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Quarterly News for **Old Pueblo Trolley**

Street Railway, Motor Bus & Museum Divisions



DEDICATION - SAVE THE DATE

DEDICATION OF OUR NEW FACILITY - SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2016

We are planning a formal dedication of our new facility at 250 E. 36th St. the first Saturday in October, in the evening. Please reserve the date on your calendar. By then we expect to have most things moved and the shop and exhibits mostly set up. A program will recognize those who have made it all possible through the donation of their time and/or money, and will provide entertainment you are sure to enjoy. We will also commemorate 100 years of motor bus service in Tucson.

Street Railway Division

<u>The Lisbon Car, Representing Prescott & Mt. Union Railway No.1,</u> <u>Passes its First Run Test</u>

On Thursday, July 7, 2016, No. 1 underwent a series of motor, controller, electrical, and brake tests and emerged with flying colors.



6oo V DC was fed to the car through the pantograph

Watch the video on YouTube at https://youtu.be/MlQysZng8qo



Test leads are checked and monitored.

Eric Sitiko discusses the testing with Sun Link head Steve Bethel



On Sunday, June 11, Frontier Towing assisted in the move of our Huntington Standard car from the old Broadway Blvd. facility to our new building at 36th and South Fourth Avenue. See the video at https://youtu.be/eLn5Yg8GOSw

Motor Bus Division

STUDENT INTERN TRAINING

FIRST EXPANDED SUMMER INTERN SESSION HELD OVER 5 WEEKS WITH 8 STUDENTS

Since our last newsletter our expanded summer youth training program has come and gone. Students received safety training and shop orientation under the capable hands of retired shop instructor **Jerry Petersen**. They, along with many of our other volunteers, were trained and certified to operate a fork lift by **Sharon Powers** and her assistant of **Power's Safety Services** who volunteered their time. Thanks to **Bill Nelson** for arranging that. The students worked on moving items, building shelving and setting up shop work areas, preparing our Huntington Standard streetcar for restoration work, repairing the forklift and dump trailer, and doing some work on a number of our buses. Thanks to **Steve Hazen, Gene Caywood, Spencer Soles, Mark** Hart and **Roger Hobbie** for working directly with the students.



Student intern **Eddie Ramirez** removed old roofing material from the top of our Huntington Standard streetcar once it had been moved to our new location.

The student intern crew, assisted by **Gene Caywood, Steve Hazen** and **Mark Hart**, leveled the Huntington Standard car using railroad ties to take the sag out of the middle.



Student interns, **Daysen Baker** (front) and **Caleb Carpenter** (rear) building shelving for storage of bus parts.

NEW SHOP AND MOVING THE MOVE AND SETTING UP THE NEW BUILDING CONTINUES

With the hotter weather upon us, focus has been more on setting up the shop than moving things, although a lot of the latter has also been accomplished. All of our rail is now at the 36th St. location along with about a dozen buses and one streetcar. All the items stored outside at our Broadway location, and in the two refrigerator cars, has been moved to the new property. All the shop work areas are somewhat functional, although many things still need to be sorted and stored. The photos show some of the work accomplished by our student interns in the shop. Behind the scenes (actually up on the roof,) **Dennis Gibbs** has spent the hot summer making the evaporative coolers operational, patching leaks, and cleaning skylights and coating them so their fiberglass will last longer. Many, many thanks to Dennis for enduring the heat in the hottest possible place!

SEVERAL BUSES RECEIVE ATTENTION

Despite the main focus of volunteers on the move, some work has been done on several of the buses this past quarter. About a third of our buses are now at the new facility.

1960 GM, OLD PUEBLO TRANSIT #135

We previously reported engine problems with bus 135. It turned out to be a cracked head. The head was removed by **Lou Smiley, Eric Daily** and **Roger Hobbie**. **Bob Schlanger** took it to **Tucson Cylinder Head**, which miraculously had a good head for a Chevrolet 270 engine that had been sitting on their shelf since 1974!!! **Joe Cross** of Tucson Cylinder Head generously donated the head and the machining necessary. It has been installed by Eric and Roger, and **Bill Nelson** is now resolving smaller issues to get it running properly.

1948 SPARTAN, NAVI-HOPI TOURS #41

Our latest acquisition was on display for the first time at our Open House in May. Since then, as time has allowed, **Bill Nelson** has had it at his shop redoing the brakes and having new tires put on it.

OTHER BUSES

Students have continued body work on the '46 Ford, Tucson Rapid Transit #50, and it has now received another coat of primer. Final touch up and masking for painting the roof white is on-going. While painting white, we plan to repaint the roof of the '73 GM, City of Tucson Transit #7316. The old motor home door was falling off the '52 GM, Sun Valley Bus Lines #203, so it has been removed and will be replaced with a transit bus door like it had originally. In addition, Bob Moulton has about resolved the problem with the transmission on #203. Bob also deserves special thanks for continuing work trying to get a couple more buses running so they can be driven to the new facility instead of towed, particularly our '52 Twin Coach, Valley Transit Lines #530. **Museum Division**

TUCSON'S 241st BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

SATURDAY AUGUST 20 2016 11:00 AM

Southern Arizona Transportation Museum

> Master of Ceremonies-William Kalt, III

Music: Mariachi Alegre De Tucson Arizona

Testimonial for David Jones

Kenneth V Karrels Museum Chairman

Tucson Proclamation by Mayor Rothschild



Birthday Cake

In the

Historic AMTRAK Tucson Train Depot

400 N Toole, Tucson, AZ

Special thanks to:

Jim Click Auto, Maynards, Ace Hardware on 22nd& Kolb.

Tucson Postal History Museum, The Arizona Rangers, Safeway at Catalina Highway.

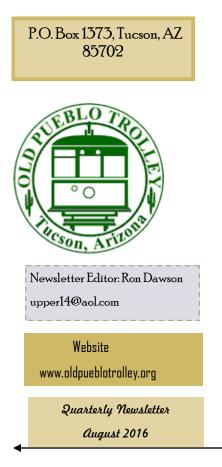
Coming Soon:

Halloween: Sat.Oct 29th

Holiday Express: Sat. Dec 17th







On Friday, June 3, 2016 Southern Arizona Transportation Museum members Paul Horky, Randy Hill, and Ron Dawson made a 15 hour round trip to El Paso to visit the Railroad & Transportation Museum of El Paso's engine No. 3420, an original El Paso & Northeastern (later El Paso & Southwestern) 1904 Baldwin 2-8-0. Meeting with El Pasoans Prince McKenzie, Woody Bare, and Richard Worthington, the Tucson group was able to obtain the long term loan of a surplus hydrostatic lubricator for SATM's No. 1673 for educational purposes.



L to R: Paul Horky, Randy Hill, and Ron Dawson of Tucson and Woody Bare of El Paso.

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- ◊ Roger Hobbie, Vice President, Motor Bus Div.
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