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Annual Banquet Feb 10

The Cajon Division Annual Banquet will be February 10, 1979 in the California Room of the San Bernardino Convention Center, 303 North "E" Street, San Bernardino. Cost is \$10 per person if pre-registration is received before 2/2/79, \$11 per person after 2/2/79.

Happy Hour is from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. A prime rib dinner will be served at 7:30 by the outstanding caterer who served the San Bernardino mini-convention. Following dinner there will be a short business meeting where election results will be announced and the new officers installed. The Swap and Module Meet, Barstow Tour and the June Meet will be discussed.

Special features of the evening will include two colored movies from the Santa Fe. They are: "Milepost 100" which covers the make-up and progress of a fast Chicago to California freight train and "Barstow" which is about the development and operation of the Barstow yard.

In addition to many door prizes, there will be railroad memorabilia and momentos for EVERYONE present. These were contributed by the Santa Fe, Southern Pacific, Missouri Pacific, and Denver and Rio Grande.

There will also be a judged contest of freight cars. If you wish to enter the contest please indicate this on the banquet pre-registration form and you will be mailed a contest entry form so it can be filled out in advance. There will be someone available to accept contest entries at 6 p.m.

Send in the registration form on the inside of the back page NOW.

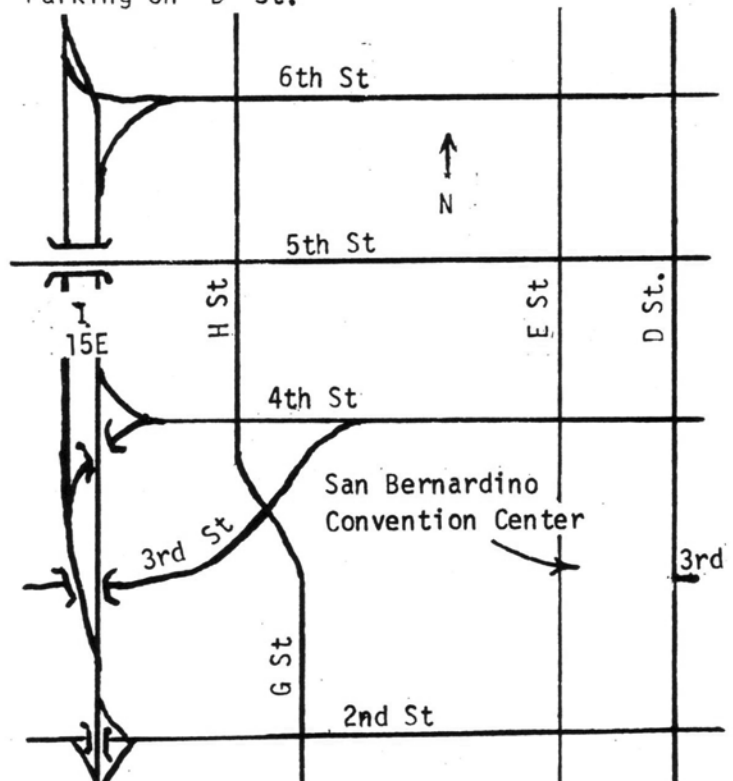
SWAP AND MODULE MEET
FEB. 24 NEXT CAJON DIVISION EVENT
SEE PAGE 3.

ELECTION BALLOT INSIDE

See page 4 for candidate's statements and ballot.

Ballot must be mailed by Feb. 2, 1979.

BANQUET LOCATION, 303 North "E" Street
Parking on "D" St.



Cajon Commentary

By Bob Chaparro, Superintendent

There are four major items addressed in this issue of the ORDER BOARD: The banquet/business meeting, the module/swap meet, the Barstow Tour and the Division Election. Of these four I believe the election to be the most important.

It is important to me because the participation in this election by the membership as candidates and as voters either gives this Division a broad base of interest and support or it renders the Division nothing more than an on-paper local component of the NMRA and PCR. We either have democratic, high-consensus organization of model railroaders or we have a dis-united collection of names on a membership role led by a very small group of persons lacking direction and purpose.

As I write this column I have no idea how many candidates will be running for the two offices. This is intentional as I do not want to become involved in the election process itself for obvious reasons. I hope you will give careful consideration to every candidate's statement and that you will cast a thoughtful vote. As the office I hold has no ego value for me I would rather lose with eighty percent of you voting than win with a ten percent turn-out.

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The Division's proposed By-Laws are not progressing as well as expected. Considerable effort has been expended by Chairman Art Burges and others in drafting, editing and finalizing these proposed articles in addition to lobbying activities at the mini convention in Fresno and by telephone with the three member PCR By-Laws Committee. Had approval been granted in Fresno you would be voting on the submission in the current election.

Although the submission closely parallels at least three other divisions' by-laws we cannot seem to resolve a single issue involving business meeting quorums. This matter probably will not be resolved until the Santa Rosa Convention in April.

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For those of you in HO, after a dry spell in new rolling stock we are now seeing a rush of totally new items from

Athearn, Train Miniature, Model Die Casting, AHM, Life-Like and others in the low price range. Be sure to stop by your local hobby shop and ask to see what's new. Tell 'em the Cajon Division sent you.

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Lastly, for Christmas many of your relatives, friends and neighbors have purchased their first train sets (Yes, it's hard to believe but many otherwise intelligent and civilized persons may wait years before they purchase one of the most essential elements in modern culture). Many of these train sets will not survive their first year with the would-be railroaders because of mechanical/electrical problems, operational limitations or declining interest due to lack of challenge in their beginning modeling. This is where you can be a valuable ambassador for the hobby as well as a good Samaritan. All you have to do is ask a leading question such as, "How are you doing with your train set?" If the person doesn't respond with something like, "Great, my fine-scale scratch-built S.P. AC-6 pulled 85 cars up the Tehachapi Loop I completed in the den last night." you'll probably hear the usual first-train set horror stories. Chances are you will either be able to solve the problem directly or you'll have a solution in your own railroad library.

If you take time and use tact we'll probably have another convert to our hobby who would otherwise be lost to us forever. Give it a try.

Bob

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Swap & Module Meet Feb 24

The Cajon Division's next big event is the Swap and Module Meet. This will be held on Sat., Feb. 24, 1979 at the San Bernardino Orange Show Grounds in the South Stadium Grandstand Concourse, 689 "E" St. Enter thru Gate 1.

The meet will last from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. with a 9 a.m. set-up time for those with modules. Admission is only 50¢ and is free with an operational module or operating portable layout.

Card table size swap tables must be provided by sellers and will be charged a fee of \$1.00 per table unit over admission. No selling will be allowed in the parking lot. Commercial displays and selling tables are welcomed. Only model railroad and related items (including prototype items) may be sold.

If you plan to bring a module, also plan on bringing a power source, extension cords and masking tape to secure the cords, a few basic tools and rolling stock. AC power will be available from outlets around the concourse. Portable layouts are also welcome.

Schedule

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- Feb. 1 Post-mark deadline for Division election ballots.
- Feb. 10 Banquet & Business meeting
- Feb. 24 Module & Swap Meet, San Bernardino
- Mar. 3 West Covina Brotherhood Model RRers, Open House & Swap Meet, 132 E. 1st St., Pomona Mall, Pomona, N & HO 9 am - 1 pm.
- Mar. L.A. Division layout tour, Whittier/Pomona area.
- Mar. Arizona Division meet, Phoenix
- Mar. San Diego Division Meet, San Diego
- Apr. 19-22 PCR Convention, Santa Rosa
- Apr. 28 Barstow Yard tour, Barstow.
- June Cajon Division meet, Orange County

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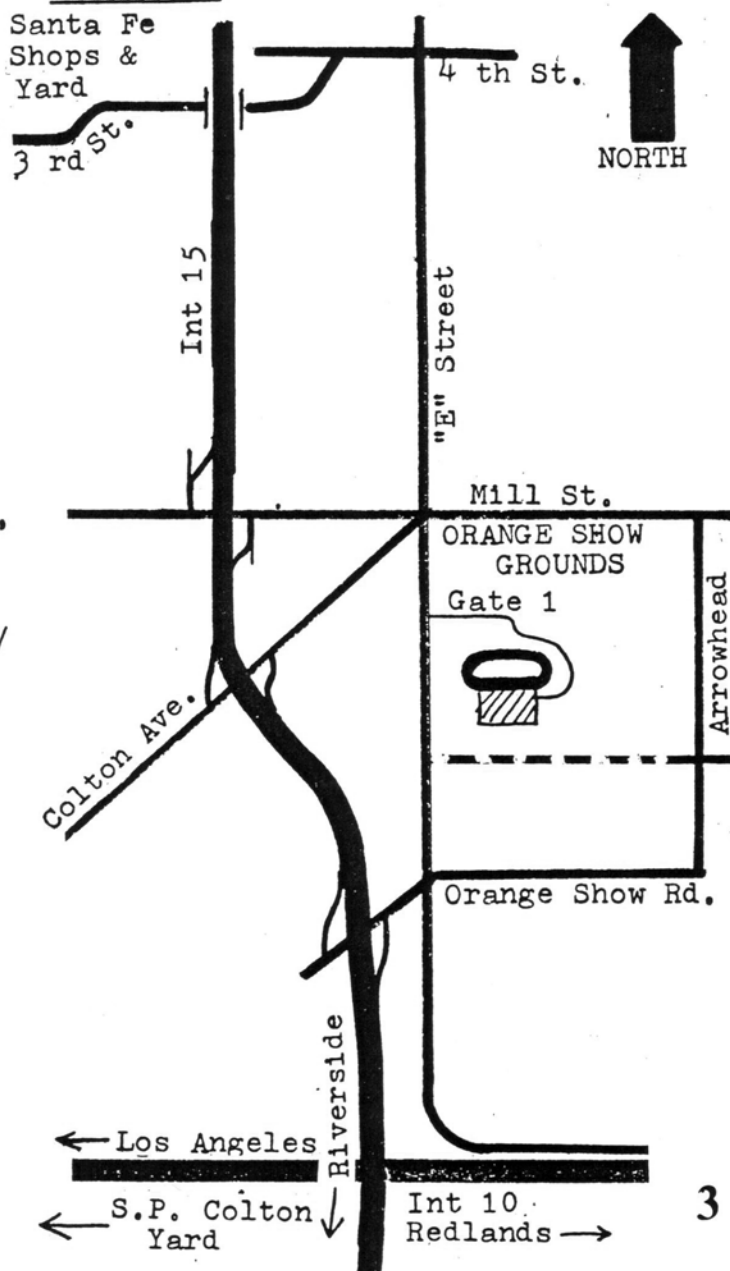
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The under-construction HO and N layouts of the Roundhouse Gang Model Railroad Club will be open for viewing. The HO section will have continuous running on the six scale mile mainline.

This area is also good for prototype photography. The meet site is within two miles of the S.P., U.P. and Santa Fe main lines, two miles from the Santa Fe shops and yard and within five miles of the huge S.P. Colton Yard.

If you'd like to volunteer for 30 minutes of service to your division at this meet, call the Superintendent, Bob Chaparro at (714) 734-7141.

SWAP/MODULE MEET LOCATION:
689 "E" St.



Candidate's Statements

***** OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT *****

BOB CHAPARRO: Age 31; member of NMRA/PCR for 9 years; member of Roundhouse Gang since 1977; Administrative Assistant for County of Orange; resides in Corona.

"I would like to continue to lead this Division on the basis of 1) getting maximum input from the membership on what the Division should be doing and 2) working along the lines of interests of the most active volunteers. I would also like to increase the mutually beneficial cooperative activities and publicity efforts between the Division and the various local clubs, module groups, railfan/prototype-interest/historical groups and our neighboring divisions.

I live, work and model in the three highest membership counties in our Division. On this basis I am accessible to most of our members in person should they have suggestions or criticisms."

JOE WALKER: Spanning over 2-1/2 decades, Joe's model railroading interests started with O gauge then went to HO and he is now into both HO and N scales. His main interest in model railroading has long been in the scenery and backdrop aspects.

Currently Joe is diligently working on a model railroad business he organized last June: "Yard Master" Products.

Joe says that as an avid supporter of the present superintendent's policies, if elected he would strive to continue these.

Joe is a life member of the NMRA and has served as Public Relations Rep. for the PCR and as co-chairman for the NMRA annual convention - 1965 to 1968. He writes a regular feature for the Branch Line - "Kinks Korner" and has had articles in the Nov., 1977 and Jan., 1979 NMRA Bulletins. He has also written for Toy Trains and Model Trains Magazines.

***** OFFICE OF CHIEF CLERK/PAYMASTER *****

RICHARD D. HUTCHINS (DICK): Purchasing Agent; has been interested in model railroading for over 25 years. His early interests were in tinsplate, but he now models HO Scale. He likes all facets of model railroading including photography. He has been a member of NMRA and PCR since 1964.

Dick says, "I think the Cajon Division has a good future and a large potential for improvement with greater participation of our membership toward our common objectives."

SHIRLEY MC FADDEN: is a busy homemaker with many model railroad interests. She started modeling in "O" scale about 10 years ago and is very enthusiastic about model railroading. She works in their family-hobby oriented business "Mac's "O" Gauge". Her main interest is in modeling passenger car interiors.

Since Shirley took over the job of Chief Clerk/Paymaster, she has set up complete books and records. She enjoys working for the Cajon Division and is eager to continue serving the division as Chief Clerk/Paymaster.



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Vote for one candidate for each office only. Voting for more than one candidate for an office will automatically void your ballot. The term for each office is two years.

Your ballot must be postmarked no later than February 2, 1979, to be counted as a valid vote. Fold ballot in thirds, fasten with either a staple or tape, affix a 15¢ stamp and mail by the February 2 deadline. The mailing address is on the other side of this ballot.

DO IT TODAY!!!

FOR OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT

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The auction was attended by 112 persons including 28 sellers who sold 103 of 190 items offered. There were many values in all price ranges. A more detailed analysis is being conducted on what did and didn't sell, bid trends and the overall auction process. Given this success it is highly probable that the auction will become an annual event. A search for a larger facility is already in progress.

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Details as to whether the tour will include transportation from San Bernardino via charter bus are being negotiated.

The tour will require reservations and will probably cost about four to six dollars (mainly for partial bus transportation per Santa Fe in the yard) per person. There probably will not be another ORDER BOARD issued prior to this tour so consider this first and last call. Further details and a reservation form are available from:

Barstow Tour
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