

# GRAND CANYON MODEL RAILROADERS

### **MAIN LINE**

MAY, 2023 Volume 32 Number 5

### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

by John Draftz

We will hold the May meeting the third Saturday (the 20th) to avoid the Memorial Day holiday. **Please note the date**. The theme is Space/ Military Trains/Hardware. Dig into your collection and bring in something of meaning to you to share with the others.

Our spring mini-meet April 22<sup>nd</sup> was well attended and was successful. A special thanks to Janet for coordinating the event. July 22<sup>nd</sup> will be the summer mini-meet and will be from 9-11 and follow the format we've used before. As usual, tables are free to sellers and the meet is free to the public. Janet has been willing to serve as the event coordinator. Please let her know if you want a table (602-569-0568 or timattern@cox.net). Our challenge is to get the word out to the public and thus potential buyers.

Rod needs to step down as secretary. If you're willing to step up, please let me know ASAP. (602-942-3457).

We continue to get table reservations for the Fall Cactus swap meet in September and are 35% sold out at this point. Visit our <a href="https://www.gcmrr.org">www.gcmrr.org</a> web site for more details and the vendor form.

The Golden Spike ceremony was May 10<sup>th</sup>, 1869. Consequently, National Train Day is observed every year on the Saturday closest to May 10 (this year it's May 13). The holiday was

first celebrated in 2008. Amtrak, an original sponsor, canceled support after 2015 due to budget cuts. Sometimes the event is called National Railroad Day. The question came up as to whether we'd display the mobile layout for the event.

The primary question was "where". In the past, we took the layout to Williams that Saturday. The weather was attractive. Unfortunately, that event was stopped and thus we didn't go there.

For much of the country, the middle of May is OK for celebrating the event. But for those of us in the desert southwest, the middle of May is not the time to open up the layout for an all-day exhibition in the sun. That was the logic behind the Arizona Railway Museum in Chandler not being motivated to have a celebration there. Bottom line – the layout won't be on display in May.

Our next planned layout exhibit is at Railfair at Railroad Park on Sep 30 & Oct 1.

See you on the 20th. Remember to bring something for show-n-tell. It's one of the ways we share this hobby with others.

#### **CALENDAR**

GCMR meets are held at 9:00am in the Parish Hall of Our Saviors Lutheran Church at 1212 East 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 20 - GCMR meet - Our Saviors Lutheran Church - individual layouts Theme: Memorial Day; Space/Military Trains/Hardware. Drag races stock & custom

June 24 - GCMR meet - Our Saviors Lutheran Church - Theme: Hot Dogs and Apple Pie; Flag Day; Red, White, and Blue trains; patriotic trains, cars, etc.; item(s) w/flag(s)

July 22 - GCMR meet - Our Saviors Lutheran Church

**July 29** - Beat the Heat swap meet - Prescott See flyer this issue

**September 23** - Fall Cactus Meet. See flyer this issue

### **LIONEL KEEPS UP WITH THE NEWS!**

Now you can make sure that those wayward "objects" drifting over your layout do not gather any sensitive information.



# PHOTOS FROM THE SETUP AT THE BROOKDALE SENIOR LIVING CENTER

taken by Bill Lazenby







"ONE OF ARIZONA'S LARGEST MODEL RAILROAD SWAP MEETS"

# CACTUS FALL TRAIN SWAP

9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

\$6.00 admission per person Children 16 and under free with adult



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email: info@gcmrr.org

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Saturday, September23, 2023 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM
This coupon good for \$1.00 off
your \$6.00 cost of admission

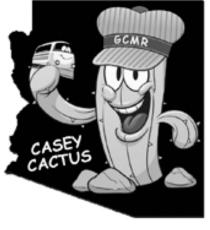
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Info: John Draftz 602-942-3457

# NORTH PHOENIX BAPTIST CHURCH FELLOWSHIP CENTER

5757 North Central Avenue, Phoenix, AZ 85012

Due to Saturday Farmers Market restrictions: Friday vendor unloading East-side 4:30 – 6 PM Saturday vendor unloading East-side 6 – 9 AM

Presented by your pal, Casey Cactus, and the GRAND CANYON MODEL RAILROADERS

Print legibly. No refunds after September 16, 2023 Table-top auction at 12:00 PM

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**MORE THAN 4 TABLES - CALL** 

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

Name		(Bring a table cover, if desired)
Address		How many tables?
City	State Zip	Amount enclosed? \$
Security: I will abide with badge Buying, selling, ethics and beha Chairperson and/or impartial referee shall arbitrate the dispute and render	Email	
Make check payable to: "Gran Mail to: John Draftz, 1507 W \ Credit cards accepted via F	Date od Canyon Model Railroaders" Willow Ave, Phoenix, AZ 85029 or PayPal - visit www.gcmrr.org @gcmrr.org	Badge Name  Badge Name  3 or 4 tables = 4 badges max.  Badge Name  Badge Name  More badges available at \$5.00 each Name Badges REQUIRED for your security



### **BEAT THE HEAT 2023**

### VENDOR APPLICATION

Saturday, July 29, 2023

## Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University Event Center 3700 Willow Creak Road Prescott, AZ (see attached maps)

We only have 6 foot tables so please plan accordingly. The cost is still the same, \$30 for the first table and \$20 for each additional table. Large display items and shelving units CANNOT be placed in the public isles. If you need room for one small display/shelving unit (3 feet wide or less) please describe in the Special Request box at the bottom of the Vendor form. I will try to leave a gap between tables for you. If you have larger displays you will need to pay for table space but I will remove the table so you have room for your oversized displays. Again, please describe in the Special Request box at the bottom of the Vendor form. If you are only getting 1 table, please try to limit yourself to just one helper.

We have invited several clubs to bring their traveling train layouts.

There will be a Hot Dog cart, just outside the doors, serving a variety of dogs, chips and sodas. Credit Cards or cash. Also, there is at least 6 fast food restaurants within 5 minutes from the venue (if you can send one of your helpers to go get food.)

Include this form and your check for the total of tables.

Make check payable to **CAMRRC** and mail to:

CAMRRC Fred Williams PO Box 25138 Prescott Valley AZ 86312

For more info, call Fred at 928-463-5163

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