

# The Order Board

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## Coming Events!

November 11-13-Cajon Division Barstow Meet 2005. See pages 3, 6, 9, and the enclosed flyer, this issue.

November 2, 5, 6-Highland Park Society of Model Railroad Engineers Open House. 854 East Broadway, San Gabriel, CA. 7-10 PM, 11/2, 12-5 PM, 11/5 & 6. Free admission. Contact Jerry Duane Duncan, 626-444-3317.

December 11-Train Show & Swap Meet. 29 Palms Elks Lodge. 10 AM-2 PM. Admission: \$3 donation. Contact John King, (760) 367-9633.

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## 2005 PSR CONVENTION A RESOUNDING SUCCESS!

*By John Taranto*

You couldn't have asked for a better location to hold a convention than the Resort Hotel at Knott's Berry Farm in Buena Park, California. The weather for the five days of activities was perfect. After checking in, each attendee was presented with a "goodie bag" loaded with pertinent information, schedules and prizes. The fun began immediately on Wednesday afternoon with layout operating sessions and a layout tour.

By Thursday morning some conventioners were already on "track nine" after a thoroughly enjoyable experience with the Knott's Berry Farm railroad gang. The group was given a private tour of the engine maintenance and overhaul facilities. Next came rides on the park's two trains powered by ex-Rio Grande Southern No. 41 and ex-Denver & Rio Grande Western No. 340. Runbys were performed for the group by each locomotive singularly and double-headed. You could see the pride in the faces of the train crews as they went about their work. Attendees were also given several rides around the park in the restored ex-RGS "Galloping Goose" No. 3.



*These are the conventioners who attended the Thursday morning Knott's Berry Farm engine house tour. Many stated that this tour was the highlight of the convention! Photo by Bill Jacobs camera.*

Meanwhile back at the convention hotel, the PSR Company Store quickly became a favorite hang-out for conventioners wanting to pause for a few minutes to enjoy a cup of coffee and chat with friends between clinics. Attendees to the convention were pleased to find a schedule of over 45 clinics to choose from. Presented by a staff of over 30 clinicians, the clinics were all first-rate and provided the attendees with a wealth of valuable information *and* inspiration.

Three layout tours were offered during the course of the convention and showcased the talents of many a fine modeler in the Anaheim area.

The Chinese Auction proved once again to be a very popular activity and auctioneer Marty Judd was in top form. This year at Cajon Country a record was set as every ticket

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## Attending our First Convention

*By Bev and Lane Smith*

Oh my...where to begin...we were amazingly overwhelmed with wonderment upon attending our first model railroad convention...it was a visual and sound sensory overload experience! Being total neophytes (and we thought we knew something about model railroading upon leaving the east coast to relocate to Vegas...Hah! NOT) we felt as though we had been thrust into the model railroad version of the Word game JUMBLE... NMRA, PSR, CAJON, MMR...what did these scrambled words mean? We started learning fast. Simply put, the convention experience was incredible! The clinics were like nothing in which Lane had ever participated... detailed, sometimes intense, and exacting. As we told several friends back on the east coast, this was the most scholarly approach to model railroading that we'd ever been exposed. We had no idea how many facets of model railroading would be discussed...the amount of knowledge shared and instruction given by the clinicians and many attendees was phenomenal. How will Lane ever have enough time left to experiment and implement techniques learned? He's planning his Vegas layout and anxious to start a new phase of his lifelong hobby.

The PSR Convention was an eye-opening revelation as to the multi-dimensional scope to which the model railroading hobby has evolved...this is not the childhood phase of toy trains gone amok, oh no, but rather a hobby that has taken an almost magical lifetime journey to any destination, duration, and detail that one chooses.

Attending the Train and Trade Show was a surprise treat...the mobile modules were intriguing...many

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individual creations fitting together as if they had all been constructed simultaneously under one roof. We had never seen anything like that. The vendors were informative and eagerly answered questions irregardless of any anticipated sales.

The graciousness of local model railroaders to open up their homes for layout tours was a fun experience. It's so great to see how others use their house square footage so innovatively to accommodate the ever encroaching model railroad layout.

We could go on and on...but for our final commentary for the convention was the overwhelming treat of meeting so many railroad enthusiasts living in the Las Vegas area...and now the privilege of calling them friends. Everyone reached out to us and made us feel like we not only were welcomed, but belonged.

The Railettes were a fun group and Bev loved spending time in their "clinics"...it was actually a relief for her to see that some Railettes seemed almost happily ignorant of the actual model trains and their physical workings. Bev likes all the scenery stuff but couldn't care a lick if the train ever operated on any track...might as well be honest. (I'm still not sure if Bev knows the difference between the engine and caboose...I'm talking about trains, right?)

We just arrived in Las Vegas in mid-July. We met Jan and Robert Wescott last November as a result of overhearing (eavesdropping) on the conversation of a couple at the table next to us at a local restaurant. Jan and Robert immediately reached out to us and enveloped us with genuine friendship and warmth...we weren't strangers to them, just new friends added to their already large circle. While we were still in South Carolina, Jan kept in touch via e-mail. We savored the pictures on the Cajon website (at the convention we loved putting names to the faces we had already "met" on the website). Jan and Robert also introduced us to Lynn Austin. Lynn invited us to his home last May along with Jan and Robert to see his train layouts. We were again overwhelmed by his models, expertise, etc. (his sound systems were beyond comprehension) but again, above all, his hospitality shown to us. Thank you, thank you.

Last year, other than relatives, we knew no one in Vegas. Thank you Jan & Robert and now Cajon members for your kindness and warmth extended to us. We truly look forward to continuing our participation with this wonderful organization.

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## Cajon Division Barstow Meet 2005

What is in store for Cajon Division after the 2005 PSR Convention? Well for one thing our annual premier event: the Cajon Division Barstow Meet. This year's event will be held over the Veterans Day weekend, November 11-13, so mark your calendars and make room reservations now. As in past years the event will be a joint venture between the Cajon Division and the Western America Railroad Museum. Cajon Division will handle planning of the train show at the Harvey House, events at the Ramada Hotel, and publicity to the membership, while WARM will organize the craft fair and do local publicity.

Because of the PSR Convention in September, this year's event will have a slightly different format, instead of a Chinese Auction, we will have a Live Auction, so bring all those trains, buildings, etc. that are not in the era you are currently modeling and make a few dollars. That way you can bid on someone else's stuff. The rest of the meet will have the same type of programs as in past years: clinics, the contest room, and the Harvey House Train Show.

So what do we need from you the membership? Members who are willing to step up to the plate and present clinics, run the auction, organize the Harvey House Train Show, take registrations, along with numerous other tasks required to run this event. Without your help, this event cannot be successful. You can call me at (714) 776-6394 or e-mail me at [cheimberger@anaheim.net](mailto:cheimberger@anaheim.net) and I will be more than willing to assign you a job.

When making reservations at the Ramada Hotel mention that you are with the Cajon Division Train Meet. Ramada is located at 1511 East Main Street, Barstow, CA. Their number is (760) 256-5637. See you in Barstow, Carl Heimberger-Event Coordinator.

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for the auction was sold for the first time.

The contest room was filled with many impressive entries from the talented members of the PSR. Competition was tight and the judges had their hands full of over 40 models entered (a record for a PSR convention). Twenty-eight of these models received merit awards, half of which went to Cajon Division members. Over 40 railroad photographs were entered.



Dave Arendes "Best of Show" photograph "V & T #27." Photo by David Arendes.



Terry Howden and Mike Sandstedt's 1st Place Module "Cajon Division Tall Trees Logging Module" on the OCMR layout. Photo by Don Stewart. (Eds. Note- Did you see Mike's new baby? Talk about a "chip" off the old block-I think he was cloned!)

The Railettes had a wonderful time. Sessions were held each day featuring needlepoint, craft making

**BINGO-By Loretta Block.**

The PSR Convention in Buena Park had something new! Bingo! Yep-it was for the Railettes, run by Loretta Block and Shelley Mathews! But a few guys joined us and had fun too! We had 18 people participate and gave away about that many prizes! Watch for the opportunity to play again-soon! And guys-don't be left out.



Loretta and Shelley conducting Bingo. Photo by Jane Jacobs

and scrap-booking. A free bingo session with prizes was held and even attracted four guys to get into the action in the parlor.

The train show at the Union Hall was a success as well. Modular layouts in HO, N, and O Gauge were represented and operated flawlessly. Vendors from across the area were set up and did a brisk business.

Saturday morning began with the "Hobo Breakfast" at the famous Mrs. Knott's chicken restaurant. A tradition dating back more than 30 years, the breakfast is a great way for "Hobos" from across the country to meet one another and swap stories. Anyone who has attended an out of region convention can become a "Hobo." There are no dues collected other than what pennies you may have in your pocket. Each place setting at the table has a place mat which is signed and dated by the Hobo sitting there. Some place mats contain Hobo's signatures and dates from the sixties. These weathered "artifacts" are then collected and reused year after year.



Carl Heimberger receiving the Cajon Member of the Year award from Jan Wescott. PSR President Ed Hall in background. Photo by Dorr Altizer.

The awards reception Saturday was well attended. The evening began with a fun trivia contest with each table competing as a team. Two of the most outgoing and funny guys in the entire NMRA, Clark Kooning and Charlie Getz, then made comments about candid pictures that had been taken during the course of the Convention. (Editors Note: Both Clark and Charlie are members of the NMRA Board of Directors-not many Regional Conventions get this kind of attention! Further, Charlie's wife, Margaret, was sitting at our table-she said she rarely goes with Charlie because he is so embarrassing and I can kind of see why-but she loved the Railette activities). Contest awards were presented next, followed by awards for personal achievement. Carl Heimberger, Convention Co-

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Brian Block, MMR 353, being congratulated by the other MMRs in attendance. From left, Leslie Eaton, Mary Barstow, Dave Cox, Brian, Ed Hall, and Clark Kooning. Photo by Dorr Altizer.

Chair, was honored as the Cajon Division Member of the Year. Brian Block was presented with his MMR Plaque and was congratulated by the other five MMRs in attendance.



Jan Wescott being presented with her gifts from the Committee. From left, Bill Jacobs, Jan, Ed Hall, and Lynn Austin (who seems to be explaining to Jan why there wasn't a nice wooden display stand for the convention car). Photo by Dorr Altizer.

During the reception, one could not help but feel that a lot of focus was on Convention Co-

Chair Jan Wescott. Wescott, completing a four year tenure as Cajon Division Director, would turn her helm over to Carl Heimberger at the end of the convention. Showing signs of exhaustion from the rigors of staging this event, Jan's emotion filled evening was capped of with two special gifts presented to her by her convention staff-a convention caboose signed by all and a trip to Hawaii, in appreciation for all the years of exemplary service which she put forth for the Division.

The Convention came to a close with the PSR general meeting. In a poignant "changing of the guard" ceremony, new directors were installed in all four divisions. For the Arizona division, Duane Buck assumed his new duties from Don Stewart. In the San Diego division, Don Fowler was given the director's chair by Rodger Gredvig. Paul Cutter (who unfortunately was unable to attend) was named director of the Los Angeles division, relieving Mary Barstow. And finally, for the Cajon Division, Carl Heimberger took over the throttle from Jan.

All in all, it was a very successful convention. Well attended and one for the record book. So, until next time, "shovel all the coal in, gotta keep 'em rollin'"...John.

*It takes a lot of people to put on a successful convention. This is the Cajon Country Convention Committee-almost. Missing, for sure, (and there might be others) are Edd and Shelley Mathews and Houston Lewis. Photo by Dorr Altizer.*



## BARSTOW, HERE WE COME!

**WHAT?** Cajon Division's Model Railroad Month Weekend Celebration  
**WHEN?** Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, November 11-13, 2005  
**WHERE?** Barstow Ramada Inn, 1511 E. Main Street, Barstow, California. Phone (760) 256-5673. Mention the model railroad group for a special room rate of \$62.00.  
**HOW MUCH?** Donation of White Elephant item or \$5 cash donation, good for all weekend and admission to the Harvey House Train Show.

### WHAT'S ON TAP FOR FRIDAY

#### At the Harvey House:

Noon to 5 PM Set up day for the operating train groups.

#### At the Ramada:

5 to 8 PM Registration

5 to 8 PM Hospitality Room will be open for coffee, show 'n tell and chit chat. Do you have something you can bring to show off or brag?

7 PM Special Bingo session is planned with lots of prizes for the guys and Gals-Room C.

7:30 PM In Room D, Special weathering clinic and contest-Bring your weathering chinks and supplies! You'll be weathering a DPM store front. Everyone is a winner at this special contest and will be given a token prize.

### SATURDAY-A FULL DAY OF ACTIVITIES!

#### At the Harvey House:

10 AM to 4 PM Public Train Show. In conjunction with the Western America Railroad Museum a train and craft festival will be held on the grounds of the Harvey House. Word is that they are bringing in a Santa Fe dining car to serve up some yummy BBQ for lunch using beef from the same supplier as the Idle Spurs Steak House.

#### At the Ramada:

#### **Model Contest in Room B**

8 to 11 AM Model Entries Accepted

11 AM Judging

6 PM Pick up models

All winners and awards will be announced at the Awards Presentation at 6 PM. Members are invited to bring all their models and paperwork for models they want judged.

#### **Clinics**

##### Room C

8:30 AM Dave Arendes-How to Build a Module.

10 AM Carl Heimberger-Track Geometry: How to lay track that will keep trains off the ground.

11:30 AM Joe Villaryo-How to Wire Your Module for DCC.

This is a series of clinics that take you from starting a module to completion of wiring.

##### Room D

8 AM Bob Mitchell-The Tin Foil Clinic. Tin foil...an overlooked modeling medium. Bring your figures to life with realistic clothing, create tents and tarps, curtains, table cloths, and unbelievable bark for your foreground trees. Use it to make all types of rocks (without the use of molds or plaster). Create terrains that capture the visitors eye. Plus tunnel liners and more!

9:30 AM TBD

11:00 AM TBD

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## **SATURDAY EVENING**

### At the Ramada:

- 6 PM Awards Presentation.  
 7 PM Live Auction. Time to clean out the closets and bring your items to the Live Auction. Division gets 10% of the winning bid price and seller keeps the rest. No fee to buyers-they bring the money! Note: Due to the recent convention, there will not be a Chinese Auction held in Barstow this year.

## **SUNDAY**

### At the Ramada:

- 8:30 AM Important Membership Meeting-Room B. Your new Director invites everyone to gather for a brief informal meeting. Special door prizes have been set aside for this meeting.

### At the Harvey House:

- 10 AM to 3 PM Activities at the Museum and Harvey House continue.

## **Carl's Corner**

*By Carl Heimberger, Cajon Division Director*

Let me start out by thanking the entire Cajon Division membership who worked so hard to make the 2005 PSR Convention a success. And a really big thanks to Jan Wescott for four years of dedicated service to the Cajon Division, and spear-heading the 2001 and 2005 conventions. Although the convention was not the financial success we had hoped it would be, we at least balanced income and expenses and everyone I have talked with came away with a feel-good experience, including the train show vendors. So in my book Cajon Division put on a successful PSR Convention, and again a big thank you to all.

So what is in store for Cajon in the next two years? Well Jan really set some lofty accomplishments in her term, so I have quite a challenge ahead to keep the synergy of Cajon moving in a positive direction. To do that I will need the help of all the Cajon Division members and for starters I need to finalize the Executive Board. So I would like each of you to ask yourself what you can do to help make Cajon Division continue its road to prosperity. Please call me if you have any aspirations of serving on the Board, if you do not call I will most likely call you anyway, so why not beat me to the punch.

Our next Cajon event will be the Barstow Meet, November 11th through the 13th. Please see details of this event in this Order Board. John King from Twenty-nine Palms is planning a Cajon Division Meet in December, and a flyer will be sent out once details have been confirmed. I would like all who can to support this effort, we as a Division need to help support those who live in the out-lying areas of the Division. In addition, my goal is to have at least two events in the Orange County and Las Vegas areas this next year, so get your thoughts together and let's plan some outstanding events.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve as Cajon's Director for the next two years. I am looking forward to the challenge and friendship...Carl.

**SNNT AT DANSEY'S** *by Bill Graebel* Southern Nevada N-Trak (SNNT) set up their modules at Dansey's Hobbies on August 13-14 for train running and public viewing. Members of SNNT have been meeting at Dansey's on Wednesday nights; building permanent layouts for display in the store. The HO and O scale layouts are largely completed and the N scale layout will have track laid by labor day. Owners Dave and Judi Lugo (pictured) have supported SNNT and provide meeting space.



## Robert's D— Column

*By Robert Wescott, Cajon Division Contest/AP Chair  
E-Mail: RDWescott@cox.net Robert's photo by Charles Nauman*



Well, it seems like we did it again. The contest at the Cajon Country Convention was a great success! From what I understand, we needed only 2 more entries in the photo contest to break the record. As far as the model contest went, I was shocked at what I saw on the tables. Especially from our Division. All totaled, there were at least 40 models entered. I heard, from more than one person, that it was wonderful to see so many steam locomotives. There were seven steam locomotives entered, with all seven earning merit awards.

Altogether Cajon took 38 plaques and prize ribbons. All I can say is "Congratulations" to all of the winners, which included:

### PHOTO CONTEST-MODEL

#### Black & White Print

1st Place Charles Nauman  
2nd Place Charles Nauman

#### Color Print

3rd Place Charles Nauman  
Hon. Mention Charles Nauman

#### Slides

1st Place Charles Nauman  
2nd Place Charles Nauman  
3rd Place Charles Nauman

#### Best of Show

Dave Arendes

### MODEL CONTEST

#### Steam Locomotive-Open

2nd Place Joe Villaryo\*

#### Steam Locomotive-Kit

1st Place Brian Block, MMR\*  
2nd Place Joe Villaryo\*  
3rd Place Joe Villaryo\*

Hon. Mention Joe Villaryo\*  
Hon. Mention Joe Villaryo\*

#### Diesel Locomotive-Open

1st Place Brian Block, MMR\*

#### Diesel Locomotive-Kit

2nd Place Ed Hall, MMR\*  
3rd Place John King

#### Freight Car-Open

1st Place Ted Johnson\*

#### Caboose-Kit

2nd Place John King  
3rd Place John King

#### Non-Revenue Car-Kit

2nd Place Carl Heimberger\*

#### Structures On-Line-Open

1st Place Brian Block, MMR\*  
2nd Place Paul Gerhardt

#### Structures Off-Line-Open

2nd Place Robert Wescott\*  
3rd Place Robert Wescott\*

#### Structures Off-Line-Kit

3rd Place John King

#### Module

1st Place Terry Howden/  
Mike Sandstedt\*

#### INGENUITY AWARD

Paul Schmitt, MMR

#### PRESIDENT'S AWARD

Joe Villaryo

#### ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

John King	Golden Spike
Brian Block, MMR	Scenery
Brian Block, MMR	Engineering-Civil
Jan Wescott	Official
Jane Jacobs	Volunteer
Marty Judd	Volunteer
Bill Jacobs	Author
Brian Block	Master
	Model Rail-roader #353 with Plaque

\*Denotes an Achievement Award

**Wow!! What a show.** Check out all the photos of the winning entries online at [www.psr-nmra.org](http://www.psr-nmra.org) (click on PSR Home Page and scroll down). Now for the future. Don't forget that we have Barstow coming up shortly. We will have a contest for all that wish to have a model judged. Again, all that is required is a desire and the paperwork. Robert



## LIVE AUCTION IN BARSTOW

By "Pine Tree" Bob Mitchell

Holy Smokes! (that is "Loco Smoke"). Another year has past and the now infamous Barstow Meet is upon us once again. This means it's time to mingle with great friends, enjoy some fine clinics, share ideas and of course...Get Ready for the Live Auction!!! Unlike the Chinese Auction, this is your chance to actually go home with some of the money you will be spending on all of the other great things being offered at the Harvey House. Here is how it works for those who may have forgotten (or, if you are absent-minded like me, Jan Wescott has already jogged your memory).

This is the auction that you can bring as many items as you can find for our fellow modelers to ooh!! and aah!! about and you can go home with 90% of the bid proceeds (the other 10% goes to the Cajon Division). So now is a great time to blow the dust off those forgotten items you've been planning to use on your layout-SOMEDAY!

Remember, the "hotter" the item, the more competition among bidders, which equals a greater return for you, the seller. And with Marty Judd (you did volunteer again, didn't you?) as one of the auctioneers you might go home a millionaire (of course, that's N-Scale money). Seems like Marty's whimsical antidotes always "jack up the bid"...at least I can't seem to help myself. In fact, I might even bark a few numbers myself to give him a break.

And don't forget to donate some of those sight-unseen door prize items we all get a laugh over. Just wrap them up and be sure to write the scale on the box. Which reminds me of the time Charles Nauman donated a heavier than usual box that I just couldn't resist, because it had to be great to weigh so much. I still remember the snicker on his face when I opened it. Well, Chuck, I intend to have the last laugh when I convert that old Mantua Boiler to an award winning model right after I purchase a \$600 vertical mill, a \$700 lathe, and several hundred dollars worth of cutting tools so I can reshape it into something unusual, unique and useful.

The Auction is scheduled for Saturday night at 7 PM. Keep in mind, if for any reason you can't attend, send your stuff with a buddy who's coming (I'd pick a really trustworthy buddy) and you will receive 90% of the proceeds. So let's all pull together and make this a great auction. Just tell the registration desk that you have items for the live auction and they will give you further instructions.

By the way, look for some unusual trees to bid on-and 100% of those proceeds will go to the Division...Bob.



*Sometimes you just need your Snoopy fix! From left, Jan Wescott, Loretta Block, Shelley Matthews, and Jane Jacobs eating with old "Joe Cool" himself. Photo by Snoopy's helper.*

*Former Rio Grande Southern C-19 Number 41, restored to her glory days and converted to burn propane. Photo by Bill Jacobs.*



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*Restored RGS Motor Number 3— one of the famed "Galloping Geese." A Cummins turbo diesel has been installed and the original engine went to Goose 5 in Dolores. Photo by Bill Jacobs*

*The bidding was fast and furious at the Chinese auction at the PSR Convention. For the first time all the tickets were sold! Photo by Dorr Altizer.*



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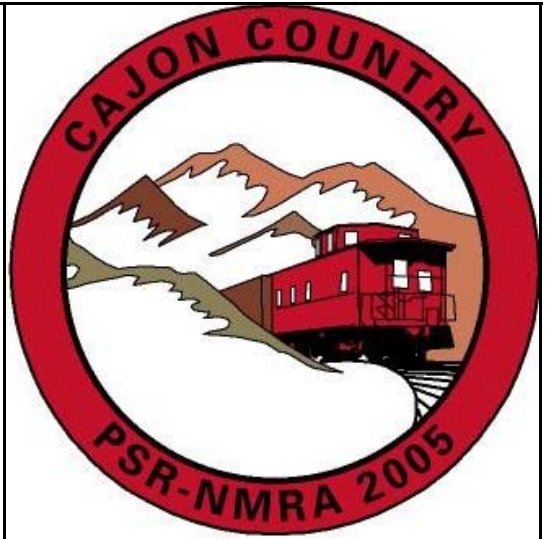


## SOME FINAL CONVENTION THOUGHTS

*By Jan Wescott, PSR 2005 Convention Chair*

Yes folks, the convention is over and what a convention this turned out to be! It's been an unbelievable experience and unlike any other convention I've attended. The Cajon Division has every right to be proud of its convention team and the job they did to make this such a memorable experience for all that attended.

There's been a flood of e-mails that have come in steadily since the convention ended with most messages similar in content... "best PSR convention," "thanks for a great convention," "really a fun convention," "had a super time," etc. Right from day one there seemed to be an excitement in the air. More than half the registered attendees arrived the very first day; checking in on Wednesday. Surprisingly, there were many too, that arrived on Tuesday eager to check the area out. There were forty of these folks that took in the Engine House tour bright and early Thursday morning. I think that Engine House Tour kind of set the tone for the rest of the convention. The oohs and aahs and bright smiles continued through the whole convention.



We had an exceptional number of proud accomplishments, too many to list them all here, but they included a record number of contest entries in our contest room, guys joining their non-rail wives to play Bingo, and for the very first time since hosting our infamous Chinese Auctions we sold out every last ticket thanks in part to Lynn Austin who donated some nifty Broadway Limited engines. With that money we provided some really yummy party hors d'oeuvres for everyone to enjoy at the awards reception.

Everyone wants to know if we made any money. This convention was not about making money. We wanted this event to be for each attending member to enjoy. We made our money the past four years selling hot dogs and hamburgers, hosting our auctions, so that we could (1) be a legal non-profit organization and (2) be able to host a first class convention. When Carl and I chose the Knott's Berry Farm location we knew it was going to cost us but it was our aim to give as much bang for the buck as we could and put on a super show. Our financial goal was to break even. The money in our treasury was made by our membership and we vowed it would be used for their enjoyment and not left sitting in some bank.

YES, in answer to your many queries, we met our goal and broke even, but we cut it very close to the vest. And yes, we could have charged folks more for this or that and yes, we really could have made a bundle, but that wasn't our goal. In the end, we feel this was a huge success and this is so evident by the tons of comments and after convention e-mails.

As for me, I'm still in shock and stunned by the out-pouring of warmth and heart-felt feelings received. From the convention team all dressed in Hawaiian garb to present me with a surprise trip to Hawaii and my very special signed caboose, to the standing ovation received at the awards reception Saturday night. I still say I have the very best crew that could ever be assembled. It was my privilege to be their leader and I'm proud to call them friends. The accolades continue on and I even received a cake (my favorite, lemon) in the mail from Keith Morrow of Santa Ana.

Many thanks to all of you and for those that came, I am so glad that you enjoyed. See you in Barstow!

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<u>Class of Membership</u>	<u>NMRA</u>	<u>PSR *</u>	<u>BOTH</u>
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