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On the Cover...



Even in the age of DCC ready to run, and all it's digital goodness, there is something to these tan and white box that strikes a chord in kid in all of us.



Superintendent Report

An excellent review of recent L.A. Division events is in the Director's Report by Pat Raymer, in this issue of the L.A. Coupler. I have little to add, except to say that I attended the PSR Board of Directors mid-year meeting on April 28 where Pat ably represented our Division. This meeting was held in a historic caboose at the Orange Empire Railway Museum in Perris--a great venue for train guys like us.

An interesting fact Pat reported about our Division is that our membership is 207, down 47 from 254 a year ago. For comparison, current membership in the other three divisions are: Arizona--343; Cajon--335; and San Diego--140. All divisions (and of course the PSR as a whole) have slightly declined in membership in the last two years. Thus, the PSR BoD is now focusing on increasing and retaining membership. Watch for a contest (with a big prize) to bring in new NMRA members!

Our L.A. Division Membership Chair, Mona Raymer, also attended this meeting and reported on our division's efforts to contact new members and retain existing members. To summarize, she welcomes new members with phone calls, and also phones current members with past-due dues payments (she is notified by the NMRA national office, thru the PSR office). Life members whose phone numbers are disconnected and their mailed ballots are returned by the post office as undeliverable/not able to forward are reported to the national office of NMRA as presumed deceased. Mona is also researching members with no emails or bounced emails. Our thanks to Mona for taking on this task for us.

Our Chief Clerk/Paymaster James Keena also attended this meeting in his new position as Region Contest Chair. James has been invaluable in our L.A. Division keeping our records and finances in excellent order as well as volunteering to organize and work at most of our membership benefit events. Nobody could do his job better than James!

Lastly, I must mention a remarkable report (20 pages long) submitted by last year's PSR convention committee. It reflected upon every aspect of the 2017 convention in Ontario, including what went well, what didn't, and what should be done for future conventions. Our own L.A. Division past-Superintendent Carl Heimberger, who now lives in the Cajon Division, chaired that convention. Our 2020 Convention committee, which needs to be formed this year, has an excellent blueprint to work from.

Happy model railroading,

Mike O'Brien
Superintendent
L.A. Division NMRA



Directors Report

Some time has passed since the last issue of The Coupler, and there have been several great events in that time: The L.A. Division Member Banquet and annual business meeting, our SpringRail 2018 meet, and the mid-year PSR Board of Director's meeting at Cajon Division's meet in Perris. So, let's dive in and take a look at each of them.

The L.A. Division Member Banquet and business meeting was held March 24th. We changed location this year to the Central Grille in Glendale. They have a very nice private room with a big screen TV for presentations. There was a good turnout with 27 attendees, including Pacific Southwest Region President **Don Fowler** and his wife **Kim Fowler** and Cajon Division Director **Gary Butts** and his wife **Sandy**. Elections and Membership chair Mona Raymer installed our re-elected Superintendent **Mike O'Brien** and Chief Clerk/Paymaster **James Keena**. Thanks to you both for serving another term. **Tim Johnson** did an informative presentation on photographing railroad prototypes. Everyone got to pick a surprise gift, both rail and non-rail related. It was a great evening of good food, fun, and fellowship. Remember, any member can attend the banquet and business meeting, and we would love to see you there next year!

Next up was SpringRail 2018

on April 21st, held at the same venue as last year, College Ave. Church of the Nazarene in Whittier. This has turned out to be a great location that fulfills all of our needs. In case you didn't see the information about SpringRail: every year we offer clinics, a model contest, a swap meet, hobo auction, and more. We had approximately 90 attendees overall this year. We had many new clinics this year, and I was thrilled to be able to present my very first clinic. With over 130 items offered at our famous hobo auction, almost everyone won something. We would like to thank, in no particular order: **The Original Whistle Stop**, **Railmaster Hobbies**, and **Arnie's Trains**. These are our local TRAIN STORES (not just hobby shops) and are always generous contributors to our events. Please visit them and don't forget to mention you are an NMRA member!

We would also like to thank: **Chooch Enterprises**, **Micro Trains**, **Blair Line**, **Exact Rail**, **Micro Engineering**, **Rix Products**, **Woodland Scenics**, **Kadee Quality Products Co.**, **Excel Hobby Knives**, **Showcase Miniatures**, **Microscale Decals**, **Mike and Linda DeGhetto of Alpine Division**, **Tim Johnson**, **Scott Sackett**, and **Horizon Hobby/Athearn Trains** for their generous donations. For those who did not have winning tickets, we gave Excel hobby knives, so no one leaves empty handed.

I would also like to thank **Joe**

Olvera from Scale Trains.com and **Isaiah Castro**, **Dijon Venable**, and **Hunter Laubach of Highball Technologies** for their fascinating table displays. Thanks also to the **Orange County Module Railroaders** who were able to set up a good sized layout for 2 days, with "Kids Run Trains" on Sunday. If you weren't there this year, you missed a good one!

Perhaps the biggest change this spring wasn't in the L.A. Division. The Cajon Division Spring Meet, which hosts the mid-year Pacific Southwest Region board of directors meeting, moved to the Orange Empire Railway Museum in Perris. This meet was held for many years in Temecula, but the facility there became unavailable. The Orange Empire Railway Museum is an ideal location for a meet. Although the overnight accommodations may be a distance away, it takes very little time to get there on the freeway. You couldn't ask for a more "railroady" place for a meet. We played "bingo for trains" on Friday night, and had a great time. The bingo is more about seeing friends than the winning, although my wife Mona did do pretty well at bingo.

One of my duties as director is to report to the division any regional developments. The major news is that **Don Stewart**, of Arizona Division, has resigned his position as regional Achievement Program Chairman. **Carl Heimberger** has been appointed as the new AP chair. Carl has served in



From the Website Guy

Weathering – The artistic side of model railroading.

In past articles I have talked about some of the reasons that I enjoy model railroading. Among these reasons, the artistic aspect of the hobby has become very important to me. As an observer I find that when visiting or looking at photographs of model railroad layouts I am most interested in those which have a lot of creativity as well as realism in the scenery. It doesn't matter how large or small the layout is, the scenery that brings a feeling of atmosphere really gets my attention. As a participant in the hobby I get a tremendous amount of satisfaction from expressing my artistic interest through the weathering of my equipment.



I have been painting locomotives for quite a long time but when it came to weathering, I had been afraid of ruining a perfectly good paint job. I had seen weathering by some talented modelers and knew I wanted my models to have the same realistic look to them. Finally, I got the courage

to give it a go. Although I was initially happy with the results I found that as a little time went by I wasn't so pleased with my weathering after all. Fortunately, at that time I had a model railroader friend who was very good at weathering. He took the time to show me the materials he found most effective as well as tried and true techniques. His specialty was weathering freight cars, so before long the collection of cars I had at the time were looking the way I wanted them to and was very happy with the realism of my freight cars.



I was taught the various colors that give the best weathering effects, where dirt and grime are most likely to accumulate and how to vary effects so that the cars don't all look the same. But I still left my locomotives alone.

Locomotive weathering came a bit later and if it weren't for the freight car weathering I had learned I would not have had the good foundation I am so grateful for. Since I had not painted any of the freight cars I weathered I didn't feel any apprehension about messing up the car. So, taking the plunge into locomotive weathering, to

me, was sort of like standing at the edge of a high dive and deciding whether to jump. I knew from my previous experience with weathering that using an airbrush didn't always work well for me. At that time most of my motive power were S.P. scarlet and grey diesels that I knew, from looking at the prototype, had a different kind of dirty than the U.P. and Santa Fe locomotives. The body of the S.P. locomotives were so grimy that in some cases you could hardly read the lettering and there was a good coating of traction sand on the trucks and fuel tank. The basic colors weren't an issue, Floquil grimy black and concrete (for the trucks and fuel tank) were just perfect. But I found that my airbrush tended to spit when I tried to limit the amount of paint coming out to a minimum.



I knew that problem would have to be solved. Since this was long before the internet and none of my friends did locomotive weathering I had to learn how to solve these problems on my own. This turned out to be a blessing in disguise as it ended up helping me conquer my fears

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Membership

Hello L.A. division members. As of the last roster provided from NMRA national headquarters, the L.A. Division has 206 members. This is down considerably from this time last year. As membership chair, I would ask that you check your membership status. You may be receiving The Coupler even though your membership has lapsed. You can find the expiration date of your membership on your NMRA membership card. If it has expired, please renew as soon as possible, so you can continue to receive the benefits of membership.

You may not be aware that one of these benefits is a discount of 10%, 15%, up to 20% from NMRA discount partners such as Micro-Mark, Model Rectifier Corp., Monster Modelworks, RR-CirKits, Unreal Details and many more. To see all of our discount partners and find more benefits, go to www.NMRA.org. Also, when you are visiting one of our local train stores, be sure to mention that you are an NMRA member. Some offer discounts to members.

I would like to welcome our new members joining through May of 2018: ***Robert Lee, Richard Stanford, Lewis Phelps, Ty Webb, Ana MacKenzie, Mark Lestico, Fred Churchill and David Bailey.***

I would like to ask for your assistance the Advisory Board is still in need of a volunteer to fill the non-rail (railette) chair position. This position is necessary so we are able to provide any non-rail persons attending our

convention in 2020 adequate festivities to enjoy while our modelers are in clinics and on prototype outings. The only requirements are attending an Advisory Board meeting once a month and overseeing our non-rail program at the convention. If you know of anyone that might be interested in keeping this vital part of our program alive, please have them email me at membership@ladiv-nmra.org. Any assistance is greatly appreciated!

We have some great events coming up, please make sure to watch your email for them. If you attend, please make sure to find me and say hello.....hope to see you soon!

Mona Raymer
Membership Chair
L.A. Division-PSR-NMRA



Financial Report

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LADivPSRNMRA Balance Sheet As of May 23, 2018

	<u>May 23, 18</u>
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
Checking	
Advisory Board Expenses	697.42
Total Advisory Board	697.42
Bank Fees	989.30
Banquet	
Expenses	1,855.06
Income	-1,285.00
Total Banquet	570.06
Build a Memory	
Income	-1,200.89
Total Build a Memory	-1,200.89
Childrens Coloring Boxcar	
Expenses	506.37
Total Childrens Coloring Boxcar	506.37
Coupler Elections	96.14
Expenses	955.92
Total Elections	955.92
Freight Fright Modular Meet	
Expenses	701.34
Income	-684.43
Total Freight Fright Modular Meet	16.91
NMRA Promotional Events	
Expenses	772.70
Income	-403.15
Total NMRA Promotional Events	369.55
Regional Convention	
Expenses	29,081.29
Income	-30,912.58
Total Regional Convention	-1,831.29
SpringRail	
Expenses	6,114.17
Income	-8,222.60
Total SpringRail	-2,108.43
Checking - Other	8,643.95
Total Checking	7,705.01
Savings	
Intrest	-4.58
Savings - Other	5,105.22
Total Savings	5,100.64
Total Checking/Savings	12,805.65
Total Current Assets	12,805.65
TOTAL ASSETS	12,805.65

James L. Keena
Chief Clerk/Paymaster
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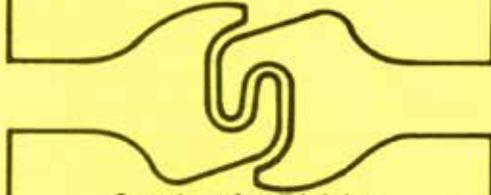
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L.A. DIVISION ENJOYS WINTER MEET



Bill Challoner (left) watches his Winter Meet contest winner while Wayne Hallovell ignores the "do not touch" sign so he and Gary Hogben can inspect the detailed interior. (Mary Barstov photo)

Directors Report (cont'd)

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many positions in the region, including: in the L.A. Division as Superintendent, the Cajon Division as Director and Assistant Superintendent, and the PSR as President. Congratulations Carl!

In other regional business, the PSR by-laws and manual of operations were reviewed and minor language clean-up was approved, mainly changing the term "publication(s)" to "communication(s)".

The first PSR grant application was approved for the Cajon Division's project, Cajon Invitational Module Modelers Meet "CIM3", in the amount of \$750.00 in matching funds. This event will be held June 15th-17th at the Boy Scout Outdoor Education Center in Irvine. You can learn more about this event at Cajondivision.org.

The L.A. Division hosted a new event on Saturday, June 9th, at the **Glendale Model Railroad Society's** location in 619 Hahn Ave, Fremont Park in Glendale. This was an evening meet and greet for L.A. Division members only. In my opinion, one of the greatest benefits of NMRA membership is being able to meet fellow modelers and exchange knowledge and ideas. This was a wonderful opportunity to do so!

Don't forget about the upcoming PSR regional convention, "**Beach Ops 2018**" hosted by the **San Diego Division!** It will be here before you know it, September 12th-16th 2018, so don't delay-register today! You can learn more about "Beach Ops 2018" at: psrconvention.org/beachops2018. It will be a fun time-hope to see you there!

Until the next issue, Happy Railroading!



Pat Raymer
Director,
LA Division NMRA



LA Division Facebook!!!

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<https://www.facebook.com/nmrala/>

From the Website Guy (cont'd)

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about ruining anything with weathering. After some thought as well as trial and error I found that by making the paints extremely thin I was able to get rid of the spitting and as an added benefit made the amount of color applied more controllable. I was now able to get my S.P. locomotives weathered the way I saw the prototypes in the real world. This led me to start paying more attention to the ways different S.P. locomotives weathered. For example, the power going over Tehachapi and Cajon got dirty differently than power that stayed around yards or branch lines. This is where I started realizing the artistic aspect to weathering. To get the less extreme weathering effects and figure out the correct earth tones I needed I looked back at my freight car weathering. One of the techniques I learned involved the use of chalks. Because of the good selection of earth

tones available with chalk I thought I would give them a try on locomotives. Sure enough the chalks worked really well and I had found another way to get good weathering effects on my locomotives. As my collection expanded to include more Union Pacific and Santa Fe locomotives it was the opportunity to learn more about how differently they weathered and challenged me to figure out how to get the weathering colors right and more importantly, in the proper places on the locomotive. By this time I had fully caught the weathering bug and wanted to know even more complicated techniques. This included fading paint, better looking fuel and oil stains and rust. This also changed the way I saw the hobby and I was proud to consider myself an artist as well as a model railroader. As I look at my models and think back to the inspiration I got from other peoples work I am amazed at

how far I have come. There are modelers who are much better than me at weathering, there always will be and their work will inspire me to enjoy the artistry of model railroading. Oh, along the way I found out how to really mess up a weathering job and use absolute panic as a resource to figure out how to fix the problem and come out with a model that looks better than I could have imagined!



Tim Johnson
Webmaster
LA Division NMRA

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L.A. Division Member Banquet



The March 24th 2018 LA Division Member Banquet was held on March 24th at the "Central Grille" in Glendale California.



Above; Edna Keena, Adrienne Hamalian, Jana Traintime, and Mona Raymer enjoying an evening of friendship and comandre.



Left: Pacific Southwest Region President **Don Fowler** and his wife **Kim Fowler** enjoying an evening out. Despite a 3 hour drive north from San Diego!!!

L.A. Division Member Banquet



Gift table of assorted goodies for all those attending.

Guest Speaker Tim Johnson entertained the group with his photo collage of "Railroads in the Northwest."



LA Division Superintendent Michael O'Brien and LA Division Director Pat Raymer preside over a great evening.

SPRINGRAIL 2018



On Saturday, April 21, 2018 The LA Division held its 2018 SpringRail at the College Ave. Church of the Nazarene in Whittier.



Mona Raymer and Edna Keena taking care of the registration table and selling all important lunch tickets and "Hobo" Auctions tickets!!!!

SPRINGRAIL 2018 - Swap Meet



SPRINGRAIL 2018 - Guest Vendors



Special Thanks to Joe Olvera from Scale Trains.com for attending the SpringRail and displaying some incredible trains. Order yours now!



Special thanks to Isaiah Castro, Dijon Venable, and Hunter Laubach of Highball Technologies

SPRINGRAIL 2018 - Hobo Auction



The nearly endless selection of blue cups and incredible item up for auction. Literally something for everyone!



Pat Raymer expertly calling out the ticket numbers to an eager audience. Mona helping to keep things rolling smoothly as well.



SPRINGRAIL 2018 -Show Room

The Show Room Los Angeles Division 1st Section Displaying Green Signals

The Show Room this time covers two events that were recently held within the Pacific Southwest Region. Actual railroads would often run trains displaying signals or flags indicating that there is a section or sections of the same train following on the same schedule. First up is that the Los Angeles Division held their Spring Event in Whittier on April 21, 2018. The Show Room was open for displaying member projects for other members and attendees to enjoy. As always at this event, the L. A. Division provides a free lunch as an incentive to encourage members to entered models or photos into the Show Room for display, popular vote and or merit evaluation.

This year there were twelve model entries in the Popular Vote and one photo entry into the Show Room. It was great that these members were willing to display and share their models for fellow members to enjoy. In addition, NMRA Merit evaluations were conducted on four of the models. Here are the results of the people's choice popular vote contest with earned merit evaluation scores where applicable:

Steam Locomotives



- 1st Place Virginia & Truckee # 29 4-6-0 by Tim Johnson
- 2nd Place Sierra Railway # 24 2-8-0 by Tim Johnson
- 3rd Place Pajaro Valley Consolidated Railroad # 6 2-8-0 by Nick Lisica
Earned Merit Evaluation Score of 80 Points



All preparations complete - Contest judging in Action!!!

SPRING RAIL 2018 - Show Room

Freight Cars



- 1st Place Zerolene Tank Car by Vic Cavalli
- 2nd Place NCNG RR Boxcar by Vic Cavalli
- 3rd Place Pajaro Valley Consolidated RR Boxcar # 208 by Nick Lisica
Earned Merit Evaluation Score of 74 Points
- Honorable Mention The Swift Reefer Project by Jim Fuhrman



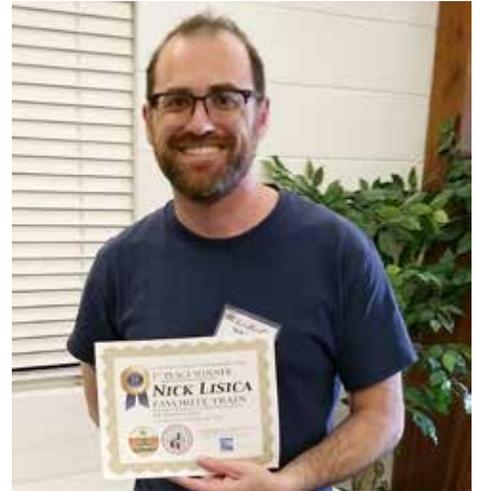
Passenger Cars



- 1st Place Pajaro Valley Consolidated Railroad #14 Coach by Nick Lisica
Earned Merit Award with Evaluation Score of 90 Points

SPRING RAIL 2018 - Show Room

Favorite Train



1st Place

Pajaro Valley Consolidated Railroad Mixed Train by Nick Lisica

Structures On-Line



1st Place

Whistle Stop Station by David Okamura

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SPRINGRAIL 2018 -Show Room

Structures Off-Line



1st Place Hank Station by David Bailey

2nd Place Pacific Coast Steamship Co. Office at Moss Landing by Nick Lisica
Earned Merit Evaluation Score of 68 Points

Photos Color Prototype



1st Place Out to Pasture by Tim Johnson

Of a special note, David Bailey just signed up for a NMRA Rail Pass at SpringRail in order to enter his model, which won 1st place in the Popular Vote for Structures Off-Line. Welcome David and look forward to seeing many more of your modeling.

I like to thank the volunteers the assisted in the Merit Evaluation of models.

SPRINGRAIL 2018 - Show Room

As part of the SpringRail event in Whittier this year, a special thanks goes out to the Orange County Module Railroaders for setting up their railroad. In addition, The Cajon Division held their Spring Event at the Orange Empire Railway Museum in Perris on April 28, 2018. A total of nine (9) models were entered into the Show Room, which was located in the party caboose within the museum. Five (5) of the models had merit evaluations performed. The results are as follows for the popular vote contest with the merit evaluation scores where appropriate:

Diesel and Other Locomotives

1st Place California South Coast RR Narrow Gauge Gas Mechanical Switcher *by David Okamura*

Freight Cars

1st Place Missouri Pacific 45' Gondola *by Morrie Fleishman*
Earned Merit Evaluation Score of 63 Points

2nd Place California South Coast Railroad Outside Frame Narrow Gauge Boxcar *by David Okamura*

Caboose

1st Place California South Coast Railroad Narrow Gauge Bobber Caboose *by David Okamura*

Structures On-Line

1st Place Open Roof Rectangular Water Tank *by Gary Butts*
Earned Merit Award with Evaluation Score of 111 Points

2nd Place 50,000 Gal. Water Tank *by Dennis Ivison*
Earned Merit Award with Evaluation Score of 109 Points

3rd Place Overhead Fuel Tank *by Dennis Ivison*
Earned Merit Award with Evaluation Score of 88 Points

Structures Off-line

1st Place Hurst Boiler & Welding *by Jeff Hermann*

2nd Place Michael's Plumbing Supply *by Morrie Fleishman*
Earned Merit Evaluation Score of 60 Points

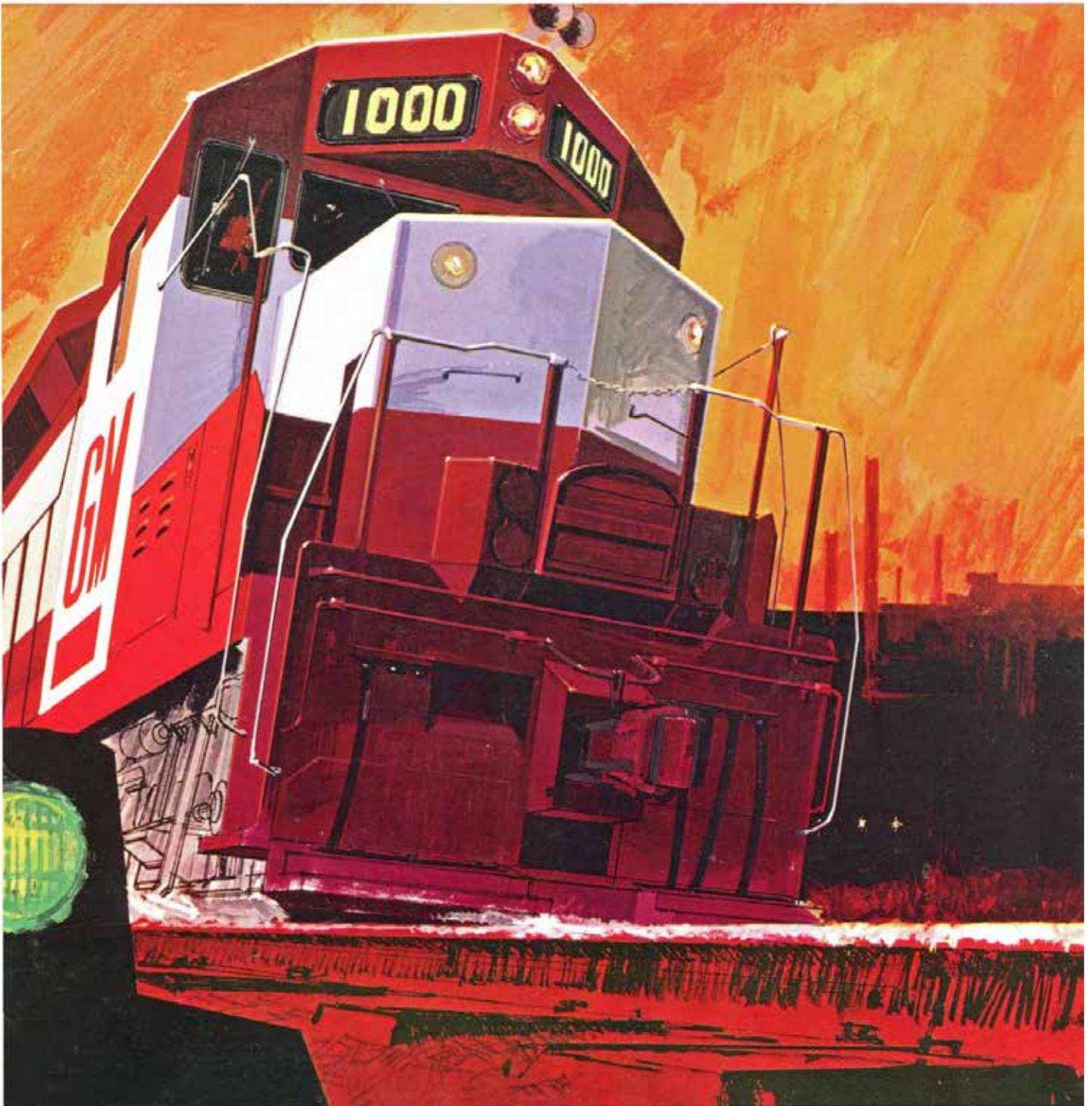
As you can see from the results, many categories only had one model entered. I encourage you to at least display your models as part of the People's Choice Popular Vote. Who knows, you could be a Winner.

Your opportunity to display or have merit evaluation performed on your models is coming up in September at the PSR Convention in San Diego. Look forward to seeing you and your models.

Sincerely,

James L. Keena
PSR Contest Chair

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PCR Convention Report

The Pacific Coast Region (PCR) recently held their annual regional convention in Rohnert Park in Northern California. This was a joint convention that was sponsored by both the PCR and the Northwestern Pacific Railroad Historical Society (NPRHS). Several members of the Pacific Southwest Region (PSR) attended this Convention, which included James Keena and Ron Westlund of the Los Angeles Division and Gary Butts, Sandy Butts, Bob Chaparro and Ed Hall of the Cajon Division.

The Convention had about 220 in attendance. The PCR Convention program is similar to our Convention format with welcome reception, clinics, layout tours, layout operating sessions, prototype tours, Hobo Breakfast and awards banquet with the following differences:

1. Door prizes are distributed by random badge registration numbers;
2. Very small vendor show and swap meet that is held in a conference room;
3. Banquet is served buffet style; and
4. Buffet breakfast included on Sunday Morning as part of general membership meeting.

They had a large number of entries in the model, photo & arts craft categories that were displayed or judged with 19 of the models earning Merit Awards.

The convention included NPRHS historical presentations and a tour of their restoration yard where they are restoring Northwestern Pacific and Santa Rosa & Petaluma railway equipment. There were also a tours of a working steam powered saw mill and the Corbel Winery.

There were clinics presented by the Layout Design and Operations Special Interest Groups, which are very active in the Bay area. Several self-guided layout tours and operation sessions were available to convention attendees.

A video presentation regarding our upcoming PSR Convention in September, which will be held in San Diego was played continuously in the combined registration and contest display area. Convention flyers and applications forms were made available to convention attendees.

Sincerely,

James Keena
Chief Clerk Paymaster

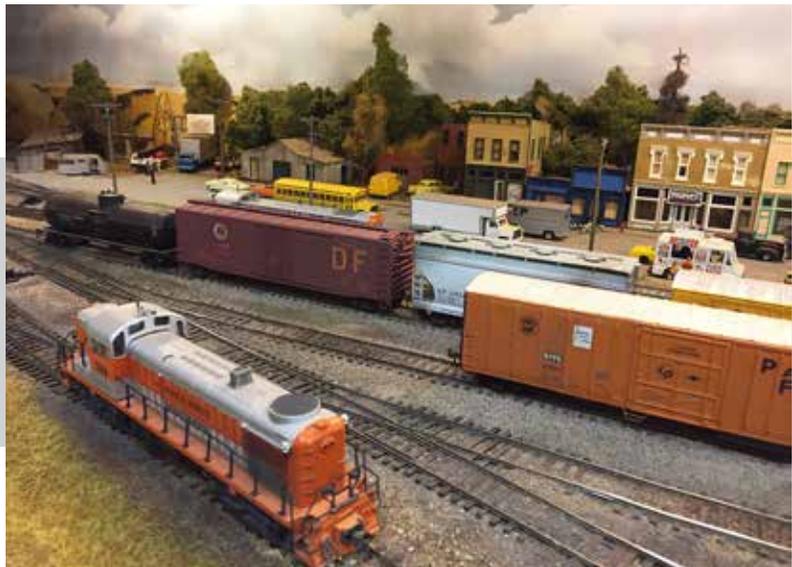
PCR Convention Report

Ron Learn's
Northwestern Pacific Layout.



A very scenic
Civil War Display.

Jim Provenza's
Santa Cruz Northern.



SPRINGRAIL 2018 - Kids Run Trains

In conjunction with the Los Angeles Division sponsored SpringRail 2018, the Orange County Module Railroaders set up on Friday afternoon an operating railroad layout in the Children's Chapel at College Avenue Church of the Nazarene and also did a special "*Kids Run Trains*" on Sunday morning that was thoroughly enjoyed by the children and adults alike. This was an added feature to the SpringRail that was enjoyed by all event attendees.

The railroad remained up and operational on Sunday morning and was available for Sunday school children and adults to run trains. This was a well-received and many new young people earned their Honorary Engineer Certificates. The Church is looking forward to the Los Angeles Division again hosting SpringRail 2019 on April 13, 2019.



Intent on watching the scale speed and safety of his locomotive. Justin is an future OP's operator to be sure!



Audrey, a happy new "Honorary Engineer!" proudly displaying her certificate.



Associate Pastor of Children & Families, Su Paulsen and James Fuhrman delight in running the railroad

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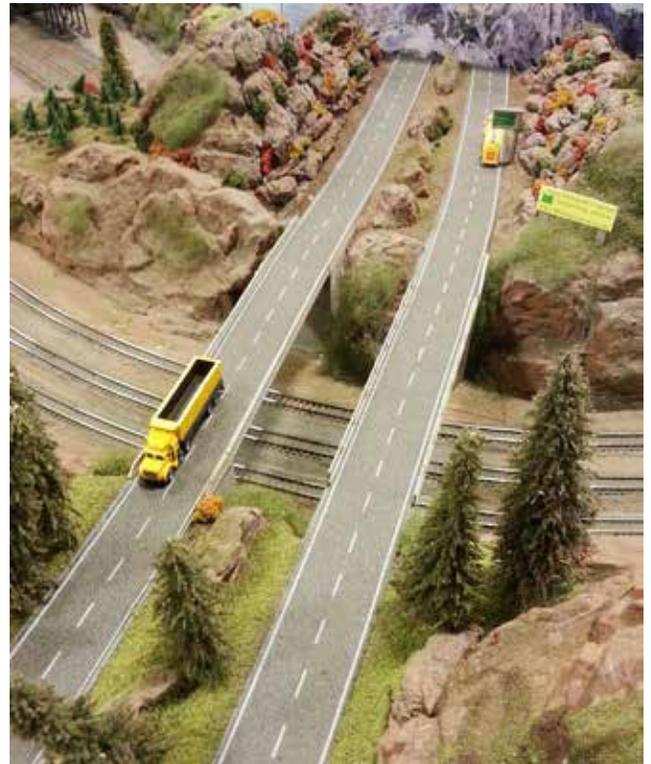
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2018

July

- 2nd..... Glendale Model RR Society Open House, Glendale
7:30pm - 10:00pm
14th San Diego Division Layout Tour, Location TBA
14 & 15th Great Train Expo, Pomona
21st..... PSR Amtrak Train Ride To San Diego
28th Roundhouse Gang Swap Meet, San Bernardino

August

- 5th - 12th..... NMRA National Convention, Kansas City , MO
6th Glendale Model RR Society Open House, Glendale
7:30pm - 10:00pm
11th-12th..... Tehachapi Loop Railroad Club Show, Tehachapi
25th Santa Susana RR Historical Swap, Simi Valley

September

- 3rd Glendale Model RR Society Open House, Glendale
7:30pm - 10:00pm
12th-16th..... Pacific Southwest Region Convention, San Diego
15th PSR Convention Swap Meet, San Diego

October

- 1st..... Glendale Model RR Society Open House, Glendale
7:30pm - 10:00pm
5th-7th..... Central Coast Railroad Festival, San Luis Obispo
6th Los Angeles Prototype Modelers Meet, Bellflower
20th Roundhouse Gang Swap Meet, San Bernardino
20th & 21st..... Belmont Shore Model RR Club Open House, San Pedro
27th & 28th..... L.A. Division Freight Fright

November 2018

- 3rd..... Santa Susana RR Historical Swap, Simi Valley
3rd, 4th, 7th, 9th & 10th..... Highland Park Society of Model Railroad Engineers
70th Anniversary Celebration, San Gabriel
10th - 11th..... Tehachapi Loop Railroad Club Show, Tehachapi
16th-18th..... Cal-Stewart Train Meet, Glendale



MODEL TRAIN & RAILROAD EVENTS:

2019

January

26th-27th..... Great Train Show, Ventura

March

2nd-3rd..... Great Train Show, Costa Mesa

April

13th Spring Rail Meet, Whittier

July

7th - 13th..... NMRA National Convention, Salt Lake City Utah.

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April

18th..... Spring Rail Meet, Whittier

September

9th - 13th..... Pacific Southwest Region/NMRA Convention, Van Nuys

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