



# The Conductor

November 2004



## *NTGRC to run display at the Ft. Worth Train Show November 13 and 14*

The North Texas Garden Railway Consortium will operate a display at the Annual Holiday Train Show in Fort Worth, Texas over the weekend of November 13 and 14, 2004. All club members are asked to make an effort to attend the show and help with the club's commitments to working the event. People are always needed to man ticket booths, information booths, the switchback layout and dealer and vendor registrations throughout the day as well as operating our layout display.

Bring your rolling stock to run on the club's layout and if you have them, bring structures, accessories and little people. Remember, we are nearing the holiday season and Christmas trains structures and figures will be most appreciated.

## *N.T.G.R.C. Board Meetings are open to you*

The club's board meetings will be held on the second Monday of each month at 7:00pm at the Spring Creek Barbecue in Irving, Tx. Near the intersection of Airport Freeway S.H. 183 and Belt-

Times for the show are Saturday 10:00am to 5:00pm and Sunday 11:00am to 6:00pm. Contact Ron Greene at: [ronald.e.greene@lmco.com](mailto:ronald.e.greene@lmco.com) Or Rusty Wells at: [RnCwells@sbcglobal.net](mailto:RnCwells@sbcglobal.net) 972- 293-2606

to get further details on work times needing to be filled and display set up and tear down times. As in the past, set up may be on Friday afternoon.



line Road.

The purpose is to allow any members that wish to attend and to provide information on the club's activities to the newsletter editor in a timely manner.

## ***Bluebonnet & Keystone Railroad Christmas Display December 10-12 & 17-26, 2004 7-10 PM***

Hosts: The Roerig's  
3710 Poplar Ct.  
Carrollton, TX 75007  
972 306-4444

Admission Charge:  
Bring a donation or food item for local food bank.

### ***The Conductor's submission policy***

The Conductor will be mailed to you between the first and tenth of each month. The deadline for submissions is the 20th of the prior month. Please submit your article the way you would like to see it appear in the newsletter. Make sure that it is accurate and concise. If it concerns a membership function make sure it has the four w's, who, what, when, and where. The Conductor is currently a four to six page newsletter, therefore the content of your article is subject to editing for the primary purpose of fitting into the newsletter.

Thanks for your articles, they are appreciated. Remember, this is your newsletter.

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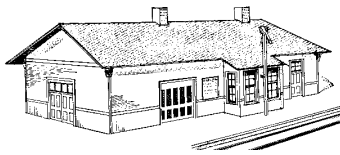
Find the following items of interest on the club website:  
Members Only Area  
Items for Sale  
Volunteer for the 2004 State Fair

If you have information for the website or questions call the N.T.G.R.C. webmaster Dennis Cherry at 214-902-0029 or email Dennis at [dbcherry@swbell.net](mailto:dbcherry@swbell.net)

## **Name Badges**

Our club's badge is available from Office Depot stores for around. The color is pine green. All members are encouraged to wear their badges to all club functions. Not only does it help new members to put names with faces, but it also gives our hosts a good feeling to know there are no strangers in their house!

**NORTH TEXAS GARDEN  
RAILWAY CONSORTIUM  
YOUR NAME HERE**



## **Be a Host**

Contact [www.ntgrc.org](http://www.ntgrc.org) to volunteer

## **NTGRC Shirts**

The NTGRC has arranged for PANDA Embroidery located in Grapevine, Texas to provide members with NTGRC logo & clothing. They offer a wide variety of styles and price range for clothing. Simply visit their facility one street north and 1/2 block east of the Grapevine Tarrantula Station and choose the style, color, size, price range etc. They will embroider the NTGRC logo for you.

PANDA Embroidery  
351 E. Hudgins Street  
Grapevine, TX 76051

The club contributes \$25.00 to the person or family hosting a club meeting to help defer the cost of refreshments. Any layout is a candidate for a club meeting. Don't feel that you have to have a finished and completely landscaped railroad in order to host a meeting. It can be very inspiring, especially to the newcomers, to see a railroad under construction. Our home meetings are a great way for all of us to become more acquainted. We need volunteers for next year. New members as well as old members are encouraged to volunteer. We enjoy giving and getting ideas from each other.



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## *NTGRC December 5th meeting features Mike and Grace Brenner's Brennerville Line—the fun runs from 2-5pm*



*Mike's BBQ is made of anchoring cement, corrugated plastic, and strips of aluminum sheeting that has been crimped to make a corrugated roof. The pergolas and banisters are made of cedar cut to scale from some old fence boards.*

Everything about the Brennerville Line, is about fun and fantasy. The buildings are made with someone

in mind, such as a friend, relative or acquaintance. Little known facts, quirks, or funny stories about the people are incorporated into the shops of the town. As for the train itself, it represents indulgence with all the candy and desserts from our childhood. In other words junk food. (It's a food chain, oops I mean train). As time passes more businesses, residential areas, as well as track and trains will be added.

The Brennens have begun their railroad in an unusual way. They have several rooms in their house literally full of buildings they have constructed for their railroad. The purpose of our club meeting is to look at the land they

have for their layout and make some good suggestions for them to get started on laying and developing their layout. They have a wooded lot that holds many possibilities. You will enjoy this meeting. Directions: **Take Central Expressway (US75) north to the Bethany exit in Allen.**

**Turn right (East)  
Go 6 miles to the Lucas Store (FM3286)**

**Turn left (still going East!)  
Go 7/10<sup>th</sup> of a mile to Woodview Court on the left (this is just past Winningkoff Road on the left)**

**Bear to the left on Woodview Court and drive to the end This is 18 Woodview Court (2000 Dallas Mapsco 562M)**

### *On Track..... Rusty Wells*

Just a few words of heartfelt thanks to all of the volunteers that made our club really shine this past month. First, a large **THANK YOU** to Stan and Rene Schere for their zillions of State Fair hours. Also thanks to all of the State Fair helpers. You did a great job of answering questions and keeping the trains running. Next **THANKS**

to Ron Greene, Mack, and everyone for making the Lockheed show very successful. Since there is not an official meeting in November, I hope to see lots of NTGRC members at the Ft. Worth Train Show on November 13th and 14th. If you want to help, contact me or any board member for information. We could use the help. Last but not

least.....

I want to say "**Thank You**" to Scott Whitfield for the fantastic job he has done on our newsletter for the past several years. When you see Scott at the Ft. Worth show or at our December meeting, please take the time to thank him in person. He has done a lot for the NTGRC.

Happy training..... rw



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## *Calendar of Events*

*November — 13 & 14 North Texas Council of Railroad Clubs  
Sat. 10-5 Sun. 11-6  
Holiday Train Show  
Will Rogers Auditorium  
Ft. Worth, TX*

*December — 5 Mike and Grace Brenner's Brennerville Line  
2-5pm  
18 Woodview Ct.  
Lucas, TX*

*January 15 & 16— North Texas Council of Railroad Clubs  
Dallas Area Train Show  
Plano Convention Center  
Plano, TX*