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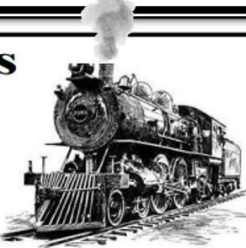
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LOCOMOTIVES BIG AND SMALL



Our **MLS FALL MEET** was a success with 98 folks registered, traveling from as far away as Canada. What makes a great meet? Lots of trains, for sure. From a huge Y6B down to a 1" Pacific, and everything in between, there was lots to see...



Photo by Dan Benton



...even pedal power!

Plus, goodies for sale.



MLS is, of course, known for our miles and miles of track. And we couldn't have asked for better weather. But something special about our meets is the community among us 'train people.'



Whether grabbing a slice, catching up on life's events, or discussing an interesting bit of tech, you can always get in on the action. Time to start thinking about the



MLS Ops Meet! Our thanks to Bill Cobb and all who helped make the meet great!



DECEMBER POT LUCK

Join us for our Christmas Pot Luck luncheon on December 14th following the general membership meeting. We are usually heavy on desserts so keep that in mind. Bring your favorite dish to be shared. Let's make it a day of enjoyment and fellowship. Any questions contact Donna. 773-802-0223

RUNNING FOR MLS 2025 PRESIDENT



Meet Larry Kirchner!

Larry was born and raised in Baltimore, Maryland, spending his whole life in the Baltimore area until his recent retirement to Arizona.

In his professional life, he owns a custom furniture business and is a well-respected government contractor. He is considered by many to be a master painter and cabinet maker.

Larry's main hobby is trains with an early introduction by his father. Larry has been in the live steam community for many years and has been a member of numerous clubs.

He has built cars and several locomotives during this time in the live steam hobby and has several favorite railroads including the Nickel Plate Road and Southern Pacific. Larry's other hobbies are music, astronomy, and reading.

You can find Larry out running his Y6B, helping fire up the Berkshire, or on the ground in the steaming bay offering a helping hand with someone else's locomotive.



HOLIDAY SEASON HELP NEEDED

It takes 40 to 45 people to pull off a successful Christmas Run schedule. Can you assist with preparations, support, or running trains? Please let us know if you can help!

A BIG **“THANK YOU”** TO SANDY RAUPERSTRAUCH



From Sandy:

“To MLS members,
I have enjoyed being your Stack Talk newsletter editor for the past few years, and getting the blasts sent out with important news. But I have been kicking the tires about passing the baton to someone else, and our friend heard Bob and me talking, and jumped in, and said he'd give it a try. His offer was presented to the board, and voila, there is now a new MLS Editor, Stan Ferris. With his background knowledge in journalism and radio, and his various YouTube videos on railroad projects and the Crow's Nest Railroad, he has a lot of experience to offer.

Thanks for your support over the years - I'll still be around. You'll see me sewing in the club house while Bob tinkers with his engine! lol
Sandy”

In the above picture you can see Sandy (on the left) with Myrna selling quilts to raise funds for our railroad park. Sandy, we owe you big time for all that you do for MLS!

Well, that's it for this issue of MLS Stack Talk!



Thank you for all your MLS support!

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