

THE ORANGE SHOW SPECIAL

Are you going?? Where?? Why on the big Santa Fe Special----right out of San Diego to the 47th Annual National Orange Show at San Bernardino.

Tickets are now on sale, don't wait until the last minute to buy tickets, early sales are needed to make this trip a success.

There is a special side trip by bus from San Bernardino up into the Cajon Pass to observe the railroad in action and possibly a visit to Summit. This is a first come, first served deal, if you are interested in the side trip up the pass instead of the big National Orange Show----get your order for tickets in...NOW.

The train will depart from the Santa Fe Station in San Diego at 8:15 A.M. on Sunday, March 18th, 1962. Return to San Diego at approximately 8:30pm.

We are hoping to see a larger turn out of society members this year, are YOU going to be aboard???

Roundtrip from San Diego is \$12.25 per person. Members will be refunded 50¢----see brochure for details.

THANKS LADIES

We just wish to thank the women for their cooperation in supplying the cookies for the February meeting.

DUES PAID????

The renewals have been coming in at a very nice rate but time is growing short. In order to cut down much of the work, the sooner everyone gets their renewal money in, the sooner we will get the new cards mailed out. \$2.50 per person for one year. \$3.50 for Family membership.

MARCH MEETING DATE:

MONDAY, MARCH 5th, 1962

Santa Fe Station - Safety Room.

7:30 P.M. - - - - - 10:30 P.M.

PROGRAM:

We will have the pleasure of having Mr. Robert Trevino, Liaison Officer from the San Diego Police Department as our guest speaker. Mr. Trevino works with the Mexican Government and we believe you will find him an interesting person to know.

REFRESHMENTS will be served.

A short business session will take place prior to our program.

Please be prompt, meeting is to start at 7:30 P.M. May we have a little less conversation in the audience??? Please reserve your conversations for the refreshment period and after the meeting... Thank You.

SEE YOU AT THE MARCH MEETING-----

First Monday of March---- 7:30 P.M.
Upstairs in the Santa Fe Station,
Kettner & Broadway, San Diego.

PACIFIC BEACH MODEL RR CLUB DINNER----
The anniversary and installation of officers will be held at a dinner to be held at the Midway Chuck Wagon. If you plan to attend but have not sent for reservations, please call BR-3-5061, Gorky or Barbara Thomson and let them know if you will be there. The dinner is scheduled for 7:30 P.M. in the Fire-side Room....price is \$3.75 a person, there will be entertainment and a big bunch of dandy door prizes.

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via Santa Fe....All the Way!!!!

Railway Historical Society of S.D. Inc.
P.O. Box 9351, San Diego 9, California.

NEWSLETTER

Monthly society paper, news of society activities, trips, meetings, etc. Opinions expressed in the Newsletter are not necessarily those of the R.H.S. of S.D. S.L. Thomson - Editor.

CARLSBAD DEPOT

The Carlsbad City Council wishes to reopen negotiations with the Santa Fe for the acquisition of the depot.

Acquisition of the depot has been a subject dear to the hearts of many in Carlsbad since the trains have quit stopping there in recent years.

L.H. Johnson.

MYSTERY TRIP

Travel Club of Southern California offers a one day excursion??out of Los Angeles on Sunday, April 1st-----Lv. L.A.U.P.T. at 9:00 A.M. and be back at 6:30 P.M. This is a low fare surprise trip, \$6.50 for adults and \$4.00 for 5 to 12 year olds..... No Fooling - - Sunday, April 1st!! (727 W. 7th St., Rm 951, L.A. 17, Calif)

SERRA MUSEUM

There will be a display of various sizes in railroad models on Saturday and Sunday, March 3rd & 4th, 1962. Jerry MacMullen states that the model railroad equipment will be supplied by the Pacific Beach Model RR Club & R.H.S. of S.D. member, Tom Sefton. Size will range from HO, O, Standard and 1 1/2". This is an annual exhibit by the S.D. Historical Society, each year the exhibit varies in the display of many types of steam locomotives and cars.

GOLDEN WEST RAILFANS will have an S.P. trip to Vandenburg Air Force Base in May rather than in February as first reported. Saturday, May 12, 1962.

CAR 54 WHERE ARE YOU????

Have you been down to help with the restoration of our old streetcar #54? She still rests on trolley supports at the same location on Tenth Avenue. Right next door to Star Machine Works, 412 Tenth Ave. There is still much to be done on this fine old car. Check in some weekend and see what you can do to help---or contact Ed V.P. Tommy Mann for details: Broadway 3-8874.

ANOTHER CAR 54---where are YOU???

The Mt. Rubidoux Chapter of the Pacific Railroad Society is purchasing the next of kin to the big red SGO LINE car 52 which resides in San Diego under the ownership of All Aboard, Inc. The car 54 is another of the Soo Line business cars and recently placed on sale. The chapter took a vote and found most all of the members in favor of the purchase. The car was due to arrive in San Bernardino on Sunday, February 18, 1962.

ORANGE EMPIRE TROLLEY MUSEUM

Work continues on the tracks and the trolley wires at Perris, California. Have you been up that way lately??? The weather is cool and good for work on the many projects---between the rare wet winter rains. Our car 171 is in need of paint work too. The O.E.T. has made arrangements to purchase the rest of the land at the museum site. This will insure a bigger and better operating trolley museum for all of us here on the west coast. If you are not a member, why not consider joining as a regular---or an associate at a very low yearly rate. The museum can sure use your help, physical as well as financial. Drop them a line if you are interested: Orange Empire Trolley Museum, P.O. Box 501, Perris, Calif.

BIG RED #52, the Soo Line observation car recently went to Palm Springs via AT&SF and SP. Jack Stodelle reports a rough ride coupled behind diesel 51 coming down on the mail train at 5:A.M.

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PACIFIC BEACH & WESTERN

The P.B. Model RR Club is soon going to have that outdoor 1½" scale railroad at Del Mar. It has been a long wait and there have been many setbacks along the way but now the word is back from Sacramento and there is a definite lease on land at the fair grounds. Work will probably not actually start until the fall of this year after the fair and race season. The club has 1,000 feet of prefabricated 7½ inch gauge track built and in storage, this will be a starter when track work begins. There will also be some dual gauge track to handle trains of the one inch scale. The smell of coal smoke and hot lubricating oil is going to once more be a reality!! The miniature outdoor railroad will not just cater to live steam locomotives, there will also be some gasoline powered diesels and gas-electric coaches. All of the equipment is large enough to ride on and many happy hours will be in store for everyone in years to come as the little trains click and clack across the rail joints several Sundays each month.

MOVE THE DEL MAR EQUIPMENT?

There is a plan being worked up by our 2nd VP, Tommy Mann to move the full sized railroad equipment from the present location at the fair grounds. The Locomotive and Coach are in a poor location for pictures and being completely separated from the streetcar makes it difficult to have members man them during the fair. If moved, the whole works would be placed on a long section of straight track just south and to the west of Harvest Hall. There is space there for more equipment and it could all be kept together. This spot also offers photographers both sides of the equipment. This would also be more helpful in regards to possibly moving in a Santa Fe caboose and the chance of a small steam locomotive.

An alternate spot would be west of the Harvest Hall on a slightly curved section of track.

MEMBERS IN THE NEWS

Fulfilling a request from the National Central Library in London, England, our city's library has sent on loan two books by local author, Philip S. Rush, editor of "Southern Calif. Rancher." The books are: "History of the California", and "The Californias, 1846-1957." (Mr. Rush is one of our society members.)

Freddy Finke is a shipping clerk at Marston's. But he owns a private railroad car, and that, by Freddy, is San Diego. He has some partners, like TV-8 man Jack Stodella and banker Tom Sefton. But that fine old Soo Line president's car, sitting near Broadway on a Santa Fe siding, is just as much Freddy Finke's as Sefton's or Stodella's, and a good more his by now than the president of the Soo Line. (Fred is our society treasurer.)

Both articles have appeared in recent Neil Morgan columns in the Tribune.

1962 MEMBER RENEWALS: Warren Gent, Doug Harley, Tom Hammore, Bernard Root, Fred Reif, Darwyn & Peggy Goss, E.K. Gann, W.A. Sundstrom, Robert Kuback, Doris M. Bright, Philip Rush, T.E. Lindsay, Eric Sanders, Edward Graham, W.F. Byrne, A.J. Kebza, T.H. Willard, L.T. Gotchy, Warren Hackett, John Cranston, Robert & Lenore Cook, Evan Crockett, J.P. Cowin, Paul Henry, F.H. Ropinske, R.H. Coyle, Arden Bergquist, Alfonso Haro, Roy & Daisy Miller, Corky & Barbara Thomson, Mrs. R.R. Ondrovic-new member.

WASHINGTON D.C. ENDS STREETCARS

A letter from member Ken Cowin recently came with several newspaper clippings of the final day of streetcar operation in the National Capital. On the 28th of January, 1962, 99½ years of streetcar service came to an end with a 1919 car, old 766 made runs for the fans. One of the clippings shows streamliner 1128 heading for the end of the line. The articles will be placed with the society historian, one gives a good history of the Washington D.C. trolley lines. (Another sad passing of trolley cars.)