



STACK TALK

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News from the President



Perry McCully

September is here already! Please help us. Public runs start Sept 10th. John Draftz has been working very hard to sign up train crews for Sunday runs. Please, if you have received a call from him sign up for something. If he has not called you call him and volunteer. This club needs all the help you can give.

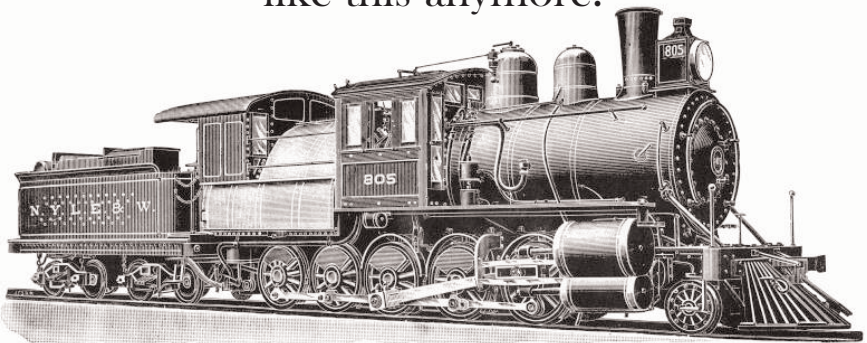
Speaking of giving, October is just around the corner—and your dues are due. Lets get started now on getting them in so we can get the roster out sooner. If you want a roster and want it mailed to you, ask Chris Borders. Postage MAY be necessary.

The annual election for officers and board members is in November. Al Ford is head of the election committee along with Bill Lowe and Bob Alkire. Submit your nominations immediately to any of these three people.

I'm sure you have not forgotten that October is Fall Meet month, October 19 through the 22nd. Betty Moore is running the meet again. Please volunteer to help with the meet. It is always a hoot.

County Parks will lift the fire ban starting Sept 1st. We still have a lot of combustible weeds in the park. Please be very careful with cigarettes and matches.

They don't make 'em like this anymore.



The heaviest engine in the Baldwin Exhibit at the 1893 Columbian Exposition in Chicago was this 2-10-0 Decapod type built for the New York, Lake Erie & Western Railroad. It had a Wootten firebox designed to burn low-grade coal and used the novel Vaucain compound drive.

Samuel Matthews Vaucain was a lifelong employee of the Baldwin Locomotive Works Company. He was a locomotive manufacturer, inventor, salesman, and international businessman. One of his many achievements was the invention of the compound locomotive in 1889.

In the Vaucain compound arrangement, two cylinders, mounted on each side of the locomotive, drove a single crosshead and rod. Steam was sent first to a 16-inch cylinder and its exhaust was sent to a 27-inch cylinder. The stroke was 28 inches. Total weight was 195,000 pounds.

The 9th of September is the board and general membership-meeting day. The board meeting starts a 9 a.m. and the general membership meeting is at 10 a.m. After all the meetings are over with please stay a few hours and help clean up trash along the tracks. Lets be proud of our park.

Safety is very important in this club. We have the public in here all the time. It is still very hot so we can have heat kinks at any time. Please do not run though a heat kink with passengers on board. If you encounter a kink take all the passen-

gers off the train go though the kink very slowly and then put the passengers back on the train. Then, when you get back to the station, report where the kink is to the stationmaster.

Maintaining track is a never-ending job. We have lots and lots of ballast that needs to be put on the track. Come out and help lay ballast please. I have just about worn out one three-man crew. I need replacements crews bad.

Upcoming events—toy drive and Christmas party Dec 9th and 10th.

Perry McCully

News from the Vice President



Betty Jane Moore

Here we are in September. My how time flies when you are having fun. Our Members' Meeting is on the 9th and we begin pulling the public on the 10th.

We will hold our Annual Safety Meeting on the 9th immediately following the regular meeting. You must attend this meeting if you are signed up to work on Sundays in any capacity for the public runs. It will last about 45 minutes. You must also have passed the Engineer's test prior to working on Sundays. I have posted the latest list (41 members & 2 Junior members) on the web site and you'll also find it in this issue of *Stack Talk*. It is imperative that all members running trains know the rules and take the test. The Operating Rules are on the web site. Please read them. It is every member's responsibility to keep up with any changes or additions. Knowing and observing the rules will keep us all safe and happy.

The 2006 Fall Meet is fast approaching on October 19th, 20th, 21st, and 22nd. I am counting on all of you to volunteer a few hours for the Meet. Please call or email me and let me know what you would like to do and when you will be available. I will have a sign-up sheet at the September meeting. Registrations are coming in daily. It is going to be a great time for all of us.

Keep is safe out there.

Big kids (that's us) having fun, helping each other, and keeping the smiles on little kids' faces.

Happy rails to you, until we meet again,

Betty Moore

Treasurer's Notes



Bob Douglas

THE OLD COOKIE JAR IS ALMOST EMPTY

It's dues time again and your club needs income. Your annual dues are due on October 1st. They pay for club operation and facility maintenance only. All club improvements and railroad expansion are supported by public and club member contributions, which are tax-deductible.

The major projects for this year are the west yard transfer table, the west yard turntable and the Far Flung Flats Subdivision. You may allocate your extra contribution to any project of your choice. Your generous support is greatly appreciated. Please fill out the membership renewal form found on page 3, enclose your check and send both to me.

Now is the time to get the Adobe Western Railroad ready for our public guests and the Fall Meet. Please help cleaning the grounds and get rid of junk that may be around your train storage area. Help the track maintenance team by dropping blue blocks next to track problem areas. Blue blocks are stored in Adobe City Station.

Bob Douglas

Certified MLS Engineers

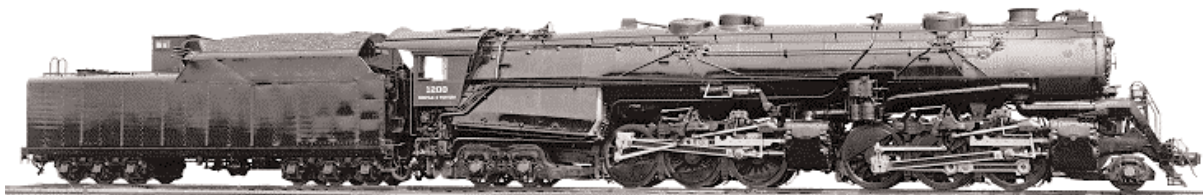
According to our safety & operating rules,

165. All engineers, trainmen and conductors will complete and pass the engineer's test annually, prior to hauling the general public.

243. Engineers shall qualify annually as determined by the safety committee.

The following MLS members have passed the 2006 Engineer's Exam:

James Ashcraft
Louis Banning
Charlie Downs
John Draftz
Marvin Fried
Hank Gallo
John Gerstner
Jerry Grundy
Tom Harrington
Greg Hurst
Ray Kukulski
Carolyn Kukulski
Cody Kukulski (Jr Member)
Emma Kukulski (Jr Member)
Chuck Larom
John Lovely
Al LeFevre
Stephanie Marks
Perry McCully
Jack McKeage
Joe McKiernan
Betty Moore
Jerry Moore
Bill Myers
John Mueller
Roger Netz
Bill Pardee
Joe Powell
Jim Reasoner
Karen Roderick
Lenny Rossow
Mike Russell
Ed Ryan
Bruce Salo
Marty Simmon
Jerry Smolyk
Tom Smith
John Sybenga
Jim Theobald
Bill Unglaube
Bud Waterworth
Fred Wilson
Mort Wilson





2007 MLS Membership Renewal Form

Please complete this application
and mail it with your check to:

Maricopa Live Steamers
Attn: Bob Douglas
2 West Kathleen Road
Phoenix AZ 85023-3649

If you fail to pay by December 31, 2006, your membership will be terminated. Your annual dues pays for club operation and facility maintenance only. All club improvements and railroad expansion are supported by public and club member contributions, which are tax-deductible. The major projects for this year are West Yard Transfer Table, West Yard Turntable and Far Flung Flats Subdivision. Your generous support is greatly appreciated

- Regular Membership: \$75
- Non-resident Membership: \$30
- Spousal Membership (List Name Below) \$10
- Junior Membership under 18 years (List Names Below) \$10
- Club Locomotive Use Fee (First Year): \$100
- Initiation Fee New Members only: \$50
- Additional Contribution to Support Club Projects _____
- West Yard Transfer Table _____
- West Yard Turntable _____
- Far Flung Flats Subdivision . _____
- Other-please describe _____
- TOTAL PAYMENT _____

The following information will be used to produce a membership roster.
It is not made public and is distributed only to MLS members.

Member Name _____

Spouse's Name _____

Junior Member Names _____

Is the information in the 2006 Roster Correct? _____YES _____NO
(If not, please make corrections below)

Email Address _____

Address _____

City, state, ZIP _____

Home Phone (Optional) _____

Cell Phone (Optional) _____

Work Phone (Optional) _____

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We welcome your comments,
suggestions and submissions.

MLS CALENDAR

Saturday, September 9
Board Meeting 9 a.m.
Membership Meeting 10 a.m.
followed by
Annual Safety Meeting.
Public rides resume Sunday,
September 10