



Tucson Garden Railway Society's

Time Table

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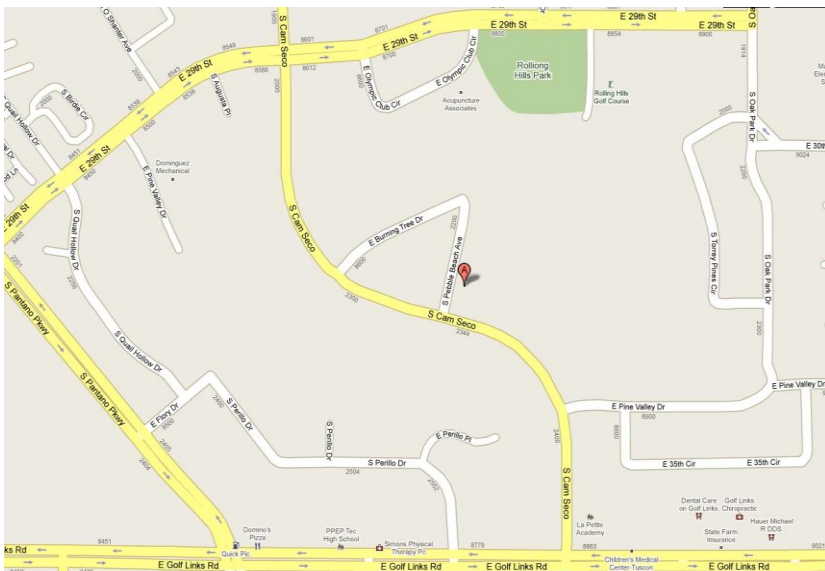
May, 2010

The May meeting is at the home of Herb and Marion Waesch on the 15th of May at 1:00 p.m. (that's when there will be the most shade).

The address is 2237 S. Pebble Beach Dr. Two blocks north of Golf Links on Camino Seco. Phone 296-5617.

Coming from the north drive east on 22nd St. to Camino Seco and turn south. The road will wind thru Rolling Hills Subdivision. About half way is 29th St. Cross this and continue south 2 blocks to Pebble Beach. You can only turn left and we are the first house on the right. Possibly map quest could give you a map to print.

My yard is shady in the afternoon since it is on the east facing the Rincon's. So it will be in shade. My railroad is a two track line totaling about 200 feet, 100 each. I have planned the railroad theme to be The Rockies in the 50's. It's still being developed.



2237 S. Pebble Beach Dr.

Fair Wrap-Up

The 2010 edition of the Pima County Fair is now history. I wish to thank all the participating members for their efforts this year. Overall, there were 47 members who covered a total of 155 work shifts (excluding set-up, teardown and load-out) plus a few members whose schedules did not permit working a running shift but participated in set-up and/or teardown. Every running shift was staffed by at least 6 members. Leading the staffing were Steve Anderson (16 shifts), Nick Buchholz (12 shifts) and Bob Dirksen (10 shifts). Extra thanks to these three individuals who collectively carried almost 25% of the workload.

As usual, the fair was hot, cold (very), wet and dry. For those experiencing the wet/cold days, extra thanks. The activity had the usual minor hiccups; train crashes, schedule questions, etc. but overall was considered a great success (again). Our display continues to be one of the highlights for fair goers. We had our usual compliments from a great many viewers. The most asked question (of me) was "how long did it take to set up the layout?". The children's layout continues to draw steady attendance. The addition of Thomas and Percy was of particularly popular this year (and they go fast, too)!

As in years past, we conducted our fund raising raffle. This year's prize was a Lehman starter set. The winning ticket was purchased by Jerry Rojas. Jerry was attending the fair with two of his nine grandchildren. He purchased six tickets and, this year, he had his grandchildren put their names on the tickets (three each) for luck. The name on the winning ticket was his granddaughter, Felicia.

When I delivered the starter set Jerry's granddaughters were at the dentist so he accepted

the prize for Felicia. Jerry stated he had been buying tickets for years trying to win the set. Many thanks to Jerry for his support over the years.

Willis Fagg
Conductor, Pima County Fair



**Pima County Fair Raffle Winner
Jerry Rojas**

2010 Rails in the Garden Wrap-Up

Thanks again to everyone who made this year's RITG event another really great tour!! Our guests seemed to have a genuinely good time. We even had several inquiries about the dates for next year's tour which, by the way, will be March 12 and 13, 2011. The weather cooperated and we had a beautiful spring weekend that helped make attendance the highest that I can remember. The average attendance was about 1175 guests at each layout. All layouts recorded over 1000 visitors for the weekend. As indicated by the attendance and the contact sign-up sheets, there seemed to be a lot of first-time visitors this year. The Tucson Botanical Garden seemed to be a big hit with guests – we hope to have them on the tour again.

Our collection for the Community Food Bank was a success by any measure – TGRS members, guests and neighbors donated over 330 pounds of food and \$422 dollars for the food bank.

There were almost 1000 tickets turned in for the door prize drawing and the winners are:

- 1st Prize: Starter Set & TGRS membership – M/M Paul Koener (young family with a one year old child)
- 2nd Prize: Convention Car – M/M Dan Levitt (they have a garden railroad!)
- 3rd Prize: "Garden Railways Magazine" subscription – Steve Holcomb

After a few weeks break we will start thinking and planning for the 2011 event. Remember to save that

weekend – March 12th & 13th. We will need your help again for next year's tour which will probably focus on our layouts in the north and west parts of the area.

Thanks again and keep smiling!

Glenn Mitchell

MONTHLY SOCIAL LUNCHEON

For the month of May; let's head back to The Red Garter Saloon at 3143 E Speedway, before the monsoon; and their swamp cooler fails to keep us cool. We always have fun conversation about model railroading and many other things; and the food there is yummy. I have a feeling this time I am going to be able to talk somebody into a game of pool. The date is Wednesday May 19th. Meet at 11:30. Hope to see you then.

If you have any questions call Chuck Cook at 977-7673.

Minutes of the April BOD Meeting Respectively Submitted By Jay Sanders

April 13, 2010, at the home of Norm and Ibbey Ulmer.

Present were Norm Ulmer, Ibbey Ulmer, Nick Buchholz, Ruth Taylor, Willis Fagg and Jay Sanders.

The minutes of the March BOD meeting were approved.

The Treasurer's report was approved.

1. Total on deposit \$37,741.94.
2. Revenues from 3/20/10 \$2,018.96.
3. Expenses from 3/20/10 \$2,032.93.
4. Net revenues from 3/20/10 (\$13.97)

Vice President's report: Willis passed out the schedule for the fair and the members that will be working each shift.

Old Business:

- A. Clinics. The nursery tour is scheduled for June 12th at 9:30 A.M. at the Rillito Nursery located south of Orange Grove. Details will be provided to the members.
- B. RITG. It was a very nice touch to have Garden Railways donate a subscription for the participants. We will see if they will donate a subscription each year.
- C. Convention Cars. Norm has 19 cars left and he will continue to paint these cars black and add the decals.

New Business:

- A. There was a discussion of possible members that should be approached to fill the position of Secretary. They will be asked if they will serve.
- B. A Clinic Coordinator is needed and will be asked to serve in this position. Norm will call him.
- C. The UMC Children's project is ready to be built. Nick needs five people to start the installation on July 14th. Rolling stock will have to be purchased and Nick will try to locate a used circus train since new ones are presently not available. Nick stated that the train will have to be painted to add the UMC Children's Clinic. Glen Mitchell will be asked to do the electronic controls for the train. 100 feet of flex track is needed for the layout. Erection equipment is needed for the installation. Norm will talk to the local contractor association for assistance.
- D. Various control systems were explored by Nick for our modular layout. The system can be controlled in a variety of ways including just one member to run layout, constant speed control and other variations. It was decided after discussion that we would retain our present control system to make it interesting for volunteers and to permit members to run their own trains on the layout.
- E. It was moved, seconded and pass to buy 1,000 coloring books at a price of \$520.00.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

Want Ads

For sale Dremel 1830 18" scroll saw mounted on stand. The saw retails for \$182.95 and the stand \$40.00. New condition. Asking \$150.00
Call Jay Sanders at 520 731-1999.

A Big Welcome to New Members

There were no new members during April

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:

Ibby Ulmer
4935 N. Craycroft Road
Tucson, AZ 85718

Electronic News Letter

With so many new members, I want to remind you that you can have the news letter delivered by e-mail. 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".

Calendar of Events

May 8 Ronald McDonald House, layout and serve dinner
May 15 Herb Waesch
Jun 5 TTOS Swap Meet

TGRS Officers and Board of Directors

President:.....Norm Ulmer.....520-299-9401	At Large Board Members
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