



## The Tucson Garden Railway Society

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### *2017-18 Dues Due July 1<sup>st</sup>*

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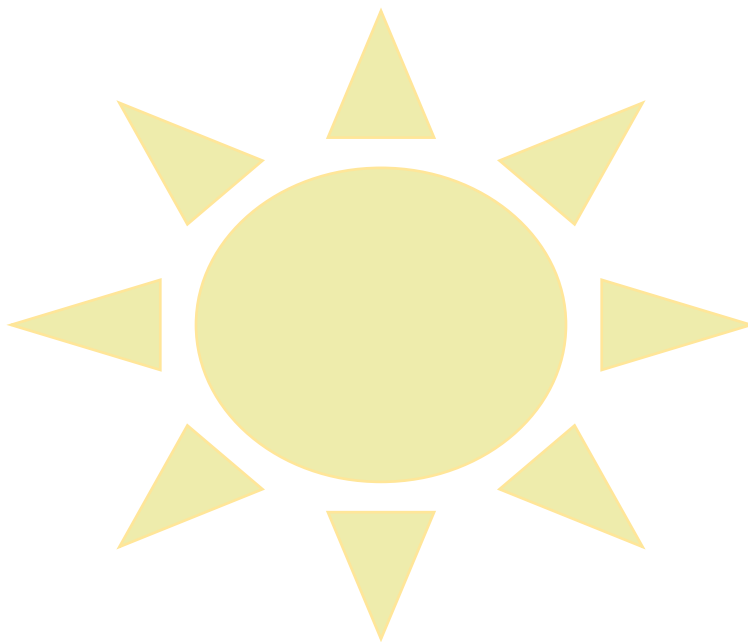
## SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

*By Chuck Cook*

We had a great turnout for our June luncheon (20+ I think), so I won't change a successful formula.



The BOD meeting was held there immediately after lunch and it seemed to be going well when I had to leave. Bob Conrad and I have been playing pool, horseshoes, and cribbage for many years. Of all that I don't remember beating him at any of that – but at the June luncheon I actually won 2 games of pool. The next luncheon is Thursday July 20th. The place is [The Red Garter Saloon](#), located at 3143 E. Speedway just east of Country Club. The food is always great, the service excellent, and the conversation varied and fun. AND, it is time to get back to playing some pool. Be there at 11:00 for pool (no rules, loose scorekeeping and lots of fun), or 11:45 for lunch. Call Chuck Cook at 977-7673 with any questions.



*Summer has officially  
begun in Tucson...no  
meetings until September  
...enjoy the heat!!!!*

**Welcome to new members who  
joined in the last 6 months:**

Donnie Lee & Corky Lee  
Wally & Julie Gazdzik  
Edward & Darlene Butchart  
Michael & Mary Jones & family  
Jim Bettes

# TGRS General Meeting Minutes

**Saturday, June 17, 2017 at 10:00 a.m.**

The meeting was called to order by President Glenn Mitchell who thanked Willis and Dottie Fagg for hosting the meeting at the last minute.



There were no corrections or comments to the minutes of the May general meeting.

Treasurer Ruth Taylor Reported that the checking account balance as of 6/15/17 was \$4,421 and the savings account balance was \$17,273, for a total on deposit of \$21,694. Receipts from 5/21/17 were \$123 and expenses were \$2826, for a total of (\$2,703.) Year to date recap: receipts \$5,143, expenses \$8,841, for a total net revenue of (\$3,698.)

Vice President Willis Fagg reported that the September meeting will be September 23 at 10:00 a.m. at Diane Temple's. The BOD meeting will be September 21 at 2:00 p.m. at Gary Martin's. The October meeting will be October 21 at the Forgues', time TBD. The BOD meeting will be October 19 at 2:00 p.m. at the Mitchell's. The November meeting will be November 11 at 4:00 p.m. at Gary Martin's. The BOD meeting will be November 9 at 2:00 p.m. at the Mitchell's. December 2 will be our annual luncheon at 12:00 p.m. at the Golden Corral. The March, 2018, meeting will be March 17 at 10:00 a.m. at the Mitchell's and

the BOD meeting will be March 15 at 2:00 p.m. at the Mitchell's. We need hosts for the January and February meetings.

The Swap Meet June 2-3 went well, although there were not too many kids. Access was good for unloading and loading the trailers.

The summer Christmas is June 26<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m.

Light the Night Walk will be October 21. Time and place TBD.

The next Swap Meet will be November 10-11.

Looking ahead to the VA display, we discussed three options:

1. Set up 12/26, run 3 days, tear down Saturday 12/30
2. Set up 12/26, run 2 days, tear down Friday 12/29
3. Set up 12/26, run 2 ½ days, tear down Friday afternoon 12/29

We will present the options to the VA.

Luminaria Nights at the Botanical Gardens – Gary will get the dates.

Rails in the Garden March 3-4. We will set up a committee in the fall.

## **Committee Reports:**

Membership: we have 66 active members. Dues are due July 1.

Clinics: Jack Forgues is putting together some clinics.

Social Activities: Luncheons will continue on the third Thursday of the month. Watch for e-mails for location and time.

## **Old Business**

New BOD: The new BOD will take over July 1. Pat Somerhalder is unable to continue as secretary, so Gina Blackwell will take over that position and John Fennema will take over Gina's at-large position. Glenn thanked those leaving the board (Willis Fagg, Billy Joplin and Norm Ulmer) for their service.

Public Layout Status: Gary is going to set up a work party to do maintenance work on the layout at the Botanical Gardens on Tuesday, June 27th. He will send out an e-mail regarding the time.

## **New Business:**

Dennis Mahar has been contacted by KVOA wanting to do an interview about the club and a video of a layout. He and Willis decided that John Charmichael's layout would be a good one to feature in the article. Willis and Dennis worked on an outline of things we wanted emphasized in the article, including history, mission, and community involvement. Ruth put together some figures: Since 2008 we have spent over \$38,000 on public layouts and donated over \$7,000 to the food bank. We hope this will provide publicity for future events.

Bob Murphy's buildings will be on display at the Mini Time Machine Museum through August.

Next meeting: September 23 at 10:00 a.m. at Diane Temple's. The BOD meeting will be September 21 at 2:00 p.m. at Gary Martin's.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted

*Dottie Fagg*

Interim Secretary

## **TGRS 2017 Board of Directors Election Results**

The election of your Board of Directors was held as part of our May 20, 2017 general meeting. The Board of Directors serve a two-year term and consists of: President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Newsletter Editor, and four At-Large members. The results for this year's election is as follows:

**President: Glenn Mitchell**

**Vice-President: Dennis Mahar**

**Secretary: Gina Blackwell**

**Treasurer: Ruth Taylor**

**Newsletter Editor: Claudia Nelson**

**At-Large Members:**

**Bob Averill**

**John Fennema**

**Jack Forgues**

**David Nelson**

**Congratulations to your new board!**

## **Trans-Canada Train Trip Report**

*by Barry Blackwell*

"Saw train, rode train"

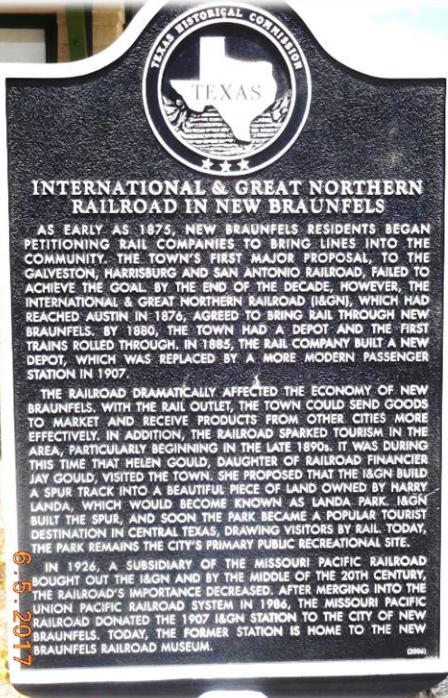
Note: According to Barry, Gina will submit hers when she returns from Paris.





# New Braunfels Railroad Museum

Photos by Jerry Tulino



0-6-0T Porter Locomotive



Missouri Pacific Caboose



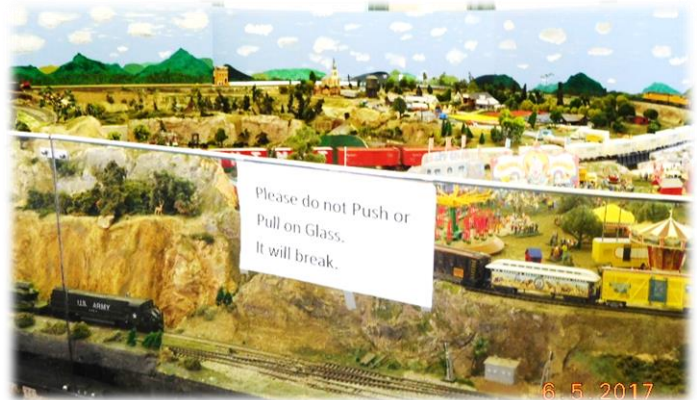
Restored 1907 Depot



HO and N model layouts in the caboose

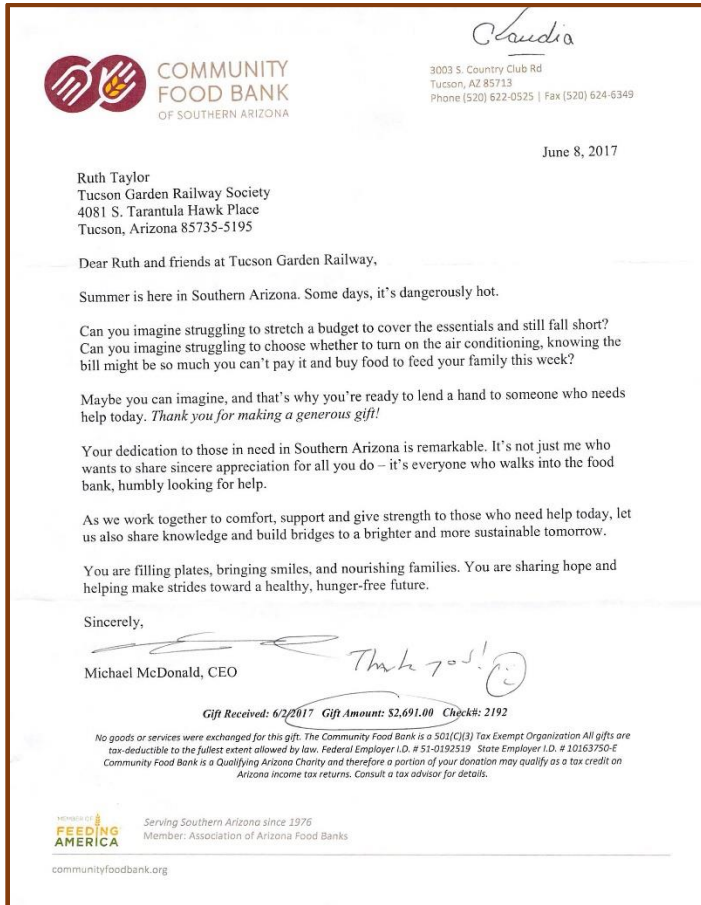


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HO and N model layouts in the caboose

# Community Food Bank 'Thank You' Letter



# Sidetracked

by Claudia Nelson



September 15, 1896: Engines No. 999 and No. 1001 a moment before impact. (Photo courtesy of Four Event Photos, The Texas Collection, Baylor University)

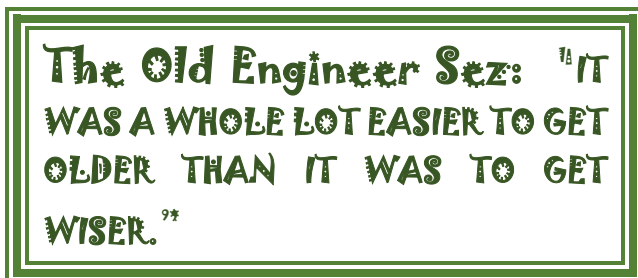
## Crush's Locomotive Crash was a Monster Smash

In 1896, 3 people were killed and many more were injured in a Texas train company's publicity stunt. They had invited the public to watch two of their trains crash head-on into one another at full speed, promising a good show.

# Trivia Corner

Courtesy of Jerry Wilson

**TRACKAGE RIGHT:** Right obtained by one railroad to operate its trains over the tracks of another railroad.





## Calendar

**Thursday, September 21, 2017**

BOD Meeting – Mitchell

**Saturday, September 23, 2017**

General Meeting - Temple

**Thursday, October 19, 2017**

BOD Meeting – Mitchell

**Saturday, October 21, 2017**

General Meeting - TBD

Light the Night Walk-Lymphoma

Leukemia Society

**Thursday, November 9, 2017**

BOD Meeting – Mitchell

**Friday-Saturday, November 10-11, 2017**

Gadsen Pacific Swap Meet

**Saturday, November 11, 2017**

General Meeting - Martin

**Saturday, December 2, 2017**

General Meeting & Holiday

Luncheon – Golden Corral

**Thursday, March 15, 2018**

BOD Meeting – Mitchell

**Saturday, March 17, 2017**

General Meeting – Mitchell

The Tucson Garden Railway Society is a 501(c)(3) 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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## TGRS Officers and Board of Directors

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[TGRS Membership Application](#)