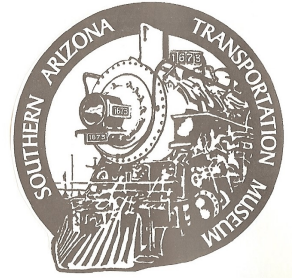




June, 2014

Quarterly News for **Old Pueblo Trolley**

Street Railway, Motor Bus & Museum Divisions



Street Railway Division

Volunteers Needed!

Contact Rick Wheeler, phone
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Old Pueblo Trolley Welcomes the Modern Streetcar!

Service begins on July 25, 2014



The long anticipated launch of Tucson's **Sun Link** modern streetcar system begins on July 25th with a celebration along the route. To acquaint Tucsonans with the operation, free rides will be offered the public on that Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. The new line covers the same route as Old Pueblo's vintage 18-year trolley operation with extensions on both ends, running from the University Medical Center, through the U of A campus, down University Blvd., then Fourth Ave, and through downtown to west of I-10.

Streetcars again on Congress Street: photo courtesy of Sun Link

Old Pueblo Trolley will participate by providing an audio-visual presentation by Gene Caywood on Tucson streetcar history from horse cars and electric cars through 1930. There will be two talks on Friday, July 25 at 10:30 am and 2:00 pm. On Saturday and Sunday, there will be one presentation each day at 2 pm. All lectures will be held at the Drachman Institute on Stone Avenue & Pennington, where OPT also will display, with the Drachman Institute's help, a photo display of Tucson streetcar history in the front picture windows.



This building once housed Montgomery Ward's.

At the same time, an ongoing photo exhibit on Tucson streetcar history will be opened at the vintage trolley car barn on 8th Street, just west of 4th Avenue. This exhibit will be housed in Brussels streetcar No. 1511.



1928 Twin Coach First Operational Run

MOVING UNDER IT'S OWN POWER FOR THE FIRST TIME IN 63 YEARS!!!!

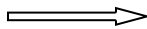
BIG CELEBRATION HELD APRIL 19 FOR TEST RUN OF 1928 TWIN COACH



A nice crowd of about 45 gathered for the test run. Special Guests present for the occasion were **Spencer and Polly Soles**, son and daughter-in-law of **Orin and Edna Soles** who donated the bus to Old Pueblo Trolley in 1995; and **John Fageol**, grandson of **W. B. "Bill" Fageol**, and great nephew of **Frank R. Fageol**, designers of the bus and founders of the Twin Coach company.

Posing along Hughes Street adjacent to our shop after a very successful test run. Everything went as planned with no major problems discovered with any of the mechanical systems

Backing out of the shop for the test run.



BUS #100 IS A MOVIE STAR

We just recently learned that our Aerocoach, former Tanner Motor Tours, then Sulger Bus Co., appeared in the 1953 movie **The Bigamist**, starring **Edmond O'Brien**, **Joan Fontaine** and **Ida Lupino**.

(scene from the movie)



The way it looks today - much in need of repair.



Southern Arizona Transportation Museum

Re-lettering Locomotive 1673 by Gene Caywood



For several years Tony Haswell has urged the museum management committee to correct the lettering on locomotive 1673 which is on display at the Southern Arizona Transportation Museum. Finally, on March 5 and 6 volunteers completed the task. The old lettering had been sanded



off and portions of the locomotive repainted some time back. The intent was to apply more historically correct letters and numbers, and add smaller

lettering omitted when the restoration was done approximately 15 years ago. Richard Dick obtained digital stencil files from long time SATM and OPT MEMBER Paul Chandler. Paul had arranged with Southern Pacific Historical & Technical Society member Charles Givens of Lopez Island, Washington to do the original artwork and format it into full size stencil files. These files were delivered to Paul gratis in the name of accurate historical preservation. Richard then arranged for stencils to be cut by Cook & Company Signmakers. On March 5, the stencils were applied by Gene Caywood, Mike and Angie Budd, Bill Bownas and Dennis Gibbs. The stencils were then rubbed down to assure they were stuck well, then the black paint where the letters show through was scuffed, and finally the area around the stencils was masked off. All this took all day. The following day, Gene Caywood and Mike Budd spray painted the lettering using the correct SP Lettering Gray color. Later in the day the stencils were removed by Gene Caywood, Paul Horky and Richard Dick.



In addition to his role in the lettering on the locomotive, Paul Chandler also recently made and installed, at no cost to SATM, new armrests in the locomotive cab. Paul also put Richard Dick in touch with Tom Dill in Oregon who donated a number of other items for 1673.



Silver Spike Events

March 22, 2014

Left: Mayor Jonathan Rothschild presents Railroader of the Year award to Gene Anderson of the SATM.

Right: Mayor Rothschild receives "Train Town USA" award on behalf of the City of Tucson from Jim Parker of the UP. Also shown is Joe Cantu of UP Security.



Left: OPT's Tony Haswell speaks about Amtrak's development on National Train Day.

Right: Ken Karrels received a \$10,000 check from Union Pacific Foundation President Bob Turner at the annual UP Foundation meeting in Nogales, AZ on Apr. 10, 2014





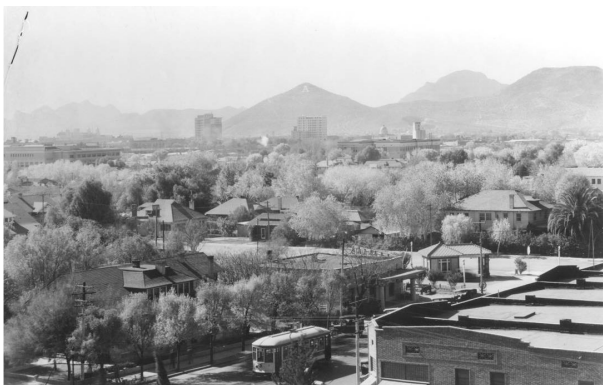
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With the end of streetcar service near, Tucson Rapid Transit car #12 rests at the university end of the line in 1930 with the downtown skyline in the background. Photo by U. of A. Professor R. B. Streets

On Friday July 25, 2014, at 10:30am and 2 pm, *Gene Caywood* will give a talk on **Tucson's historic streetcars** at the Drachman Institute Bldg. at Stone & Pennington. This presentation will be repeated on Saturday & Sunday at 2 pm, coinciding with the first 3 days of operation of Tucson's modern streetcar.

- ◇ Old Pueblo Trolley is a not-for-profit operating transportation museum consisting of three divisions;
- ◇ Tom Gorman, Vice President, Street Railway Div.
- ◇ Roger Hobbie, Vice President, Motor Bus Div.
- ◇ Ken Karrels, Vice President, Museum Div.
- ◇ CEO: W. Eugene Caywood
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