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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By John Draftz

Our first ever Summer Cactus Meet will be held Saturday, July 25th at the North Phoenix Baptist Church (Bethany Home & Central). See the timeline below to get some idea as to where we need help.

Please let Glenn Saber (602-956-6695, thmpr@cox.net), the meet coordinator, know how you can help. We already have over 100 tables of the estimated 150 tables "sold" for the meet. See our www.gcmrr.org site for details and the table reservation form.

The timeline is:

5:30-6:00am - set-up road signs, registration table, coffee & donuts

6:00-9:00am - sellers set-up; set up test track, raffle prizes, layouts

9:00-1:00 - buyers enter; raffle tickets sold; door prize drawings held

1:00-1:30 - post-meet auction

1:30-2:00 - clean up & pack up

Our August meeting will be the 22nd. Note: there are five Saturdays in the month of August and we will still meet on the fourth Saturday. The BoD will meet at 7:30am with the regular meeting starting at 10am with trains running in between. The theme is: Guess the Heat. Enter by bringing a numbered item. The last 2-3 numbers of the engine or rolling stock will be your guess as to what the heat will be at 11am that day

Part of our meeting is the chance to see trains running. If you have not done so before, consider

bringing a train to run. Remember, there's no gauge restriction so bring whatever appeals to you. It doesn't have to be rare.

Elections are coming up in a few months so consider serving as an officer or board member.

The drawing for our **Annual 1K Raffle** will be at our October meeting. First prize is \$500 cash, second prize is a K-Line ABA diesel set, and third prize is \$100 cash. Tickets are \$10 each, three for \$25, or 10 for \$50. Contact Barbara or Glenn to get yours.

See you the 25th. The meet success depends on you the member. Help as you are able.

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.

July 25 - GCMR Summer Cactus Swap Meet, North Phoenix Baptist Church

August 15 - Beat the Heat Swap Meet, Prescott, new location map in this issue. GCMR bus trip, see reservation form in this issue

August 22 - GCMR meeting, Our Saviour's Lutheran Church

September 19 - Desert Division G and HO gauge swap meet, Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church 1500 W. Maryland Ave., Phoenix

September 26 - GCMR meeting, Our Saviour's Lutheran Church. Fall Mini-Meet

- Glenn Saber displayed a Marine Corp Missile Launching car.
- Ralph Treichel brought red, white, and blue TCA Convention lighted mint car.
- John Draftz displayed a Bicentennial HO 0-4-0 engine.

MEETING NOTES

by Barbara Turner

Announcements

- The Summer Cactus Meet is set for July 25th at North Phoenix Baptist Church. George Bean is coordinating volunteers. The doors open for set up at 6am and to the public from 9am to 1pm. An end of meet auction will be held beginning at 1:30. One of the local news stations may be at the meet at 6:30am.

- The Fall Mini-Meet is scheduled for September 26th. Janet Mattern is coordinating.

- The August meeting theme is Guess the Heat.

The Beat the Heat meet is August 15. Dave Brown is coordinating the bus trip.

Show and Tell

- Bill Richardson brought an HO Santa Fe passenger train that he got when he was 11 or 12 years old. John Draftz had a Marx engine and cars with tab and slot couplers.

- Paul Porell had an early 1950's Lionel engine that he brought back from a trip to Maine.

Old Business

- John Draftz reported on the 501(c)(3) status. The club is close to submitting the application. Paul Boston has updated the web site.

- Dave Brown gave a report on the Williams Train Day event. It was an excellent run day, a lot of fun for everyone. There was a lot of interest from the public. Dwane Turner added that other participants found that, by setting up near the GCMR layout, they had a lot more activity at their displays.

- Jack Eaton announced that there are eight raffle prizes available so far for the Summer Cactus Meet.

- John Draftz announced that, so far, there are 90 tables sold for the Summer Cactus Meet.

- The 2016 Falcon Field event will be on March 26th next year. They voted to move the meeting up to March 19 for that month.

- Glenn Saber announced that \$725 in annual raffle tickets have been sold so far.

New Business

- Dwane Turner gave a report on available raffle prizes. There are several cars without boxes and those present decided that these could be used as Cactus Meet door prizes. A

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decision was also made to sell a Marx tender that is minus its decals.

- Bill Lazenby has, once again, agreed to act as the nominating committee.

- John Draftz asked the members to keep their eyes open for an empty building that would welcome us as a tenant.

- The fall potluck will be October 18th at 5:00 pm. Ralph Treichel will check on the possibility of having it at the clubhouse at his residence.

- Dave Brown gave a report on the Beat the Heat Meet bus trip.

DON'T MISS THE BUS!!!!

by Dave Brown

It's that time of year again when you live either in the pool or somewhere that's air conditioned. Well for a nice trip up to cool Prescott in August, set aside August 15th and catch the bus in one of four great locations.

This year the meet is in Prescott Valley and will be bigger and better cooled. We'll go to the "Beat The Heat" meet, and then we will visit some great layouts.

The cost is just \$30 for adults and \$12 for kids. There is also an optional \$7 bag lunch which will be delivered to you at the meet. We will also have videos for you in the bus both on the way up and back.

Fill out the form that is in this newsletter, and get it to Dave Brown. If you have any questions, call Dave at 480-650-5336

One more thing, there is a new layout on tour, and you have to be on the bus to see it. Also, Peter Atonna's layout will only be open to our bus people. Peter has taken down almost all of his old layout and is in a total rebuild with a new theme. We get to be the first tour of the new layout now under construction.

The reservation form is in this issue of the Main Line. So, hurry up and get your reservation in soon!

GCMR AT WILLIAMS TRAIN DAY

by Peter Atonna

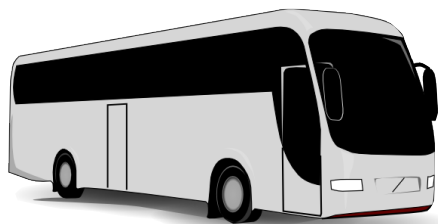
Again this year, the GCMR trailer held a prominent position at the annual Williams train day. Traveling from Phoenix, its caretakers included Dave Brown, Bill East, Barbara and Dwane Turner and Bill Richardson.

The day was highlighted by hour long trips on the Cataract Creek Flyer, pulled by steamer 4960. And for a \$5 ticket, one could also be let off at the Grand Canyon Railway's locomotive and car shops for a personalized tour.

Lots more layouts were also available for enjoyment in the Polar Room of the depot. Tinplaters Stan Cedarleaf, Steve and Bonnie Rudy and I brought portable layouts, while a multi gauge layout, a landscaped N gauge layout and a table top N gauge layout were also running for the folks. In addition, Al Richmond manned a display of information about the upcoming Arizona Railroad Museum to be built in Williams.

Finally, the Winslow Harvey House girls delighted as usual with their displays of Santa Fe china and railroadania and their tales of the "old days".





“BEAT THE HEAT” SWAP MEET & LAYOUT BUS TOUR

(NEW SWAP LOCATION)



IN COOL PRESCOTT VALLEY, AZ
SATURDAY, AUGUST 15, 2015

- LET THE GRAND CANYON MODEL RAILROADERS DO THE DRIVING
- DELUXE MOTORCOACH WITH ON-BOARD FACILITIES
- SAVE ON GAS, PARKING AND STRESSFUL DRIVING
- ON-BOARD TRAIN VIDEOS AND BOTTLED WATER
- ON-BOARD STORAGE FOR YOUR SWAP MEET ACQUISITIONS
- VISIT SEVERAL TRAIN LAYOUTS AFTER THE SWAP MEET
- OPTIONAL BROWN BAG LUNCH WITH BEVERAGE AT SWAP



Name _____

Phone Number _____

Pickup Location:

< > Arizona Mills at 6:30 AM

< > Paradise Valley Mall at 7:00 AM

< > Metrocenter Mall at 7:30 AM

< > Carefree Highway at 7:45 AM

Number of Adult riders: _____ at \$30 each \$ _____

Number of children under 14: _____ at \$12 each \$ _____

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

Total. **Make checks payable to “GCMR”** \$ _____
(no refunds after August 8, 2015)

Mail this form and check to:

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Phoenix Az. 85041

Pioneer
Parkway

SR 89A

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Glassford Hill Rd.

Beat the Heat Meet
New Location!

LIBERTY TRADITIONAL SCHOOL

3300 N Lake Valley Rd.
Prescott Valley

Notes:

- + show is in the gym
- + level move in
- + air conditioned
- + enter from the NORTH on
Lake Valley (see directions on
map)

SR 89

E. Lakeshore
Dr.

PRESCOTT

SR 89

N. Lake Valley Rd.

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VALLEY

N. Windsong Dr.

Fain Rd.

SR 69

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Williams Train Day was another great chance for folks to see the toy train side of the hobby with the GCMR trailer and several layouts for folks to see. Here is Steve and Bonny Rudy's Area 51 themed layout.