



# GRAND CANYON MODEL RAILROADERS

## MAIN LINE

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### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

by John Draftz

The P&P used the mobile layout at the Paradise Valley United Methodist Church on Easter Saturday..

Dave Brown, John Draftz, Janet Mattern, Bill Richardson and John Zaval adjusted and tweaked the mobile layout as needed for its "annual maintenance" on May 4th. A special thanks to the MLS for letting us use their patio.

Our annual Spring Mini-Meet in April appears to have been a success. Janet Mattern, the event coordinator and has a report elsewhere in the newsletter.

We decided to hold the May meeting the third Saturday (the 18<sup>th</sup>) to avoid the Memorial Day holiday. Please note the date change. The theme is Space/Military Trains/Hardware. Dig into your collection and bring in something of meaning to you to share with the others.

See you the 18th.

### 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.

**May 18** - GCMR meet - (NOTE DATE CHANGE) 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** - Dinner at Dennys with the Summer Cactus Meet workers (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.)

**July 27** - Summer Cactus Meet - North Phoenix Baptist Church

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

**Note:** With the Mini-Meet, there was no board or membership meeting to report on.

### MINI MEET REPORT

by Janet Mattern

Regarding the Spring Mini-Swap Meet on April 27th, I believe that all went smoothly. The tables were set up and in position before I arrived with the doughnuts arriving at about 7:35 AM...thank you. There was just one empty table that I noticed and that was due to a club member being under the

weather. No eligible seller was turned away. There was the usual line of buyers waiting to get in at 9 AM, and what I found most encouraging was that there seemed to be a steady stream of buyers throughout most of the two hours that the swap meet was open. The last half hour slowed, as is normal. From what I heard, tables sales were good for some (HO, N, and small inexpensive items) and not so much for others (O-gauge); it all just depends on what the buyers were looking for.

From my perspective, I believe having both the Spring and the Fall Mini-Swap Meets is a win-win for all concerned; for club members the tables are free and for the public there is no charge to get in.

I would like to reestablish a short business meeting after the tables are set up and before the doors open for the swap meet, and to conclude any remaining matters right after the swap meet is over. This way, two of our business meetings are not replaced solely with a swap meet. Currently, four of our business meetings are swap meets (two Cactus and two mini) and that just seems disproportional.

Finally, I do need to do a better job about advertising the existence of the two mini-swap meets in order to increase attendance.

## LAYOUT RUN AT THE CHURCH

by Rod Johnson

Here are a couple of shots from our Easter run at the Paradise Valley United Methodist Church.

The first is a “donut” tribute to Jack Eaton. Jack was always a big donut fan----especially when we were busy running for the public. The second of course is all the smiling faces----young and old that gather around when we’re in operation. That makes it all worthwhile.





## PHOTOS

by Dave Brown

### Trailer Fix-Up



### Mini Meet



## BEAT THE HEAT UPDATE

by Peter Atonna

First of all, if you would like a sales table at the meet, sorry. They are all sold out. However, contact Dick Gage at 802-272-1352 to put your name on the waiting list in case one opens up. Next is the big news is that Dave and I have worked out some enhancements for those taking the bus to the meet.

If you have never taken the bus before, you may be surprised how it enhances the fun of the day. In addition to the enjoyment of being able to chat with your fellow members on the way up and perhaps just snooze on the way home (try that if you are driving!) The price of the trip is all inclusive - the bus fare, entrance to the swap meet and lunch if you want to purchase one (otherwise there may or may not be any left unsold at lunchtime). Then the bus will take you to several of the afternoon open houses.

But, here is the new part this year. I have worked out an arrangement with our CAMRC Board to let the bus folks come in a special door. No waiting in line with the "average folks". No waiting in line to pay for your registration.

If the bus is there at 9am, you will be let in at 9am sharp! I will have badges printed up for all that sign up ahead of time and mail them to Dave, so you will have them to wear and let you into the special door.

The flyer is in this issue.

IT'S TIME AGAIN FOR THE FANTASTIC  
**BEAT THE HEAT**  
 SWAP MEET BUS WITH  
 MULTIPLE LAYOUT TOUR

IN COOL PRESCOTT VALLEY, AZ

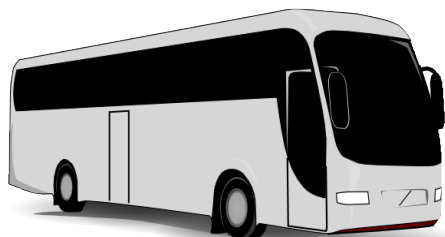
(Swap meet presented by Central Arizona Model Railroad Club)



**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  
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 ON-BOARD GAMES, VIDEOS AND BOTTLED WATER  
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VIP TREATMENT - NO WAITING IN SWAP LINE  
 ON-BOARD STORAGE FOR YOUR ACQUISITIONS  
 MULTIPLE LAYOUT TOUR INCLUDED  
 OPTIONAL BROWN BAG 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 6:30 AM \_\_\_\_\_

Paradise Valley Mall at 7:00 AM \_\_\_\_\_

Metrocenter Mall at 7:30 AM \_\_\_\_\_

Carefree Highway at 7:45 AM \_\_\_\_\_

Bus Trip Presented by

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)



All payments required prior to August 10, 2019. Sorry - no pay at door allowed. No refunds after August 10, 2019.

# “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**

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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 8:30 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](http://www.gcmrr.org)  
email: [info@gcmrr.org](mailto: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**



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**The news these past few months is the restoration of Union Pacific's Big Boy #4014. And it happened. As the world watched, #4014 and mate #844 steamed to Ogden, Utah for the 150th Anniversary Celebration of the Golden Spike. What a week for railfans, historians, and all who thrill as the sight and sound of a huge steam locomotive on the road!**