

Annual RCGRS Banquet 2004

The annual banquet was held November 13, 2004 in the lodge of the East Moreland Golf Course. The food was quite good with a nice choice of entrees. A no-host bar was open to compliment the dinner and the evening activities. The space was great for dinner and the seminars.



Treasurer and “Banquet Master” Marion Snyder checks in members and distributes raffle tickets

There were five seminars presented:



Kathryn Warrior and Bill Derville demonstrate how to keep a scrapbook record of your garden railroad and why it is important.



Carolyn Rose demonstrates how to create a body of water that does not require care and maintenance. (Carolyn wrote an article on this process that appeared in the October 2004 Newsletter.)

Editor’s Note: Hopefully, some of these seminars will stimulate some newsletter articles in the coming year.



Gary Lee demonstrates how to make dry transfers and how to keep them correctly aligned using paper jigs.



Rex Ploederer demonstrates how to modify animals and figures in order to populate a garden railroad.



Sharon "Sky" Yankee showed several of her miniature plants and how to trim and care for them.



Jonette Lee and Dennis Peoples announce the winners of the raffle.



Lightening strikes twice!! Gorden Pisle wins both locomotives, grand prizes, with his array of raffle tickets. Donald Golgert looks on.

Zweerts Christmas Party

Jan & Rae Zweerts kindly invited RCGRS members to their open house on Friday evening, December 10th. Their home is a house boat on the Columbia River. Jan has a "barge" next to the house that serves as a patio and provides space for Jan's layout of European trains. Jan had three of his trains running including his detailed LGB passenger train. It was raining, but the trains ran OK.

The house and deck made a great place for us to see the decorated Christmas ships as they paraded up and down the Columbia River. A couple of the Christmas ships came close to see the trains in action. Rae made three kinds of chili and the range of food was plentiful and outstanding.

We all thank the Zweerts for inviting us to such a nice Christmas evening.

President's Note

Well, here it is the season of good cheer and hopefully all of you have lots to cheer about. So before it slips my mind, Merry Christmas to you all!

To continue the adventure at the Columbia Gorge Model RR Club, I would like to point out that our club logged in 95 hours helping over the November show dates. Thank you all! I don't know if I mentioned that they have a "Thomas The Tank Train"

which is loaded on to flat cars that is pulled around their layout. It is about 30-ft long and quite an impressive sight. For me, running their mainline cabs was fun and interesting and by the time the four weeks were up I think I developed the knack. I look forward to helping them next year and hope some of you will have the time also.

The Columbia Gorge RR Club has offered the use of their facility again this January for our 2005 kick off business meeting. The meeting will be on Saturday, January 22 starting at 6:00 p.m. Let's make it a pot luck (B-D side dish, E-L main dish, P-Z dessert), the club will supply drinks. Let's have some fun and see what plans we can make for the coming years, i.e., tours, open houses, trips or what ever you would like to do.

I hope you all find under your tree what you're been waiting for and have a Happy New Year.
—Dennis Peoples

Columbia Gorge RR Club

Greetings Friends,

As a joint member of the Columbia Gorge Model Railroad Club and the Rose City Garden Railway Society, I have been asked by the membership of the Columbia Gorge to thank all the Rose City members who turned out for the operations training and subsequently helped at the annual club show in November. It takes approximately 45 persons to fully staff the show and help from our brother and cousin clubs is priceless. Thank you; your efforts are greatly appreciated. I would especially like to thank Barb & Don Golgert; they put in 7 of the 8 days of the show, more than many Columbia Gorge members! Dennis Peoples also deserves special thanks for the considerable time that he put in. Mutual assistance between model railroad clubs is a tradition that makes our hobby great.

Yours truly,
Ken Shipman.
President,
Columbia Gorge Model Railroad Club.

Some pictures, courtesy of Dennis Peoples, of our members helping at the Columbia Gorge Model RR Club November shows:



“Engineer” Ken Shipman at his cab controls



Don Golgert takes tickets to the show.



Carolyn Rose and Barbara Golgert



Evening time at the "Wishram Yard"



Evening time at "Troutdale, Oregon"

Schedules & Timetables

Be sure to check the RCGRS Website for any updates or changes. <http://www.rcgrs.com>

Anyone interested in having an Open House or sponsoring an event, please contact Darrel Dunham, 503-697-4738 or ddunham100@aol.com

January 22, 2005, Saturday, RCGRS Annual Meeting, 6:00 to 10:00 p.m.: Columbia Gorge Railroad Club, 2505 N Vancouver Avenue (corner of Vancouver and Russell) near Emanuel Hospital. Let's make it a pot luck and the club will supply drinks. B-D Side dish, E-L Main dish, P-Z Dessert.

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Dues Are Due!

The dues are \$30 per year for an individual and an additional \$6 per year for a significant other. There is only one class of member and all dues paying members have a vote in the business of the society. All dues are payable in December for the following fiscal year.

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