.

Saturday May 4th at 8:00 AM was chosen as the date/time to perform some mobile trailer maintenance out at Adobe Mountain. John Draftz will check with the "Steamers" to verify that we can use their covered patio that date. John Zaval mentioned that he has a generator that we can use out at Adobe Mountain.

Glenn Saber and Dave Brown are to get together and work out the details of exactly what we would like for Prescott "Beat The Heat" bus trip.

John Draftz has indicated that the storage locker needs some cleaning and there are things in there that we don't really need. Perhaps we can sell some of this stuff at the upcoming mini-meet or a Cactus meet.

John Zaval had an idea about members putting advertisements in our monthly news letter. John will talk to Peter Atonna about this to determine what is required.

John Draftz wants Board Members to think about how to improve membership involvement.

Bill Richardson mentioned that we need to get mini-meet flyers out to the vendors and out to the public at the Adobe Mountain Swap meets. This is a good place where we can possibly generate more interest in our mini-meets.

March GCMR General Membership Meeting
by Secretary Bill Richardson

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Bill Richardson gave the Secretary's Report noting there are 46 club members. The January meeting

Board of Directors

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minutes were approved as printed in the March Bulletin. Glenn Saber gave the treasurer's report noting the amounts of money available in our bank accounts.

OLD BUSINESS:

A Winter Cactus Meet summary was given by Glenn Saber. Basically, the meet went extremely well, but we desperately need more members to volunteer to help. Some member's never get a break, and can't even browse the show. This needs to change. People seem to show interest in some of the new railroad items we are using in our raffles.

NEW BUSINESS:

The multi-club picnic will be Saturday March 30th, 2019 at the Stillman Ramada in Scottsdale's McCormick Stillman Railroad Park. GCMR is responsible for regular soda, diet soda, water, chips, ice cream, and ice. Bill Richardson and John Draftz will bring GCMR's share. The three sponsoring clubs have decided not to do any raffles or fund raising at the picnic.

Paradise & Pacific RR club will be borrowing the GCMR mobile trailer Saturday, April 20th for the Easter Carnival at Paradise Valley United Methodist Church. The trailer needs to be there about 7:00 AM.

The fabric garage will be bought by Glenn Saber. Installation is scheduled for Saturday April 6th, at 8:00 AM. John Draftz will get the trailer by the trees moved out of the way.

Mobile trailer maintenance day is scheduled for Saturday May 4th at 8:00 AM out at Adobe Mountain RR Park. Please show up if you can help. We need to clean the layout, clean the track, and fix some electrical issues. John Draftz will check with the "Steamers" to verify that we can use their covered patio that date.

Dave Brown and Glenn Saber are looking at various perks for the "Beat The Heat" bus trip to make the bus option more attractive.

Janet Mattern is taking GCMR member reservations for tables for the April 20th mini-meet. The mini-meet goes from 9:00 AM till 11:00 AM. On April 1st she will start taking reservations from people in other RR clubs.

We can't find any information on Pioneer Park's Rods, Rails, and Steel Wheels. It appears they are not having it this spring, but maybe in October. Therefore, we will not be attending this spring.

SHOW AND TELL:

The theme was a holiday theme, any holiday.
+ Terry Haas brought in his Lionel Xmas Engine.
+ We had a Lionel M&M Box car, a Halloween car, and a sugar cane & banana train that actually ran from the 1890's thru the 1950's.
+ John Kendig brought in an "S" gauge S-helper holiday series car.
John Draftz showed us his "HO" Freedom Train Car.

GOLDEN SPIKE CEREMONY

Most of the train world anxiously awaits the steam up of the Big Boy and its travel to the 150th Anniversary of the Golden Spike. Fortunately the Union Pacific has a web page devoted to the schedule for 4014 as well as 844's travels to the ceremony.

If you would like to follow the progress and events, go to the UP's site at: <https://www.up.com/heritage/steam/schedule/index.htm>

LOTS OF SPRING ACTIVITIES

In addition to the regular March meet, GCMR members got to enjoy the traditional three club picnic at Scottsdale Railroad Park while your officers and volunteers erected the new shelter at Adobe Mountain Park for our trailer.

Here are some shots of the events.

Show and Tell - Glenn Saber photos

The Picnic - Dallas Dixon photos



John Zaval



John Kendig



Terry Haas



The Trailer Cover Work Session



And done!



BUY - SELL

Your board has suggested that we start a new service to GCMR members by posting items that members hope to sell or are looking to buy. Starting this month, we will list items that are sent to your editor. To be included in the upcoming month's issue, they must be mailed to the editor by the last day of the preceding month! Email all items, for sale or wanted, to: Peter Atonna at mjatonna@gmail.com.

Listings will be run for one month. If you wish the listing to run for another month, you must again notify the editor by the same end of the month that you would like to run the listing for another month.

I'll kick things off with a couple - Ed

For Sale: Lionel Hogwarts set 7-11020, in OB, complete except no trans. ERR TMCC added! \$275. Lionel 6-28704 Pennsy Atlantic steamer OB. Modified for 4 chuffs. \$150. Peter Atonna mjatonna@gmail.com 928-308-3559

WINNERS!

Monthly Raffle prize winners

John Kendig - A/F 6-48609 Delaware & Hudson covered Hopper

Dana Price - Lionel 6-52073 1995 TTOS PFE Reefer

Doyle Bain - Lionel 6-9166 Rio Grande lighted Caboose

Mystery Raffle prize winner:

John Draftz - Lionel 6-27233 O scale Northlands Double Door Boxcar and

- Lionel 6-17207 O scale Chicago & Illinois Midland Box

Monthly 3-2-1 Raffle prize winner:

Bill Richardson - who won 3 more tickets to the 3-2-1 annual raffle.



YOU ARE INVITED TO A 75TH BIRTHDAY PARTY FOR THE AT&SF 2926 STEAM LOCOMOTIVE

SATURDAY MAY 18, 2019

10:00 AM TO 1:00 PM

1833 8th St. NW, Albuquerque, New Mexico



Kids, parents and railroad fans! Enjoy birthday cake, ice cream, and soft drinks with the crew of the New Mexico Steam Locomotive and Railroad Historical Society.



Bring a homemade birthday card to the 2926 or create one on site at our Birthday Card Station.



Wear your best railroad attire and pose for a photo in the historic locomotive cab.



Dance to music by Doctor Rock and Jazz a la Carte



Contributions to the restoration of the 2926 Locomotive are always appreciated.

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"
LET CASEY DO THE DRIVING!



COMFORTABLE DELUXE MOTORCOACH
SAVE ON GAS AND STRESSFUL DRIVING
ON-BOARD VIDEOS AND BOTTLED WATER
ON-BOARD RESTROOM AND STORAGE
PRIORITY ENTRANCE INTO THE SWAP MEET
MULTIPLE LAYOUT TOUR INCLUDED
OPTIONAL LUNCH WITH BEVERAGE

SWAP MEET ENTRANCE FEE INCLUDED!

Of Course I'm Going: _____ Wouldn't Miss It!

Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

Select Your Pickup Location:

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 _____

Number of adult GCMR club members: _____ at \$35 each = \$ _____

Number of adult Non-GCMR members: _____ at \$40 each = \$ _____

Number of children under 12: _____ at \$15 each = \$ _____

Number of lunches (OPTIONAL): _____ at \$7 each = \$ _____

Total: **Make checks payable to "GCMR"** \$ _____

Mail this form and check to:

Make your reservation early!

Limited Seats Available

David Brown

3534 W. St. Charles Ave.

Phoenix, AZ 85041

(480-650-5336)

Bus Trip Presented by:



All payments required prior to August 10, 2019. No refunds after August 10, 2019.



And we are starting to fill rapidly for the Cactus meet also. John reports that tables are already 25% sold as of now!

“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!



NORTH PHOENIX BAPTIST CHURCH FELLOWSHIP CENTER

5757 North Central Avenue, Phoenix, AZ 85012

Aggressive Promotion * All Scales

Great Location * Free Parking

Food Available * Fantastic Raffle

Test Track * End-O-Swap Auction

Presented by your pal, Casey Cactus, and the

GRAND CANYON MODEL RAILROADERS

Print legibly. No refunds after July 20, 2019

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



Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____

Zip _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Security: I will abide with badge identification entrance requirements.
Buying, selling, ethics and behavior: 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. **I will not pack until 1:00 PM.** Not responsible for lost or stolen articles.

Signature _____

Date _____

Make check payable to: **"Grand Canyon Model Railroaders"**
Mail to:

Glenn Saber: 3415 E Pasadena Ave., Phoenix, AZ 85018
or credit cards accepted via PayPal at www.gcmrr.org
email: info@gcmrr.org

Info: Glenn Saber 602-956-6695 or John Draftz 602-942-3457

\$25 per 8' banquet table

(Bring a table cover, if desired)

How many tables? _____

Amount enclosed? \$ _____

Request? _____

Will you participate in the auction? _____

Seller? _____ Buyer? _____

Admission Name Badges

1 or 2 tables = 2 badges max.

First and last name please

Badge Name _____

Badge Name _____

3 or more tables = 4 badges max.

Badge Name _____

Badge Name _____

More badges available at \$5.00 each

Name Badges **REQUIRED** for your security

GROUPS, CLUBS: PLEASE CALL

ARE YOU A SELLER? If you have not reserved your table for the Beat the Heat Meet, there are only a few left. So, be sure to get your reservation in soon!



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

Name _____
Address _____
Phone _____ Email _____
of Tables _____ (Limit 4 per seller) @ 30.00 each _____
Helper Name _____ @ 4.00 ** _____
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

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The railroad event of the year will be next month's 150th Anniversary celebration of the Golden Spike. But perhaps even more exiting will be the return to service of a Big Boy! All eyes are on Cheyenne to follow the 4014 Big Boy and her companion UP 844 on their way to Odgen in May.