

GRAND CANYON MODEL RAILROADERS

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By John Draftz

The October meeting theme was "beverage cars (beer, wine, soda pop, etc)". A special thanks to those who brought in cars and to John Zaval whose cars were running in an operating train.

The mobile layout will be on display at Adobe for three Friday-Saturday weekends (Nov 30, Dec 1, 7, 8, 14 & 15). We would like to have 2-3 members each night. Rick Fortmeyer is coordinating the staffing. Please contact him (602-617-5966 or rickfortmeyer@yahoo.com) to let him know how you can help.

Elections are coming up and the nominating committee has prepared a ballot but changes can still be made. So consider serving as an officer or board member. If you haven't received a ballot by December 1st, please let me know.

Several significant decisions were made at the meeting. One of which was to reduce our annual raffle prizes to a total of \$600 (\$300 first, \$200 second, \$100 third) due to reduced income from ticket sales.

Please read the secretary's minutes below. This year's winners are noted below along with raffle prize winners.

As a reminder, 2019 dues are due by year end. Please make arrangements to get them paid before then. A dues sheet is included with this issue. See our www.gcmrr.org site for more details.

As another reminder, the joint Christmas dinner will be Sunday, December 2nd. The registration form with details is in this month's newsletter. Please note the deadline for getting your reservations in.

The 2019 Winter Cactus Meet will be on February 16th with setup the day before. We already have about 30% of the 152 available tables "sold" for the meet. See our www.gcmrr.org site for details and the table reservation form.

October was our last regular meeting of the year. With that said, have an enjoyable and Happy Thanksgiving.

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.

November - No regular GCMR meet November 17 - Desert Division Turkey Auction -Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church. Catalogs \$5 November 17-18 Cal Stewart Meet, Glendale, California, info: www.cal-stewart.org

November 24 - Desert Division Turkey Meet - El Zaribah Shrine Auditorium, Phoenix (flyer this issue)

December 2 - Christmas Party for all clubs. Hosted by the Desert Division. DoubleTree Suites, Phoenix. (see reservation form, this issue)

January 26 - GCMR meet - Our Saviour's Lutheran Church

February 16 - Winter Cactus Meet (flyer this issue)

MEETING NOTES:

Board Meeting by John Draftz

Our most popular Cactus meet raffle prizes were for the four, local tourist railroads. John compiled a list of other railroad rides in CA, CO, NM, NV & UT that might give us tickets. We will present the idea to the members. If approved, John will contact several to learn of their interest. Additional contacts could be Disneyland and Universal Studios.

Income for the annual 1K raffle is way down to about \$500. It was felt that the total amount should be reduced to: \$300 first, \$200 second and \$100 third for a \$600 total cost. This will be presented to the members.

The fall mini-meet attendance was down. Unless there's an improvement, it was felt that we should cut back to just the April spring mini-meet. This option will be presented to the members. If the fall mini-meet is dropped, the pizza meeting will be moved to September.

The Beat the Heat bus tour was discussed. We lost money. Several ideas on how to make the bus more attractive were discussed. Some ideas included getting priority entrance into the meet for bus riders, having a mystery "door prize" for riders and discount pricing for early reservations. This will be presented to the members for their thinking.

General Membership Meeting: by Secretary Bill Richardson

President John Draftz noted the temporary location

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

This was the Pizza Meet. We will have pizza and drinks after the meeting.

Glenn Saber gave the treasurer's report noting the amounts available in our accounts. John Draftz gave the secretaries report. Both reports were received as presented by the membership present. Motion was made to approve the Secretary's minutes as printed in the August 2018 Mainline.

The 2019 dues will be due soon.

OLD BUSINESS:

Bill Richardson reported that RailFair was once again a huge success. The rains came at night but the days were perfect. The track required lots of scrubbing to get it clean, but once clean everything ran well. As usual lots of people, and our layout was a major attraction.

Janet Mattern reported that the mini-meet was not as big as usual. We will re-evaluate if we want to continue with two mini's a year.

NEW BUSINESS:

The TCA Annual Christmas party is Sunday Dec 2 at the Double Tree Suites by Hilton (320 N. 44th St. Phoenix, AZ). It starts with social and drinks at 4:00 PM and a 5:00 PM dinner.

Adobe Christmas lights are Nov 30 & Dec 1, Dec 7 & 8, Dec 14 & 15, Dec 21 & 22. If we can get enough volunteers, we will try to be there at each day. Vice President Rick Fortmeyer has the signup

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sheet. Contact Rick if you can make it. This is a fun event and the public loves it. Please try to participate. Plan on running from 5:00 to 9:00 PM.

Bill Lazenby reported for the nominating committee the following people running for office: John Draftz President, Rod Johnson Vice President, Glenn Saber Treasurer, Bill Richardson Secretary, Board Members Dave Brown, John Zaval, and Janet Mattern.

The Pioneer Park Rods & Rails fundraiser in Mesa has yet to decide if they want their event in the Spring or the Fall. When they decide we will decide. Loction, Falcon Field? No information yet,

Winter Cactus update is that tables are approximately 30% sold.

The fabric garage for the trailer was approved. Contact John Draftz if you can help install it.

Jack's vest was voted to be graciously given to Bill Mahan. Bill was a good friend of Jack's and knows what that vest meant to Jack.

We will decide in the future if we want to do train races at one of our monthly meeting.

Motion was made to change our annual raffle prizes to \$300.00, \$200.00, and \$100.00. Motion Passed.

President Draftz will contact some of the other scenic train rides to see if we can pick up some additional raffle prizes.

We are looking for ways to save a little money and improve the attraction of taking the bus to the "Beat The Heat" meet. Alternatives discussed were a smaller bus with bathroom, priority entry, raffle prizes....Let us know your ideas.

SHOW AND TELL:

The theme was "Beverage items".

- + Katie Elgar showed us her Coca Cola Christmas Lionel train and her KLine Cola bears handcar.
- + Ralph Triechel showed us his White Rock Loco and water truck.

- + John Kendig showed his American Flyer Coca Cola by Lionel 2011-2014 w/box.
- + Herb Andreen brought in a variety of cars: an Atlas Reefer ginger ale car, a Miller and a Budweiser car by MTH, and a Coors car by Atlas.
- + "No name" Dave Brown brought in a Coors Light tank Car, and a Walthers car kit made with his own Bud Light can, and a Thomas 6 dome wine tank car. + Bill Richardson Showed us his On30 Budweiser
- + John Draftz showed his MTH DR. Pepper car.

tank car.

+ John Zaval brought in his Lionel "O" gauge Coke products beverage train.



Janet wins the \$600 prize!



Harb with a Budweiser car

Dave showed a fascinating array of beverage cars





Waiting for show and tell!



Lionel 1970's Coke train on display (and running)



WINNERS!

Bill Richardson = Lionel Gingerbread
Man Auto Crossing Gate
Ralph Treichel = Lionel Tidewater
Southern Box Car
Glenn Saber = Lionel L&N 4-Bay Hopper

Car

Roger Bourque = Lionel Gasoline
Transporter Tractor / Trailer
Bill East = American Flyer CSX Flatcar
with generator

MYSTERY PRIZE

John Draftz = Lionel operating Carousel

ANNUAL RAFFLE DRAWING

First Place: Janet Mattern = \$600.00 Second Place: Terry Hass = \$300.00 Third Place: Lin Sinclair = \$100.00 Has it ever been different? The Holiday season approaches and all little kids, big and small. old and young, start dreaming of what train will Santa bring this year? This is from the November, 1949 issue of All Aboard.

HERE'S WHAT THOUSANDS OF BOYS WILL RECEIVE FROM LIONEL THIS CHRISTMAS



CATALOG. Forty pages, printed in full color and showing the entire 1949 line of Trains and Accessories! Requests from every state in the Union and from scores of foreign countries are pouring in daily from Lionel fans.



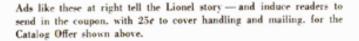
SOUND EFFECTS RECORD. Attractively packaged in a bright red-and-yellow folder, this ingenious Lionel "Whistle and Bells" Record is scoring a tremendous hit with boys and fathers everywhere. It reproduces with remarkable clarity the sounds of real railroad trains.



MINIATURE BILLBOARDS. Produced in cooperation with Standard Outdoor Advertising, Inc., these eight colorful billboards are in exact "O" Gauge scale and are designed to be used along Lionel mainlines, highways and roads. They feature such companies as Nash, Ford, Kellogg, Heinz, Baby Ruth, Kleenex and Wrigley's Gum. The eighth billboard promotes Lionel Construction Kits.



PLANNING BOOK FOR "POP". Just the thing for the model railroader, whether he be novice or veteran. It's a book packed with ideas, drawings and photographs and promotes the hobby of Lionel model railroading.





THE LIONEL CORPORATION

2018 CHRISTMAS PARTY

Sunday, December 2, 2018 DoubleTree Suites by Hilton Phoenix 320 N 44St Phoenix AZ 85008 4:00 PM: Meet and Greet (cash bar available) 5:00 PM: Plated Dinner Reservation deadline: November 28, 2018 -------Cut here and send with check------Make check payable to Desert Division TCA and send this form and check to: Angelo Lautazi Adults: \$30.00 6109 E Sonoran Trl Children 12 and under: \$15.00 Scottsdale AZ 85266 Guests are Welcome. (same cost as members) Please print first and last names of persons attending, giving ages of children 12 and under. Entree Choices: Please enter your selection with the number of dinners next to the entree. Oven Roasted Turkey w/ gravy and cranberry sauce How many ____ Sliced Rancher Choice of beef w/ red wine demi How many ____ 5 Cheese Baked Lasagna (vegetarian) How many ____ Children's dinner - Chicken tenders, french fries & fruit cup. How many All plated meals will include a Salad, dinner rolls, a potato or pasta side, a vegetable, Ice Tea, Coffee and a selection of Holiday Desserts. There will be a spouse's gift and a member's gift for all attendees. Please Indicate Club Membership # Adults @ \$30.00 _____ Desert Division TCA Grand Canyon MR # children 12 and under: \$15.00 Paradise&Pacific Total enclosed Guest - no affiliation

The Ballroom will be set with tables of eight.

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

CACTUS WINTER TRAIN MEET

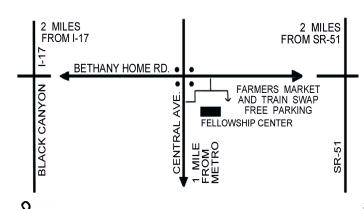
SATURDAY, FEB. 16TH, 2019

SWAP FROM 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

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Presented by your pal Casey Cactus and the

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To reserve your space and required admission name badges, submit this form by February 9, 2019

No refunds after February 9, 2019

Set-up opens at 6:00 AM Please print form legibly.

Name Address	\$25 per 8' banquet table (Bring a table cover, if desired) How many tables?
City State Zip Phone Email	Amount enclosed? \$
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2019 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 delinquent after the last day of February.

(PLEASE PRINT!)

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

William Richardson 5623 W. Parkview Ln. Glendale AZ 85310 For those GCMR members who are not also TCA members, I wanted to include this ad for the current Desert Division Fred Harvey series car. It is presently half sold out, so if you are interested in reserving a car, just fill out this form and mail it to me at the address shown.

The Fred Harvey tour continues, Next stop: LA POSADA Mary Jane Colter's jewel



ANNOUNCING: Desert Division's LA POSADA BOXCAR!



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One of the best parts of membership in the GCMR is the array of goodies the officers make available at each meeting. Here is the table of goodies at the November meeting including 1. the monthly raffle, 2 the Mystery prize and 3. the Annual raffle drawing. Katie and Janet are actually enjoying the meeting, not just happening to being close to grab their winnings.