



GRAND CANYON MODEL RAILROADERS

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

by Dave Brown

ALL HANDS ON DECK, ALL HANDS ON DECK! February's meet is one of two meets that pays for all the activities we do throughout the year. Due to the leap year, the big meet is on our normal fourth Saturday. On the day before we will need help on the set up, followed shortly by a dinner at Denny's. See the Calendar for information on the dinner.

See John Draftz's article on the preparations for the meet in this issue. Please be sure to help if you can as it is through your efforts that we make this a successful meet for all.

On Saturday starting at 6:00 am, the doors open to vendors and then to the public at 9!

We will need help with security and other jobs like pre opening sale of admissions for the buyers and during the meet. Also please consider helping Janet with the sale of raffle tickets during the meet.

If a swap meet isn't enough for you, on the next Saturday, the fifth of February, we will have a train run in Chandler for the Arizona Railroad Museum. We will be running from 9am till 4pm. Please call Dana Price to sign up, or tell him at the swap meet the week before.

Looking ahead to the March meeting, the activity for the meeting will be the return of engine drag races! So lube up those fast engines and get ready to find out who has the

fastest engine in the club. Bring as many engines as you want.

Busy times ahead. Get involved. And keep those trains running!

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.

February 21 - Dinner at Denny's All Winter Cactus Meet workers are invited (3456 W Bethany Home Rd, Phoenix We will meet at 6:00 PM in the private back dining room. (Each is responsible for their own check.)

February 22 - Winter Cactus Meet - North Phoenix Baptist Church

March 28 - GCMR meet - Our Saviour's Lutheran Church

April 25 - GCMR meet - Our Saviour's Lutheran Church

May 2 - Joint club spring picnic: Asti Ramada at Scottsdale Railroad Park

MEETING NOTES

by Bill Richardson

GCMR Board Of Directors (BOD) Meeting

NEW BUSINESS:

The GCMR Winter Cactus Swap Meet is approximately 75% sold with over 100 tables sold.

John Draftz is working on the raffle prizes. He has Classic Toy Trains, Model RailRoder, and plans on contacting Walthers. Four Tickets for the Fillmore & Western RailRoad have arrived. Emails have been sent to Verde Canyon, Grand Canyon, Durango Silverton, and the Cumbres & Toltec RailRoads.

Today we have about 500 flyers to hand out for distribution to the various hobby stores.

For those who haven't heard yet, our Fabric garage is "Gone With the Wind"! We are considering a larger storage locker. This locker would hold the club paraphernalia and the mobile layout. The price will certainly go up.

Board has decided that the 3-2-1 annual raffle will continue for the 2020 year with the same prizes \$300.00, \$200.00, and \$100.00 for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd prizes.

Bill Richardson reported that the \$30.00 annual club membership dues to Sahuaro Central is due and has been paid. We should be good for another year.

Glenn reported that our church meeting room annual rent is also due.

President Dave Brown gave the Board an idea of what we can do this year:

- + Cactus Winter Train Swap Meet Saturday, February 22.
- + Arizona Railway Museum Saturday, February 29
- + Train Drag races in March.

- + Mini Meet April
- + Picnic in May at the Asti Ramada
- + Hotdogs in June
- + Cactus Summer Train Swap Meet July
- + Beat the Heat Meet August
- + Mini Meet September
- + Pizza in October
- + Weschester Senior Living (Judy Brown, No date yet known)
- + Falcon Field (Probably Not doing)

January GCMR General Membership Meeting

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Bill Richardson gave the Secretary's Report noting 47 club members. A motion was made to approve the October meeting minutes as printed in the November/December Bulletin.

Treasurer Glenn Saber gave the Treasurer's Report noting the amounts of money available in our bank accounts. Report received as presented.

OLD BUSINESS:

Bill Richardson reported that we had a very successful run out at Adobe Mountain Holiday Lights. Lots of people showed up. We did have to shut down one day because of rain. We even made about \$36.00 in tips.

We also had a run day out at the Paradise Valley United Methodist Church for their "Christmas Wonderland". This was a very successful combined effort between the GCMR and the TCA Desert Division. By the looks on their faces, the kids there really enjoyed our trains and the Layout. Thanks to all who made this combined event possible.

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NEW BUSINESS:

The GCMR Winter Cactus Swap Meet on Saturday Feb 22 is approximately 75% sold out with 115 out of 152 tables sold. Glenn Saber is the meeting Chairman and John Draftz is registration coordinator.

6:00 -9:00am is the vendor setup time on Saturday. John will coordinate the coffee and donuts. Today we have about 500 flyers to hand out for distribution to the various hobby stores. We need all hands on deck to help with this event. Please help out if you can. VP Dana Price will coordinate jobs. Janet Mattern will be in charge of selling the raffle tickets. Glenn Saber will setup some advertisement on Craigs List and Offer Up.

GCMRs swap hall setup will be Friday starting no later than 4:00 PM.

After setup on Friday (approx 6:00 PM) we will meet at Denny's on 35th Ave and Bethany Home Rd for dinner and some train comradery. This is becoming a tradition.

Arizona Railway Day out at the Arizona Railway Museum in Chandler is Saturday February 29. We will need the mobile trailer there for setup about 7:00 AM. The event goes from 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM.

President Dave Brown gave the membership an idea of what we will be doing this year:
(Please see the Board Meeting minutes for the detailed listing)

SHOW AND TELL:

The theme was Turbines.

- + Dave Brown brought a Lionel 671 turbine.
- + John Zaval brought in his 1948 Turbine w/whistle tender and a jar of smoke pills
- + Sam McElwee brought in a picture of a K4 674.
- + Sam also showed us a custom boxcar with a picture of his family on it made by Lionel(really neat).
- + Glenn Saber showed us his Rocket

passenger train the Black Beauty.

ARIZONA RAILWAY MUSEUM OPEN HOUSE

from the ARM Newsletter

Arizona Railway Day 2020 is just around the corner. This year, it will be on Saturday, February 29 from 9am-4pm. This is the annual fundraising event for the museum and an opportunity to "show off" all the accomplishments (and new acquisitions) of 2019 particularly with the addition of two Santa Fe Hi-Level cars.

We are working on a map and a parking plan. Because Chandler has temporarily restricted access to the north entrance, parking will be a challenge due to restricted access at the south end.

The Arizona Railway Museum Proudly Presents

ARIZONA RAILWAY DAY 2020

February 29, 9 AM—4 PM

Admission & Parking are FREE!

330 East Ryan Road

Chandler AZ 85286



www.arizoramuseum.org
480-821-1108



CACTUS MEET UPDATE

by John Draftz

Our annual Winter Cactus meet is Saturday, February 22nd, at the North Phoenix Baptist Church hall (SE corner of Central & Bethany Home). Note this is the 4th Saturday since February has five Saturdays. Doors will open to sellers from 6-9am with the meet going from 9-1. As of this writing we are approaching 90% sold out. If you haven't registered yet and want to do so, please go to the www.gcmrr.org web site where you can find the registration form under the Vendor tab or look for the form in this newsletter. You can register either by PayPal or snail mail.

As per usual, we will set up the hall at 4pm Friday the 21st and have a pre-meet meal at the 35th Av & Bethany Home Denny's starting about 6. Everyone is invited to help with set up. No experience necessary.

Dana Price (602-909-0657 or labluboy@aol.com) is coordinating swap meet duties such as seller check in, security, raffle sales, etc. Please contact him as soon as practical to let him know how you can help even if you can't be there the whole time.

AN UPDATE FROM ROD JOHNSON

Attached is a photo of work in progress on another layout (my third in my lifetime). Penny's sister is now a permanent residence in assisted living here in Chandler. So there is no way we could be gone for half the year in Sandy, Utah, and that layout of my dreams had to go. I love to bridge a creek so you can see the elevated curve (with scenery & ballast).

The second bridge is upside down while I try to find the right position.



PARADISE VALLEY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH RUN

Some photos by Dave Brown





DUES ARE DUE!

If you have not yet paid your 2020 dues, they are now due. To keep your name on this year's Membership List, please make sure you have sent them in. The renewal form is include in this newsletter.

WINNERS

by John Draftz



Gordon Wilson

WINNERS!

Monthly Raffle prize:

Gordon Wilson - Lionel 6-52055

Sovex Tractor & Trailer

Dave Brown - Lionel 6-19214

Western Maryland Boxcar

John Draftz - MTH 30-2597 M&M

Operating Hand Car

Dana Price - Lionel Double Stack

Container car w/Containers

Terry Haas - Lionel Catalogs

1961-1966

The Mystery Raffle prize:

Dana Price - Lionel 6-37929 Coca-

Cola Diner

Monthly 3-2-1 Raffle prize winner:

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



Dana Price

AT THE SHOW AND TELL



Dave Brown



Glenn Saber



Sam McElwee



John Zaval

We suspect most have seen this, but in case you have not!



“ONE OF ARIZONA’S LARGEST MODEL RAILROAD SWAP MEETS” **CACTUS WINTER TRAIN SWAP**

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2020

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 * Table Top Auction

Presented by your pal, Casey Cactus, and the

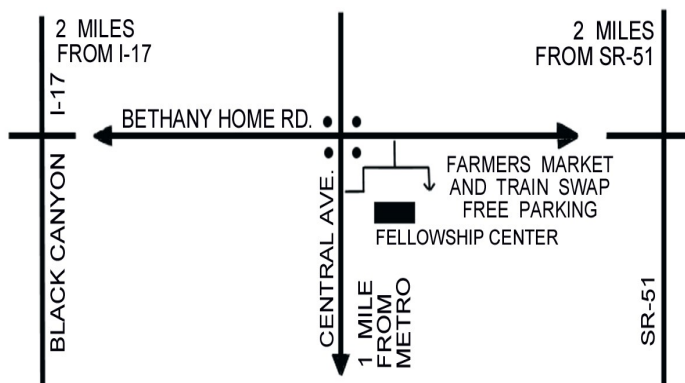
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Join Our Fun Friday Pre-meet Denny's Dinner !

Saturday set-up opens at 6:00 AM

NOTE: unclaimed tables will be released at 8:00 AM



Name _____		<p>\$25 per 8' banquet table (Bring a table cover, if desired)</p> <p>How many tables? _____</p> <p>Amount enclosed? \$ _____</p> <p>Request? _____</p> <p>Will you participate in the auction? Seller? _____ Buyer? _____</p> <p>Admission Name Badges 1 or 2 tables = 2 badges max. <small>First and last name please</small></p> <p>Badge Name _____</p> <p>Badge Name _____</p> <p>3 or more tables = 4 badges max.</p> <p>Badge Name _____</p> <p>Badge Name _____</p> <p>More badges available at \$5.00 each Name Badges REQUIRED for your security GROUPS, CLUBS: PLEASE CALL</p>
Address _____		
City _____	State _____ Zip _____	
Phone _____	Email _____	
<p>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.</p>		
Signature _____ Date _____		
<p>Make check payable to: "Grand Canyon Model Railroaders" Mail to: John Draftz, 1507 W Willow Ave, Phoenix, AZ 85029 or Credit cards accepted via PayPal - visit www.gcmrr.org Email: info@gcmrr.org</p> <p>Info: John Draftz 602-942-3457; Glenn Saber 602-956-6695</p>		



2020 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL NOTICE

It's that time of year again. Dues are Due. GCMR Annual Dues are \$35.00. Please renew by filling out this form and mailing it in or bring to the next meet. Club dues are due on January 1 and are delinquent after February 1.

(PLEASE PRINT!)

NAME _____ SPOUSE _____

ADDRESS _____ CITY _____

STATE/ZIP _____ TELEPHONE _____

EMAIL _____

Would you be interested in holding a layout or collection open house? Yes _____

How would you be willing to volunteer your time to the Club? _____

AREAS OF INTEREST: If yours have changed, please update

Please circle your areas of interest. You may circle as many in each category as you wish.

ERA GAUGE MANUFACTURER LAYOUT PERIPHERALS

A-Prewar D-O/O27 N-American Flyer Y-Yes 1-Figures

B-Postwar E-Scale O-Lionel N-No 2-Toys

C-Modern F-Std P-Marx 3-Paper, Books

G-G or #1 Q-Atlas 4-Buildings

H-S, Flyer R-Dorfman 5- Railroading

I-HO S-MTH 6-Other

J-OO T-Williams

K-N U-K Line

L-Z V-Marklin

M-Other W-Other

After completion, please mail it now or bring it to the January meeting along with your check in the amount of \$35.00 made payable to GCMR to

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