



Tucson Garden Railway Society

# TIMETABLES

December 5, 2002

Submissions are requested for the TGRS Newsletter in the categories of RailRoad News and Tech-Notes. Articles should be submitted by **Jan. 4, 2002**, send submissions to:  
Email to: nbuchholz@noao.edu  
Snail mail to: TGRS, 3401 W. Blacksill Dr., Tucson, AZ 85741

## TGRS Meeting and Holiday Party and Gift Exchange Dec. 14<sup>th</sup> at the Dorgan's

Where: Mike and Jane Dorgan's  
5416 Via Sempreverde  
Tucson, AZ 85750

Telephone (520) 529-2430

Info: The railroad visitation will start at 1100 (11:00 AM). The Party will Start at 1300 (1:00 PM). The railroad visitation will be at Mike and Jane's. The meeting will be at the Fairfield Mountain View Estates Recreation Center (next to the pool) on the corner of Paseo Otono and Via Sempreverde. Mike and Jane are up the street (Via Sempreverde) to the left.

Directions: To get to Mike and Jane's house - Take Sunrise to Paseo Otono (Big Fairfield Sign). Turn South and the Recreation Center is the first building. And we are up the street to the left.

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## The Red Rock Railroad

by Jane and Mike Dorgan

Started in mid 1999 and named after the Red Rock Water tower near Picacho Peak. The period is late 1800's and the two towns, Red Rock and Rock City, are old western towns. The layout also has an Indian Village, an old Fort Knocks, settler's cabins, a gold mine, a saw mill, boot hill, and a fishing lodge.

The trains are L.G.B. Moguls, Aristo Consolidations and a Hartland American. With three separate loops we can run up to five trains at one time. The majority of buildings are home built or kit bashed and now many of the people and animals are home grown.

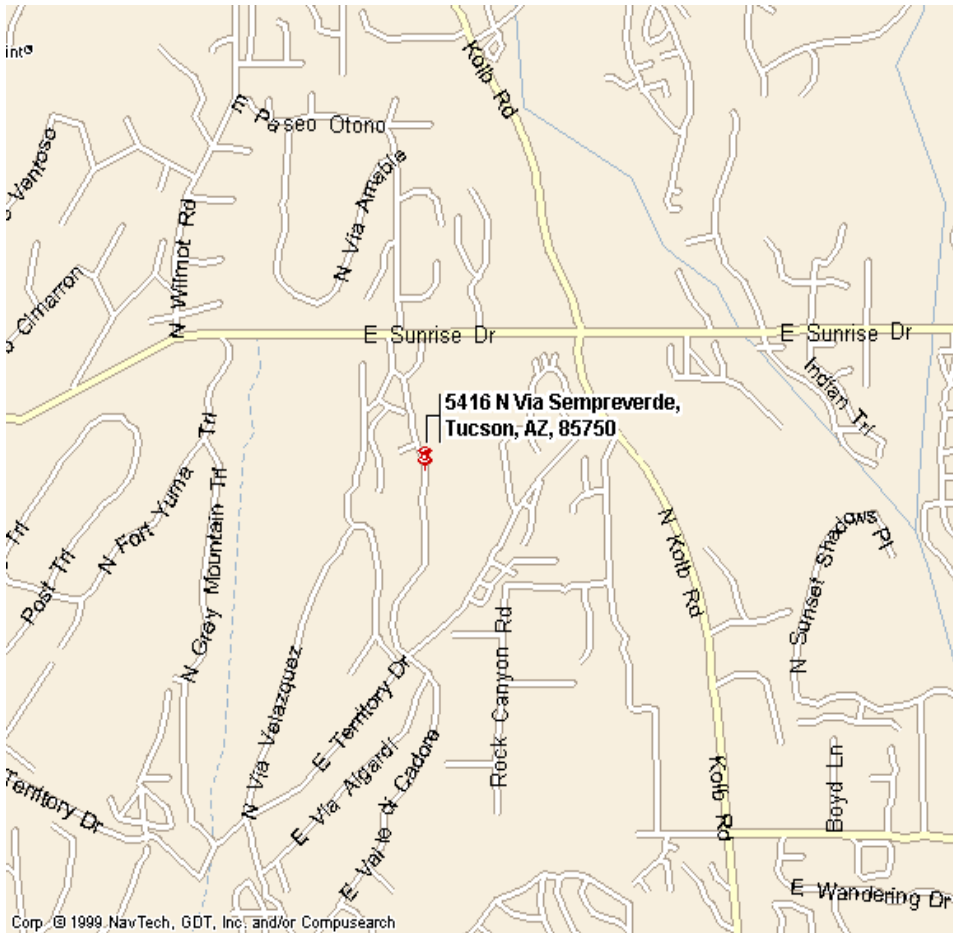
The layout covers the front, back, and side yards.

Hope you will visit us on December 14<sup>th</sup>.

Jane and Mike

## Editor's Notes by Nick Buchholz

Well folks this is the last newsletter published by me. "There's nothing penultimate about this one." from HHG. I always wanted to use that quote. From now on please send submissions articles and complaints to Dick Izen who will be taking over as of the January Newsletter. My thanks to all of you who have made contributions and suggestions. I hope everyone will try to send Dick an article about something that interests them, a railfan trip, a railroad project or



a tidbit of RR or garden related info. The newsletter is a big job especially if you have to write the articles yourself. Help Dick out by sending in submissions and news. And so after six fun filled years I say GoodBye,... Farewell,... Auf Wiedersehen,...(I knew I should have gotten Julie Andrews for this part!)

## TGRS MINUTES Nov. 16, 2002

Hosts: Bill & Barbara Dillon

Attendance: 60

The meeting was called to order by Pres. Gary Martin, who thanked the Dillons for hosting. Bill pointed out that many of his buildings are lit by solar panels, and invited everyone to come by at night to see the results.

New members and guests were introduced.

The minutes of the last meeting were approved as printed.

Gary reported a current bank balance of \$4988.00

Old Business: Dave Tiefenbach reported on the progress at Tucson Botanical Gardens. He noted the super support from our members, and thanked everyone for their help. The track is in, ballasted and glued, with about 300' of track, two trestles, and an aqueduct; Lew Sleeper and Gary are working on a water feature. There will be a training session for docents (and members who wish to attend) Nov. 21<sup>st</sup> at 10:00 a.m. We will start running Nov. 23<sup>rd</sup>. WE need plastic buildings donated for the layout, but not scratch built, because we can't guarantee the security. We will have two daily work shifts, 8:30-1 and 12:30-5. We want to have a club member at each session. Dave has sign up sheets for Emergency Calls, Stand-by List, and Take Down sign up. It was noted that we are getting lots of publicity.

Nick Buchholz reported on the NMRA and Adobe Mt. Events last week-end in Phoenix. Both were a big success, and Nick won Best Of Show at the NMRA contest!!!

Gary passed a sign up sheet for hosting meetings in 2003. There are still 4 or 5 months open. We may try to have a couple of round-a-bouts next year.

Module committee sign up sheet was also passed

Jane Dorgan talked about the Dec meeting/party. Dorgan's layout will be open to visit at 11 on the 14<sup>th</sup>, with the party at 1:00 at their Rec. center. It was pointed out that the center has NO STOVE so please plan accordingly. Again, if you wish to participate in the gift exchange, bring one train related gift costing no more than \$10.00 for each member participating.

Nick reported on their decision to not purchase any new software for the newsletter. They will continue to use Word.

Election of Officers: The following slate was presented: President: Nick Buchholz, Vice-President: Norm Ulmer, Secretary: Ellen Stoesser, Treasurer: Willis Fagg, Editor: Dick Izen, Board Members-at-large: Roy Eberbach, Bob Hoffman, Joe Stoesser

There was unanimous approval for acceptance of the slate as proposed.

New Business: Mike Dorgan noted that while Nov. and Dec. will be busy months at TBG, our big push comes in Jan., with the Home Show on the 3,4,&5, the Swap Meet on the 18<sup>th</sup>, and the GAT Show 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup>.

Marty Hart announced that they will be having an educational event at their house on Friday Dec. 13<sup>th</sup> at their home for the Fountain of Life School. Club members are welcome to attend, too.

Dick Izen suggested that we consider buying some rolling stock and a track cleaning engine for the club. It was moved to set aside \$1,000.00 for such purchases, seconded and passed.

Mike Dorgan suggested we might bring our own engines to TBG to take pressure off club equipment.

Bob Dirksen announced that St. Mark's has asked us to set up again this year, Dec. 16 & 17. Many volunteered to help. Set up will be Dec. 15<sup>th</sup>.

Gary pointed out that we have club decals, shirts and hats and equipment for sale.

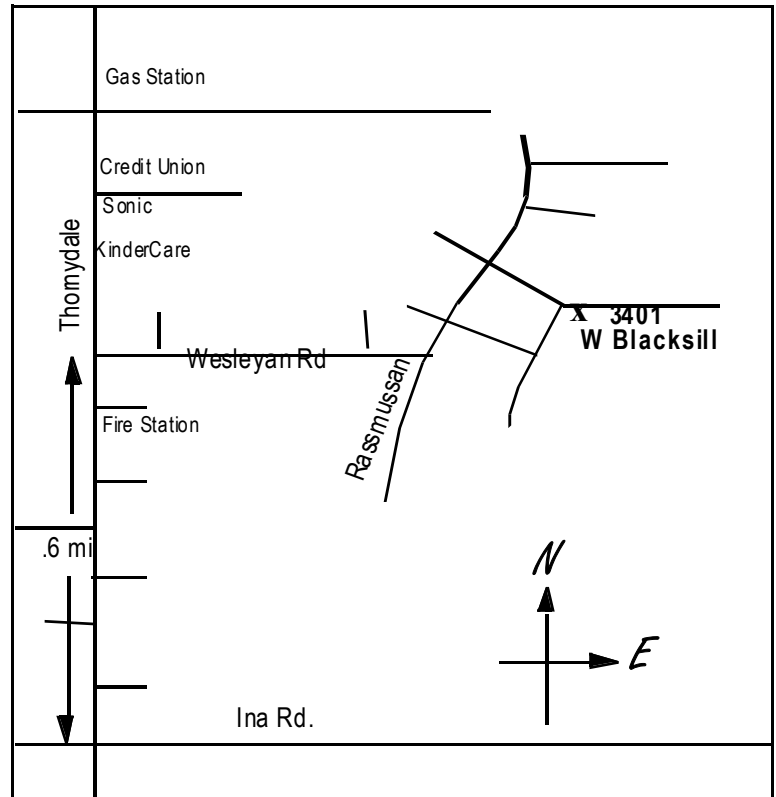
Norm brought foam to share with any one who could use some for working on cars and engines.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Jane Dorgan

## Board of Director's meeting

A Board of director's meeting involving the old and new board and officers will take place on Tuesday, December 17th at 7:00PM at 3401 West Blacksill Dr. (ed - My place, Map below). Anyone is welcome to attend and be



bored with the rest of us.

As a reminder The New Officers are:

<b>President -</b>	<b>Nick Buchholz</b>
<b>Vice-President -</b>	<b>Norm Ulmer</b>
<b>Secretary -</b>	<b>Ellen Stoesser</b>
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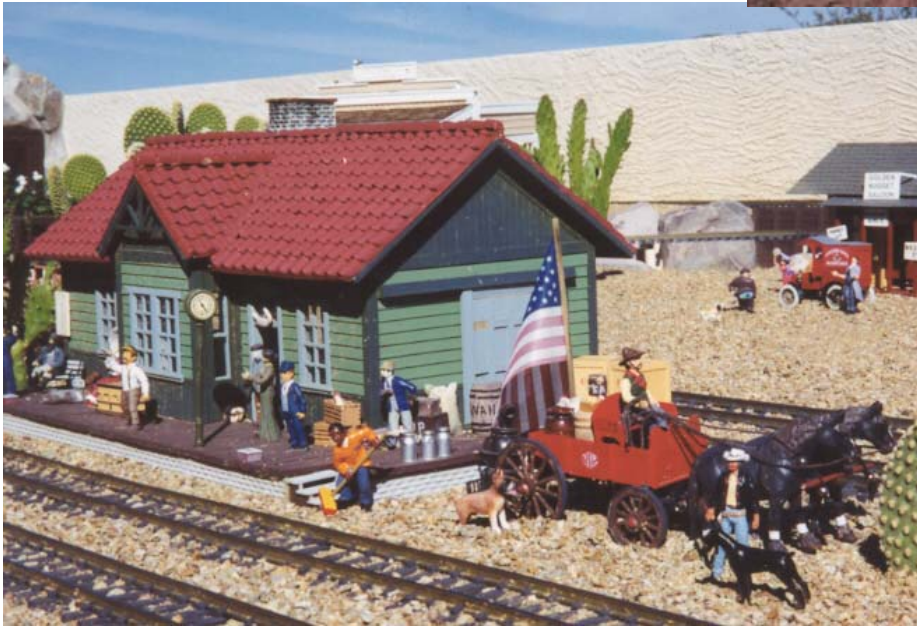
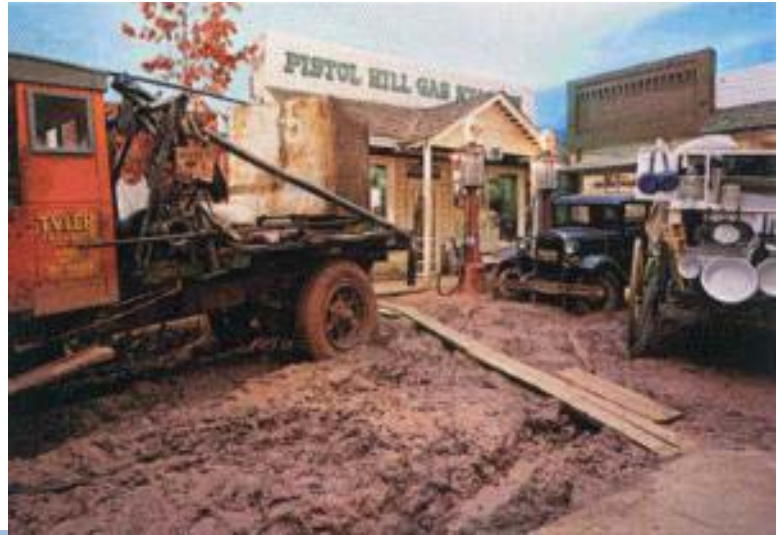
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## Holiday on Tracks2 by Nick Buchholz

The Tucson Garden Railway Society (TGRS) layout at the Tucson Botanical Gardens (TBG) has had a successful kick off. We ran trains and have had at least one new member join as a result. We all need to give a big round of applause and a hardy well done to Dave Tiefenbach and the construction and operations crew for a very nice layout. The response from visitors has been overwhelmingly positive. Well done everyone.

Dave still has some open days so if you can help out in covering a shift please call or e-mail Dave at 825-7546 davepataz@worldnet.att.net

The shifts are from 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and from 12:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. during the November 23 to December 31 period.



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## CSRR Open House at the Dirksen's

The members of TGRS are invited to an open house at 8648 N. Auriga Way on January 1, 2003, between the hours of one and five P.M. There is no need for an R.S.V.P., and if you have guests, bring them along. For directions, either search Mapquest or similar data bases on the internet or call 490 5987.

Robert and Phyllis Dirksen.

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## Hart to Hart Open House by Marty Hart

We will be having a train open-house Friday, Dec 13, 9am-3pm for the Fountain of Life School. Anyone who would like to come is welcome. If this is a bad day (for those with work) let us know. We can do it again Dec 15th (Sunday) 7921 E Scarlett is the spot...one block south of Broadway on Pantano turn left (East).

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## TGRS Christmas Party and Gift Exchange

This years Christmas pot luck/gift exchange will be at The Dorgan's Rec center Dec.14<sup>th</sup> at 1:00p.m. Please call Jane at 529-2430 to let her know what dish you plan to bring.

The Gift exchange consists of a Train related gift of not more than \$10.00 for each person in your family planning to participate in the exchange.



## Email Addresses again

Since I am notorious for losing every sort of paper or document known to man, especially when they are in paper text format, I plan on using email a great deal to keep in touch with the membership. To do this I need to have up-to-date email addresses for everyone who has an address. Please send me an email at nbuchholz@noao.edu so I can get a current email for you. I promise I won't start a junk mail service with them. I also plan on putting announcements of events and workshops on the web site. If you have neither web or email access please let me know so I can send standard snail mail to you if we need to.

*Nick Buchholz*

The Tucson Garden Railway Society is a non-profit corporation incorporated in Pima County, Arizona. Society members are interested in all areas of garden and modular large scale model railroading. We welcome new members and hope you will consider joining. Members help each other build layouts and learn about railroading and modeling.

The TGRS dues are \$30.00 per year and are due on June 30<sup>th</sup> of each year. For new members dues are prorated at \$2.50 per month remaining in the year until June 30<sup>th</sup> plus a \$15.00 initiation fee, the first year. Additional name badges cost \$1.00 for each badge after the first.

If you are interested in the TGRS please contact one of the officers at the phone number listed in the Calendar section below. If you just **have** to join immediately, send a check and your name, address and telephone number and the names for any additional badges to:

Jan Lathrem,  
1750 West Tangerine Rd.  
Tucson, AZ 85737

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

NOV. 23-JAN. 30 - TUCSON BOTANICAL GARDEN RUNNING DAYS

DEC. 14 - MEETING AND PARTY AT THE DORGAN'S - 1100 -???

DEC. 17 - COMBINED BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING 7:00 PM AT THE BUCHHOLZ-KER PLACE

DEC. 12 - OPEN HOUSE AT THE HART TO HART RR. (POSSIBLY DEC 15, AS WELL CALL)

JAN. 2-5 - SETUP AND RUNNING AT THE AMERICAN HOME SHOW

JAN. 18 - SETUP AT THE TTOM SWAP MEET

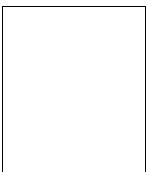
JAN. 24-26 - SETUP AND RUNNING AT THE GAT SHOW

### Retiring Officers

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### Officers Elect:

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