



# The Daylight Observation



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## Daylight Division Meet Scheduled for Fresno on October 27th

Daylight Division will hold its Fall 2007 meet at Fresno in conjunction with the mid-year meeting of the PCR board of Directors. The meet and the board meeting will be held at the University Ramada Inn, site of the 2008 PCR Convention, Sierra Memories 2008. The Ramada is located at 324 East Shaw Avenue, just east of Freeway 41. Layout tours and operating sessions will be hosted for meet attendees and board members at Chuck Harmon's San Joaquin Central and other local layouts, to be announced at the meet.

Chuck Harmon will present a clinic on preparing switch lists with Microsoft Excel. Brewster Bird will present his clinic titled "Elementary Layout Design Using Dave Barrow's Dominoes Technique." Other clinics will be announced at the meet.

The meet will start at 9:30 am with sign-ins and contest entries. The first clinic will start at 10:00 am. In order to allow Division officers to participate in the afternoon board meeting, we will hold the Division business meeting and white elephant auction at 11:00 am.

No-host lunch will be available at the Ramada. During the lunch hour the Sierra Memories Convention Committee will meet in the cocktail lounge.

At 1:00 the BOD meeting starts, but the Division meet will continue with clinics until about 3:00, or until the clinics are finished. The rest of the afternoon and evening is reserved for visits to local layouts.

### Special Announcement

Terry Taylor, Daylight Division's elected Chief Clerk / Paymaster, has requested that someone volunteer to take over the duties of the office as he is unable to travel to division meets that are outside of the central coast. Suzanne Paff of Madera, having served in that office in years past, has volunteered to run in the next election and to carry the duties of the office for the remainder of Terry's term. After an e-mail thread developed favoring the appointment of Suzie, Superintendent Pat Boyle e-mailed Suzie: "Your appointment as Chief Clerk Paymaster has unanimous support from the "board" and you will serve the remaining term before the next election. Thank you for your volunteerism." The next election for Chief Clerk Paymaster will be in the fall of 2008.

### Notice

A special operating session/layout tour will be held on Friday evening, October 26 at 7:00 pm on John Houlihan's basement-sized O-Scale layout. John's layout models the SantaFe in the Fresno area. This special event is being held Friday evening because John will be unable to do it on Saturday due to the board meeting. Come to John's at 2682 W. Palo Alto in Fresno. Call (559) 435-0874 if you need directions.

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# Daylight Division Director's Report

by Doug Wagner

Well, folks, 6 months down and counting to the Sierra Memories PCR Convention in Fresno! And, also 6 months remaining on my second 2-year term! For those that have endured my rants – and some raves – for the last 4 years, you can begin celebrating! You can also take solace in that Sierra Memories Chairman, John Houlihan, has volunteered to have his name put into nomination to succeed me as the new Director of the Daylight Division. It seems that John has held every officer's position in the Daylight Division – except Director. I will put John's name into nomination when the time comes for names to be submitted to the PCR's Election Committee, and you will see his name on the ballot in the first quarter 2008 edition of *The Daylight Observation*. Thanks for volunteering, John! Actually, the Director's position is the easiest job of them all – you only have to go to 2 meetings a year! And speaking of volunteering, Susie Paff, of Fresno, has volunteered to fill out the remaining term as Daylight Division's Chief Clerk/Paymaster. A big thank you goes out to Suzie, who held the same position several years ago.

Anyway, I don't have much to pass on to you folks since the last report. The next PCR Board of Director's meeting will be in Fresno on Saturday October 27<sup>th</sup>, after the conclusion of the Daylight Division's Quarterly Business Meeting at the Ramada Inn. I will have more to report to you in the next edition of the Observation. As always, one of the discussions

at the BOD's meeting is the finances of the PCR, which remains one of the best regions for being financially stable. And a big thanks goes to PCR Treasurer, Larry Altbaum, for being on top of the PCR's finances. If anyone ever has a question or concerns about the PCR, please do not hesitate to contact me. Also, if anyone has something they'd like to be brought before the PCR Board of Directors please let me know.

Since the scheduling of the Daylight Division's Quarterly meets seems to have fallen into my lap (any volunteers to take over that job?). I guess the first meeting for the new year could be in February at Merced. Charlie and Babette, you can count on me giving you a call before the Fresno meet! The plan is to hold a short Daylight meet at the Fresno convention in May 2008, and then – hopefully – we can have our August meet on the Fillmore and Western train. Bruce Morden has been diligently working on that, so I'll let everyone know when Bruce finds out something. Then maybe we could hold the November meet back in San Luis Obispo. Stay tuned to this station for further information.

That's it for now. Now, I need to get back to entering registrants into the database on the computer. Have fun, and may all your signals be green!

## From the Desk of the Sierra Memories Registrar

by Doug Wagner

And now for something entirely different! This is Doug Wagner here, your friendly, neighborhood Sierra Memories Registrar/Treasurer, reporting to you from the dark abyss of my desk getting caught up with the registration reports. We are about 6 months out (heck, I vividly remember talking about this convention 4 years ago, when we had plenty of time!) from the Sierra Memories Annual PCR Convention 2008, and there is still time for you procrastinators to get a discount on registering for the convention. You have up until February 29, 2008 to save ten bucks on the cost of registering. Currently the cost of registering is \$105.00, and then on March 1, 2008 the cost goes to the full fare charge of \$115.00. The registration form for the convention is enclosed in this issue of the Observation.

OK, for you folks that love figures, here are a few I'll throw out your way. As of Sunday, September 30, 2007, we

have had the following:

- 59 Full Fare registrants
- 18 Non-Rail and Spouse registrants
- 20 Convention Cars reserved
- 30 Yosemite Mountain Sugar Pine Steam Train Excursion reservations

I could bore you to death with other figures, such as how many shirts and patches we've sold, but I'll be nice today – maybe next time I will include those figures!

Anyway, if you'd like to register for the convention, there are 2 ways to do so. If you are connected to the internet, you can visit the convention's web site at [www.pcrnmra.org](http://www.pcrnmra.org), register electronically and pay using your credit or debit card. If you have a PayPal® account, you can pay that way, also. But there is still the old-fashioned way to register and pay for

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# The Answers are Out There

## Paper Shell Scenery

By Bob Pethoud, Member Aid

Finally, after years of effort, my model railroad is ready for scenery. I work feverishly on the layout for days on end whenever I have the time, but then, due to my job, I'm unable to touch it for months at a time, with the result that I average maybe an hour a week on it. No wonder progress is so slow!

I've been dreading the prospect of lugging 100-lb. bags of Hydrocal about the house and mixing up and slopping around the goopy stuff in my carpeted railroad room. Then the January 2007 issue of *Railroad Model Craftsman* featured an article by Howard Zane, in which he presented a technique for creating model terrain without plaster. Frankly, the process he described seemed too simple to work well, so I tried it out on a small diorama and was favorably impressed. It turned out to be cheap and easy (two of my favorite qualities) and gives results which are comparable to the traditional hard-shell technique.

Here's the recipe: start by building the terrain support as usual with corrugated cardboard strips criss-crossed and hot-glued or stapled where they overlap. Then, instead of plaster-soaked paper towels, you simply attach pieces of heavy paper with hot glue. After you have all of the paper terrain in place, you brush on full strength white glue. Several hours later add a second coat of the glue and you have a rigid paper shell which is ready to be colored and textured.

The heavy paper Mr. Zane recommends is red rosin paper, which is used in building construction and is available in long rolls at reasonable cost (\$11 at Home Depot for a roll 3 feet wide and 166 feet long). I suppose you could use brown grocery bags and reduce even that minimal cost. White glue

cost around \$12 per gallon when I priced it a few months ago.

Although Mr. Zane does not, I recommend crumpling up each piece of paper before attaching it. I just cut or tear off a piece about one foot square and wad it up into a tight ball. When flattened out again, it exhibits many small facets in a complex pattern which looks quite natural and adds pleasing detail to a hillside or field. Hot glue each piece to the cardboard framework and to adjoining pieces of paper. Work from the bottom to the top of a hill so that upper sheets will overlap lower ones and hide any small gaps that appear. A nice feature of this system is that you get to see what the terrain will look like before you add the glue, when it's still easy to make changes. You can flatten high spots by applying hot glue and pressing the paper down against the cardboard; low spots can be raised by stuffing wadded up newspaper underneath. When adding the white glue, I thin it slightly with water to make it easier to brush on. This gives me a few small drips, but they are far less messy and much easier to control than wet plaster.

If the edges of the paper pieces are too noticeable, you can putty the edges with joint compound and let dry for 24 hours. I used Pro Form All Purpose Joint Compound for this. Rock castings can be added at this point. I cast some rocks using Woodland Scenics rubber molds and Plaster of Paris. After they had set up hard, I applied them to the paper shell with more Plaster of Paris.

Next time we'll discuss painting and texturing the paper shell terrain. Until then, you can reach me at [pethoud@comcast.net](mailto:pethoud@comcast.net)

### Convention Report (Cont.)

it. You may fill out the registration form in this issue of the *Observation*, enclose a check along for the amount of items you registered for, and mail it in. And if you have any questions about registering for the Sierra Memories Convention, you can email your questions to [PCRConv2008@aol.com](mailto:PCRConv2008@aol.com), or you may call me at (661) 331-6695.

That's it for now. Now back to my 4-foot high stack of paperwork. Until next time, I hope to see a lot of you at the next Daylight meet in Fresno, on October 27. Have fun and may all your signals be green!



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# Minutes of 18 Aug 07 Meeting

On Saturday the 18th of August the Daylight Division of PCR met in the San Luis Obispo area at Hilding & Mary Carole Larson's house for a fun filled day of clinics and tours or operations on local layouts. Registration started at 9 with snacks, entering models & photos in the contest, socialization and touring Hilding's representation of the Union Pacific, Northern Pacific and Yakima Valley Transportation in Washington. Attendance was up as 51 persons signed the registration sheet which included 13 non NMRA members, of which several inquired how to join.

After registration clinics were presented by Paul Deis on outdoor layout planning from surveying the ground to actual track laying, and by Joe Burns on How a 2 month Disney oriented railroad poster ended up taking two years, along with his many interesting tales of behind the scenes activities at Walt Disney Imagining and the park railroads. We had a very enjoyable lunch catered by Hilding Larson & Glenn Geissinger (who proved that they are both excellent cooks) serving Santa Maria Style Tri-tip BBQ with salad, beans, and bread, followed by chocolate cake, all for only \$6.

Following this, Brewster Bird presented his clinic on Square Foot Modeling, where he showed how to use the Golden Angle to draw you into a scene, the use of vanishing point perspectives with physical models in a small space, and how to pull it all together using ballast, dirt from a favorite prototype location with weeds, ground foam, and basic colors.

The Chief Clerk / Paymaster then opened the business portion of the meet at 12:02 with thanks to Hilding Larson & Glenn Geissinger for the hosting & the excellent lunch. There was a loud round of applause. The first item of old business up was John Houlihan, who is chairing the 2008 PCR Convention in Fresno, giving an update on the activities planned. Please see the article on pages 28 thru 31 of the July - September issue of the PCR Branchline for the specifics. The convention website is <http://www.pcrnmra.org/conv2008/>.

I then asked John to go over some of the recent activities of his alter ego, the Irish Tracklayer. John discussed his recent forays into kit making with the Santa Fe - Yosemite Valley RR Interlocking Tower at Merced that he has produced in O, S and HO scales. He also went over his most recent kit, castings for the Saxby & Farmer Interlocking Machine, which he passed around. For more details (there may be a couple of the tower kits still available) go to <http://www.irishtracklayer.com/> or email him at [rubyjohn@comcast.net](mailto:rubyjohn@comcast.net).

Chuck Harmon moved and Bill Scott seconded to approve the minutes of the previous meet. Doug Wagner then presented a report on the financial status of our Division, which was approved. We then went to outstanding expenses and there was a motion by Bill Scott and seconded by Brewster Bird to reimburse Chuck Harmon \$217.82 for his expenditures on the Observation newsletter. Approved. Brewster Bird then moved that we reimburse Michael Mickens the \$29.00 spent for the sodas and donuts. Seconded by Suzie Paff and approved. Suzie then moved with Brewster seconding that we pass the \$288.00 collected for the lunch to Glenn Geissinger, with unanimous approvals

Going on to new business, the undersigned then announced the following: "My wife's health has not been good lately, thus I am not able to attend recent meets outside the local area and even have missed many of the local meetings. The bottom line is that I would like someone to take over my position as Division Chief Clerk / Paymaster until new elections can be held." There was some discussion that followed then and in emails afterward between Bill Scott, Brewster Bird, Chuck Harmon, Doug Wagner, Pat Boyle, Suzie Paff and the undersigned. Pat Boyle, our Division Superintendent then appointed Susanne Paff as our interim Chief Clerk/Paymaster. Her email is [suzanepaff@comcast.net](mailto:suzanepaff@comcast.net). Congratulations and thanks again Suzie.

Dave Grenier, who recently moved to Clovis was introduced as our new Division webmaster and congratulated on the great job that he has done. Please see it at it's new location <http://www.pcrnmra.org/daylight/> His email is [grenida@pacbell.net](mailto:grenida@pacbell.net)

Martin Costello then extended an open invitation to anyone interested to participate in his next planned operation meet for the Goshen & Goosechase shortline RR. The ALL-DAY operating session, with up to 20 operators, will start at 10 AM and includes a host-provided lunch. The G&G is a 40' x 40' tri-level layout in its own building. Operations with Digitrax DCC include long trains, local switching, some double-heading, and some easy trains. Let Marlin know your preference when signing up for this event. His office phone is (559) 222-1188. His home phone is (559) 243-9291 while his email is [Marlin@MarlinCostello.com](mailto:Marlin@MarlinCostello.com) See the details at <http://marlincostello.com/index.html>.

Discussion was then held over our Division holding our next meet in Fresno on October 27th, which is the date of the upcoming PCR Board of Director's Meeting at the Ramada Inn. We then broke for a 15 minute recess to watch

*Minutes (Continued)*

a very slow UP freight drag with 128 cars go by Hilding's house. After that bit of excitement, Doug Wagner happily announced that John Houlihan will be our next Division Director in May 2008. Pat Boyle has two more years remaining on his term as Division Superintendent.

Bruce Morden then discussed postponing our meet at the Fillmore & Western until next year's August meet instead of meeting here at SLO. Present plans are to rent a private car that can carry 50 people and charge about \$40 for the trip with lunch, plus a small charge for the Division Meet itself. Doug is to collect the money and Bruce is to write an article for the newsletter and the website. Bruce's email is [bdmorden@sbceo.com](mailto:bdmorden@sbceo.com) and Doug's email is [carldw@aol.com](mailto:carldw@aol.com)

Brewster Bird will set up the RR Merit Badge tables at the PCR convention. He will need help as there will be 7 tables to man, and of course he wants to rotate personnel. We have done this very successfully at past meets and train shows in our Division over the last half dozen years. His email is [mec569@yahoo.com](mailto:mec569@yahoo.com)

Bill Scott then went over the contest results. There were a lot of model and photo entries as well as some impressive displays of railroadianna. Aron Kahn was declared the winner of the favorite Photo contest with his wide screen diorama photo of the RR in San Luis Obispo. He also won second place with a nice photo of the Pacific Coast Ry #106. A special dispensation was issued to the normal rules of 5x7 to 8x10 mounted or 8x12 if from a slide, due to the special significance of the photo. Glenn Geissinger won the favorite model contest with a very well done Logging Boat House. Ted Van Klaueron won second place with his model of the San Marcos Warehouse.

Brewster Bird donated a Union Pacific HO car as a door prize in addition to the normal \$25 door prize. Doug Wagner then made a special presentation to Hilding & Mary Carole Larson for the Daylight Division Members of the Year. Hilding went on to discuss the schedule for expected trains for both Saturday and Sunday to help those who wanted to chase trains. The undersigned adjourned the meeting at 14:29.

With the business meeting over we all got down to the "serious" part of the Meet known as the White Elephant Auction. Auctioneer Paul Deis kept us all laughing with his comments and appreciation of some very fine items that showed up in some of the 27 wrapped boxes. He garnered \$141.50 for the Division. Maps prepared by Rick Anderson for the

layout open houses hosted by Hilding Larson (Union Pacific), Charlie Burns (Southern Pacific), Karl Kvilvang (Western Pacific) and Terry Taylor (Santa Fe) were then handed out.

John Houlihan ([rubyjohn@comcast.net](mailto:rubyjohn@comcast.net)) then held an open meeting of the Sierra Memories 2008 convention planning committee for next year's PCR convention in Fresno while the rest of the group lined up to purchase posters from Joe Burns, estate items by a former member from the Santa Barbara area, and to look over items several other members had brought for sale.

Needless to say we all enjoyed the afternoon as well.

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# Achievement Program

## Master Builder- Motive Power Certificate

By David A. Grenier

In my previous column I discussed what the Achievement Program (AP) is and how to get started by earning the Golden Spike Award. In this installment I will be discussing the first of eleven Achievement Certificates that may be awarded to obtain the ultimate goal of Master Model Railroader (MMR), the “Master Builder – Motive Power” certificate.

This is perhaps the most challenging and daunting of the Master Builder categories, but don’t let this category scare you off. If you recall from my previous column, you are only required to complete seven of the eleven categories. You do not have to complete this category to become an MMR. There are ten other categories to choose from, all of which will be discussed in subsequent articles.

Before getting to the requirements for the Master Builder – Motive Power certificate, let’s define what “motive power” is and what it is not. Motive power is any type of steam, diesel, or electric locomotive, traction unit, maintenance vehicle, or other type of self-propelled vehicle that runs on rails. This includes everything from speeders to streetcars to cab-forwards. It does not include things that are powered models of unpowered vehicles (like hand cars) or unpowered models of powered prototypes (like dummy locomotives).

There are three requirements for the Master Builder – Motive Power certificate:

1. Build three scale models of railroad motive power, one of which must be scratchbuilt.
2. Earn a Merit Award of at least 87.5 points with each of the three scale models of motive power either via an NMRA sponsored contest or AP Merit Award Judging.
3. Submit a Statement of Qualification.

While one of the three models must be scratchbuilt, the other two can be commercial models that you have super detailed. To be considered as scratchbuilt, at least 90% of the model’s pieces/parts must be constructed or fabricated by the modeler. You do not have to scratch build the following items, which are excluded from the scratchbuilt requirement: motor, gears, drivers, wheels, couplers, light bulbs, electronics, trucks, paint, decals, bell, marker and classification lights, valve gear, brake fittings, and basic shapes of wood, plastic, metal, etc. Although these parts are exempt from the scratchbuilt requirement, they may be scratchbuilt to earn up to 15 additional bonus points. Basic shapes are things that builders of the prototype would have used as raw materials. For

example, an “I” beam would be a basic shape, but a commercial door or window casting would not.

For steam locomotives, the frame, boiler, cab, tender, main and side rods must be scratchbuilt. For other motive power, the body, frame, cab, power truck frames, pantograph or trolley poles must be scratchbuilt. The power train for the models (motor, gears, wheels, etc) may be commercially made and need not be scratchbuilt.

All models must be super detailed either with scratchbuilt parts or with commercial parts. To be considered “super detailed”, the model must have considerably more detail of excellent quality than is usually expected. The quality of the detail is more important than the quantity. Models that are cross-kitted, modified kits, parts built, or extensively altered to a different prototype may also be considered as “super detailed”. The phrase “real individual craftsmanship is demonstrated” is key and figures in both the letter and the spirit of this and other AP qualifications.

The models must also be operable and capable of self-propulsion on the correct gauge of track. They must be able to pull and negotiate track curves without derailling. The models can also be of any scale.

Once the models are completed, they must be merit judged and earn 87.5 or more points to meet the requirements of this certificate. The models are judged on the quality of the craftsmanship, including the finish and lettering, the quantity of details and amount of scratchbuilt parts, and how well it captures the look of the prototype. Up to 15 bonus scratch building points may be awarded if the modeler builds some or all of the parts exempted from the scratch building requirement, but the total scratch building score cannot exceed 15 points.

Merit judging can be done in one of two ways: 1) at an NMRA-sponsored contest (NMRA or PCR convention); 2) arrange for judging at another time separate from a convention. You can bring your work to the judges, or they will even come to you! When you’re ready to have your models merit judged, contact me to arrange a time and place.

The final requirement for the Master Builder – Motive Power certificate is to submit a Statement of Qualification (SOQ), with includes detailed descriptions of each model and photocopies of the Merit Award certificates. The detailed descriptions must identify all scratchbuilt features, all

## SIERRA MEMORIES



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Join us in Fresno next May to relive the romance and challenge of the great men and railroads that conquered rivers and logged the sierras in the late 19th and early 20th centuries. From harvesting huge redwoods to constructing mind-boggling hydro-electric power projects, the standard and narrow gauge railroads of the Central Sierra Nevada played a significant part in serving our people and building our state. Sierra Memories 2008 will not only let you explore those golden years, it will lead you to discover hidden jewels of layouts, enjoy refreshing friendships, and sharpen your hobby skills.

Make your reservation before March 1, 2008 and enjoy a reduced fare of just \$105! Use the enclosed registration form or go to the web site at:  
[www.pcrnmra.org/conv/2008/registration.htm](http://www.pcrnmra.org/conv/2008/registration.htm).

**Sierra Memories 2008**

**April 30 - May 4, 2008**

**Ramada University Inn  
324 East Shaw Avenue  
Fresno, California**

Full fare includes 5 days of convention activities, clinics, contests, self-guided layout tours, banquet and Sunday breakfast.

Yosemite-Mount Sugar Pine Railroad trip and guided (bussed) layout tours are extra fare. Other extra fare options will be announced as they develop.

For information contact John Houlihan at (559) 435-0874

Web site: [www.pcrnmra.org/conv/2008](http://www.pcrnmra.org/conv/2008)

Full fare registration is now \$105.00

### Achievement Program (Cont.)

commercial components used, and materials used in building the model. Copies of the plans you used are not required, but may be submitted. Photos of the model are helpful, but not required. Submit the completed SOQ to the Region AP Manager, Jack Burgess. (See PCR Callboard, [www.pcrnmra.org](http://www.pcrnmra.org), for his contact information.)

The Master Builder – Motive Power certificate may appear daunting at first, but remember, it doesn't require you to scratch build a cab-forward or a Big Boy. A simple 4-wheel diesel switch engine will qualify just as well. One purpose of the Achievement Program is to encourage and challenge us to expand our modeling skills, which this category certainly does. Just imagine how much satisfaction you would get earning this certificate. You would be held in high esteem among your fellow modelers.

For more information about the Master Builder – Motive Power certificate, visit the NMRA website at <http://www.nmra.org/achievement/apc1.html>.

Next installment: Master Builder – Cars Certificate



*Director Doug Wagner presents Hilding Larson with Daylight's Member of the Year award.*



**Pacific Coast Region (NMRA) Daylight Division  
Financial Statement for the Meet (as of 18 Aug 2007)**

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| 18 Aug 07 Cash Account Starting Balance | \$000.00 |          |
| Starting & Running Balances             |          | \$000.00 |

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| 18 Aug 07 Meet Income      |                  |          |
| White Elephant Auction     | \$ 141.50        |          |
| Registration Donations     | \$ 159.00        |          |
| BBQ TriTip Lunch Donations | <u>\$ 288.00</u> |          |
| Total Income               | \$ 588.50        | \$588.50 |

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| 18 Aug 07 Expenses            |                  |          |
| Cash Expenses                 |                  |          |
| Refreshments at SLO Meet      | \$ 29.00         |          |
| Door Prize                    | \$ 25.00         |          |
| Lunch TriTip Expense Passthru | <u>\$ 288.00</u> |          |
| Total Cash Expenses           | \$ 342.00        | \$246.50 |

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| Checking Account   |          |          |
| \$217.82 to Chuck Harmon for paper & postage for Observation issues. |          |          |
| Total Ck Expenses  | \$217.82 | \$ 28.68 |

\$246.50 cash was passed to Doug Wagner to deposit until our next meet in Fresno

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Joe Burns shows how he developed a Disney poster as part of a 2-year project.



"What am I bid for this fine brown package?" Auctioneer Paul Deis gets the bidding going.



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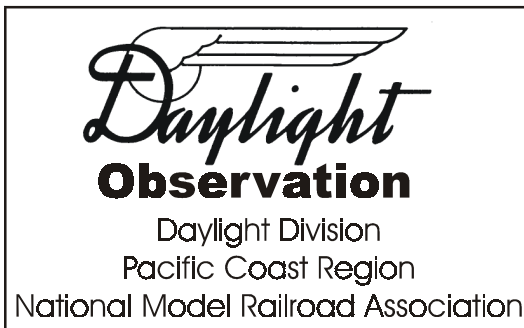
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