

Tucson Garden Railway Society's

Time Table

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There will be no regular meeting in January due to the Layout at The American Home Show on the 6th through the 10th and the TTOM Swap Meet on the 16th.

MONTHLY SOCIAL LUNCHEON

For the month of January; let's head back to club member owned R&R pizza. This railroad themed restaurant is located in the Basha's center on the NE corner of River Rd. and LaCholla Blvd. It is the eastern most shop in this center, directly behind Burger King from River Rd. We always have fun conversation about model railroading and many other things and the food here is yummy. The date is Tuesday Jan. 26th. Meet at 11:30. Hope to see you then. If you have any questions call Chuck Cook at 977-7673.

2010 Rails In The Garden

Well, it's late December already and our Rails in the Garden tour is only three months away. For 2010 the RITG dates are March 13 and March 14. The tour is back on the east side of town for 2010. We have a great group of nine layouts this year including the layout at the Tucson Botanical Gardens. Hosts/layouts for 2010's tour are:

- 1) Barry and Gina Blackwell
- 2) Tucson Botanical Gardens
- 3) Gary & Peggy Martin
- 4) Mike and Jane Dorgan
- 5) Joe and Ellen Stoesser
- 6) Rick and Sue Gast
- 7) Garb and Dorothy Mechigian
- 8) Jim and Madelyn Cook
- 9) Ken and Mary Karrels

We are again using last year's ticket pricing scheme – individual adult tickets will be \$5 and children/teens 18 and under will be admitted at no charge, when accompanied by and adult. The TGRS

Board approved making active military families our guests this year and their tickets will be at no cost to them. Tickets to be sold by TGRS members were available starting at the Christmas party on December 5th. If you would like tickets to sell, or more tickets, please call or email.

I know I'm repeating myself here but it needs saying again - all of our RITG tours are successful in large part due to the wonderful support from our non-host members to help the hosts prepare their layouts and help at layouts on tour days with operation and "meet and greet" duties. To have another successful RITG for 2010, we need to continue to support the layout hosts. While some hosts will require no additional help for layout prep, others may appreciate a helping hand with final clean-up and setup. Keep this in mind and look for the opportunity to help someone.

Thanks and Happy New Year! Glenn Mitchell

UMC Children's Layout

On Wednesday, the 9th of December, Nick and I met with the UMC Hospital folks, the Architect, the Contractor, the Construction Manager and the Interior Designer for the Children's wing project, in order to finalize the track plan layout. The upshot of this meeting was that the plan is approved, the contractor will provide a support system just above the ceiling and the electrical outlet and switch necessary to operate the train and television. Nick is to provide the Architect and Contractor with a scale, dimensioned drawing showing the location of the supports we require to hang the track from the ceiling. The hospital will provide the television, and the interior designer will provide the scenary and track support in the Lobby, where the track will exit and return to the Gift Shop. We will buy the ceiling hung track support frames from Eagleiron Works in Phoenix, and whatever hangers we need to suspend the frames from the ceiling. We will also provide the TV camera and receiver to connect to the hospital's

And of course, we will provide the engine and rolling

stock for the layout. At this time, everything is on "Go" for the project. As soon as Nick comes up with the scale drawing, we can put together a cost estimate for our part of the projet. Completion is still planned for June 2010.

Norm Ulmer



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- Stay informed of important club information.
- Offer your services when other members ask for help.
- Send your email message to all members simply.

Just send an email to memberssubscribe@tucsongrs.org. You will receive an acknowledgement that you have been subscribed and can begin enjoying the benefits immediately.



New members, Matt Welsh and his father Paul Welsh



It is always a pleasure to see some of our Charter Members at our Christmas Social, Marty Hart and Maryann Fabbri

A Big Welcome to New Members

Matt Welsh and his father Paul, they do not have a layout as yet.

Robert & Sandra Blodgett, they also do not have a layout yet.

Larry and Elizabeth Erb. They were members of the RCW group. Currently their layout is in the planning stage.

Bob and Sue Averill.

Electronic News Letter

With so many new members, I want to remind you that you can have the news letter delivered by email. The club saves printing and postage costs but more importantly you get the news letter faster and can view the photos in color.

To join the email mailing list send an email to members-subscribe@tucsongrs.org; include your name and a simple message like "I am a new TGRS member and would like to join the mailing list".

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 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 30th of each year. For new members dues are pro-rated at \$2.50 per month remaining in the year until June 30th 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 below. If you wish to join immediately, send a check and your name, address and telephone number and the names for any additional badges to:

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Calendar of Events

Dec 5 Christmas party at the Hometown Buffet

Dec 6-8 Layout at St Mark's

Dec 28-30 Display at the VA Hospital
Jan 6-11 American Home Show
TTOM Swap Meet

Feb 20 RCW Rec Hall

Mar 2010 Tucson Botanical Garden

Apr 2010 Pima County Fair May 1<u>5 Herb Waesch</u>

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