

Northern Nevada Garden Railroad Society

ORDER BOARD

January 2007

From The Engineer...

Sunday, January 21st saw 37 members and their guests crowd into the home of Kathy and Rich Walton for the first meeting of 2007. Thanks Kathy and Rich for hosting on short notice and thanks to all who attended.

Some of the topics that were discussed included the following:

Participation of our members in the Annual Kids Fair. We have been involved for the past 2 years and we will be again this year. The space has been reserved, Cal Ruth has accepted the challenge to put together the Club's display layout. BUT, He needs help in setting up, decorating and staffing the display. Give Cal a call, 775-747-0224, and spend part of a day promoting our club and hobby.

Reno Home and Garden Show. NNGRS has been committed to staff a garden display at this years event. Rail City Nursery will be installing a large display with a large loop of track with two passing loops. Hawley MacLean is furnishing the track and we, the members, need to furnish some buildings, Loco's, and rolling stock as well as members to operate and promote our club. Contact Hawley MacLean at hawley@hmaclean.com.

Track Cleaning Car. Cal Ruth was the drawing winner of the car that was built and donated by member Frank McCluen of Fallon.

Polo Shirts. I proposed that the club have Polo Shirts with our logo displayed. Talked to a friend who is in the business and we can have a good quality shirt with a pocket for \$20.00 each. The color I looked at was a tan. If you are interested let me know be for the next meeting. (775-265-2990)

UP COMING EVENTS...

February 18th, Meeting, 1:00 pm at the home of Harold and Florence Wiebke.

March 18th Meeting, Still looking for a home for the meeting.

April Meeting — No meeting to be scheduled. (Too many other things going on)

April 14th, 10:00 am to 4:00 pm at Idlewild Park, 1900 Idlewild Dr., Reno.

April 20th to 22nd, at the Reno Convention Center. (See article for hours.)

May 20th, Meeting, 2 pm at the home of Pat and Geoff Brunner. With the annual after meeting Basque dinner at the JT Bar in Gardnerville.

May 25th to 28th. Proposed trip to Ely. (See article for information.)

May 31st & June 2nd & 3rd. The Big Train Show, Ontario Airport Marriott Hotel. www.bigtrainshow.com/

June 17th Meeting, No location yet.

June 27th to 30th. National Garden Railway Convention, the Riviera Hotel & Casino, Las Vegas. <http://2007ngrc.com>

Please RSVP to your meeting hosts before each meeting.

More From The Engineer...

Open House. Bob Gaw brought up the idea of having an Open House Rail Tour with the Sacramento Group similar to last years. Bob will follow up on it and get back to us at a future meeting.

Water and Rails. This years event will be on Friday, July 13, 7:00 to 10:30 pm, and Saturday and Sunday, July 14th and 15th, 10:00 am to 4:00 pm.

The event is a tour of ponds and garden railroads in the Reno and Sparks communities. The cost for the self guided tour is \$25.00 with the proceeds going to ALS Nevada. <http://alsofnevada.org/>. Hawley needs more Railroads as well as Members to assist in operations on event days.

For further information call Hawley at 775-851-2176 or hawley@hmaclean.com

Memorial Day Weekend Trip...

Kathy Walton has come up with the idea of a 3 day weekend trip to Ely, NV.

Kathy writes "We are planning a trip to Ely, NV over the Memorial Day weekend. It looks like the interest is to leave on Friday (May 25th) and return on Sunday (May 28th)...leaving Monday to "catch up" for those who have to go to work on Tuesday. They, (Nevada Northern Railroad), will be running steam on Saturday at 1 pm with a diesel at 4 pm and a diesel wine train at 7 pm. We plan to tour the shops at the yard, the museum "in town", and possibly the charcoal ovens south of Ely. Costs are being gathered and figured now. More information will be available at the February meeting."

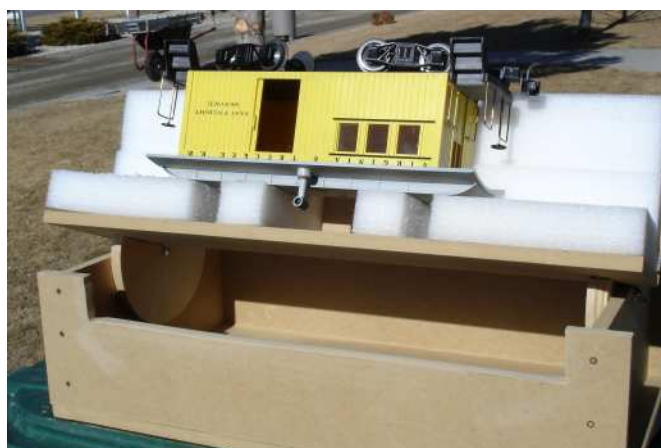
Paul and Rosemary Volpp...

Got a short note forwarded to me from John Latimore that he received from Paul Volpp saying that Rosemary will have surgery on the 12th. Please keep her in your thoughts. Also got a new email address for Paul, faanderr@pyramid.net

Modeling Idea...

While at the January meeting at the Walton's I saw Rich's table top stand for working on cars and loco's. Decided to make one for myself. Off I went to Michael's and got two 7 inch wood clock bases, about \$10.00. Then down the street to Home Depot Where I bought 2 carriage bolts, 2 washers, and 2 wing nuts, as well as 2'x4'x 5/8" sheet of composition board. Total cost \$7.75. Then home I went where I spent about an hour cutting and drilling the board and screwing it all together. Found some soft PVC packing material that I had saved, cut it up and glued it down.

You see in the photos below I cut a few notches in the foam so that smoke jacks, couplers and other roof top stuff will fit through without breaking off.



For more information contact Ritch at 775-356-2928 or kathywalton99@netscape.net or Geoff Brunner at 775-265-2990 or geoff@gbrunner.org.