

The Railjoiner

WHAT PICNIC??

LAYOUT PROGRESS

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What a beautiful day for a picnic. Great weather, low temps and little or no wind. The one thing missing were people. Although we had 10 of us (including wives or better halves) there at various times, it certainly was not a huge attendance figure and given the time and effort to prepare for such an event, probably not worth the effort in the future. Although we all have other things and commitments thru out our daily lives, it seems like a picnic is something that we can all enjoy. Or maybe not! I wonder if we are asking too much of members to come to an annual event that takes away from the other things we have to do. Or maybe it was the time of year and the uncertainty of the weather.

There has only been a little progress through the summer. Members are on vacation, the weather is not conducive for working (too hot and muggy), so not much has been done that can be seen. One operating night was cancelled due to the heat (no one showed up). Therefore, we have no new pictures. This fall there should be more activity and hopefully in the next *RAILJOINER* there will be new photos of our progress.

ARIZONA DIVISION/NMRA MEET

SATURDAY, NOV. 10

ST. ODILIA CHURCH

The Arizona Division/ Nat'l Model Railroad Meet will be held Saturday, Nov. 10, at St. Odilia Church (Parish Hall), 7570 N. Paseo del Norte (the usual place). There will be three clinic presentations, contests, the opportunity to meet with and talk to other model railroaders, and in general, have a great time!

SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

Running Nights: see Calendar on page 2

28 Active Members
0 Applicant Members

Guys, I would ask all of you to think about it and give some feedback so we can decide going forward what we should do if anything. After all it is our club and any events we do should be something that most (sometimes all) of us can enjoy. Think about it. We need your feedback.

Special thanks needs to go out to Richard for reserving the picnic area and preparing the area and grills for those who attended. — *Frank Flasch*

PAYING DUES

Several members have been removed from Active status because they haven't been seen and have fallen 4 months behind in dues. If you aren't "active" you cannot vote and you are not allowed to operate trains. The 4 month cut-off is to prevent you from owing a large dues bill (4 months is currently \$60).

SASME tends to have members who "don't come around

anymore" and therefore owe dues. SASME removes the member from active status to stop the dues accumulation. To be reinstated to active status, the back dues must be repaid and the Board must agree to let the member return.

Those who attend on a regular basis usually are in good shape, dues-wise. It is those who, for whatever reason, quit coming around that are removed from active status.

CALENDAR

September

Business Meeting	5
Work Day	12
Narrow Gauge Operations	18
Run What You Brung	19
Prototype Op Session	26

October

Business Meeting	3
Work Days	10, 17
Narrow Gauge Operations	23

October (con't)

Run What You Brung	24
Prototype Op Session	31

November

Business Meeting	7
AZ DIV/NMRA Meet	10
Work Day	14
Narrow Gauge Operations	19
Run What You Brung	21
Prototype Op Session	28

THANKSGIVING is November 22!

MEMBER NEWS

There are now 28 active members in SASME. Al Westerfield, MMR, has been approved for membership and has attended several of the operating sessions.

Apparently, one of our Leave of Absence Members (Ben

Kaur) is now married. One of our members who is on Facebook saw the posting. Ben is in the US Air Force and is currently in South Korea.

Since the last *RAILJOINER*, David Irick and JC Williams

AUCTION

This year's auction will be held Saturday, Dec. 8, at John Almond's home. The address is:

2080 S. Triangle X Lane
Tucson, 85713

This is in the Tucson Estates area. Better directions and a map will come later.

As usual, bring your "unwanted" model railroad stuff and a little something to eat. And have lots of fun!

There are "Run What You Brung" as well as Narrow Gauge and Prototypical Operating Sessions each month.



are no longer active members due to being more than 4 months behind on dues.