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Live Steamers
Aug. 9, 2003
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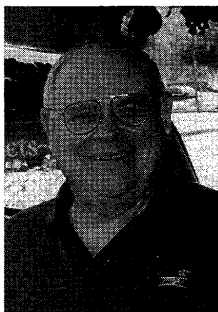
Bring a Guest to the SWD Train Meets
Recruit a New Member for the Club

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Southwestern Division Layout at Fullerton RR Days



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Welcome to the good old summertime. There are many activities ahead during the summer. The top entertainment value is the family picnic at The Los Angeles Live Steamers on Saturday, August 9, 2003. This event is open to all dues paying members and their immediate families. Talk to any member who has attended past picnics and I'll bet you can't wait for this year's picnic. **See page 4 for details.** Following is the National Convention in Denver, August 21-24, 2003. This is a great opportunity to visit the many trains in the state of Colorado. From Durango & Silver and Cumbres & Toltec in the south, the Georgetown loop in the center, Pikes Peak ride in Colorado Springs as well as many others, plus all the historic sites of Colorado. Finally, we resume our monthly meets in September, marking an end to summer. Then we get to look forward to Cal-Stewart in November.

One thing that continues to plague Southwestern Division is the need to recruit new members. The economics of the Division are facing hard times and the recruitment of new members will definitely ease the pain. Just think what this Division would be like if every one of you brought in one new member. There would be tables full of trains and buyers galore at monthly meets plus a booming auction. So get out there and bring one new member to the meet.

Another way to help is through the purchase of a Cal-Stewart souvenir car. Recently, one of the new missile cars sold for \$102 on e-bay. There are special offers on the remaining cars. So, break out those wallets and purchase a Cal-Stewart souvenir car. They are for sale at every meet.

The Division needs everyone's support in order to continue to have train meets and Cal-Stewart. Everyone must pay their dues and delays cost the division unnecessary expense. Where are you going to get a better deal for \$25 for the entire year? You receive the opportunity to attend 10 meets, attend the picnic and receive six issues of the *Southwestern Limited*. I ask you hold-overs to dig in and pay the dues so we can go forward.

I look forward to seeing you at the next meet.

Gary



The 16 x 40 layout was on display at the recent Fullerton Railroad Days held in early May.



Layout Chairman Al Vierich at the controls. The layout pleased the crowds which came out inspite of rain to see the sights at the Fullerton Railroad Days.

Southwestern Division Meets

Table Sales • Auction • Layout • Test Track
Parts • Books/Videos • Repair Clinic • Snack Bar
2003 Meets: 7-13, Aug.-Dark see Picnic p.4
9-14, 10-19, C-S 11-7-9, 12-14
Breakfast 9:30 a.m.; Seller Setup 10:30 a.m.
Members 11:00 a.m.; Auction 1:15 p.m.
Public 11:30 a.m.—Admission \$5.00
Tables \$10.00 (effective Apr. 1, 2003)
Call Kurt Bondi for tables (818) 895-4641
Arcadia Masonic Center
50 W. Duarte Rd., Arcadia 91007
FREE PARKING! • Handicap Access Ramp!

Dues are Due July 1st – Pay before entering July 13th Meet

The May Meet



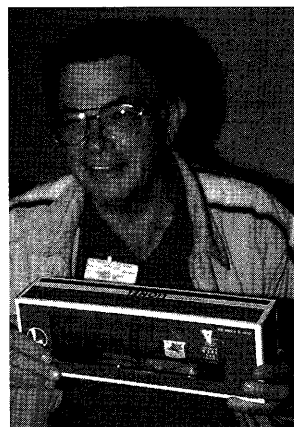
Above, featured at the May Meet: Parts Dealer Electric Norman, Table sales, and Larry Pearson's Repair Clinic.

David Nissen's layout was much appreciated and had lots of engines and rolling stock. (The SWD layout was at the Fullerton Railroad Days).

On the left, winners of the attendance drawing with their prizes of rolling stock!



Bruce Gripkey
Pacific Fruit Express



John Stillman
Mobilgas Tank

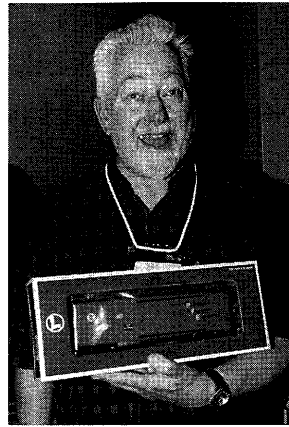
The June Meet



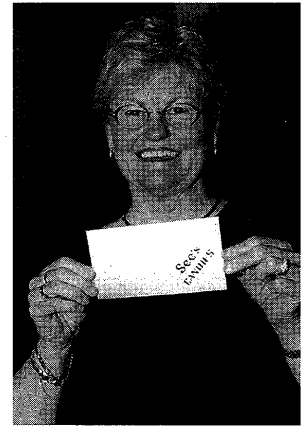
Blanche Norman
Santa Fe Tank Car



James Keeley
Mobilgas Tank Car



Lloyd Burland
Pacific Fruit Express



Nancy Cochran
See's Candy certificate



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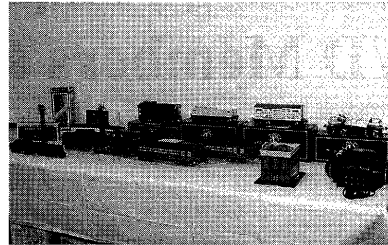
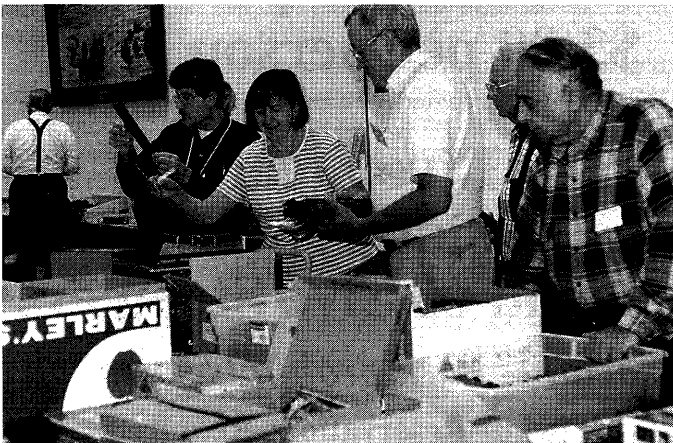


Table Sales and Auction were highlights of the June Meet.



Tables were laden with all kinds of train and train-related "goodies" for attendees at the June Meet.



To the right: the SWD Layout ran to the delight of attendees.



