



The Mountain GAZETTE

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Every once in a while the job of editor gets really hard. This issue is one of those times. Reporting on the Memorial Celebration should be the big feature story, but keeping Quentin's promise that we will have a 2009 Triennial is just as important. At the last banquet last year, Quentin, while feeling poorly, attended and spoke. He made the promise that we would have a 2009 Triennial. Well live steam fans, we are 'Keeping the Dream'. Hang on to your hats 'cause this is going to be one great meet. The registrations continue to pour in and we are now showing some 250 plus engines and associated crews registered! Wow! I can't wait!

The Memorial Celebration was just that, a great celebration. For those of you that could not attend, you missed a really well run event. It started with the work week dinner hosted by Sharon Breen and staff. Several members got up and told the gathering about their favorite moments with Quentin and the others that have passed on. These folks made the Train Mountain facility what it is today. The mood was one of a true celebration, with folks remembering all the good times and some very funny antidotes! This feeling and mood continued throughout the week, culminating in a great day of celebration with our favorite town crier starting off the event. We had guest speakers representing the local community, business associates of Quentin, and, later we adjourned out to the new Memorial Garden area for additional speakers, who represented the hobby side of Quentin's life. Al Witcombe also presented Train Mountain with an incredible portrait of Quentin that was painted by his son, Jamie Witcombe. Jeff Phillips brought a "Where is Quentin?" picture enlargement of Q's kindergarten class. We really appreciate that also. Once again, some great remembrances of what Quentin and Train Mountain meant to the members personally and to the hobby in general. It was a great day of celebration for such a somber occasion.

I have received many comments regarding the safety article from the last issue of the Gazette. In keeping with that theme and the upcoming Triennial, I would like to have all of you make sure you read

Jeanne Meisser's and Joyce Kludt's Triennial Check-In article in this issue. The main theme is Patience! We are all volunteers here. We have a couple of hundred trains to unload, and get to their designated tracks. We have a safety video that is required viewing before operating any equipment on the railroad. We have required liability release forms that must be on file. All of this is going to take place as you arrive at Train Mountain. If you are COURTEOUS and PATIENT, I'm confident that you will get through this check in with flying colors. I am also just as confident that if you create any grief for the Registration volunteers, your stay will start off poorly and will not be nearly as much fun as the rest of us 'patient' folks will be having! BE PATIENT! BE COURTEOUS! HAVE FUN! We have folks coming from all across the country and many foreign visitors. Treat everyone like you want to be treated and we should all have a great time!

Ross was sharing some statistics from past Triennials and the numbers are quite impressive and staggering. We have to locate some 250 plus engines where the correct equipment is available for them to operate. Things like electrical outlets for the battery folks, air and water for the steamer folks, yard tracks for the long train folks, etc. We need to unload some 100 plus train hauling trailers and then find a place to park them all! We have some 75 plus RV's to place. We have a fleet of shuttle vans and drivers to keep folks moving around the facility with a minimum of auto traffic. We have done this before, we understand the issues. If you are asked to do something by one of the key volunteers, BE PATIENT, LISTEN to what is being said, DON'T argue, simply FOLLOW THE INSTRUCTIONS given. It will make for a great event. HAVE FUN, enjoy your visit.

If you have any spare time during your visit, make sure you attend the daily 8:00 a.m. volunteer meeting and volunteer some of that time. If we all volunteer just two hours of time, the meet will be a great success. Many folks will be giving more time than that but if the general membership chips in just two hours a piece, what a huge difference it will make.

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Some of these volunteer jobs actually include running trains so don't be bashful, **VOLUNTEER!**

My parting shot for this issue is to remind all of you to bring some tools that can be used in case we have a fire. These tools include, but are not limited to, shovels, hoes, and water jugs (gallon milk or juice jugs work terrific). If we all **Think Fire Safety**, we won't need to use these fire tools! Thank you!

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FROM THE MANAGER

The latest information - Ross Perrin

It's Time!! It is Triennial. This will be a short article this time because we have lots of info for you to put in the Gazette. I can't wait to see you all and we are getting ready your arrival. Thanks to all those early attendees, meet attendees in May and the Kitsap Krew, we are looking better everyday.

We talked about safety and fires a lot in past Gazettes, and in many meetings, and to help even more, there will be a mandatory safety DVD you MUST watch to be a conductor or engineer. We have minimal rules so you can enjoy the railroad without endangering anyone and yourself. Follow these simple rules and we will be able to keep them simple, use common sense and be responsible for your actions.

June's Good Guy Award goes to the man that will work the hardest during the Triennial, "The Chief Volunteer," Jerry Crane. I don't know a lot about Jerry but I know he is up for the task and will do a spectacular job. Jerry has helped with many parts of Train Mountain and has contributed in many ways. Thank you Jerry and congratulations in advance for putting together the greatest Triennial ever.

This might be a good time to express my thanks for all

of you - - the volunteer team of Train Mountain. It is you that make things work and it is you that insures we are here 100 years from now. What you have helped create has inspired many people and made an awesome place for all railroaders to create memories and friends. Pat yourselves on the back for a job well done.

We once again have many donations, from money to parts and artifacts. Thank you very much for your continued support.

The Company Store is ready for you with all sorts of railroad items. Come on in and meet Kay and see what she has done with the store.

Don't forget the Comprehensive Plan Amendment hearing, 6PM June 23rd at the Government Center in Klamath Falls. We need your support. Check in the office for more info and support letters packets you can fill out.

The 24th of May was a somber day, as it was a Memorial to Quentin, but it was a great refection through the voices of many to what a wonderful person he was. While we will never forget the man and his vision because of all the remembrances we see here, it was a great opportunity to hear all of your stories and have you share them. Thank you for being here and celebrating Quentin's "Dream".

Have a safe trip to the mountain and we will see you soon.

"Just live'n Quentin's Dream"

Ross Perrin, (GM)- tmrrgm@trainmountain.org

THE TENDER HALF

The latest from the store and other info - Kay

I've had several people ask me about train fabric again. The place I found was www.trainfabrics.com, but I'm sure many of you have your own special places to go. Remember this was supposed to be a place to share ideas....so please share.

I overheard a comment in the store that I considered to be a compliment, but I thought perhaps it deserved an explanation. It was, "She doesn't charge an arm and a leg for it either." When I set a price on an item, I have usually done several price comparisons and make sure we're in the ball park. Your purchase from Train Mountain Company Store is just another way of supporting Train Mountain and I want that choice to be an easy one. Many of you have heard me talk about aggressively working the internet with Google and Yahoo. My goal is to grow large enough that our store is a significant contributor to the financial status of Train Mountain. You can help not only as a cus-

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tomers, but as a promoter. Talk about things you've purchased here...blog about it....please name drop as often as you can.

For everyone's convenience during the Triennial the store will be open June 15-June 27 : Monday-Friday 10:00-4:00 and Saturdays 2:00-6:00. As most of you know...if I'm there, it's open. I also understand that the open/closed sign is a point of confusion. That is mostly because I do not have my little friend, Derrick Knight to help me remember to turn it over. As a general rule....If the door is open...come on in, regardless of what the sign says.

New items include, but are not limited to: a hat pin with a working wig wag, Train Mountain Logo wine glasses, beautiful train tiles (sold separately or as the lid for a custom wooden valet box), shot glasses, water bottle holders, flashlights, shovels, mini train made of coal, Whistle Stop gourmet items, new games & puzzles (one puzzle is the shape of an engine), new jewelry, new ornaments and my favorite, a polo and crew neck tee that have our logo as well as stating, "Just Live'n Quentin's Dream"....they are really cool.

I have been looking for a really good (appropriate for what we do) first aid kit. What I found were very pricey....So I didn't get any of those. What I did get are called instant cold packs. They will sell for \$1.50 and when you crack it, it becomes cold for bruises and burns....something to help the swelling until you get back in.

Another item we will have is a mosquito spray prepared by Chiloquin's own Juniper Works people. It's supposed to be very effective for 8 hours. As soon as our weather changes, I'm looking forward to personally testing it.

Okay, now next month I want lots of contributions to this space from you. Carol is going to tell us how to keep the deer from eating our plants....I bet you have something you could share too.

Still looking for a caboose cake pan,

TTFN, Kay store@trainmountain.org

From the editor: Don't forget that Ladies Day is on June 25th during the Triennial. Also don't forget the Quilt Show on Sat June 27th and Sun June 28th at the Chiloquin Community Center.

2009 TRIENNIAL CHECK IN

This is the procedure - Jeanne Meisser and Joyce Kludt

What to expect when you arrive and check in at the front gate at Train Mountain for the 2009 International Triennial:

All those that have pre-registered will be given their individual packet. Those of you not pre-registered will pay the appropriate fees, based on the number of people in their party and their length of stay. All attendees are required to sign individual release forms prior to receiving their information packet.

The packet will contain a Train Mountain Commemorative Program containing a schedule of events, a track map, Train Mountain Safety Rules, a listing of the committee chairmen, vendor ads, and lots more. Also included in your individual packet will be your name badges and parking permits. Those entering Train Mountain with train equipment will also be given a number for unloading their equipment, if there is a backup at the Crisp Yard unloading area. After unloading, you will be given the option of having a volunteer park your trailer or you may wish to park it yourself. All trailers will be parked adjacent to South Meadow. You will also be given your track assignment at the time of your unloading at Crisp Yard.

Check List	Description	Location
#1	Arrive Main Gate Be Patient!	Main Gate
#2	Get Packet	Main Gate
#3	Verify Release	Main Gate
#4	Get Unloading #	Main Gate
#5	Unload Equipment	Crisp Yard
#6	Get Track Assignment	Crisp Yard
#7	Park Trailer	South Meadow
#8	Watch Safety Video	Central Station
#9	Train Ride	Train Mountain
#10	Have Fun!	2009 Triennial

If you are planning to camp at Train Mountain during your stay, you will be given a copy of the camping rules and asked to complete an emergency contact form.

If you are bringing a dog to Train Mountain, you will also be given a copy of the dog rules. Bring dog & vaccination records

All engineers and conductors are required to view a short safety video to be shown in Central Station. After watching the video, those engineers and conductors will receive a sticker on their name badge. The sticker signifies to the volunteers at the Inspec-

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tion Station that you are cleared to operate your equipment on the track at Train Mountain. No sticker, no running!

The Registration Desk at the Main Gate will be open on Sunday, June 21 from 1PM to 5PM and from 8AM to 5PM each day of the Triennial.

Be patient we will get you in and having fun as quick as possible!

MUSINGS FROM MIDWAY

The latest from G-Ville - 'Mort' Ediger

We are very happy with the overall condition of G-Ville after it's first bout of winter weather. The fish Debra gave us last year are alive and growing. The pond lilies are small but are also growing. We have a 'gazillion' tadpoles, the birds love to bathe in the pond and we even had a pair of ducks visit.

The track faired well through the snow, ice and freezing weather.

The only destructive thing that happened was the critters eating new holes in the side of the G-Shack, right through the flowers we had made to cover up the old holes! We can't cover them again though because there are nesting blue birds and we have to wait for them to vacate their happy home.

This week we finished construction of our 22 foot long trestle, installed it, and connected the figure 8 track-age. We also ballasted the back and forth section known as To and Fro.

We want to give a huge thank you to the following folks: Joe and Kathy Simon. They donated a brand new generator. Now we can run trains! Hurray! David Toole for donating his second \$100 towards the purchase of more track! Charlie Bill for putting together a 6 foot long trestle. It has already been installed. Bill Sheppard for using his tractor and his flat bed trailer for loading up and hauling to G-Ville a giant load of lava rock! Thank you, thank you, thank you to all of you for helping with G-Ville.

We hope everyone comes down to G-Ville for a visit Midway Garden Railroad (G-Ville). It's located right in the middle of Midway Circle!

Event	Work Week	Train Meet
Triennial 2009	Mon, Jun 15 Sun, Jun 21	Mon, Jun 22 Sun, Jun 28 -
Operations Meet 2009	Sat, Jul 25 Thu, Jul 30	Fri, Jul 31- Sun, Aug 2
September Meet 2009	Sat, Sep 5 Thu, Sep 10	Fri, Sep 11- Sun, Sep 13
Fall Colors Meet 2009	No Work Week	Fri, Oct 2- Sun, Oct 4

Photo Gallery

Debra, Sarah and crew have done a terrific job on the new Memorial Garden



Al did his usual great job of being our favorite Town Crier and then topped it all off with the magnificent painting done by his son, Jamie.



The weather was terrific and the multitude assembled really enjoyed the celebration.



This is a hard to see picture but those that have passed are now immortalized by having their names placed into the track at the Memorial Garden. Please show your respect by tipping your hat as you pass the flag pole. Thank You!



In addition to doing the wonderful job on the Memorial area, Debra has got Train Mountain looking terrific as always. Things are blooming everywhere!



And if that was not enough stuff, Debra has moved her food service over to the end of the Vendor area and has been feeding the work crews everyday! Thank you Debra!



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Saturday 2:00-6:00

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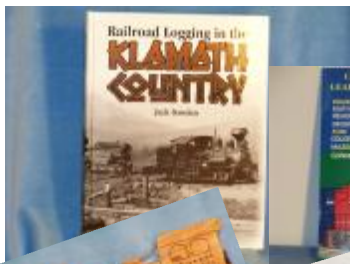
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Honor jar available for
after store hours

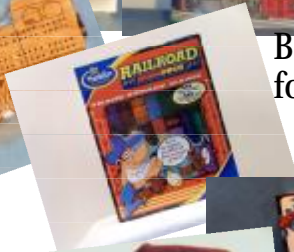


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available in the Store. These are available for use
on your home railroad or here at Train Mountain.



Sample Price \$300