

# The Tucson Garden Railway Society

# TIMETABLE

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October 1, 2014

TGRS Meeting October 18<sup>th</sup>

Where: The Fennemas Home 7594 W. Talayera Way

Time: Social at 9:00AM meeting at 10:00AM

Phone: 572-9516

## The Rose Garden Railroad

The Rose Garden Railroad has be a work in progress since we joined the TGRS 3 years ago. I have had a Garden Railroad since 1992 in various cities and with a 4 year hiatus. There is a 390' double loop, upper loop raised on trestles, running around 11 roses. The railroad is battery operated with Locolinc. The only electricity is for the 7 switches, 4 for up/down between loops and 1 siding, 1 holding track. This railroad has no buildings as it is a "garden railroad".



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# Open House Party October 4

Where: the Cholla Patch Railroad

925 E. Foothills Dr.,

(near 1st Ave & River Road)

When : between 6pm and 8pm. Who: John Carmichael and Phil

**Pappas** 

John and Phil invited all TGRS members to an evening open house party featuring The Cholla Patch Phil's version of "light" refreshments, wine and beer will be available. (Hint: Don't have dinner before you come).

Enjoy an early evening of railroad viewing, railroad music, and railroad camaraderie.

John and Phil asked that you RSVP by Sept. 20.

If you haven't please contact them at 520-696-1709 or Email: <a href="mailto:ilcarmichael@comcast.net">ilcarmichael@comcast.net</a>

# Richie's Walk Participation

Members.

TGRS is going to participate in the Richie's Walk event which takes place Nov. 7th. We will meet at Flowing Wells High School at 8:30AM to set up the children's lay-out. I will have a helpers sign up sheet at the Oct. meeting. If you are interested in helping, please let me know.

Thank you, Gary Martin
President Tucson Garden Railway Society

### What is Richie's Walk

Richie's Walk is a disability awareness event with special needs students and adults from across Southern AZ, pair with a non-disabled high school student for a morning of fun, fair-like activities. This event generally has 400 special needs students, a partner for each and 100 volunteers from the U of A and FWHS clubs, running each event. The event is named in memory of Richard Frontain, brother of FWHS Life Skills Teacher, Maria Frontain and brother-in-law of club member Ric Wood. Richard had special needs and eventually lost his battle to cancer. Richard loved friends and fun! Richie's Walk is free of charge but donations are accepted for the local chapter of the American Cancer Society. This event has taken place for the past 16 years. beginning as The World Games and then changing to Richie's Walk in memory of him.

Richie's Walk will take place Friday November 7<sup>th</sup> at the Flowing Wells H.S. football field, 9:45 a.m. – 11:30. All club members are welcome to attend.

# TGRS General Meeting Minutes September 13, 2014

Meeting was called to order by President Gary Martin.

Minutes from the June general meeting were accepted as posted. No meetings in July or August.

Treasurer's Report: Checking account balance as of 91214 is \$10,918, Savings account balance as of 9/12/14 is \$17,227 for a total of \$28,145. Revenues from 7/1/14 is \$1285, expenses \$1764 for a total of \$(479). Year to date recap 2013/2014 revenues, \$11,489, expenses \$10,284 leaving a net of \$1,205. Year to date recap 2014/2015 revenues, \$1285, expenses \$1764 leaving a net \$(479). Year to date recap 2013/2014 2,505, total dues paid 2014/2015 \$1,800.

Vice President's Report - Willis Fagg announced the next meeting will be at the Fennema's on October 18th. The next board meeting will be October 9th at Gary Martin's house. In November the board meeting will be on the 6th and the general meeting will be on the 8th which is also Gary's open house.

The set up at the VA is December 26th. Layout will be open the 29th and 30th with teardown on the 31st. Steve Samples is the new contact and is looking for someone to take Pepe's place who has left.

John Carmichael's open house is on October 4th from 6-8PM. RSVP by September 20th

ABTO tour is November 1st. We have 6 layouts. Lunch will be at the Mitchell's.

Richie's Charity Walk is November 7th. There will be about 800 special needs and volunteers there. We will set up our Children's layout at 8:00AM and teardown around 11:30AM. The youngsters range from 6 to 18.

Gadsden Pacific Swap Meet is November 14th and 15th. Friday is 2-7PM and Saturday is 9-2AM. Set up will be around 8:00AM on Friday and teardown at 2PM on Saturday.

Rails in the Garden is March 7th and 8th. There is a completely new format this year. It will be free to the public and a committee needs to be established of 8 to 10 people to organize and plan the event.

Tucson Botanical has its last Sunset Saturday on September 27th from 4:00 to 8:00PM. Gary encouraged members to come out and socialize with the public as it is a good time to let people know who we are and what we do.

UCM is doing fine for now.

Nick Buchholz has the new engine for the TCM Rodeo Museum - the club purchased Bob Schwab's layout for \$750 as Bob is moving. Some of the switches are for sale. Some of the buildings can be used at the Rodeo Museum.

**Social,** Chuck Cook announced the luncheon will be at the Red Garter on Wednesday, the 17<sup>th</sup> and again October 8<sup>th</sup>. Pool at 11:00 and Luncheon at noon.

ABTO is not a great commitment. It will start at Carmichael's with lunch at the Mitchell's. There are six layouts.

Gary Martin's open house is November 8<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 -3:00 for the public, Club meeting 3:00-4:00 and dinner following. Members need to RSVP for dinner.

**New Business**, Gary mentioned the Train Convention is in Denver July 5<sup>th</sup>- 11<sup>th.</sup> and would like to organize a delegation to attend.

Elections are held in May and the club will be open to nominations for all positions. Members should think about running.

Meeting was adjourned in favor of a smoke making clinic.

Respectfully submitted, Pat Somerhalder - Secretary

# Social Luncheon

Eighteen club members braved the threat of rain from Hurricane Odile and we had a great time. You should come join us. Our usual place is The Red Garter Saloon, located at 3143 E. Speedway just east of Country Club. The food and service there is always excellent, that is why we keep going back. The date is Wednesday October 8th. Pool at 11:00 a.m., or be there at noon for lunch. Call Chuck Cook at 977-7673 with any questions.





# You are invited to the 11th annual Open House

Where: Gary and Peggy Martin's

Eagle Mountain Garden Railroad

Place: 625 E. Cerro de Aguila, Tucson Az. Date: Saturday, November 08, 2014 General Open House 10:00AM to 3:00PM

TGRS November Meeting will be begin at 3.00pm

Food and beverages will be served after 4:00PM for club members, their families, and other special quests.

If you plan to stay for the food and beverages, please RSVP by November 04th with numbers who plan to attend.

RSVP To: (520) 299-7428 or pgmartin5@hotmail.com





The entrance to Railroad Nerdvana, San Diego



A work in progress (La Mesa Club Layout

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:

Jerry Tulino 6911 E. Baker St. Tucson, AZ 85710

# Calendar

October 4th, 2014

Open House Party by John Carmichael/Phil Pappas from 6pm to 8pm

October 9, 2014 - Board meeting – Martin's October 18, 2014

General meeting at the Fennema's, 10:00 AM November 1, 2014 - ABTO touring TGRS layouts November 6, 2014 - Board meeting—Martin's November 8, 2014

Open house at Martin's, TGRS meeting at 3:00 PM

November 14/15, 2014 - TTOM Swap meet

December 4, 2014 - . Board meeting—Martin's

December 6, 2014 - Luncheon at Golden Corral, 12:00 PM

December 26, 29-31, 2014 - Setup and run trains at the VA

### TGRS Officers and Board of Directors

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