



The Tucson Garden Railway Society

# TIMETABLE

October, 2019

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**October Meeting**

Meeting October 19, 2019  
Glenn & Janet Mitchell's  
9:00 am Board Meeting and Run Trains  
10:00 am General Meeting  
After Meeting Workshop by Janet Mitchell

5100 W. Paseo del Campo 85745

**Time to renew your TGRS membership**  
**(for the year July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020)**  
**\$30.00 PER MEMBER OR FAMILY**  
**Please make check payable to TGRS and**  
**send to:**  
**RUTH TAYLOR Treasurer - TGRS**  
**4081 S. TARANTULA HAWK PLACE**  
**TUCSON, AZ 85735**



Here are our plans for watching the U.P. Big Boy make a steam run by and then going to brunch. It is scheduled to leave Casa Grande at 8 a.m. on the 17th and arrive Tucson at 10 a.m. We will meet at the Fry's parking lot on the NE corner of Ina/Thornydale at 7 a.m. We will put together some car pools and leave there at 7:15. We will head up the frontage road from Ina road and stop and park at a space (which I will scout for before the event) just off the frontage road somewhere north of the Marana exit. NOTE: This is a shorter trip than my original plan to go to Picaccho for viewing. This way we don't have to gather at the crack of dawn. We will watch the Big Boy steam by and then go to brunch at either the Marana airport or The Feed Lot in Marana. I need RSVP's by this Saturday the 12th. So far I have me, and John and Phil. Hope you can join us. See the Big Boy in action and avoid the crowds.



**WORKSHOPS**

After the October meeting, Janet Mitchell will be giving a short workshop, approximately 30-45 minutes, on how to use sculpy clay, available at any hobby shop, for creating G scale people and and decoratives objects for your layout.

## Changes to Volunteer Sign-Up Process and Recent Requests

In addition to bringing sign-up sheets to the general meetings, we are rolling out a volunteer sign-up software used by several of our members for other organizations. The software is called SignUp Genius. SignUp Genius also sends a reminder email as the event approaches. Hopefully this will make volunteering a little easier for everybody.



**About Butterfield Days Celebration in Benson**

The city of Benson would like us to participate in their annual celebration of Butterfield Days. It is scheduled to be a big festival with the Buffalo Soldiers, Mormon Battalion, and artifacts from the Bisbee Museum.

If you enjoy history, good food, and good music this is the event for you. Learn the history of Benson AZ through a living history extravaganza. Displays and re-enactments; Native flute; mariachi; rockabilly; western music. The organizer was very interested in our children's layout and anyone who knows historical information about the train coming through Benson.

Saturday and Sunday October 12-13, 2019

### Butterfield Days Signup

<https://signupgenius.com/go/8050f4dafaf2aabfd0-butterfield>



The Ocotillo Early Learning Center is a high quality, developmentally appropriate early childhood center serving children ages birth to seven of all abilities in an inclusive, nurturing and stimulating environment.

**Thursday December 19, 2019**

### Ocotillo Signup

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050f4dafaf2aabfd0-polar>



**About Light The Night**

The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society's Light The Night Walk funds treatments that are saving the lives of patients today. LLS is making cures happen by providing patient support services, advocating for lifesaving treatments and pioneering the most promising cancer research anywhere. And it's all happening now. Not someday, but today. Each year friends, families and coworkers form teams to raise money in support of our mission.

This year, in the fall, these teams and their communities Light The Night at our walks where we gather together to celebrate, honor and remember those touched by cancer.

Contact Wally Gazdzik to be a part of this event.  
Saturday October 26, 2019.

### Link to Light the Night Signup

<https://signupgenius.com/go/8050f4dafaf2aabfd0-light>



**Annual Christmas train run for the veterans at the VA Hospital Campus**  
December 23rd - December 28th

**VA RUN Signup**

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050f4dafaf2aabfd0-vaholiday>



Tucson Botanical Gardens is transformed into a magical wonderland in December during its annual Luminaria Nights. For the first two weekends in December, 3,000 candle-lit luminarias and 22 Korean lanterns luminarias are set out on the grounds of the garden, transforming the garden into a unique and magical holiday display.

**December 4-16, 2019**

### Luminaria Nights Signup

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050f4dafaf2aabfd0-luminaria>

# September Meeting Memories



TUCSON GARDEN RAILWAY SOCIETY  
 GENERAL MEETING  
 September 14, 2019  
 Tucson Botanical Gardens

Thirty-five (35) members signed the attendance sheet. There were no guests or new members presented. Thanked Tucson Botanical Gardens for providing the pavilion for the meeting today.

The June 2019 minutes were approved as published in the Newsletter.

The Treasurer's Report:

Checking (as of 09/14/19): \$ 1,927  
 Savings (as of 09/14/19): 17,306  
 Total on Deposit: \$19,233

Receipts (from 06/07/19): \$ 300 (club equipment sold)  
 10 (donation)  
 780 (dues/renewals)  
 1 (interest earned)  
 525 (trailer storage refund)  
 \$ 1,616

Expenses (from 07/07/19): \$ 60 (insurance for trailers)  
 10 (annual report filing fee: State of AZ)  
 566 (modules: receivers & transmitters)  
 136 (2 months' rent for storage unit)  
 15 (trailer replacement license plates)  
 \$ 787

Net Revenues from 6/07/19: \$ 829

Fiscal Year to Date Recap (2018/2019)

Receipts: \$ 4,328  
 Expenses: 6,923  
 Net Revenue: \$ -2,595

Fiscal Year to Date Recap (2019/2020)

Receipts: \$ 1,496  
 Expenses: 787  
 Net Revenue: \$ 708

Dues paid 2019-20: \$1,020 (34 paid renewals) plus 1 new member: \$30 = \$1,050 to date

Vice-President's Report:

Claudia Nelson explained the new online signup for those willing and able to use it. She will also provide printed signup sheets at the meetings.

Upcoming Events:

Oct. 12-13: Butterfield Days in Benson – taking the very small layout (not the trailer).

Sometime the week of Oct. 21st the TUSD good attendance party will take place at the kindergarten that qualifies for the award. Sally Jacunski explained the district's program where they're using railroad cars to keep the kids' attendance "on track." The club will take the very small layout and have pencils to give away as well.

Oct. 26: The Leukemia Society's Light the Night event – setup at 2pm; dinner provided by Chick-fil-a to provide dinner; the Jacunskis will drive the small trailer.

Nov. 8-9: The Gadsden-Pacific Toy Train Museum swap meet signup is complete except for a driver.

Nov. 9: The Martins' Open House

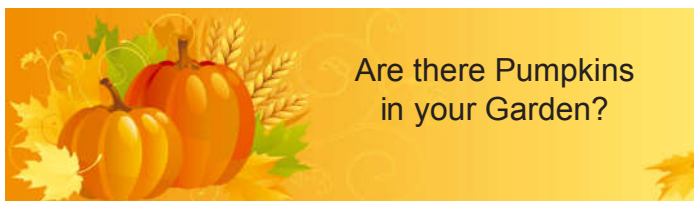
Dec. 6-8 and 13-15: Luminaria Nights at the Tucson Botanical Gardens. There will also be a signup request for cleanup of the layout prior to the 6th.

Dec. ??: The Ocotillo Learning Center has indicated they would like to try again for the Polar Express day at the school. The date is yet to be determined.

Dec. 23: Setup at the VA hospital – run trains on 12/24, 12/26-28 then teardown.

Mar. 14-15: Rails in the Garden (RITG). It was decided to maintain the original date even though the Book Festival is now the same weekend.

More cards to be printed for handout at upcoming events. Sally is the chair and said she will be having surgery in December and will need extra help, especially in January. Please contact her if you can help.



Apr. 16-26: Pima County Fair. Load-in and setup dates are to be determined. We may be getting a large sign to hang from the rafters over the layout, courtesy of the Fairgrounds staff.

**Upcoming Meetings:**

Oct. 19: Glenn and Janet Mitchell – trains at 9am, meeting at 10

Nov. 9: Gary and Peggy Martin – after Open House at approximately 4pm (RSVP to the Martins' if you are staying afterward for dinner)

Dec. 7: Golden Corral Buffet, 6865 N Thornydale Rd., for Christmas Party – Noon.

Jan. ??: Bob and Sue Averill – date and time TBA

Feb. 15: Rincon Country West – time TBA

Mar., May and June: Need hosts at this time.

**Newsletter Editor:**

Sally is looking forward to receiving pictures and articles about travel and events over the past summer – especially from those members who attended the national convention in Portland.

**Committees:**

**Membership:** 36 member families (of 52) have paid dues for 2019-20. We have a total 59 families.

**Website:** Jerry is working on minor glitches – notify him if you notice any problems.

**Clinics:** Gary plans to present a different clinic after most of the upcoming general meetings.

**Maintenance:** Dennis, John and Gary are working every Tuesday at the Gardens to clean up and stabilize the track. Gary also reminded the members of the contribution the Conrads made in keeping the Gardens' layout looking good for so long. There is a minor problem with the Children's Museum equipment that is being addressed.

**Mentor:** Gary is helping out with getting the community layout in Oracle. They are using battery power.

**Social:** Next event is 9/18 is lunch at the Red Garter Saloon.

**Old Business:**

Jerry is going to work with Tori West of the

Tucson Miniature Society in creating a link to their club's web page.

Valerie Golembiewski has volunteered to be our Club Historian.

**New Business:**

Gary has a giveaway today: the corrugated metal roof building he made for the clinic demonstration today – Ron Koehler was the lucky winner.

**Announcements:**

Jimmy Johns gift cards from the sponsor of "It's a Summer Christmas" were given to those who had volunteered at the event at the Diamond Children's Center.

John Carmichael announced a delay in their annual Fall Open House.

Ken Karrels reminded us of the Tucson area Big Boy 844 visit dates and times: 10/18 from 9-3, leaving for Benson on 10/19. He also said that he is having a sale at his home of buildings, cars and track after the clinic presentation today.

Gary and Peggy have flyers available to post for their upcoming open house.

Janet Mitchell advised that we check for traffic advisories before heading to their home on October 19. Major construction on the I-10/ Camino del Cerro interchange is to begin soon.

Dennis Maher asked that we stack the chairs in the back of the pavilion as we leave.

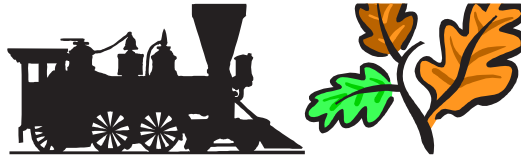
The next general meeting is scheduled for October 19, 10am at the Mitchells.

Respectfully submitted,  
Gina Blackwell  
Secretary



**2019-2020**

Craig Anderson



# **ALL ABOARD**

**TGRS MEMBERS**

**You are invited to the 16th annual**

**Open House**

**AT**

**Gary and Peggy Martin's**

**EAGLE MOUNTAIN GARDEN**

**RAILROAD**

**Date: SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9th, 2019**

**Place: 4625 E. Cerro de Aguila, Tucson Az.**

**1. General Open House 10:00AM to 3:00PM  
Open free to general public.**

**2. TGRS November Meeting will be begin at  
4.00pm**

**3. Food and beverages will be served after  
5:00PM for club members, their families,  
and other special guests.**

**If you plan to stay for the food and**

**beverages, please **RSVP by November 3<sup>rd</sup>**  
**with numbers who plan to attend.****

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[TGRS Membership Application](#)

### 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)

Contact Ruth Taylor phone or email for purchase  
(520-908-1312) [taylor1985@comcast.net](mailto:taylor1985@comcast.net)

## CALENDAR

Saturday, October 12, 2019  
Butterfield Days - Benson  
Sunday, October 13, 2019  
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Thursday October 17, 2019  
Big Boy Viewing/Social  
Saturday, October 19, 2019  
Monthly meeting- Mitchell's  
Monday, October 21, 2019  
TUSD Attendance Event  
Saturday, October 26, 2019  
Light the Night Fundraiser  
Friday, November 8, 2019  
Swap Meet  
Saturday, November 9, 2019  
Swap Meet  
Open House & General Meeting  
Wednesday, December 4, 2019  
Luminaria Nights-Set up  
Friday, December 6, 2019  
Luminaria Nights  
Saturday, December 7, 2019  
Christmas Luncheon  
Luminaria Nights  
Sunday, December 8, 2019  
Luminaria Nights  
Friday, December 13, 2019  
Luminaria Nights  
Saturday, December 14, 2019  
Luminaria Nights  
Sunday, December 15, 2019  
Luminaria Nights  
Monday, December 16, 2019  
Luminaria Nights-Clean up  
Thursday, December 19, 2019  
Ocotillo Learning Center  
Monday December 23, 2019  
VA Set-up  
Thursday-Saturday December 26-28  
VA Run Trains  
Saturday December 28th, 2019  
VA Tear-down  
Saturday, January 18, 2020  
Monthly meeting - Averill's  
Saturday, February 15, 2020  
Monthly Meeting-RCW  
Saturday, March 14, 2020  
Rails in the Garden  
Sunday, March 15, 2020  
Rails in the Garden  
Saturday, March 21, 2020  
Monthly Meeting - Fennema