



The Tucson Garden Railway Society

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**No General Meeting in April,
due to the Pima County Fair**



**...see you in May at the Mahar's
(directions and more info in
next month's newsletter)**

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES UPDATE

By Chuck Cook

We had another great time in March. Our old friend Joe Duda was there looking happy and healthy. Under the threat of sleeping in the garage, we are planning a WEEKEND SOCIAL LUNCH at [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. Our next luncheon will be Saturday April 14th. Be there at 11:00 for pool (no rules, loose scorekeeping and lots of fun), or 11:30 for lunch. Call Chuck Cook at 977-7673 with any questions.

TUCSON GARDEN RAILWAY SOCIETY GENERAL MEETING

March 17, 2017

Glenn and Janet Mitchell's Home

The Mitchells (especially Janet) were thanked for hosting the meeting. Approximately 50 members attended. Guests/visitors were introduced as Joe, Paul and Kathleen.

The minutes of the February General Meeting were approved as published on the website.

The Treasurer's Report (updated since the Board Meeting) was read:

Checking (as of 03/17/18):	\$ 5,086
Savings (as of 03/17/18):	<u>17,282</u>
Total on Deposit:	\$22,368

Receipts (as of 03/17/18):	\$ 2,278
Expenses (as of 03/17/18):	<u>1,431</u>
Net Revenue:	\$ 847

Year to Date Recap

Receipts:	\$ 4,212
Expenses:	<u>4,187</u>
Net Revenue:	\$ 25

OLD BUSINESS (and Vice President's Report): [ABTO Round-About](#) will include seven layouts. They are located in San Tan Valley, Apache Junction, and Mesa and there is one in Casa Grande. A signup sheet for carpooling and a luncheon head count was distributed.

[Diamond Children's Center Christmas in June](#) is set for the 06/25. Will need a driver for the trailer and a

volunteer to be point person. Setup will be at 8 AM and plan to run trains from 10 to Noon.

Pima County Fair entry tickets and parking passes were distributed today and Dennis will try to get them to the members signed up but not in attendance at this meeting. Setup will be 04/02 and 04/03. Details on the modules will go in after 04/03. The Fair runs from 04/19 through 04/29.

There will be no Board or General Meeting in April. The next Board meeting will be May 17 at the Mitchells. The next General Meeting will be at the Mahers and Dennis will host a club swap meet. You are asked to bring a table if you would like to sell any items. We need a host for the June General Meeting.

The next Swap Meets are in November and January.

The Light the Night leukemia walk will be in October.

There was a lower than average turnout for Rails in the Garden this year with most of the attendees going to the Saddlebrooke layouts. Sue Averill's article in the community newsletter was cited as the reason for their great local turnout.

Public Layouts Status:

Tucson Children's Museum: Nothing new to report. No meeting with the management as yet either.

Tucson Botanical Gardens: Gary Martin and Bob and Jackie Conrad have been doing a lot of cleanup. There are lots of leaves still falling onto the layout requiring near constant maintenance. Will need to redo roadbed and/or consider redesigning the entire layout for easier maintenance.

Diamond Children's Center: See above.

Transportation Museum: Outside engines were replaced.

Rodeo Parade Museum: The backup engine has been delivered. The museum closes on or about 04/01.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

Newsletter Editor's Report: Please send articles and pictures!

Committee Reports:

Membership: There are currently 65 member families.

Website: Please send Jerry more pictures from Rails in the Garden. They are needed for the Community Food Bank of Southern Arizona, Facebook and the Newsletter.

Education, Clinics and Mentor Program: No new information.

Maintenance: As above under Public Layout Status.

Social Activities: The next Red Garter social is set for 03/21.

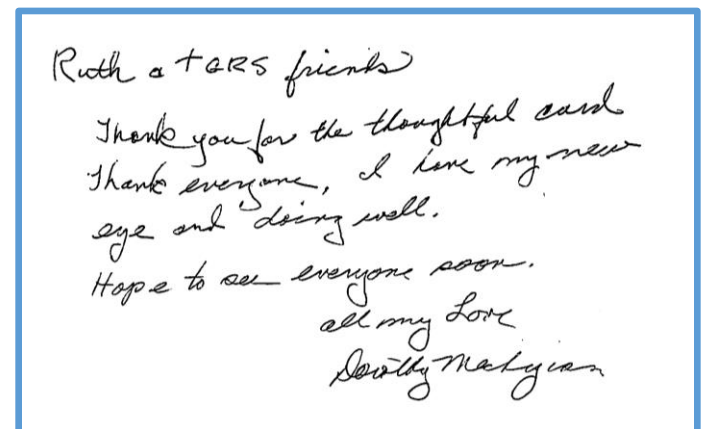
The next General Meeting is scheduled for May 19th at the Mahers. Dennis will run trains at 9 AM and the Meeting will start at 10. If you would like to sell items at the club swap meet, plan to arrive at 8:30 and bring a table.

Gary Martin reported that the "Beat the Heat Train Show in Prescott Valley" is scheduled for August 18. He (and others) plans to attend and have purchased tables to sell items.

Respectfully submitted

Gina Blackwell, Secretary

Note from Dorothy Mechigian thanking us for the get well card:

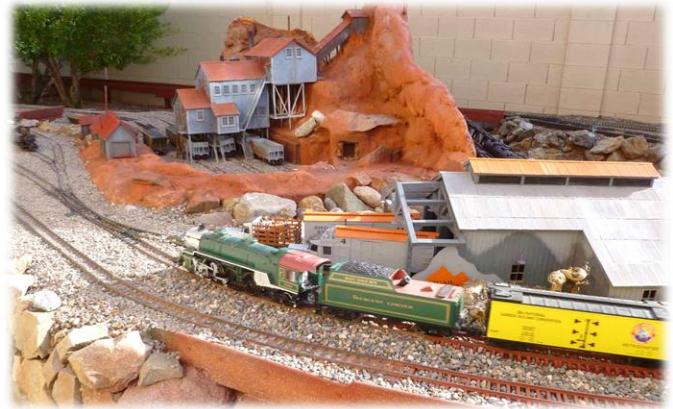


Ruth & GRS friends
Thank you for the thoughtful card
Thank everyone, I love my new
eye and doing well.
Hope to see everyone soon.
all my love
Dorothy Mechigian

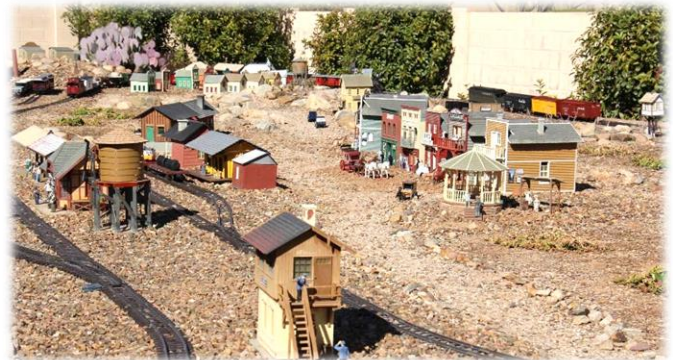
Rails in the Garden – 2018

Attendance and Donations Recap

<u>2018 RITG DONATIONS</u>	<u>MONEY</u>	<u>ATTENDANCE</u>
AVERILL	\$344.00	809
FORGUES	\$356.00	764
KOEHLER	\$163.00	752
SOMERHALDER	\$291.00	723
FENNEMA	\$103.00	308
MITCHELL	\$152.00	353
GADSTEN MUSEUM	\$228.00	
CARMICHAEL/PAPPAS	\$487.00	635
TRANSPORTATION MUSEUM	\$22.00	
TUCSON RODEO PARADE MUSEUM	\$0.00	159
RINCON RV PARK	<u>\$157.00</u>	<u>238</u>
TOTAL	\$2,303.00	4,741
(*) average visitors per TGRS layout		474.1
CHECKS RECEIVED	\$160.00	
CASH RECEIVED	<u>\$2,143.00</u>	
	\$2,303.00	
<u>DISBURSED</u>		
TGRS EXPENSES	\$201.36	
COMMUNITY FOOD BANK (*)	?	
(*) 16 lbs. food delivered to Food Bank		



2 - Forgues



3 - Kohler



4 - Somerhalder



5 - Fennema

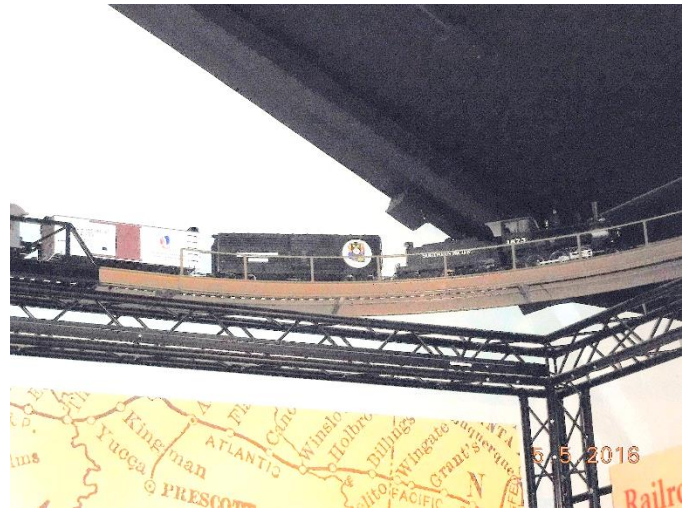
In spite of multiple events going on in Tucson during our RITG weekend, we had reasonable turnout with lots of positive comments about our layouts (photos following).



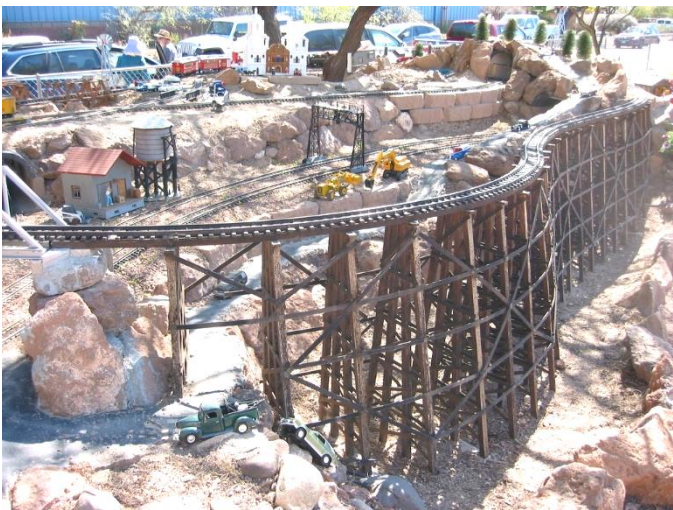
1- Averill



6 - Mitchell



9 - Transportation Museum



7 - Gadsen-Pacific



10 - Rodeo Parade Museum



8 - Carmichael / Pappas



11 - RCW

RITG YEARLY RECAP

	<u>MONEY</u>	<u>EXPENSES</u>	<u>NET</u>
2009	\$ 5,668	\$1,658	\$ 4,010
2010	\$ 7,251	\$1,926	\$ 5,325
2011	\$ 7,716	\$2,125	\$ 5,591
2012	\$ 6,262	\$2,380	\$ 3,882
2013	\$ 5,561	\$1,541	\$ 4,020
2014	\$ 5,995	\$1,095	\$ 4,900
2015	\$ 3,105	ALL PROCEEDS TO FOOD BANK	-0-
2016	\$ 2,750	SPLIT 50/50 w/FOOD BANK	\$ 1,375
2017	\$ 2,898	\$207 expenses - \$2,691 TO FOOD BANK	-0-
2018	\$ 2,303	\$201 expenses	
TOTAL	\$49,510		\$ 29,103
		TOTAL FUNDS TO FOOD BANK THRU 2017	\$ 7,171.00

Trivia Corner

Courtesy of Jerry Wilson

EXTRA GANG: The crew of track laborers assigned to maintenance work at various points on a railroad right-of-way. These employees may live in camp (bunk) cars where they are provided lodging and meals at a nominal cost.

SIDETRACKED

By Claudia Nelson



The Leslie S-3L once was the most common horn in North America. The chord B, D#, A, while not too pretty, got the job done as well as being a familiar sound on most railroad's in the United States.

Most train horns are based on musical chords. Common passenger trains found in the U.S. are usually based on major 6th chords, which are not as threatening as most freight trains, which are based on more dissonant, frightening, such as diminished 7th chords.

Free Family Movie Night





Cars: Sat, Feb 10th @ 5:45pm
(RUNTIME: 1HR 57MIN, RATED: G)

Cars 2: Sat, March 10th @ 6:15pm
(RUNTIME: 2hrs, RATED: G)

Cars 3: Sat, April 14th @ 6:45pm
(RUNTIME: 1HR 49MIN, RATED: G)

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KIDS ACTIVITIES START 1HR BEFORE MOVIE!

The Old Engineer Sez: "KIDS IN THE BACK SEAT CAUSE ACCIDENTS. ACCIDENTS IN THE BACK SEAT CAUSE KIDS."

TGRS Officers and Board of Directors

PRICE LIST FOR CLUB REGALIA

PINS	\$5.00 EACH
DECALS	\$1.50 EACH
PATCHES	\$2.00 EACH
HATS	\$12.00 EACH
SILK TOUGH SHIRTS (LIGHT IVORY COLOR)	\$22.00 EACH
DENIM SHIRTS (SHORT OR LONG SLEEVE)	\$26.00 EACH

NOTE: Shirts are available in ladies' or men's sizes. (Size 2X and up are an additional \$3.00 per shirt)

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TGRS Membership Application

Calendar

Monday-Tuesday, April 2-3, 2018

Pima County Fair setup

Saturday, April 7, 2018

ABTO Tour

Saturday, April 14, 2018

TGRS Luncheon @ Red Garter

Thursday-Sunday, April 19-29, 2018

Pima County Fair

Thursday, May 17, 2018

BOD Meeting – Mitchell

Saturday, May 19, 2018

General Meeting – Mahar

Saturday, June 25, 2018

Christmas in June @ Diamond

Children's Hospital

Saturday, August 18, 2018

"Beat the Heat" Train Show – Prescott Valley

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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