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HAPPY NEW YEAR! I hope that you were able to enjoy some great holiday fun with your family and

friends. I also hope that Santa brought you some great model railroad goodies. The new year provides fresh opportunities to initiate some new exciting and fun projects. Here are a few ideas to consider; **YOUR MODEL RAILROAD** – What about those unfinished projects? If the layout is finished, does it need some maintenance or TLC? Is it time to design and build a new one? You know that the next one is always better than the last one.

SHARING YOUR SKILLS – How about writing an article for a model railroad magazine or putting together a clinic for our next convention? Have you considered offering to mentor a new model railroader?

EXPANDING YOUR SKILLS – Are you ready to take the plunge into DCC? The NMRA's Achievement Program

will enhance and bring out the best of your modeling skills. Challenge yourself!

GROWING THE HOBBY – When was the last time you introduced someone to model railroading? How about recruiting a new NMRA member? For \$9.95, the six month trial membership is a bargain!

From the Hot Seat!

Don Fowler, PSR President
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GET MORE INVOLVED – Do your best to attend and support your Division activities and volunteer to help out in some capacity. What about joining a local model railroad club?

Choose some of my suggestions or come up with your own. The more you invest of yourself and your time, the more that you will get out of our great hobby. Drop me a line and let me know what you decide. Make 2012 count! On the National scene, the Winter Board Meeting will be held in Las Vegas on February 7-9, 2012 at the Palace Station Hotel. National Elections are coming up and ballots will be in the February 2012 NMRA Magazine issue. The "Cruise Convention" concept is still under consideration and National membership is holding steady at around 19,500.

There are going to be plenty of great opportunities around the Region this year to get together with our members and enjoy our hobby. Keep an eye on our websites and calendars to get the details. In addition to the regular Division meets, don't forget about Cajon

Division's Temecula Meet with PSR's Mid-Year Board Meeting in March, L.A. Division's Spring Rail in April, the National Convention in July and of course, our Region Convention in September. I'm planning to attend as many of these events as possible and hope that I get to see you at one or more of them.

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Boy is time flying by. It seemed like just yesterday that I was writing to you about the Flagstaff Convention. We in Arizona have just completed a very successful Division Meet, November 12th in Tucson. Our head count was down slightly, with 79 registered attendees, due to the visit of UP 844 in Tucson the same day. But on the plus side we did sign up 3 new NMRA members. As usual we had a full slate of events with three clinics, swap meet, railettes room, contest room, layout open houses and much more. Our cycle of meets for the Arizona Division is to have a one day meet in March in Phoenix, June in Flagstaff and November in Tucson. If you have not attended an Arizona one day meet give us a try.

The next scheduled meet will be in Sun City, AZ on Saturday, March 10. For details on time and location see the Arizona Division Spur Line in the PSR website. As usual it will be a full all day action packed day. If you need more information please contact me.

As most of you know my heart is in the contest room and I am happy to report that our contest room in Arizona is well attended. I don't know where everybody disappeared to at the Region Convention in Flagstaff, but they have reappeared at the Division meets. The Achievement Program activity is increasing, as a result we are seeing more and more models in the contest room with many members wishing to be judges, to learn how to improve their own modeling and gain volunteer points for the Achievement Program.

You will hear this from me every time I speak or write to you. Who are we? We are the NMRA, that building in Chattanooga is not the NMRA, we are. We are family, friends and strangers who all love the same thing, trains. What should we do about this? Join your local club, attend Division and Region meets and broaden your group of friends, introduce yourself to that stranger, learn from each other and enjoy to comradery doing what you love, talking about, building and running trains. For a list of local clubs in Arizona see the Arizona Division Spur Line.

Be sure to support your local hobby shops.

It is time for the annual Cajon Division Temecula Meet. Once again it will be held at the Mary Philips Senior Center in Old Town Temecula, 41845 6th Street, Temecula, Ca 92590

Friday, March 30th

Registration 5pm

Bingo for Trains starts at 6:30pm

Saturday, March 31st

Registration starts at 7:30am

9 clinics - first clinics start at 8:15am sharp.

Lunch - BBQ Lunch \$5.00 for those interested

1:00pm - PSR Board of Directors Meeting

Self Guided Layout tours all afternoon

6:00pm - Dinner at Pat & Oscar's

Chinese Auction - ticket sales at 7pm. Donations are already arriving and we are going to have some really great items to pick over.

Further announcements to follow with clinic descriptions and BBQ Lunch schedule. Check the Cajon Division website for updates:

<http://www.cajondiv.org>

Total cost to attend is only \$25.00, includes dinner at Pat & Oscar's. BBQ lunch will be \$5.00 additional for those that want to partake.

For more information, or to sign up, contact Bob Mitchel - email: cajondivision@verizon.net

Notice of Meeting

The mid-year PSR Board of Directors meeting will be held March 31st, 2012, 1:00pm to 5:00pm at the Mary Phillips Senior Center, 41845 6th Street, Temecula, CA.

Any items to be discussed should be submitted to the PSR Secretary or one of the Division Directors prior to the meeting.

All interested members are encouraged to attend.

Activity Reports



Los Angeles

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San Diego

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I'd like to direct you to Los Angeles Superintendent, Carl Heimberger's report for updated information on our forth coming "VENTURA FLYER" Regional Convention in Oxnard, California, for September 5th – 9th, 2012. Carl and his small staff are working vigorously on making this an exceptional convention. (We could use some more help!) For those of you that reside in Northern Los Angeles County and Ventura County, this convention is close to you, so we expect to see you there.

I and Membership Chairman's, Pat and Mona Raymer have attended and manned the NMRA Membership table, at two of the local "Great Train Expo" shows. Here at the Train Shows, we have had a poster for the "VENTURA FLYER" displayed, and discussed the convention with many railroaders. Many have picked up the flyer, so we expect a great turnout. Look for us at upcoming shows and other Model Railroad Events.

We have our L.A. Division Banquet coming up on March 24th at the "Tom O'shanter Inn in Los Angeles. "SPRINGRAIL", a day of clinics, swap meet and dinner, scheduled for April 21st, in Alhambra, and our yearly Train show at South Coast Botanic Gardens, in Rancho Palos Verdes, on October 27th. and 28th.

Now on to another important issue, VOLUNTEERS. The L.A. Division has been without a "Coupler" Editor and Web Master for some time. We have had several members interested, than back out. This is why our "Coupler" has not gotten published. The Editor position requires a person with Computer knowledge in composing a written page, assembling information provided by other individuals and contributors, plus editors' comments. The Web Master than takes this information and posts it on the Division Web Site. These positions don't require a lot of time for the experience person, but would require some hours spread over several days to do.

In doing volunteer work for your Division, you gain an inner sight on what is going on, voicing your thoughts on what you would like done and help in making things happen. Your ideas are needed and you will be working with others, that have the same interest, in making the

THE San Diego Division keeps getting better and better. Our Fall Meet, the second Saturday in November, was a great time, and we had over 50 people attending. A Hobo Auction and two excellent clinics highlighted the meeting, which included a pizza lunch for a nominal fee. We had a very successful holiday party at the home of Don and Kim Fowler, the second Saturday in December. The second Saturday in January we had a great layout tour at Don Ham's Central Coast HO railroad. Don's layout isn't completed, but the part that is done is superb! Everyone enjoyed seeing some of his techniques and the trains ran flawlessly.

Did you notice that everything is on the second Saturday? We're trying to get people into the habit of setting that day aside for the NMRA functions. Even though we've been changing back and forth from morning to afternoon functions depending on the venue, we've been successful in building attendance. We're not satisfied yet, though.

Coming up in February is our Winter Meet, to be held at the Short Track Railroad Section House at the Antique Gas & Steam Engine Museum in Vista, CA. We're not holding our swap meet in February this year, to avoid conflict with some of the others around, but we have some fun clinics, and a visit to Short Track is always impressive. They continue to make great strides towards the completion of their Donner Pass Exhibit (DPE), depicting the Southern Pacific line from Roseville to Sparks. We'll also get a chance to operate on the DPE, for those who may be interested.

We have layout tours planned for March and April, then our Spring Meet May 12. This year we'll hold the swap meet at the Spring Meet, which will be more centrally located in San Diego. This will be our first meeting in this new venue, and we're hoping it works out well for all concerned. If so, we might use it for our education program, which is in development. Speaking of education, two of our local clubs, Short Track Railroad and Poway Station, have opened their regular clinic nights to visitors. Both groups are hoping to use this to recruit new members as well as educate the

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Fireman's Seat

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I hope everyone had a wonderful Holiday Season, and I wish you all a Happy & Successful New Year. It is also time to start planning the 2012 slate of activities for your Divisions, so with that in mind the sharing of event dates, resources, and manpower between the Divisions is even more important.

I know of several members of my Division who attend events in neighboring Divisions so we do not want to compete for the same members on any one weekend. Therefore do not be afraid of asking your neighboring Divisions for their event schedule and you may want to even offer to help with their meet by giving a clinic or two. This becomes even more critical for the PSR Regional Convention, so before you see the call for clinicians why not volunteer, I know every Division has many talented members who have given clinics in the past and are working on some new ones and are more than willing to share their talents with others.

I would also like to stress that it would be helpful if each Division would help in the publication of Regional Convention Information as it become available. In this way the Host Division will not have to only rely on the information published in the Dispatch. I am not proposing that each Division publishes a complete convention package but just a single article provided by the Host Division to help keep the interest up and provide Convention updates. After all we are all in this hobby for the same reason, the joy of model railroading and the fellowship of other modelers.

PSR Elections Coming Up Your Input is Needed

The current terms of the Region President and Vice-President are coming to an end in September at the Annual Membership Meeting during the 2012 PSR Convention in Oxnard. If you know of someone who is interested in either of these positions, or are interested yourself, please contact Tom Draper prior to the Mid-Year BOD meeting in March, 2012:

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Nominating Committee Chairman

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Reports - Continued

Arizona

Purchasing off the web in great, but what about going into the hobby shop and looking at all of the neat stuff, sometimes finding that hidden treasure. Your local hobby shop can be a source of help, a warehouse of building items and ideas. Knowledgeable sales personnel who work with train aficionados every day can be a valuable resource for you. Saving 50 cents on the web is not always the most prudent move. For a list of local hobby shops in Arizona see the Arizona Division Spur Line.

Don't be a stranger to me. I am the Arizona Director and my job is to serve you. At the next meet or event come up to me and tells me what you like or dislike about the NMRA. I need to know what you want and expect from the NMRA before I can suggest changes that might be helpful to make the NMRA a better and more meaningful organization for us all.

Los Angeles

L.A. Division better for all of its members. There is a great satisfaction in doing this, and takes only a few hours a week or month to accomplish this. Several of our long time Board Officials have retired recently, so this has left open positions. Personally I have been connected with the board since 1995, and have enjoyed being on the Board. The Los Angeles Division is what you a make it, so get INVOLVED, VOLUNTEER.

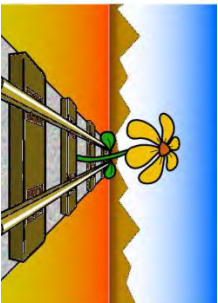
San Diego

existing members. January was the first month for Short Track, and Poway Station starts in February. We'll keep you posted on the progress made by these two clubs.

Also related to education, a Division committee has been formed, including Don Fowler, Dave Balser, Joe D'Elia, and me, to put together a program that can be used to educate and recruit new model railroaders. A textbook has been identified, and we're working on the proper presentation format. Next will be the venue and marketing methods. We're open to suggestions, and volunteers, to make the program as effective as possible.

We still have a few folks chasing their MMR, and a couple of new people have begun the process. We hope this will result in more models brought to meets, and the process will build on itself. In addition, one of the clinics at our February meet will be on AP paperwork, presented by Paul Schmitt, MMR. I'm looking forward to it.

SPRINGRAIL 2012



**Swap Meet
Clinics
BBQ Dinner
Hobo Auction**

April 21, 2012

**Swap Meet starts at 8:00 AM,
Clinics start at 9:00**

Coffee and Donuts will be available in the morning
and lunch at noon for a nominal fee.

Bring a model or two to show
Prizes given for Popular Vote
(If desired judged by NMRA Standards)
Also Z and HO Gauge Module Layouts

See Back of Flyer for Additional Information



First Christian Church
220 S. 5th Street
Alhambra, CA 91801
On corner 5th & Commonwealth



SPRINGRAIL 2012

SWAP MEET

6:30 am Setup

Swap Meet opens 8:00 am to Noon "Free Admission for Buyers"
Pre-Registration Sellers \$10/space (plus \$10 per table reservation)
for NMRA Members, non-NMRA members \$15 +\$10 per table
Day of Event Space \$15/Space (plus \$10/if tables are available)
1 Space = 1-8 foot table

Contact Mike Allee at

rmallee@me.com or 626-446-3946

Please include "SpringRail Swap" in your email title.

SPRINGRAIL MEET & CLINICS

\$8.00 paid at event for clinics and day events 9:00 am to 5:00 pm

Or the Full Bargain Package

Includes Clinics, BBQ Dinner, and Hobo Auction

For the bargain price of \$25

Pre-Registration Required for BBQ by 4/9/12

**There will be Clinics for all levels of
railroad modeling expertise.**

Children under 12 Free

To pre-register contact:

Mike Allee at rmallee@me.com or 626-446-3946

Please include "SpringRail Register" in your email title.

Make check out to L. A. Div. NMRA and mail to

Mike Allee, 1606 S. Fifth Ave. Arcadia, CA 91006

PSR/NMRA 2012 Convention, the “Ventura Flyer”



Planning is well underway for the 2012 PSR/NMRA Convention to be held in Oxnard, California, September 6th to 9th, 2012. As the convention Chair I would like to highlight some of the Convention activities with the hope you will attend.

The Ventura Flyer will feature over 60 hours of clinics that will range from basic how to get started in the hobby including how to build bench work, designing your track plan and installing track work, wiring, buildings, scenery, tuning up locomotives and rolling stock for flawless performance, and programming DCC.

We will also have clinics tailored to hold the interest of the most experienced modelers as well. Here is a sample of clinics;

Joe Villaryo - A three part clinic on how to install DCC sound in any locomotive; DCC Camp where you can bring your locomotive and the Orange County Module Railroader Club will show you with hands on how to program address, speed settings, sound and lighting;

Todd Scott – 3 D backdrops, and a series of clinic still in the planning stage presented by Jimmy Simons and Scotty Mason that will captivate you for most of the convention.

And not to leave out the Railettes, a full schedule of clinics and special luncheon will be available for them to enjoy.

A convention is not just about clinics however, and we have already lined up some spectacular layouts to tour; Mike Murphy's 26' X 30' transition era railroad featuring Santa Fe Southern Pacific/Union Pacific operations, Santa Susana Model Railroad Club representing Southern Pacific's Coast Line in mid 1950's. South Coast Museum housed in a 1901 Southern Pacific Depot with steam/early diesel era Southern Pacific; And no visit to Ventura – Santa Barbara would not be complete without visiting Gary Siegel's HO L&N where it is 1971 and 1st and 2nd generation diesel rule.

We will also have a full series of social events including the Wednesday welcome reception, Friday night Hobo Auction, and the Saturday am will bring a swap meet followed in the evening with the Awards Banquet.

A convention is only as good as the Convention Facility and the Courtyard by Marriott Oxnard is a class act. The hotel room rate is \$109.00 + local taxes and fees, and includes free parking and breakfast for two per room.

The Los Angeles Division looks forward to seeing you at the “2012 Ventura Flyer”. For additional information visit the NMRA/Pacific Southwest Region Convention web site (<http://www.psrconvention.org/ventura12/index.htm>) or contact.

Carl Heimberger - cjheimberger@gmail.com
Mike Allee – rmallee@me.com



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King or Double Queen

(Includes breakfast for 2, additional guest breakfast \$10.95 each ++)

Please add 0.065% California Tourism Tax to all rates.

Gratuuity not included and would be appreciated!

For reservations please call 800-321-2211 and ask for the
“Los Angeles Division of the Pacific Southwest Region NMRA” rate or “NMR” group code.
www.oxnardcourtyard.com

A limited number of rooms have been set aside as a courtesy block and
does not guarantee availability. Please reserve your room by
August 8, 2012 to secure the special group rate. After the Reservation due date, reservations and rates will be subject
to availability.

Courtyard by Marriott Oxnard 600 East Esplanade Drive, Oxnard, California 93036
Hotel (805) 988-3600



Ventura Flyer 2012

Pacific Southwest Region, NMRA® 2012 Convention

September 5th – 9th, 2012

Presented by the Los Angeles Division, PSR, NMRA®
 Courtyard by Marriott Oxnard/Ventura
 600 Esplanade Drive, Oxnard, CA 93036

*****REGISTRATION & BANQUET FEES LISTED BELOW ARE GOOD ONLY
 UNTIL MAY 1, 2012. FEES WILL INCREASE AFTER MAY 1 2012*****

Name(s)* (1) _____ (2) _____
 (3) _____ (4) _____

Address _____

City _____ State & Zip _____

Phone & Area Code _____ E-Mail ** _____

NMRA Member (yes or no) _____ I.D. # _____ Registration Date _____

Region _____ Home Division _____

*As you want it to appear on your badge(s) **E-Mail is the preferred communication method

For Convention Information Contact				
Carl Heimberger at cjheimberger@gmail.com or Mike Allee at rmallee@me.com				
FARE	Qty		Each In	Total
Full Registration (Includes Banquet Dinner) ***		@	\$105.00	
Spouse or Youth Registration (includes Banquet Dinner) ***		@	\$85.00	
Banquet Meal Choice () Chicken Parmigiana () Tri-Tip () Vegetarian				
Full Registration (Excludes Banquet Dinner) ***		@	\$75.00	
Spouse or Youth Registration (Excludes Banquet Dinner) ***		@	\$55.00	
Additional fee for non NMRA® Members (Rail Pass NMRA membership)				
		@	\$9.95	
Railette Luncheon Friday				
		@	\$10.00	
Railette Lunch Choice () Chicken Caesar Salad () Cobb Salad				
Banquet Dinner Only () Chicken Parmigiana () Tri-Tip () Vegetarian		@	\$40.00	
Payment By () Check () Cash () Credit Card			TOTAL	
We will call you for credit card information Best Time () Morning () Afternoon () Evening				
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For Reservations please call 800-321-2211 and ask for the "Los Angeles Division of the Pacific southwest Region NMRA" rate or "NMR" group code www.oxnardcourtyard.com Room rate guaranteed until August 8, 2012.				

Cancellation Policy: Full Registration Fee minus \$5 handling fee will be refunded if canceled one week prior to event. (August 29, 2012 last day to cancel) No refund on Extra Fare Items.

NMRA Infonet - News from NMRA National

News from the NMRA Board meeting:

Tom Draper, manager of the National Train Show, reported that the number of booth sales for the show at Grand Rails 2012 is currently at the same level it was at this time last year for the show in Sacramento.

After a necessarily short search by the NMRA Canada Nominating Committee, Clark Kooning volunteered for an appointment as NMRA Canada Director when Don Hillman stepped down from the job for health reasons. We wish Don all the best, and thank Clark for his willingness to serve at the last minute.

Financially, the NMRA ended 2011 in very good standing and is currently rebuilding some of its funds from which it had borrowed in the past. In addition there is currently enough money in the budget to hire an IT professional to repair, maintain, and update the NMRA website.

The NMRA has announced an agreement of cooperation between itself and the Hasea.com Model Railroad Association (HRMA) of China, a community of over 100,000 railfans and model railroaders. The HRMA, a relatively young organization, is interested in learning how the NMRA is organized, and will promote NMRA standards in China. Members of both organizations will be able to enjoy the many benefits of each. A press release and story will appear shortly in NMRA Magazine.

The Board is in the initial stages of studying electronic balloting as a way of both saving on postage and encouraging additional member participation. More Board meeting news next month!

And some other news:

The Grand Rails 2012 website at www.gr2012.org now has these new features:

- A page for the Layout Design Special Interest Group
- The Operations Special Interest Group Sign-up sheet
- PDF copies of all of the traditional Registration forms
- A complete list of all of the extra fare events and tours
- A schedule of days and times for most scheduled events
- More Sidetracks events for the non-rails
- The Silent Auction schedule
- The contest room schedule

Have members who are interested in the Achievement Program? Yours truly was interviewed on The Model Railway Show about it. Trevor Marshall talked to me about my road to MMR, and the hurdles and joys of taking it. Episode 32 is available for listening or downloading now at www.themodelrailwayshow.com or through iTunes, and will be available through The Model Railway Show's online archives after March 1.

If you have any questions or comments about any of the above, please send them directly to a Director or Officer. You'll find those addresses at www.nmra.org or in NMRA Magazine.

-Gerry Leone, MMR
NMRA Communications Director

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Flag Stops

Lindsay Smith, PSR Member Aid
wlindsays@adelphia.net

March

- 3 Orange Empire Railroad Museum (OERM) Railroadiana Meet. 0900 to 1400. Admission \$7 for adults, \$5 for children 5-11, or included with an all-day pass for trolley and train rides \$12 adults, children \$8. OERM members have free admission. Orange Empire Railway Museum 2201 S. "A" Street Perris, CA 92570 Information: 951-943-3020 or 951-657-2605 <http://www.oerm.org>
- 3 Short Track Railroad Basic Model Railroading Clinic. 9:30 - 12:30 (first of multiple parts) Short Track Section House, Antique Gas & Steam Engine Museum, Vista, CA. Contact Gary Robinson grobbiedobbie@yahoo.com
- 4 TTOS Southwestern Division Train Meet. Masonic Lodge, 50 Duarte Rd., Arcadia, CA, 91007. \$5.00 per person, children under 12 free. 818-848-2653 <http://www.ttos-sw.org/activities.htm>
- 6 Southern California Railroad Locomotive and Historical Society Meeting. 1930 to 2100. Cowan's Room, St. Edmund's Church, San Marino. <http://www.railgiants.org/special-events.htm#rail>
- 8 Short Track Railroad Operations. 7pm Open to all. Short Track Section House, Antique Gas & Steam Engine Museum, 2040 N. Santa Fe Ave, Vista. <http://www.shorttrackrr.org/>
- 10 Winterail Stockton, CA
- 10 Arizona Division Spring Meet. 0900 - 1530. Sun City Model Railroad Club @ Recreation Center NE. corner of 107th Ave and Peoria Ave. Meet Contact: Alan Vincent (623) 249-7553
- 10 San Diego Division Layout Tour. S Gaugers, Suite 106, 2445 Truxton Road, San Diego. Contact layouts@sandiegodivision.org
- 10, 11 Great Train Expo. SAT: 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM .SUN: 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM.. Pima County Fairgrounds, Tucson, AZ <http://www.trainexpoinc.com/schedule.html>
- 10, 11 Southern California Railroad Locomotive and Historical Society Open House. 10 a.m. until 3 p.m., Los Angeles County Fairgrounds (FAIRPLEX) Pomona. <http://www.railgiants.org/special-events.htm#rail>
- 22 Short Track Railroad Clinic. TBA. 7pm, Short Track Section House, Antique Gas & Steam Engine Museum, Vista. <http://www.shorttrackrr.org/>
- 24 Orange Empire Railroad Museum (OERM) Night Time Photography Event. 1800. Admission free. 2201 S. "A" Street Perris, CA 92570 Information: 951-943-3020 or 951-657-2605 <http://www.oerm.org>
- 24 Santa Susana RR Historical Society Swap Meet. 0700 to 1000. in the Santa Susana Park Pavilion, 6503 Katherine Rd., Simi Valley. Admission \$2.00 for adults, children under 12 free. For table and space information please visit our website: <http://www.santasusannadepot.org/swapmeet.htm> or call Dave Putnam (661) 753-6006.
- 29 Poway Station Clinic (TBA). 7pm - 9pm. Open to all. Porter House, Old Poway Park, 14134 Midland Road, Poway, CA. Info: president@powystation.org
- 30-31 Cajon Division Temecula Meet. Railroad Bingo on Friday evening. On Saturday, there will be clinics, tours and dinner with a Hobo Auction
- 31 PSR NMRA Mid-Year Meeting. 1300. Temecula, CA during Cajon Division's Meet
- 31 & April 1 Los Angeles Model Railroad Society Spring Open House. 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. both days. 14005 South Crenshaw Blvd., Unit G (Upstairs), Hawthorne, CA 90250 (310) 675-3361
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- 13 Pacific Railroad Society Monthly Meeting. 1930 (7:30 PM) to 2130. Joslyn Center (in Story Park) 210 North Chapel Ave. Alhambra, CA 91801 <http://www.pacificrailroadsociety.org/>



Pacific Southwest Region

~ Directory ~

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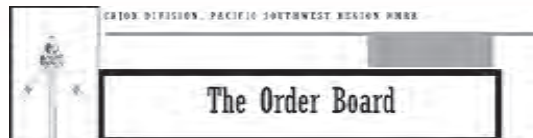
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