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2014

UPCOMING MEETS

July 26th

August 23rd

September 27th

October 25th

November - no meet

December 6th - Holiday Party

The Show and Tell theme for
JULY is BEST BUY/WORST
BUY.

NEXT MEET JULY 26

As always, the Division's train meets will take place at the Arcadia Senior Center, located at 405 S. Santa Anita Avenue in Arcadia, California.

To get to the meet, exit the 210 Freeway at Santa Anita Avenue. Drive south about half a mile and turn right into the Arcadia Park Parking lot. The hall is located next to the lawn bowling area. Look for the sign. The doors open at 10AM for setup and trading. Show and Tell starts at noon.

Please visit the Western Division website, at <http://www.tcawestern.org> for more information and a map.

WESTERN DIVISION ELECTIONS

The election ballot for Division Officers went out with the May Newsletter and ballots will be counted at the July Meet. Call Bob Nord 562-938-9469 if you didn't get a ballot. Blank ballots will be available at the meet.

2014 GRAND PRIZE RAFFLE

Grand Prize raffle tickets for the 1934 Mickey Mouse Hand Car Set are almost **sold out!** Tickets are \$20 each and there are **only 4 tickets left!**

The Grand Prize winning ticket will still be drawn at the December Meet and the winner need not be present. The \$100 consolation prizes will still be drawn at each regularly scheduled meet through December.

NEW DISNEY TROLLEY RAFFLE ADDED

Western Division we will also be raffling off 3 **O-Gauge Disney trolleys** by **Pride Lines Ltd.** at the December meet. Tickets will be available starting at the July Meet at **\$10 each**. Only **one prize per winner** and the first winners will get choice of colors.

This is a separate raffle and is not connected to the Grand Prize Raffle. There is no monthly \$100 consolation prize associated with this raffle.



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

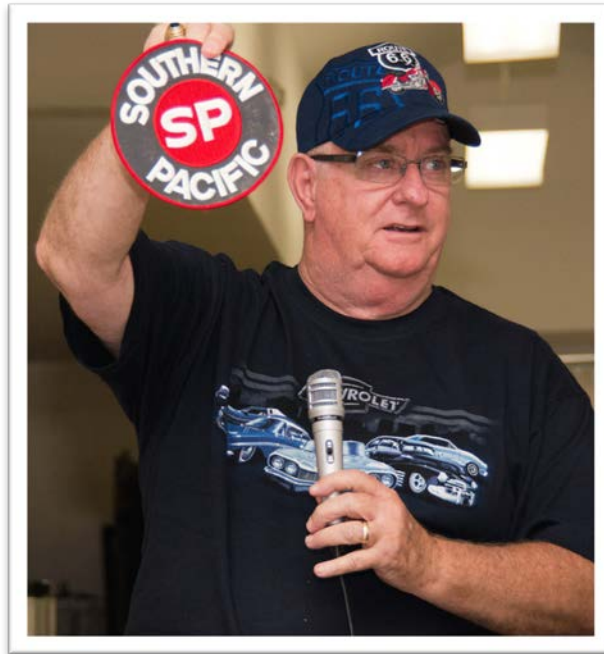
As we enter the heart (and heat) of summer, it seems as if it's been a while since we've all seen one-another. And while it's true that June was dark for Western Division as far as meeting, much was going on across the country at the 2014 TCA National Convention in Philadelphia.

Most often this is "housekeeping stuff" that doesn't gather much attention. But "The Club" is now enjoying its 60th Year of being around, something that doesn't happen without the odd aches and pains. And yes, "time" continues to take its own toll on our membership. With new and different challenges than previously faced by members, we need to continue striving to embrace the 21st Century. Whatever changes the future holds – it serves us better to focus on the present and the "what is", and not the "if only...?"

In that light, I look forward to seeing you all at July's meet. And remember, although you may think you won't be missed if not there – nothing can be further from true. You all bring so much to these meets, how can the rest of us not feel the void.

Quick reminder regarding the election: if you haven't mailed your ballot to Bob Spellmire, just bring it to the July Meet.

PHOTOS OF THE MAY MEET THE THEME WAS "SOUTHERN PACIFIC RAILROAD"





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