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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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Please be advised that the following article is comprised solely of my own thoughts, opinions, and experiences, and does not necessarily convey the beliefs and thoughts of the T.T.O.S. Southwestern Division, and its Members and Officers, or the editor and publisher of The Southwestern Limited.

ADDITIONAL THOUGHTS ON BUTCH ALVARADO



Immanuel "Butch" Alvarado was appointed to the T.T.O.S. Southwestern Division (SWD) Board of Directors by the Board on January 13, 2010. He came up with his own title for his position: "Deputy Director of Policies, Protocol, and Communications". In addition, he was our liaison with the San Diego All Gauge Toy Train Association (AGTTA), of which he was a long time member, helped at our monthly Meets and with security at Cal-Stewart. In particular, he began working the front desk at Monthly Meets and at the October 6, 2010 Board Meeting was officially appointed to the vacant position of Membership Secretary. Butch also handled the SWD annual Membership renewals for 2010 and 2011. He ran for the SWD Membership Secretary in the 2011 election and was elected for 2012-2013 term by the SWD Membership.

While Butch lived in Oceanside and attendance at the monthly Meets and Board meetings meant long-haul travelling, he was a very giving person who always did his very best to get the job done properly. He did a lot of volunteer work for SWD behind the scenes and he is very much missed.

Butch worked most of his life in the newspaper printing industry and later for **Dick Mayer**, fine toy train creator and owner of The Richart Company. Richart is the theme of this year's Cal-Stewart Ralph Johnson Memorial Display.

Butch suffered from a genetic disease called Wilson's Disease that causes heavy metal buildup in the liver, resulting

in cirrhosis. Butch's symptoms worsened considerably in the two months leading up to his demise. He was on a list for a liver transplant, but it didn't come in time. Butch passed away in his sleep on the evening of Monday, June 25th at the age of 62. Both Butch's younger sister and brother had succumbed to this same disease, I am told. He is survived by his wife Jean-Marie, daughter Molly, and his mother. The AGTTA provided some of the information and the picture for this article. Butch was cremated and there was no service.

THE 2012 CAL-STEWART REGISTRATION BROCHURE

The 2012 Cal-Stewart Registration brochures were mailed out first-class mail on Thursday, August 29th. The 2012 Brochure had to be totally rewritten and this caused a delay in its publication. The result is that it has a totally new look to go with the new venue. The 2012 brochure is quarter-folded instead of tri-folded and looks totally different from past brochures. If you discarded it by mistake, call me and I will mail you another one. Or go on line to www.cal-stewart.org and download a copy. Registrations are coming in later due to the late mailing. **Cal-Stewart mail-in registration continues to October 19, 2012. After October 19, register at the door.**

Hotel reservations are already almost double last year's at the Pasadena Sheraton with five weeks to go. We had to add rooms to our blocking at The Radisson twice. Additional rooms are available at Ayers Hotel and the Holiday Inn for the same rate. **Remember that the special hotel room rate expires on October 19th. Make your hotel reservations immediately. See page 3 of this issue for details.**

NEW REGISTRATION PERSON NEEDED FOR CAL-STEWART 2013

Bruce and Elaine Lazarus have served as the Cal-Stewart registration persons for about 30 of the 40 years that Cal-Stewart has been in existence. Bruce and Elaine are retiring from this position after the 2012 Cal-Stewart and we have to have a replacement if Cal-Stewart is to continue. I cannot thank them enough for the unbelievable amount of work that they have given SWD over the years in this effort.

The Cal-Stewart Registration person receives the pre-registrations via mail and is in charge of the registration desk at Cal-Stewart. The workload gets pretty intense once the Registration Brochures are mailed out. Pre-registrations are entered in a data base and from that data base stickers are printed out for the registration packets and inserts for the badges attendees wear at Cal-Stewart. Seller Table assignments are made by the registration person and, usually, one or two other volunteers, and this information is also entered into the data base. The Cal-Stewart Registration person's phone number is listed in the Cal-Stewart brochure and he answers questions that come in over the phone. Typically, Cal-Stewart gets around 600 registrations, and that results in about twice that number of badges being prepared to accommodate the wives and children.

Bruce Lazarus is a computer guru and actually writes software every year to create the Registration data base from continued on page 7

CAL-STEWART HOTELS: The Radisson Hotel reservations have been pouring in and unless someone cancels, it's filled up. Our very hard working Hotel and Convention Center Liaison, Jerry Moser has been chasing down additional rooms at the Ayres Hotel (just West of the O.C.C. parking lot) and the Ontario Holiday Inn (across the street and in the next block to the East). The details are below, so that you can answer any questions that may be asked.

Kudos to Jerry for all the hard work. It's taken a huge amount of his time. First he convinced the Radisson to increase our room allotments and in parallel he worked on the alternate hotels. He's gotten equivalent deals at these hotels, so all should be well. The Radisson Call Center should be referring people to the other hotels. Everyone remember to give Jerry a pat on the back at the next time you see him.

Regards,
Bruce Lazarus, C-A Reg Chair

Ayres Hotel: 1945 E. Holt Blvd., Ontario, CA 91761
PHONE: 909-390-7778

20 Rooms available Fri. and Sat. nights. @ \$83 per night - breakfast is included in the \$83 @ one breakfast per registered person (2 per room). If there will be two people occupying the room at the Ayres, the \$83 rate works out to be the same as the Radisson rate where you would buy two breakfast coupons (\$14.95 buffet for \$7) \$69+\$14=\$83. **NOTE:** If there is a third party registered for the room at the Ayres the rate will increase to \$93 and will include a breakfast for the third person. The Ayres breakfast will be cooked to order and consist of eggs, potatoes, & meat. Additionally, you will have access to a fruit and pastry buffet. If the hotel is booked to capacity, the entire breakfast will be done buffet style. Check-in is 3 PM and check-out is noon the following day. **To obtain these rates your reservation must be made by 10/19/12.**

Note: The \$83/\$93 rates apply to Fri. (11/2) and Sat.(11/3) will also be honored on Wed. (10/31) and Thurs. (11/1) and on Sun. (11/4) and Mon. (11/5) based on availability.

The hotel is within walking distance of the Ontario Convention Center.

There is free parking. Plenty of room for cars. If bringing a truck, a truck with trailer, or motor home - notify the hotel when making your reservation because such parking is subject to availability. For those staying Sat. night - you may leave your car in the hotel parking lot until the conclusion of the Cal-Stewart Meet Sun. afternoon

Holiday Inn: 2155 E. Convention Center Way, Ontario, CA 91764
PHONE: 909-212-8000

20 Rooms available Fri. and Sat. nights. (10 doubles & 10 kings) @ \$69 per night. **To obtain this rate your reservation must be made by 10/19/12.** The rate is also available two days prior to 11/2/12 and two days after 11/4/12. They offer a \$14.95 breakfast buffet for \$7 if you obtain the coupon at check-in. Check-in is 3 PM and check-out is noon the following day.

The hotel is within walking distance of the Ontario Convention Center.

There is free parking for cars, trucks, trucks with trailers, and motor homes. For those staying Sat. night, you may leave your car in the hotel parking lot until the conclusion of the Cal-Stewart Meet Sun. afternoon

There is free shuttle service to and from the Ontario Mills Shopping Center and the Ontario airport.

**If you have a question or encounter a problem making your reservation:
Call Jerry Moser @ 760-948-7147**

In Loving Memory

Edward T. Harrigan #4731

My dear friend of 41 years and fellow member of TTOS, Edward T. Harrigan, passed away on July 21, 2012 after a long illness. Ed had not been active in the clubs for several years since the beginning of his illness.

Ed was known in the toy train fraternity as an excellent train repair man and restorer of vintage toy trains of all gauges. He did work for collectors from all over the country as well as locally. He worked during the Christmas rush at Paul Kirby's Train Stop in San Dimas for many years repairing trains for him and he did some work for other shops too from time to time.

Ed had a colorful history. When he was young he was in the circus and performed with the famous Flying Wallenda High Wire Troupe for three years 1957, 58 and 59. They did the seven person



Ed Harrigan circa 1994

pyramid of which Ed was a part. A movie clip of this performance from the old Ed Sullivan Show was shown at Harrigan's memorial service.

Incidentally, many years later, Ed taught me and one of his daughters how to walk the wire and we put together a three person pyramid from a 10 foot wire in Ed's back yard.

I made my first trip to York with Ed among many, many adventures that he and I had over the years. He was the one who introduced me to the world of toy trains about 1971.

Winston Churchill once said when speaking of his first meeting with Franklin Roosevelt that "meeting FDR was like uncorking your first bottle of champagne." That's how I felt about Ed. He was so much fun to be with and I learned a lot from our friendship.

He will be missed by all of us who knew him.

R.I.P., buddy.

Council R. "Ray" Sugg III, #4199

Editor's note: Ed Harrigan with SWD's Bob Wall co-chaired the Cal-Stewart display in the early 1990s. Photo from Southwestern Limited archives.

Nancy Christenson Swan #868L

Nancy Swan, 92, of Kensington, Maryland died September 1, 2012 at Springhouse Assisted Living in Silver Spring, MD. She was born in Aurora, Illinois on December 10, 1919, the

daughter of George and Hester (Norman) Christenson. She grew up in Chicago, IL and divided her grade school and high school education between Chicago and Whitewater, Wisconsin. She earned a BS Degree in Library Science from the University of Wisconsin, Whitewater in 1941. In 1956 she earned a MS Degree in Library Science at the Catholic University in Washington, DC, where her Dissertation was "A Study of Modern Fore-Edge Painting".

Nancy taught "Basic Electronics" to US Naval personnel, at the Great Lakes Naval Air Station in Chicago until her enlistment in the Waves in 1944. Up on her discharge from Naval Intelligence in 1947, she accepted employment at the United States National Security Agency (NSA) in Washington. While still in the Navy, March 5, 1946, Nancy married William E. Swan in Washington. They were both Civilian Employees, in Washington, until their retirement.

She was a member for many years of the Holy Redeemer Catholic Church in Kensington, MD. Nancy was an active member of the Lionel Collectors Club of America (LCCA), Toy Train Operating Society (TTOS) and Train Collectors Association (TCA). She served as a National TTOS director for a number of years. She was also a lifetime member of the American Legion Post 173 in Whitewater, WI and of the U.S.



Naval Cryptologic Veterans Association in Washington.

Nancy was preceded in death by her parents, a brother and her husband, William. She is survived by nieces and nephews, who respected, admired and loved her. A visit by Aunt Nancy was a signal for a celebration. She enjoyed traveling, especially with the Veterans and train groups.

She was interred, along with her husband, in Hillside Cemetery in Whitewater. A Memorial Service was held September 12, 2012. Memorials can be sent to the Holy Redeemer Catholic Church, 9795 Summit Ave, Kensington, MD 20895.



Six Special Ladies

Nancy Swan, center, with l to r Margaret McCoy, Norma Marlatt, Tami Jo Nix, Barbara Jones, and Carol Nissen — all 6 Honorary Life Members TTOS National in recognition of outstanding service to TTOS. Photos by David Nissen.

LALS/T.T.O.S. SOUTHWESTERN DIVISION Run: “Hi Ball”

T.T.O.S. Southwestern Division got the “hi-ball” on Saturday morning August 4, 2012, signaling clear track ahead, for 12th Annual T.T.O.S. Southwestern Division (SWD) Run at the LA Live Steamers Railroad Museum. More than 300 picnickers arrived with just two things on their minds: riding the miniature trains and having a satisfying lunch under the shade of the Griffith Park foliage.

LALS crews ran the Santa Fe GP60M and the Southern Pacific PA throughout the day. Several members brought their own equipment to run. Roger Frymare arrived from Bakersfield, rolling out his impressive 11-car consist. LALS Safety Coordinator Mike Murphy and Station Master A.J. Smitrovich kept the 7.5" gauge trains moving without a hitch. Thanks to all the LALS volunteers!

SWD volunteer chefs made sure everybody got plenty to eat. Arriving early to help out were Bruce & Elaine Lazarus, Vince Garguilo, Hollis Cotton, Dave Otth, Roy Bell and many others, too numerous to mention. Special kudos to Larry Pearson, T.T.O.S. SWD President, without whom the SWD picnic would be “no picnic”.

SWD guests were in awe of the New Sherwood Station, a Victorian-style edifice at the west gate of the property. It seemed to appear magically since last year’s picnic, but it was the result of much hard work by LALS members.

The newly-restored SF&D combination coach-baggage car, reportedly Walt Disney’s favorite piece of rolling stock at Disneyland, was a showstopper. SWD members had never seen it on display. Thanks to the Disney Barn volunteers for unveiling the combine. For more info, see... www.carolwood.org.

The LALS Garden Railroad “reboot” was a big hit, too. G-scale guru J. Kent Inasy was on hand to put the LALS garden trains through their paces, ably assisted by Alex O’Donnell.

Wranglers for the Lionel “O” and Standard Gauge trains included Wayne Sheriff, Jon Lang and John Bowman, along with their respective family members. It’s always great to see toy trains operating!

Be sure to see all the fabulous photos taken by Herbert Alfred Mayer, who covered the event with his digital camera. Visit...<http://www.flickr.com/photos/mayer8ha/sets/72157630924135502/>

LALS/SWD Run co-ordinators, Steve Waller & Don Kallgren, give thanks to all the volunteers who made this year’s SWD Run such a memorable one. For more info about the Live Steamers, go to...www.lals.org.

(Thanks, Steve Waller, for your report. The Editor)



Hollis Cotton and Elaine and Bruce Lazarus arrived early to setup the Kountry Kitchen. John and Andrew Bowman brought their portable O-gauge layout.



Los Angeles Live Steamers members brought out their trains and provided the crowd with many opportunities to ride through the beautiful grounds.



All LALS Picnic photos by Herbert Alfred Mayer

From the Kountry Kitchen to the new Victorian Station, viewing portable toy train layouts to riding Live Steamer's Trains, everyone had a great time. The restored Santa Fe & Disneyland combo car reportedly was a favorite of Walt Disney's. Steve Waller, on the caboose, arranged details with LALS.

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which the packet stickers and badge stickers are printed. But the ability to write software is not required. **Mark Boyd** with TCA has overseen the registration at several TCA national conventions as well as Nor-Cal-Stewart going back many years and is available to help the new person use currently available commercial software to do the registration tasks. Mark uses Filemaker Pro and other software can be adapted to the task. Mark has offered to prepare a template for the Registration data entry. Southwestern Division will pay for any software needed, as well as for a color printer and printer cartridges. All out-of-pocket costs are reimbursed by SWD. It would be desirable for the new person to participate in this year's Cal-Stewart Registration to get a better feel for how it goes. Call me 1.818.848.2653 if you think you can help, or call Bruce Lazarus at 1.818.225.1710.

TAKING AMTRAK TO CAL-STEWART 2012

The move of the Fall Cal-Stewart Meet to the Ontario Convention Center (OCC) opens up the Meet to a new kind of attendee: the Amtrak Attendee. The OCC is only about two miles away (east) from the Ontario Amtrak station, which is located just east of Euclid Ave. and just south of Holt Blvd. in Ontario. The Amtrak "station" is actually an outdoor platform that is not covered, so this could be a problem if it is raining. If you are staying at the Radisson, they will pick you up, but the Amtrak station is not on their normal route and you may have to wait awhile for their van.

AUGUST 4, 2012 ANNUAL SUMMER MEMBER APPRECIATION PARTY

T.T.O.S. Southwestern Division (SWD) once again thanks Steve Waller for coordinating with The Los Angeles Live Steamers Railroad Museum, (LALS) to get the trains and the

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facilities for our annual picnic in Griffith Park and also SWD Member Don Kallgren who helped us get the trains but could not be at the picnic.

About ten years ago, then SWD President Gary Keck came up with the idea of having a summer picnic in place of the August monthly trading meet. Our August trading meet was usually poorly attended due to members going on vacation, and the Toy Train Operating Society (National) usually held its annual National Convention in August, further diluting our Monthly Meet attendance. The annual LALS picnic at their facilities in Griffith Park in August has been a very popular event ever since. This year we had about 250 adults and children in attendance. When emptying the trash cans, we had the unexpected excitement of discovering a skunk residing in one of the cans. The skunk ran off without spraying anyone, luckily.

I especially want to thank SWD Members who donated their time to work the picnic:

At the East gate house: **Dave Otth, Spencer Smith, Larry Pearson, Hollis Cotton.**

Food purchases: **Larry Pearson, Roy Bell, Martin Fob.**

Food Counter Workers: **Elaine Lazarus, Arlene Berns.**

Cooks: **Chris Kee, Bruce Lazarus, Vince Garguilo, Hollis Cotton.**

O-Gauge Layouts: **Steve Waller, John & Andrew Bowman, TCA Western (Wayne Sheriff & Jon Lang).**

Please support Southwestern Division by continuing your Membership, recruiting new Members, buying our souvenir cars, and attending our monthly Meets and Cal-Stewart. As always, hugs to all, and run your trains often.

Larry Pearson, President

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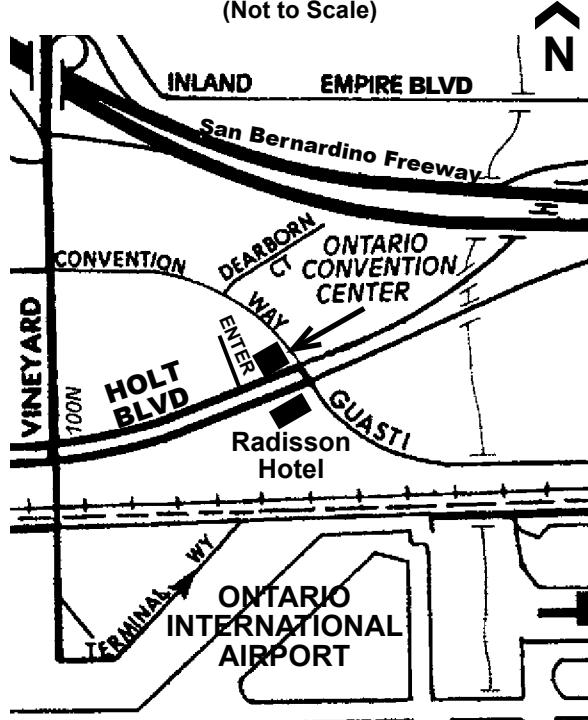
I would like to help in the following area(s): **November 2, 3, 4, 2012**

	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Comments
Setup (Friday 8 a.m. until done: Many last minute duties: Taping and numbering tables, assisting dealer setup, etc.)				
Registration (Friday afternoon 2-7 p.m. " " (Saturday morning 7:30 a.m. - 5 p.m. " " (Sunday 9 a.m.-3 pm.)				
King Party (Friday Setup, 50/50 Drawing)				
Auction (Saturday Regular (daytime) " " (Sunday Regular)				
Security (Friday " " (Saturday " " (Sunday)				
Clean-up (Sunday 3 p.m. to 5 p.m., until done)				

Mail to Larry Pearson, 1108 West Palm Ave., Burbank, CA 91506

or Call Cal-Stewart Co-Chairs Larry Pearson at 818-848-2653 or Hollis Cotton at 818-590-0553

Ontario Area Map
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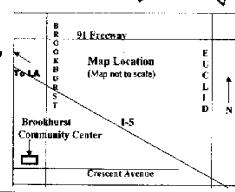
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Classes for Train Races

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 - B. Steam with can type motors
 - C. Diesel with single brush type motor
 - D. Diesel with dual brush type motor
 - E. Diesel with single can motor
 - F. Diesel with dual can motor
 - G. Pre-War Electric
 - 2) Modified:
 - A. Modified steam with brush motor
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 - D. Modified diesel dual motor
 - 3) Unlimited Modified (Must be electric powered by track power)
- (continued right-hand column)

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