



TRAIN COLLECTORS ASSOCIATION WESTERN DIVISION NEWSLETTER



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MEET SCHEDULE

MARK YOUR CALENDERS

January 23 – New Trains

February 27 – Favorite Train

March 26 - Trolleys

April 23 – Train Wrecks

May 21 – Santa Fe

June: no meet

July 23 – Convention Cars

August 27 – Tank Cars

September 24 - Streamliners

October 29 – Orange & Black

November: no meet

December 17 – Holiday Trains

TCA NATIONAL CONVENTION

HOUSTON, TEXAS

June 19-26

www.tcaconvention.org



NEXT MEET FEBRUARY 27

SHOW AND TELL THEME IS “MY FAVORITE TRAIN”

As always, the Division’s train meets will take place at the Arcadia Senior Center, located at 405 S. Santa Anita Avenue in Arcadia, California.

To get to the meet, exit the 210 Freeway at Santa Anita Avenue. Drive south about half a mile and turn right into the Arcadia Park Parking lot. The hall is located next to the lawn bowling area. Look for the sign. The doors open at 10AM for setup and trading. Show and Tell starts at noon.

Please visit the Western Division website, at <http://www.tcawestern.org> for more information and a map.

UPCOMING TRAIN EVENTS

[California Express Railroadiana Show](#)

February 21 – Buena Park

[Orange Empire Railway Museum Swap Meet](#)

March 5 - Perris

[Nor-Cal Stewart](#)

March 6 – San Ramon

[Fullerton Railroad Days](#)

April 30-May 1 – Fullerton Train Station

[The Big Train Show](#)

May 21-22 – Ontario

[TCA National Convention](#)

June 19-26 – Houston

[TTOS National Convention](#)

August 1-6 – Long Beach



2015 GRAND PRIZE RAFFLE LIONEL NO.773 SCALE HUDSON AND NO.2426W TENDER



4-6-4 Scale Hudson No. 773 with No. 2426W Tender (A)

WON BY BOB CAPLAN AT THE DECEMBER HOLIDAY PARTY!



**KEN CHAN WON
THE DISNEY
TROLLEY BY
PRIDELINES!**



2016 GRAND PRIZE RAFFLE STANDARD GAUGE BLUE COMET BY LIONEL CLASSICS



**THE WINNER OF THE COMET WILL BE DRAWN AT THE DECEMBER HOLIDAY PARTY. THERE IS A \$100
CONSOLATION PRIZE DRAWING AT EVERY MEET!**

A limited number of tickets are available at \$20 each. See Treasurer Jon Lang at our monthly meet for tickets.

T.C.A. Western Division Santa Barbara Train Trip

Saturday, March 19, 2016

We will take Amtrak Coast Starlight train number 763 to Santa Barbara and return on the Amtrak Coast Starlight train number 1790 from the Santa Barbara station.

The boarding and return times are as follows:

| Boarding Time at the station | | Returning time | Senior Fair R/T |
|------------------------------|---------------------|----------------|-----------------|
| 7:44 a.m. | Irvine Station | 8:42 p.m. | \$64.60 |
| 7:55 a.m. | Santa Ana Station | 8:30 p.m. | \$62.90 |
| 7:04 a.m. | Anaheim Station | 8:21 p.m. | \$61.20 |
| 8:13 a.m. | Fullerton Station | 8:10 p.m. | \$57.80 |
| 9:10 a.m. | Los Angeles Station | 7:40 p.m. | \$52.70 |
| 9:22 a.m. | Glendale Station | 7:02 p.m. | \$49.30 |
| 9:32 a.m. | Burbank Station | 6:53 p.m. | \$44.30 |
| 9:42 a.m. | Van Nuys Station | 6:45 p.m. | \$39.95 |
| 9:54 a.m. | Chatsworth Station | 6:33 p.m. | \$39.10 |
| 10:06 a.m. | Simi Valley Station | 6:20 p.m. | \$35.70 |

Children tickets up to 12 years of age are 50% off regular fair.

You may purchase Tickets online at Amtrak.com or call Amtrak reservations at 1 800-872-7245.

When we get there we will have lunch together at a very nice restaurant with a view of the ocean (each person will be paying their own tab), and then go to be on our own for 2 to 4 hours. Walking distance is Main Street with all its Shops, Boardwalk where you can ride a bike or stroll, the beach, Santa Barbara pier, zoo, aquarium, or take the local bus to the Mission or Botanical Gardens. We all come back together and board the train from the Santa Barbara Station on the Amtrak Coast Starlight at 4:40 p.m. Some lucky member or members will win a raffle prize on our return home after having a fantastic day.

RSVP Robert Caplan 1-213-369-2446



DECEMBER HOLIDAY MEET



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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The club needs volunteers to take photos at our monthly meets that we can publish in the newsletter. Photos of smiling, happy train collectors and their trains - that sort of thing. Please help.