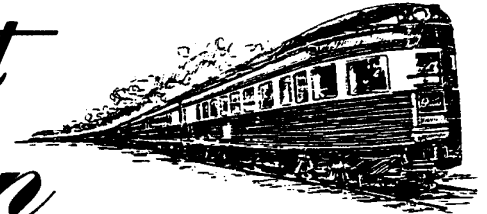


# The Daylight Observation



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## Daylight Division's Spring Meet To Be Held In Santa Barbara May 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> Two Day Event Includes 8 Layout Tours And A Barbeque.

What could be called the mother of Daylight Division meets will be held in the Santa Barbara area over Memorial Day weekend, May 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>. The South Coast Society of Model Engineers will be hosting the Daylight Division Meet and the meet will be held based at Gary Siegel's house at 1143 Camino Viejo, Montecito, Ca. (East Santa Barbara). Tom Turner is coordinating the event, John Ryan is in charge of clinics and Walter Naumann is charged up about layout tours and operations.

The basic cost for the meet is \$5.00, which includes the \$3 for the Division & \$2 for supplied goodies and drinks for Saturday. And for an additional cost of \$6.00 (kids under the age of 12, the cost is only \$3.00) you can partake of the catered lunch on Saturday, which will consist of pizza and salad. And if you'd like to spend an evening of barbecuing, for an additional \$8.00 you can share in Gary's famous backyard barbecue on Saturday evening. (Spouses are welcome also, of course).

The tentative schedule for Saturday, starting at Gary Siegel's home on 143 Camino Viejo, Montecito:

- ◆ 9:30 AM—Registration, munchies, and wander around the layout room.
- ◆ 10:00 AM—10:15 AM— Introduction to the meet: Tom, John & Walter
- ◆ 10:20 - 10:55 AM—1st session of clinics

- \* Outside Presentation - "Trees made Simple" by Gary Siegel
- \* Inside Presentation - "Santa Maria Valley Railroad" by Bruce Morden
- ◆ 11:00 AM—Contest voting. Vote for your favorite model. View other contest entries.
- ◆ 11:20 AM-12:00 noon—2nd session of clinics
- \* Outside Presentation - "Hand Thrown Turnouts" by Gary Siegel
- \* Inside Presentation - "SP Presentation" by Jerry Belina
- ◆ 12:00 Noon—Lunch. Catered lunch. Pizza and salad, or you can go to local restaurants.
- ◆ 1:00 - 1:35 PM —3rd session of clinics
- \* Outside Presentation - "Quick and Dirty Weathering" by John Ryan
- \* Inside Presentation - "(KISS) Keep it Simple Stupid Wiring" by Joe Heumphreus
- \* Layout Room - "Operations tour on the L&N, EK Division" by Tom Turner (For those who are new to operations and/or Gary's Railroad).
- ◆ 1:40 PM—Signup for remaining activities; Operating sessions, lunch on Sunday, car pools.
- ◆ 2:00 PM—Daylight Div. Meeting, awards presentations, door prizes and white elephant auction.
- ◆ 3:30 PM—Layout tours start

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- ◆ 5:40 PM—Dinner - Gary's delicious barbeque. The menu will be something like Chicken AND either steak or tri-tip, with garlic bread, green salad, Gary's awesome chili beans and drink. Finished up with various flavors of pie ala'mode. Yum! And we eat in his great backyard under the shady canopy of huge trees.
- ◆ 6:30 PM—More layout tours and op. sessions

### **Sunday Morning**

More layout tours and op. sessions

- ◆ 12:00 noon—Lunch. Probably at one of the layout locations
- ◆ 1:30 - 5:00 PM Gary's operating session on the L&N EK Division

If you'd be interested in conducting a clinic, please contact John Ryan at JRyan77836@aol.com. Layout tours will be Saturday afternoon, evening and Sunday morning. Detailed schedules and maps will be passed out at the meet. These are the layouts on tour so far:

1. Gary Siegel
2. Jim Felland
3. Paul Gannaway
4. Joe Heumphreus
5. Michael Morden
6. Bill Everett
7. James D.
8. Dana Driscal (a definite maybe)

The sessions won't be on all layouts on both days. We will be touring and operating different layouts at different times on both days. Gary's layout, for instance will be open the day of the meet for visiting but will only have an operating session Sunday afternoon. The available operating sessions will be described to the meet participants with some pictures and the participants will be asked to sign up for the different layouts Saturday, right before the Daylight Division meeting starts. Anyone else in the Santa Barbara Area who would like to open their layout for a tour should please contact: Walter Naumann at: WJNaumann@aol.com. Participants will be provided with schedules, lists and maps to restraints and to the various layout locations.

To get to Gary's for the beginning of the

meet, if you are traveling from the south of Santa Barbara:

- ◆ Driving north on US-101, take the Olive Mill Road/Coast Village Road exit, which will be one of the first off-ramps as you enter Monticeto just South (East) of Santa Barbara.
- ◆ Turn Right onto Olive Mill Road
- ◆ Turn Left onto Hot Springs Road
- ◆ Turn Right onto Sycamore Canyon Road.
- ◆ Turn Left onto Camino Viejo
- ◆ Go one block, make a U-turn and park on street. Watch for NMRA RR cross buck sign out by the street near #1143. Enter Gary's layout off the driveway by the cross buck sign.

These are the directions to Gary's house if you are traveling into Santa Barbara from the north of Santa Barbara:

- ◆ Driving south on US-101, you drive through Santa Barbara and after passing the downtown off-ramps, you should watch for your LEFT-hand exit from the fast lane of the freeway, called Cabrillo Blvd / Coast Village Road. Do not get deceived and take the earlier Cabrillo Blvd that exits from highway 101 to the right about 5 miles earlier, before you cross downtown Santa Barbara. It is the same road but several miles from Gary's and a stop and go drive along the beach. It is a scenic way and if you want to go this way, take the first Cabrillo Blvd exit to the right, go South to get to the beach, turn left to drive East along Cabrillo Blvd for several miles until you leave the beach and pass under US 101 again.
- ◆ Here are the instructions starting with the off ramp: Take the Cabrillo Blvd. exit on the left towards Coast Village Road / Hot Springs Road. Stop at Stop Sign.
- ◆ Turn left onto East Cabrillo Blvd / CA-225. (go under Northbound Hwy 101).
- ◆ Turn Right onto Coast Village Road. You will come to a Stop Sign.
- ◆ Turn Left onto Hot Springs Road until you come to another Stop Sign.
- ◆ Turn Left onto Sycamore Canyon until you

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The motels in the south coast area are filling up fast for the holiday weekend so don't wait too long to make reservations. Here are some of the places that I would try first. I am sorry that some of these will surely be full by the time you read this.

- ◆ The phone number of the Miramar, the closest (and my favorite, from a railroad interest point of view) local motel is (805) 969-2203. Be prepared to tell the registration clerk which side, ocean or mountain, of the railroad tracks you desire, as the "S.P." mainline runs between the various sections of the motel. It has direct beach access and is only a few off ramps from downtown Santa Barbara. This one isn't inexpensive.
- ◆ Blue Sands Motel, 421 S. Milpas St. Santa Barbara, 93103 #805 965-1624. A nearby AAA motel that has been used by our visitors without complaint.

There are some other interesting options for hotels/motels. There are lots of motels along Cabrillo Blvd (runs along the beach in Santa Barbara) that are about 8 minutes from Gary's.

- ◆ Best Western (805-965-6556 or 1-800-528-1234) for all the Best Westerns in town
- ◆ Cabrillo Inn (805)-966-1641
- ◆ Harbor View Inn ((800)-0755-0222)
- ◆ Sandy Beach Inn ((805)-963-0405)

There is also a Holiday Inn and a Super 8 Motel in Goleta just 14 minutes North of Gary's on Highway

101:

- ◆ Holiday Inn (805) 964-6241
- ◆ Super 8 Motel (1-800-800-8000) (Yes, I know it looks funny, but that's what they put in the phone book.)

And perhaps a hundred other places in Goleta/Santa Barbara/Monticeto area. Carpenteria is

also a possibility being just 15 miles south of Gary's on Highway 101.

Well, it sounds like it will be a hum-dinger of a meet that the gang in Santa Barbara has got in store for you! That's return the favor and please make an effort so that all the hard work they've done will be paid off by having the best attended meet in years! And don't forget to bring your favorite models, photos, or whatever for judging. We will have another attempt at a silent auction, so if you have some items that you don't want any longer, and I know a lot of you do, please bring them to enter in the auction. And don't forget to bring those plain, brown paper wrapped items for the World Famous White Elephant Auction.

The SCSME is hoping to make this event your favorite divisional meet ever. See you in SantaBarbara! 🚂

## A Word From The Superintendent

*By Bob Randall*

As Superintendent of the Daylight Division for the last 6 years, I have had fun getting to visit different layouts and meeting a lot of our members. But after 6 years, I feel it is time to step down and hand the throttle over to someone else. So come this November, when nominations will be accepted for officers of the Daylight Division, I will not allow my name to be put in nomination for Superintendent of the Daylight Division. As Lyndon Baines Johnson, United States President, in 1968, said when he was asked if he would seek re-election as President, "I will not seek, and if nominated I will not run, and if elected, I will not serve." And this is my answer if asked if I would seek nomination again. It's been a fun ride, and I look forward to all the fun things that the Daylight Division meets offer—only not as the Superintendent. So come November, in San Luis Obispo, please put into nomination someone that is willing to accept the position as Superintendent of the Daylight Division. I know there are several members out there that would make excellent Superintendents of this great Division! See you in Santa Barbara May 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>! 🚂

## What Happened At The Last Daylight Meet

The Daylight Division finally got to hold it's quarterly meet in Tehachapi on February 16<sup>th</sup>. The meet started with a hearty breakfast at Kelcy's Restaurant and the meeting started promptly at 10:00 AM, with 25 members in attendance, so that we could get an early start on the model and prototype tours. We had several entries in the favorite model and photo contests and Joseph Aymar received enough points on all 3 of his really nice looking locomotives in his quest for Master Model Railroader.


After the closing of the meet, the gang started off by visiting Trains, Etc., a model train shop that is right next door to Kelcy's Restaurant. The first layout on tour was Richard Cantrell's Hon3 layout, which depicts the Cumbres and Toltec Railroad, in New Mexico. One the way to our second layout, the entourage stopped off at a quaint little model railroad shop, named aptly, The Train Room. This shop is located in the back room of a barbershop, but it has a great supply of railroad stuff!

After spending our hard-earned cash at The Train Room, we arrived at our second layout. The layout is owned by Bob and Laura Coles and is a 19' X 17' N scale layout depicting the Union Pacific Railroad. In fact, Bob earned a Golden Spike Award for his layout after the tour.

After the tour of the model railroads, it was time to see the prototype. We all piled into our cars again for the trip up to The Tehachapi Loop, where the gang spent the remainder of the afternoon. There was plenty of action, like usual. At the end of the day, the boys from Bakersfield, along with our honored visitor, Jim Long, from The Coast Division, stopped off at The Keene Store for some dinner and then departed for home.

The next Daylight Division promises to be a real hum-dinger! It will be held in Santa Barbara, and will be hosted by the gang that operates on Gary Siegel's Louisville and Nashville layout. The meet will be a 2-day affair, being held over the Memorial Day weekend on May 25 and 26, with layout tours all over the Santa Barbara and Goleta locale. It will also include an operating session on Gary's L&N layout. If you've never had the opportunity to operate on this great layout; you've really missed out on one of life wonders! We are also going to hold a silent auction, so if any of you have a certain item that you don't

longer need or want, please bring it to the meet for the auction. Also, don't forget to bring any model and photos for the favorite model and photo contest and especially, don't forget to bring those paper wrapped items for the always-enjoyable White Elephant Auction. The meet will start promptly at 10:00 AM at Gary Siegel's house.

The Daylight Division will probably hold our August meet in Fresno and the November meet will definitely be held in San Luis Obispo. If you'd like more information on the May meet in Santa Barbara, or any of the other Daylight Meetings, please contact Doug Wagner at (661) 589-0391, or by email at CARLDW@AOL.COM. 

### You Might Be A Train Nut If.....

.....You are a train nut if you put your kids toy on your bench to fix it and you end up taking parts off it to use, for a load or something to put along side a building or a junkyard.


.....You are a train nut if you go into a fast food place and get the kids meal, because you get a wind up toy. The toy has gears that you can use for parts on a flat bed car.

.....You trim a bush in the back yard when your wife is gone so you can get logs for your sawmill.

You get into planting flowers and bushes just so you can pull them up after a hard frost so you can get tree roots for a hillside.

.....You tell your wife that all the rocks and dirt in the back of the car is weight for the winter, when it is for your lay out. So what it is in zip locks.

.....You can hear a train whistle two miles away, but can't hear your wife call you from the other room (NON OF US HAVE THIS PROBLEM—DO WE?)


.....You know you are a train nut, if your wife comes up and blows in your ear and says, "dear I am going up stairs how soon will you be up?" And your answer is "As soon as I finish detailing this new engine--in about 2 hours." 

# Daylight Division Meet Minutes

## Saturday, February 16, 2002

### Tehachapi, California

- ✓ Meeting Called to order by Superintendent Bob Randall at 10:13 AM
- ✓ Minutes of November 2001 minutes approved as published
- ✓ Bill Submitted
  - Observation Cost \$78.55 – Carried
- ✓ Announcements
  - May 1 to 5 – PCR convention in Redding
  - May 24 & 25– Daylight Meet in Santa Barbara
  - August – Trying to set up Daylight Meet in Fresno
  - November – Daylight Meet in San Luis Obispo
- ✓ Financial Statement (as of 2-16-02)
  - Checking       \$ 902.84
  - Cash            \$ 140.86
  - Total           \$1043.70
- ✓ Committee Reports
  - Contests
    - Joseph Aymar entered 4 models to be judged for points and received 87 points or more for each model entered!
    - Favorite Photo – Doug Wagner’s photos won 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup>
    - Favorite Model
      - 1<sup>st</sup> – Joseph Aymar – Santa Fe G60M
      - 2<sup>nd</sup> – Doug Wagner – SOO Line Milk Run passenger train
      - 3<sup>rd</sup> (tie) – Joseph Aymar’s scratch-built bridge, Bruce Hobb’s O scale Santa Fe 4-8-4 mountain steam locomotive
  - PCR Convention report given by Jim Long
    - Redding convention is May 1- 5
    - 2003 convention – Dublin (east bay area)
    - 2004 convention – hosted by Redwood Empire Division
    - 2005 convention – hosted by Coast Division
    - 2006 convention – hosted by Daylight Division
  - Daylight Director Brewster Bird attended the National Boy Scout Jamboree and was able to take part in the Railroad Merit Badge
  - Tom Turner gave a preliminary report on the activities at the next scheduled Daylight Division meet in Santa Barbara, May 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>.
- ✓ Old Business
  - None
- ✓ New Business
  - None
- ✓ Meeting adjourned at 10:45 AM

Respectfully Submitted,  
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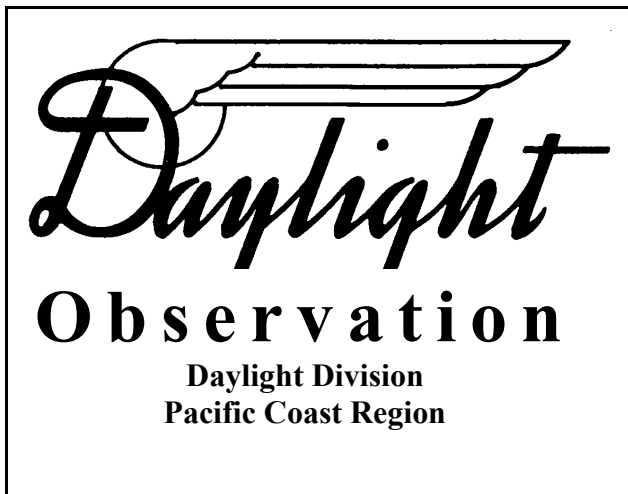
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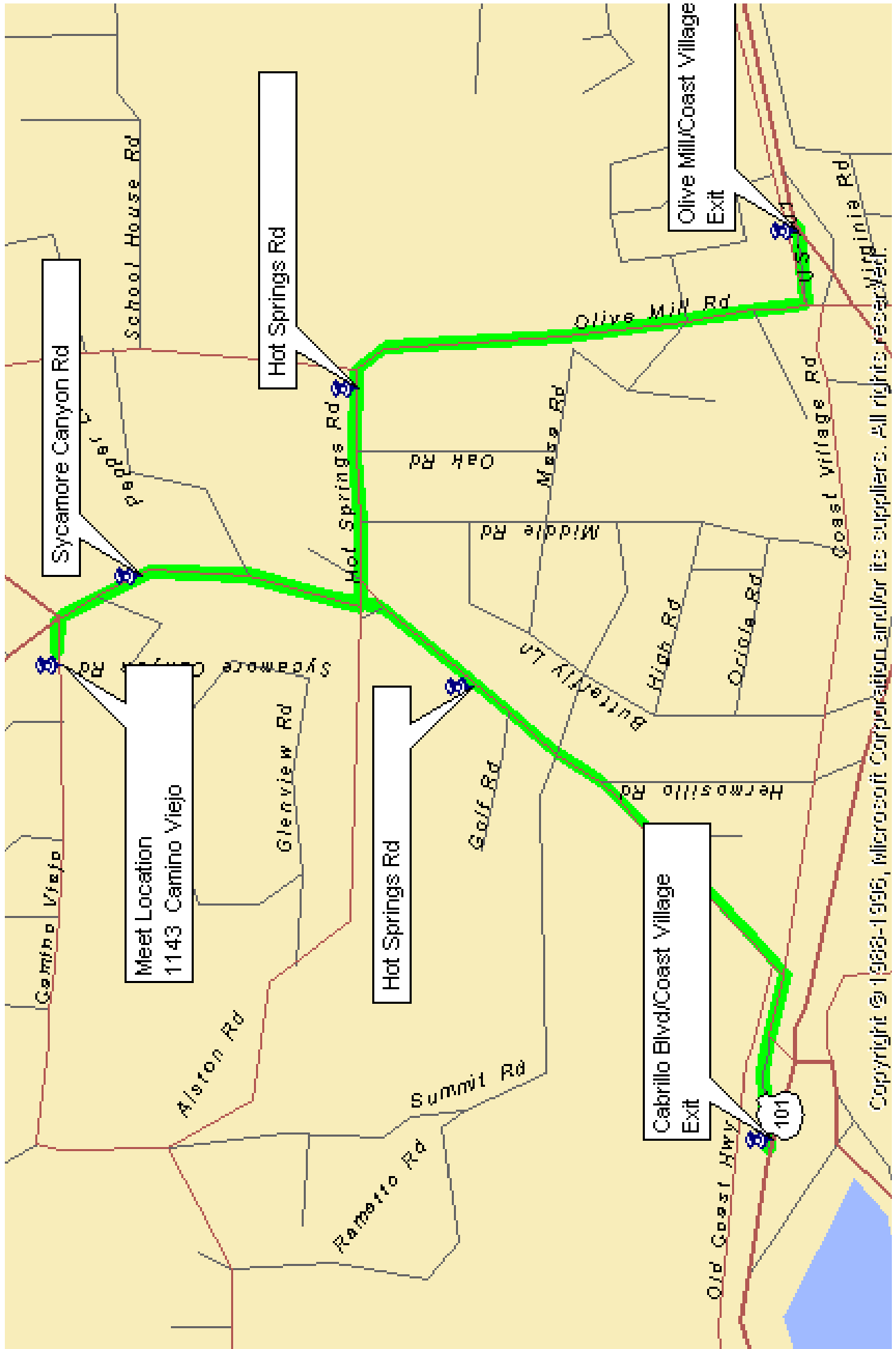
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