



The Mountain GAZETTE

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AS ANOTHER YEAR COMES TO AN END

Many projects have been completed, some are continuing into next year, while others are never ending. We wish to thank everyone that helped with projects during 2016 and those that have supported the projects in other ways.

On November 30, 2016, the TMRR Board of Directors met via a conference call for the purpose of electing TMRR officers. The vacant position of Treasurer was filled with the election of Dave Waterstreet. Tom Watson continues in the President's position, and Chuck Barnes continues in the Secretary's, which like all positions are two year positions. The Board voted to create a Vice President position, to which Jeff Mills was elected. The Minutes of this meeting can be found on the TMRR WEBSITE.

Richard and Dustin managed to get in about ten hours of testing on the new Brush Blazer. They are very happy with how well it works cutting brush, but are not happy with how often the blades need sharpening. Dustin hard-faced the cutting edges, and then the great outdoors turned white. Enough white stuff that it will probably be Spring before they will be able to test the hard-faced cutters.

Speaking of white stuff, see the web cam page for some images of Dennis plowing snow. He had a blast the first couple days, but as often happens on the west coast it rained on the snow and then the temperature dropped below zero making lots of ice.

On Christmas Day, the ladies prepared a fabulous holiday meal at Central Station. Lots of holiday food on the main serving table, and just about every kind of sweets was available on the dessert table. Following the meal a "white elephant" or "Yankee swap" party game gift exchange was held. An interesting statistic was that about 2/3 of the gifts had been purchased at the new Harbor Freight store in Klamath Falls.





After dinner Gil Dominguez offered train rides on his speeder. As you can see from the image, he had no takers. Brrrrr!



Containerville Update

By: Jerry Crane

The installation of the second row of storage containers is progressing as planned. The transfer/lift table has been installed between the two rows of containers. The foundations for the south ends of the new containers have been completed and the foundations on the north end are about 75% complete. The first five new containers (with roll up doors) have been completed in Portland and are ready for shipment to Train Mountain. Shipping should start when the weather and conditions at Train Mountain permit. An additional ten containers have been paid for and modification of these units has started.

We have decided to make one change from our original plan. We thought that would be possible to move the transfer/lift table by hand back and forth to the loading/unloading positions. Two individuals can do this but it would be just too hard for one person. Therefore, we have decided to add a power unit to move the table east and west. This unit will have both high speed for the long moves and creep speed for track alignment. This power unit is now under construction and will be ready for use in the spring.

There are still some storage containers for sale. They are \$5,000 each with roll up door. If purchased, you would own the container but would be required to pay an annual storage space fee. This fee for 2016 was \$375. The rental terms are available from the office. You can make a down payment on a container for \$2,500. Full payment would be required when your container is ready for use.

Notice to all Members

Due to security concerns, the Gate Code for the Train Mountain Main Gate was changed after the Triennial. Any Member planning to arrive at Train Mountain when the Office is closed will need to contact the Office prior to arrival to arrange to get the new Gate Code.

Train Mountain is a NO SMOKING Facility

During recent events, many Members and their Guests have been ignoring this policy. There are only three designated smoking areas at Train Mountain:

- (1) Outside the front of the Backshop
- (2) Outside the east door of the Hall of Flags
- (3) Outside the Motor Pool (Maintenance Building)

Due to the high fire danger at Train Mountain during the summer, we have zero tolerance for anyone smoking outside one of the designated areas.

There is NO SMOKING anywhere out on the track!

Members, Guests, and Visitors that continue to violate the Train Mountain Smoking Policy may be asked to leave.

Train Mountain EMAIL

Please use info@trainmtn.org as the primary Train Mountain email contact. You may use info@tmrr.org as a back-up.

Gazette EMAIL Notice

DOES NOT ALWAYS WORK

Before the email notices ever go out, the Gazette is always published on the Train Mountain website.

<http://trainmtn.org/tmrr/pages/gazette/gazette.shtml>

Visitors to Train Mountain:

Train Mountain is very popular and is continually attracting visitors from throughout the world. We announce that our hours are from 10:00 AM until 3:00 PM Monday through Friday during the summer, and 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM during the winter. The office is closed on weekends except during meets, and then only when volunteers are available to open the office.

Our insurance advisors request that all people (members and visitors) complete and sign a liability release. If **YOU** as a member encounter visitors on the property without a visitors pass please direct them to the office so that we can insure that a release has been completed and a visitors pass has been issued.

If **YOU**, as a member, open the gate and allow visitors to pass through - **YOU** are responsible to see that the release has been completed, and **YOU** are liable for them until they sign a release. Releases are available in the mailboxes near the office for those times the office is closed. There are also releases available in the kitchen and in the back shop.

If you do not want to, or do not have the time to, ensure that the releases are completed - then please graciously explain that the train park is closed to visitors and that the open hours are normally (Winter - 10:00 AM until 2:00 PM)(Summer - 9:00 AM until 3:00 PM) Monday through Friday. To arrange other hours visitors should call the office at 541-783-3030.

PUBLICATION DEADLINE CHANGING: Submissions to the Gazette must be received by the 15th of the month of publication.

The fifteenth of the month is to be the last day to submit material. Material received after the 15th of the month may be held until the following month or rejected.

SUBMISSION CRITERIA

Articles and ads may be submitted via a pdf file, MS WORD, Open Office, or similar text file.

Please use a common open source FONT such as ARIAL that can be displayed in all Browsers, and is easy to read. Please do NOT use the Calibri font, as we must take the time to convert it to Arial.

If your document has an embedded image, you must also include the image separately as a jpg, png, or similar image file.

Greetings from Joyce at the front office:

Is it really December, again, already??? Another great year is nearly over!

It has gotten to be winter here. We are getting some snow and so far it hasn't stayed much, but in another week or so that is quite likely to change. (December 15, 2016 update: We got several inches of snow yesterday, wind last night and some melt today, but still lots of snow. Dennis Ward is out today plowing some snow off the tracks.) If you plan on coming this time of year, bring your winter gear and shoe chains!



Membership renewals for 2017 are at a tad over 100, more than double from this same time last year. And, so far there are a few new members for 2017, too. The 2016 membership count ended up a touch over 600 which is excellent for a non-Triennial year!

I have heard it said that, according to Quentin's model, the year following a Triennial is a year of rest. The second year following is a year of planning, and the third year, well, that's setting things up and actually holding the Triennial. With 2017, we will be in the second year--the year of planning for the 2018 Triennial. A Volunteer Coordinator, who can coordinate and oversee Committee Heads and other Coordinators, is seriously needed for this planning. This person will be highly instrumental in bringing the 2018 Triennial off. Anyone interested in this very important and valuable volunteer position should call the office at 541-783-3030 or email us at info@trainmtn.org.

It is awfully quiet here this time of the year and I don't have much else in the way of news or things to say. Remember, as a member, you can come to Train Mountain any time. You don't have to wait for it to be a meet and if you like snow and chilly weather, now is a good time to come. But do check the road conditions and weather reports before driving here.

Happy Holidays!

Joyce

December 6, 2016

P.S. Current and past issues of The Mountain Gazette aka "Gazette" can be accessed at the following link: <http://trainmtn.org/trainmtn/pages/gazette/gazette.shtml>

IN MEMORY OF *Jean Dent* (? - 2016)

We were sorry to learn that Les Dent's wife, Jean Dent peacefully passed away on December 16, 2016 at 1:20PM with Les and all of their children at her side. Jean Dent was a Train Mountain family member with her husband. Les and Jean were married 59 years.

Volunteer Hours Reporting

Dale Furseth has worked his techie magic on the member's part of our website again. You can now report your monthly volunteer hours online. From the Train Mountain Railroad home page, click on "Online Member Resources: Join Train Mountain: "Register for Meets", then on "Enter Volunteer Hours" or go there directly with this link: https://trainmtn.org/tmr-members/Member_VolunteerHours.aspx

Choose your name from the drop down menu, enter your total hours in the box that matches the month you are reporting your hours for and click on "Update Information" to submit them. So-o-o simple! We hope you enjoy using this new feature.

Please submit your volunteer hours. If you work off site or at home on Train Mountain projects - these hours count.



REMEMBER: No job is complete without the paperwork!

WEB-CAM GALLERY

Photos by: The Web-Cam

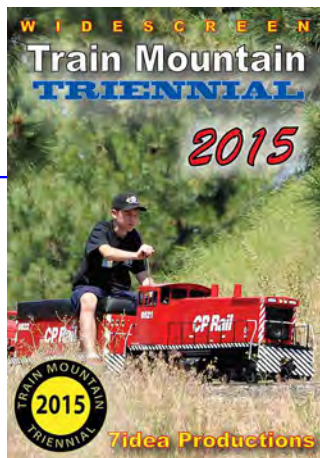


CLASSIFIEDS



2015 Triennial Video is available now!

The 2015 Train Mountain Triennial video from Aaron Bentsen at 7Idea Productions is now available through the [Train Mountain on-line store](#) or the main office at Train Mountain. Give them a call at 541-783-3030 and get a copy on the way to your place. It's \$29.95 for the video and free shipping and handling lower 48, \$6 S&H for all others. A most enjoyable video shot by a true video artist and of course our favorite subject, Train Mountain!



Our good friend Jim over at Discover Live Steam has placed ads for us on his terrific website, thanks Jim. discoverlivesteam.com Did you see the great article and front cover story from the November / December 2015 issue of Live Steam and Outdoor Railroading? It is a great article covering the 2015 Triennial. and the great gang of folks that hang around the place and put on terrific live steam train meets. Pretty cool! web: livesteam.net



Donations\$ Needed!

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 1/8 Page: \$25/month or \$250/year
 1/4 Page: \$40/month or \$400/year
 1/2 Page: \$70/month or \$700/year
 Full Page: \$125/month or \$1250/year

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What is Amazon Smile?

In a nutshell, it is a way for Train Mountain to receive 501c3 donations from Amazon.

According to Amazon: AmazonSmile is a simple and automatic way for you to support your favorite charitable organization every time you shop, at no cost to you. When you shop at smile.amazon.com, you'll find the exact same low prices, vast selection and convenient shopping experience as Amazon.com, with the added bonus that Amazon will donate a portion of the purchase price to your favorite charitable organization. You can choose from nearly one million organizations to support.

When you go to Amazon Smile, choose Train Mountain Institute as your charity. In order for this to work, you must always start from Amazon Smile. Then all else is the same, your account, wish lists, etc. Also available is a direct link: <http://smile.amazon.com/ch/27-4031025> for the TMI account.

The AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the purchase price from your eligible AmazonSmile purchases. I found that just about everything I purchased lately is eligible.

If we can get a large number of Train Mountain supporters to take advantage of the Amazon Smile program, this could result in sizable donations to Train Mountain.

[Click here for more information.](#)



Kla-Mo-Ya Casino

34333 Hwy 97 N
Chiloquin, OR 97624
541-783-7529 or 1-888-KLAMOYA
www.klamoyacasino.com

Kla-Mo-Ya Casino opened in 1997 and is owned and operated by the Klamath, Modoc and Yahooskin Tribes. Set in the beautiful pines of Southern Oregon, we are located on Highway 97 near the junction of Highway 62 (Crater Lake Highway).

We are open 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, and welcome travelers and groups from across the country year round.

Our Peak to Peak Restaurant is open 24 hours a day, with a full service lounge and beverage service available out on the gaming floor. Choose from great menu items like juicy steaks, classic salads and pastas, or try our beefy Triple 7 Burger if you are *really* hungry. Dine in or take out, we have a host of friendly staff to serve you. Check out our current menu from the Dining page of our website, and watch for monthly special features. The Peak to Peak restaurant welcomes groups, meetings or parties for special occasions.

Open from 7am to 9pm, the Espresso Bar serves a wide variety of espresso and coffee drinks, hot or cold, as well as fruit smoothies, frozen yogurt, desserts, and quick to-go lunches.

Our gaming floor has 344 slots with new games and themes being brought in all the time. Find out about our current slot promotions and check out recent jackpot winners on our website and Facebook page.

Try your hand at one of our four Blackjack tables. We offer double deck and six-deck blackjack with \$3 tables available every Monday. Keep up with promotions and tournaments available by checking our website.

Hours of operation:

Weds & Thurs: 12 noon – 8pm

Friday through Sunday: 12
Noon – 12 Midnight

(closing times may vary depending on play)

Stop by the Bonus Club to sign up for a free membership card to earn rewards and qualify for our many promotions and giveaways. While you are there, browse through the unique selection of items in our Gift Shop.

RVers, Truckers and large vehicles are always welcome, with plenty of free overnight parking available. Stop by the Bonus Club to ask about discounts and perks.

Come enjoy the warmth and excitement of Kla-Mo-Ya casino.



Crater Lake Junction Travel Center

34005 Hwy 97 N
Chiloquin, OR 97624
541-783-9800

The Crater Lake Junction Travel Center opened for business in 2010, and is owned by the Klamath, Modoc and Ya-hooskin Tribes. Open 24 hours a day and located just next door to Kla-Mo-Ya Casino as you enter, this travel center offers competitive fuel prices and many convenience items.

Travelers can fuel up with gas, diesel, or propane. Stop in for a snack or soda, or grab a quick meal featuring Mexi-Go or Mountain Fresh Pizza. Free Wi-Fi, a comfortable lounge with large screen TVs, laundry and shower facilities, and ATMs are all available.

Make sure to ask for a Crater Lake Junction Travel Center rewards membership card so that you can earn points for each purchase and visit. Your earned points can be applied toward future purchases.

Truckers, ask about trucker services and benefits for each visit. Convenience items and truck accessories are for sale, along with many useful daily provisions.

Crater Lake National Park

Crater Lake National Park is located off Highway 62, just 34 miles from Kla-Mo-Ya Casino and the Crater Lake Junction Travel Center. After playing and fueling up, discover the world-famous beauty and amazing history of Crater Lake. Groups and parties, ask about casino shuttle service for your outing or adventure.

Shuttle Service to and from Train Mountain

Kla-Mo-Ya Casino and the Crater Lake Junction Travel Center are also offering a free shuttle service for Train Mountain Members, Guests and Visitors.

Train Mountain people should see the TM Office for more details, schedules, and special events.