



The Tucson Garden Railway Society

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March 1, 2014

TGRS General Meeting March 15th

When: Trains at 9:30, Meeting at 10:30,
Presentation at 11:30

Where 4042 E. Cooper St. 85711

Phone: 520 322 - 5033

Email: barryandgina@cox.net

Directions: You may have to make a U[turn to get to
cooper from Alvernon.

From the West side, take Broadway to Alvernon, turn right
(South) and the second left will be Cooper Street. Follow
about a block and a half to 4042.

From the East side, take Broadway to Irving Drive and turn
left (South) on Irving. The first
cross street is Cooper, Turn right (West) to the
address.

The Railroad (circa 20050315)

The Rock Bottom Railroad is a thirteen year work (4 year
in 2005) in progress. There are about 300 feet of main line
with a 40 foot mining loop and an 80 foot point to point
trolley line. The layout includes a water fall, a stream and a
12 foot double track tunnel shared by the main and trolley
lines.

The name, Rock Bottom, describes both the terrain and
the financial condition of the railroad.

The builder is a lover of puns and has incorporated several
into the layout.

Presentation -

After the meeting Mary Abel-Lavelly and Tom Lavelly the
owners of Stoneworks will give a presentation. Check out
the February issue of Garden Railways for a review of one
of the how to books Stoneworks is known for. The March
presentation will be a talk along video presentation on
working with stone and cement along with other subjects in
the Stoneworks line.

Mini-round-about March 15th

After the Clinic on the 15th the Fagg's and Dorgan's will
have their layouts open for viewing. More information will
be available at the meeting

Social Outing & Luncheon March 19th

Tucson has a little treasure that few have heard of. It is
the Franklin Automobile Museum. Displayed there are
over 20 perfectly preserved Franklin automobiles. We are
going to tour the museum as a group on Wednesday

March 19. Exact time is not set yet, but it will be starting at
9-10 a.m. It is a little over an hour tour (guided) and the
cost is \$5.00 per person. If we have more than 10 people,
we will split into a couple groups. After the tour we will
move on to someplace to have lunch together (you can
elect to just join us for lunch). Right now, just mark the
date on your calendars. www.franklinmuseum.org If you
do not get the club e-mails sent to members, call me to get
final details. Chuck Cook 977-7673

Rails in the Garden March 8-9th

Rails in the Garden is on the 8th and 9th. We really need
volunteers to help out the Hosts. Consider volunteering for
one day. You'll meet club members and our great visitors
and enjoy a relaxing day outside. (Unless it rains then not
so much) Call Chuck or Debbie Cook at the RITG phone:
520-312-7379 or email: chuckcooktucson@gmail.com to
volunteer to help out at a host's layout. Its great fun and
you'll probably get a free lunch.

County Fair Setup April 10th

Setup for the Pima County fair will start at 9:00 AM on
Thursday, April 10th. If you can help Contact Willis Fagg at
phone: 760-0147 or email: km6mv@cox.net to volunteer to
help setup or to work a shift during the Fair. We start
running trains Thursday April 17th until Sunday April 24th
Sign up for a shift or two, its great fun and will let you see
the Fair, eat food that's really, really bad for you, laugh at
the silly chickens, Rails in the Garden March 8-9th

2014 ANNUAL LECTURE SERIES/HISTORY TALKS

WHEN: SUNDAYS AT 3PM (see dates below)

WHERE: Southern Arizona Transportation Museum
414 N Toole Ave-Tucson - Phone: 520-623-2223

WWW.TucsonHistoricDepot.org

Mar. 2: Tucson's Historical Street Car Systems - Gene
Caywood -A look into Tucson's early streetcar systems

Mar. 9: What Does a Conductor Do? - Mike Bording A
presentation about how conductors' jobs have changed
over the years by a retired railroad conductor

Mar. 23: The Arizona Southern Railroad - Richard Dick -
The railroad that went to the Silverbell Mountains

TGRS Board Meeting Minutes

February 6, 2014

Meeting was called to order by President Gary Martin. Gary thanked Norm for the cookies. Minutes were approved as posted.

Ruth Taylor, treasurer, reported checking account balance for 2/6/14 is \$7,110 and savings \$17225 for a total of \$24,335. Revenues since 1/18/14 were \$95, Expenses \$411 leaving a draw of \$316. Year to date revenues are \$2587 and expenses are \$5703 leaving a draw of \$3116. Rodeo expenses to date are \$3,975. A \$5,000 budget was OK'd for that. Total dues paid for 2013/2014 are \$2,432. Treasurer's report was approved.

Willis Fagg, Vice President, reported many more volunteers are needed for the Pima County Fair. Modular repairs will be done on the set up day, April 10th, with the 11th and 12th if needed.

Swap meet will be coming up on May 30th and 31st.

Committee Reports

Gary reminded everyone there will be a speaker, Rich Hull at the next meeting on February 8th instead of a clinic.

Janet Mitchell announced a change in time for the March 15th meeting to help accommodate the Blackwells and Stoneworks. The new times are 9:30 trains run, 10:30 meeting and 11:30 Stoneworks. Meeting will be held in the garage so if it rains the club will not be outside.

Chuck Cook announced no social lunch this month. He is still looking at the Franklin Auto Museum in late March.

Old Business

Chuck reported that Rails in the Garden was OK. Signage is OK. Still need about 17 people to help.

Willis plans on getting a Thomas set for first place winner drawing, 2 subscriptions of Garden Railway Magazine plus a one year membership to TGRS if the winners want it for second and third place.

Offsite Projects Status

Rodeo Parade Museum has the all the tents up. It was reported the plexi-glass is in place.

Gary said the Tucson Botanical Garden is a disaster. The track is going to need a lot of work. He brought home one of the engines to work on.

Glenn Mitchell said that UMC is doing well. The camera is not working possibly because of too much metal in the bldg. May try moving the receiver or may have to go to a different system.

Next Meetings

General TGRS meeting - Feb. 8th at RWC

Board meeting - Mar. 13th at Martins

Cookies - Janet Mitchell

Meeting was adjourned by Gary Martin

Respectfully submitted,
Pat Somerhalder

TGRS General Meeting Minutes

February 8, 2014

Meeting was called to order by President Gary Martin. He thanked our hosts RWC and introduced the new members

David and Claudia Nelson; Rick Feinberg and Robin Verdon.

January board meeting minutes were corrected to read that the Ronald McDonald house dinner is on March 29th. General Meeting minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report

Ruth Taylor reported \$7,110 in checking and \$17,225 in savings for a total of \$24,335. Revenues since 1/2014 are \$95 and expenses \$411. Year to date for 2013/2014 \$2587, Expenses \$5,703. Out of a \$5,000 budget for the Rodeo Museum project \$3,975 has been spent. We have collected \$2,432 in dues and have 90 members. Treasurer's report was approved.

Vice President's Report

Willis reported that sign-ups for the Pima County Fair were circulating and asked everyone to sign up for at least one shift.

He also reminded the club that we will need volunteers at the May Gadsden-Pacific Swap Meet on the 30th and 31st.

March meeting is at the Blackwells. There will be no meeting in April because of the fair.

Chuck Cook talked about the Rails in the Garden. He was handing out packets and flyers and asking people to put flyers out for people to on public bulletin boards etc. to get the word out. He still needs sign ups also.

Nick Buchholz announced newsletter was doing fine. Send in articles.

Clinics

Mary Abel-Lavelly and Tom Lavelly will be speakers next meeting at Blackwells. Club was reminded that the times have changed from our regular schedule. Trains will run at 9:30, meeting at 10:30 and speaker at 11.30. The Lavelly's will also be visiting layouts the week before on our RITG Tour. Jerry Tulino talked about the Ronald McDonald House. Set up is in the morning. Chicken dinner needs to be prepared on premises. This is the 5th year we have done this. The date is March 29th.

New Business

Ken Karrell talked a little about the Orphan Train. A series of video and audio programs are beginning on February 16th at the train station and the Orphan Train will be the first. It will run 2:30-4:30. Meeting was adjourned in favor of the speaker, Rick Hull.

Respectively submitted,

Pat Somerhalder
Secretary

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, 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 e-mails 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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Tucson, AZ 85710

Calendar

Sunday March 2nd, 2014

SATM Lecture – Tucson’s Historical Street Car Systems

Saturday-Sunday March 8-9, 2014

Rails in the Garden 10:00-4:00 each day

Sunday March 9th, 2014

SATM Lecture – What Does a Conductor Do?

Thursday, March 13th, 2014

Board Meeting-Martin’s - 7:00 PM

Saturday, March 15th, 2014

General meeting Blackwell’s

Thursday April 10th, 2014

First day of Fair Setup 9:00 AM-4:00 PM

Thursday April 10th, 2014

Board Meeting-Martin’s 7:00 PM

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