



Train Collectors Association Western Division Newsletter



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The December 14th Display Theme is "Holiday Trains." Bring a train to share on our Display Table or operate it on our Fabulous Layout!



The 2019 Grand Prize members-only Opportunity Drawing is for a **1950 LIONEL 773 Hudson Steam Locomotive** (w/headlight, smoke & Magne-Traction) and the matching die-cast 2426W tender, w/ Original Boxes! From the collection of our late Vice-President, Bob Nord. Plus, you can win a \$100.00 bill. Details at the Holiday Party.



BONUS Opportunity Drawing! Enter to win the LIONEL Disney Mickey Mouse Express G-Scale Train Set, No. 7-11773. With Remote Control, Headlight, Train Sounds, Mickey Announcements & Donald Duck tender. (Batteries not included.) Drawing is Open to All. Details at Holiday Party.

Santa Claus is on his Way to the TCA Holiday Luncheon



Direct from the North Pole, Santa Claus & his good friend Mr. Conductor will appear at our 2019 TCA Holiday Party!

Our TCA Holiday Luncheon will be held on Saturday, December 14, 2019. The club will be providing FREE sandwiches and festive Holiday drinks! The rest of the meal is Potluck, so if your last name begins with A thru M, bring desserts; N thru Z, bring salads/side dishes. FREE Door Prizes will be awarded!

Doors open at 10AM. Set-up begins an hour earlier at 9AM. FREE doughnuts, courtesy of our Vice President Bob Caplan, and FREE piping-hot coffee, brewed by our Convention Co-Chairman Wayne Sheriff. Admission is FREE and selling tables are FREE to All! Plus, FREE Toy Train Repairs, while you wait! (Parts extra.)

TCA-Western Train Meets are held at the Arcadia Park Activity Center, 405 South Santa Anita Ave., Arcadia, CA 91006, next to Lawn Bowling. Website: www.tcawestern.org. **Join us!**

September Auction is a Big Success!



Collection in Storage.



Sorting the Lots.



Truck All Loaded.



Auction Preview.



Details!



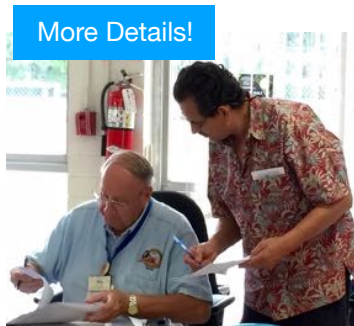
Bob Caplan starts the Auction!



Moving Product...



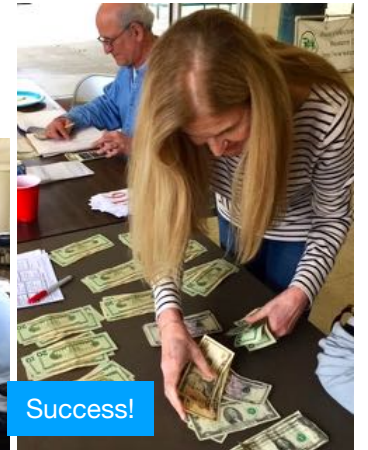
Winner!



More Details!



Settling up...



Success!

TCA Western Division 2020 Dates Announced

- Jan 25 - New Trains/New Year 2020
- Feb 22 - Trains I Love/Red Trains
- Mar 28 - Green Trains/St. Patrick's Day
- Apr 25 - Train Wrecks/Casey Jones Commemoration
- May 30 - Rare & Unusual Trains
- Jun XX - **Dark** for TCA Jacksonville Convention
- Jul 25 - Patriotic Trains for the 4th/Hot Dog Express
- Aug 22 - Steam Locomotive Anniversary/Ice Cream Social
- Sep 26 - Searchlight Cars
- Oct 31 - Spooky Trains/Halloween Costume Party
- Nov XX - **Dark** for Thanksgiving
- Dec 12 - 2020 Holiday Trains/Luncheon/Grand Prize Award



**2020 TCA
Western
Division
Calendars
Available
Now!**

After the success of last year's TCA Western Calendar, Harold Shapiro has designed a brand-new one for 2020, featuring more of the great Toy Train Manufacturers. Priced at \$20, the Calendar supports our 2021 TCA National Convention in Irvine. To get yours, see Harold at the Meets or contact him at info@tcawestern.org.

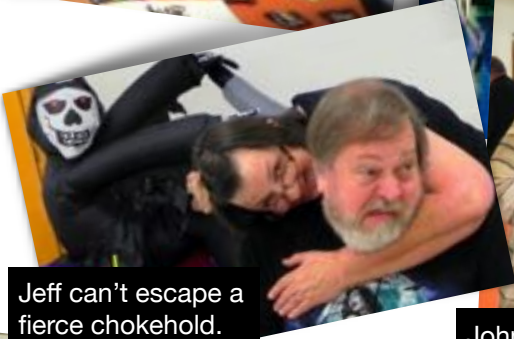
The Mummy Strikes at TCA-Western's Spooky Halloween Horror Show!



Wayne hides the cash.



Joseph is paralyzed with FEAR!



Jeff can't escape a fierce chokehold.



John Abbe texts at his own peril.



The Winners: Denyse, Colette, Cheryl, Ken & Larry

A Message from Wayne Sheriff, Treasurer:

"TCA-Western Division 2020 dues are due at the December Meet. Local dues are still just \$20, which covers the entire 2020 calendar year!"

TCA-Western Division Officers:

- Steve Waller, President**
- Bob Caplan, Vice-President**
- Wayne Sheriff, Membership/Treasurer**
(Past National President)
- Bill & Colette Shepard, Recording Secretary**

TCA Western Division Directors
(in Alphabetical Order):

- Ken Chan**
- Steve Eastman** (Immediate Past President)
- Rudy Felix**
- Jim Kenney**
- Jon Lang**
- Harold Shapiro** (Past President)
- Harvey Tafel**

2021 TCA National Convention Co-Chairmen:
Wayne Sheriff & Harold Shapiro

Council Raymond “Ray” Sugg III, Oct. 13, 1936 - Oct. 18, 2019



We were saddened to learn of Ray Sugg’s passing at age 83, from complications of lung cancer. Ray was a 30-year Honor Roll member of Western Division, TCA# 89-28920. Born in Rocky Mount, NC, Ray grew up in Portsmouth, VA, the oldest of eight children. In 1958, he moved to California, in search of new opportunities. After finishing his service in the Army National Guard, Ray realized a life-long dream, becoming a railroad engineer for Southern Pacific and later Union Pacific, retiring in 2000. A career highlight was piloting the famous SP 4449 Daylight steam locomotive to the movie set of “Tough Guys” (1983), starring Burt Lancaster & Kirk Douglas. A good friend to all, we will miss Ray and the contributions he made to our hobby.



Now you can get the LIONEL Steam Turbine that Gramps forgot to give you when you were a kid!

Celebrate 2020 with a LIONEL 2020 Loco!

Start the New Year right! On Saturday, January 25, 2020, TCA-Western Division will be having a one-day Opportunity Drawing to award a gorgeous No. 2020 Steam Turbine, Lionel’s first 20-wheel locomotive! We also have the matching 2020W whistle tender. This particular example is the 1947-1948 version.

Tickets will be available to TCA Members for \$5 each, or 5 tickets for \$20.00. This is a Members-Only event; however, you can join TCA National with a six-month trial membership for just an additional \$20.00.

Our January Display Theme will be “New Trains for the New Year!” (These can be brand-new, or new-to-you.)
Have a wonderful 2020 with TCA-Western Division!

Muzeo Holiday Express Runs thru Jan. 26, 2020!

The Muzeo Express has begun its 5th Annual run in Anaheim, CA. A joint project of TCA-Western Division & TTOS-Southern Pacific, this Holiday Train Exhibit has become a must-see in Anaheim’s Center City District. You will experience nine operating model train layouts, running on “O” gauge, HO scale, Std. gauge, and G-scale track. Plus, enjoy special added attractions, such as the Polar Express Parties and never-before-seen Disney exhibits.

Hours: 10AM to 5PM, Wednesday thru Sunday.

Admission: Adults \$10, Senior/Military/Student \$8, Kids (4-12) \$7. Located at: MUZEO 241 S. Anaheim Blvd., Anaheim, CA 92805. Visit www.muzeo.org. For more information, see Wayne Sheriff or Steve Eastman.



Young & Old will enjoy the LIONEL-style layouts on exhibit at MUZEO.



Train Collectors Association - Western Division



In association with TTOS-SP, proudly presents...

Bob's Fabulous Toy Train Layout Tour

(Located in the Beautiful Beach Cities of Orange County, CA)



Sunday, December 29, 2019 - 1pm to 5pm

RSVP to Jon Lang for Details & Location
(562) 430-8315 or jonmlang@verizon.net



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Western Division**



Opportunity Drawing

**LIONEL No. 773 Hudson 4-6-4
with Magne-Traction, Light, Smoke & Whistle
(Includes the Original 1950 Boxes)**



**World's Finest — The Mighty Hudson
Last Chance >>> Enter to Win!
From the Bob Nord Collection**

***Join us at the... Arcadia Park Activity Center
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(Next to Arcadia Lawn Bowling)***

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**Grand Prize to be awarded December 14, 2019 at the TCA-Western Holiday Meet.
(Winner need not be present to win locomotive.) Must be a TCA Member to enter.
TCA 6-Month Trial Membership Available Now for \$20.00. JOIN NOW!**