



GRAND CANYON MODEL RAILROADERS

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

by Dave Brown

IT'S HERE!!! The start of train season. The first event has gone off well, that is Railfair. For all who helped, it was a great weekend. Trains ran, with a couple crashes, and the kids had a blast not only watching the trains go by but also playing with the accessories we have around the trailer.

Saturday included a dinner by Dave's Bar-B-Que where we could all relax and talk trains or D'backs or anything else. A special thank you goes to the park people for driving Bill East out to the dinner site and providing a wheel chair so that he could get back to my car easily. To say the least, a good time had by all.

Next up is our annual meeting with our drawing for this year's Raffle. If you don't have your tickets yet, this is the time to get them. We'll have pizza after the drawing and drag races as well. Bring your fastest engine or whatever for the races. The theme for show and tell is railroad memorabilia. What ever memorabilia you have that you would like to show the rest of us, please bring it in.

Nominations for officers will be open to the floor and a ballot will come out soon. The results will be announced at the Christmas party. One more thing that will be available is a sign up sheet for Christmas running at Adobe Mountain Park. And other events will be announced at the meeting. See you at the end of the month.

A final note, looking at the calendar, you will see that our next regular meeting will not be until January.

That is because, come the next couple of months, all sorts of other activities crowd out our dates on the calendar. So, in November, you are encouraged to go to either the Desert Division swap meet or Cal Stewart and in December we are all invited to the Christmas party. You will see the reservation for that in this issue.

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.

October 28 - Adobe Mountain Swap Meet, Phoenix
Info: <http://www.arizonamodeltrains.com/am.shtml>

October 28 - GCMR meet with annual raffle drawing - Our Saviour's Lutheran Church

November 10, 11 Gadsden Pacific Swap meet, Tucson. See Vendor form this issue

November 18 - Cal Stewart swap meet, Glendale, CA

November 18 - Desert Division Swap Meet, El Zariba Shrine, Phoenix. See dealers form this issue.

November 25 - Desert Division Turkey Auction, Shepherd of the Valley Church. Admission w. Catalog \$5

January 27 - GCMR Meeting - Our Saviour's Lutheran Church

MEETING NOTES

by Bill Richardson

GCMR General Membership Meeting Minutes:

A short meeting was called to order after the Mini-Meet at Our Saviour's Lutheran Church.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next General Membership meeting at Our Saviour's Lutheran Church in October will be the Pizza Meet. It will be on October 28 and we will have pizza delivered after the meeting from Streets of New York.

OLD BUSINESS

It was announced that if you have any ideas or suggestions about how to make the Mini-meet any better, please let any Board member know. We always need ideas about how to advertise. Currently, we advertise on Craig's List and Phoenix Back Page.

Scottsdale's RailFair out at McCormick-Stillman Railroad Park is two weeks away, October 7th and 8th. We will only be bringing the mobile trailer to it. There will be no modules this year.

There is a \$15.00 barbecue dinner at the park Saturday night from Famous Daves. Anyone interested in attending the barbecue should contact Bill Lazenby.

The results of the club vote on weather to reincarnate the "O" gauge modules is in. According to John Drafts, 29 ballots were returned: 16 yes, 7 no, and 6 I don't care. A previous vote indicated that if the "O" gauge modules were built, it would be to the LCCA standard.

RAILFAIR REVIEW

by John Draftz

This year's Railfair was a success. John Draftz, Jack Eaton, Brian Jewell and Bill Richardson were there Friday afternoon for set up. George Bean, Roger Bourque, Dave Brown, John Draftz, Bill East, Jack Eaton, Rick Fortmeyer, Rod Johnson, Bill Richardson, and Glenn Saber were there at one time or another during the 10-5 run time on Saturday and Sunday. Trains were running on all seven loops. As always, the mobile layout was a popular attraction with the crowds.

Our next scheduled display of the mobile layout will be the first three Fridays and Saturdays in December when it will be part of the Adobe Dam holiday lights display. Tentative display times are 5-8 pm each of the six days. Please contact Jack Eaton (602-321-4809 or jeaton9@cox.net) to sign up to help, even if it's just for one evening.

Here are some photos by John and Dave from Railfair:



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THE MINI-MEET

And it looks like this fall's Mini Meet was another success. Here are a couple of shots of a full hall by John.





Gadsden-Pacific Toy Train Museum
Benefit

Toy Train Meet & Show
Tucson Expo Center
3750 E. Irvington Rd (Off I-10)

Nov. 10-11, 2017
Friday 1pm-6pm
Saturday 9am-2pm
Open to the Public
\$6.00 Adult Daily
Children under age 13 FREE
www.gpdToyTrainMuseum.com

\$1.00 off with this coupon



LAYOUT UPDATE

by Peter Atonna

As most GCMR members know, I've been rebuilding my layout for the past three years, and the number of "projects" is declining. A recently completed one is an expansion of the residential area of Douglas and in that is a horse farm that looks suspiciously like it should be in Paulden.

All it now needs is some O scale carriages, which I have found to be impossible to locate.



**TCA DESERT DIVISION ANNUAL
TOY TRAIN SWAP MEET
SATURDAY NOVEMBER 18, 2017
9:00 AM - 2:00 PM
Formerly known as the Turkey Meet**



**EL ZARIBAH SHRINERS AUDITORIUM
552 N. 40th St. Phoenix, AZ 85008
40th St. and Fillmore St.**

Exit 2 Loop 202 or McDowell Rd via Hohokam Expressway 143

Featuring

- 12,000+ Sq Ft of Toy Trains - All Scales
- Hourly Door Prizes - Raffle Prizes
- **FREE Parking!**
- Easy access from Loop 202 -or- Hohokam Expressway 143
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- Hilton Garden Inn Phoenix Airport - **WOW!**
Special Room Rate \$69/night - limited availability - includes FREE shuttle for guests



TRAIN MEET HOURS

Saturday, November 18, 2017

9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Admission \$6

1:00 PM - 2:00 PM Table Top Auction

SETUP 7:00 AM - 9:00 AM

TABLE REGISTRATION – PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY

NAME _____

TCA# _____ PHONE _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

I hereby agree to be bound by the rules of the TCA & the Desert Division Train Meet in regards to buying, selling, ethics, and behavior. I further agree that in the case of a dispute, the meet chairman, or an impartial referee appointed by the Meet Chairman shall arbitrate the matter and render a binding decision. I shall upon the direction of the Meet Chairman, in the case of a disputed sale, refund a buyer's money. Vendors not participating in the Table Top auction may, at their own decision, close at 1 PM

Signed X _____ Date _____

Make check payable to: Desert Division TCA

Mail Table Registration to: Beth Stange, 8619 E. Chaparral Rd. Scottsdale, AZ 85250

More info: Bob Herman 480-948-2730 or Chris Allen 480-820-9559

NO MAIL REGISTRATIONS ACCEPTED AFTER NOVEMBER 6, 2017

\$25 per 8' table

(Bring table cover if desired)

Tables @ \$25 each _____

Special Requests? _____

**YOUR TABLE REGISTRATION
INCLUDES ONE FREE HELPER
NAME BADGE IF NEEDED**

Helper
Name _____

Extra Table Helper Badges are \$6 each

2017 CHRISTMAS PARTY

Sunday, December 3, 2017

Mesa Marriott
200 N. Centennial Way
Mesa, AZ 85201

4:00 PM: Meet and Greet (cash bar available)

5:00 PM: Dinner

Fellowship, Food, Favors, Raffles, Auctions and Fun!

Guests are Welcome

Reservation deadline: November 29, 2017



-----Cut here and send with check-----

Make check payable to Desert Division TCA and send this form and check to:

Angelo Lautazi
6109 E Sonoran Trl
Scottsdale AZ 85266

Adults: \$25.00
Children 12 and under: \$18.00 Children age 2
and under: Free

Guests are welcome. (same cost as members)

Please print first and last names of persons attending, giving ages of children 12 and under.

_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

This year, instead of a Members Gift, we have decided to roll back the admission price to the 2004 cost of \$25.00 for adults.

There will be a spouse's gift for Desert Division members.

Adults @ \$25.00 _____

children 12 and under: \$18.00 _____

Total enclosed _____

Please Indicate Club Membership

Desert Division TCA _____

Grand Canyon MR _____

Paradise&Pacific _____

Guest - no affiliation _____

The Ballroom will be set with tables of eight.

Please Note: Only Desert Division members will receive a spouse's gift.

Holiday Committee: Barbara and Angelo Lautazi and Shirley and Fred Hunter

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

THE CACTUS WINTER MEET

SATURDAY, FEB. 17TH, 2018

9 AM - 1 PM \$6/PERSON \$11/FAMILY

(\$1.00 off cards and coupons available - next to large Farmers Market!)



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

To reserve your space and required admission name

badges, submit this form by February 10, 2018

No refunds after February 10, 2018

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



Name _____	
Address _____	
City _____	State _____ Zip _____
Phone _____	Email _____
Security: I will abide with badge identification and 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: John Draftz, 1507 W Willow Ave, Phoenix, AZ 85029 or Credit cards accepted via PayPal - Visit www.gcmrr.org Email: info@gcmrr.org Info: John Draftz 602-942-3457; Glenn Saber 602-956-6695	

\$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