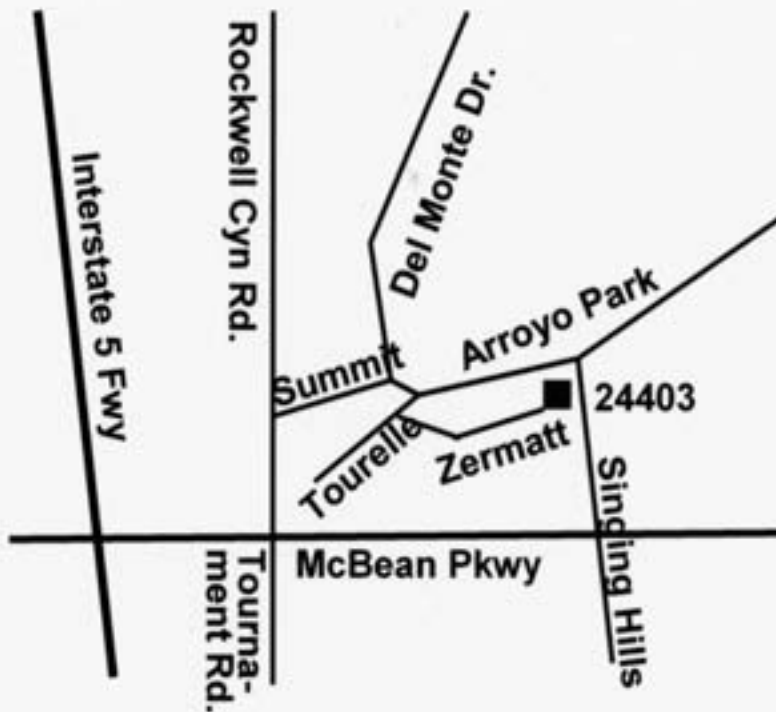




June Meeting

Monday, June 27, 2011

At home of Alan & Donna Wright
24403 Zermatt Lane, Valencia, CA 91355
661-287-0026



Alan & Donna Wright- DIRECTIONS

From Interstate 5 take the McBean Pkwy exit and proceed east to first light & turn left onto Rockwell Cyn. Rd.. Turn right at first street—it will be Summit Place. Go to end of Summit & turn right on Arroyo Park about half block to Tourelle. Go half block on Tourelle & turn left onto Zermatt Lane. 24403 is at end of cul-de-sac. Those coming from Santa Clarita on the east can access Arroyo Park or Del Monte Dr. from McBean Pkwy as well.

The Wright layout is now 11 years old and fairly mature, however, a second reversing track section has been added along with three new buildings. All buildings, old and new, are lighted. In addition, a lot of deferred maintenance was performed.

Show me your **WORKSHOP!** This will be one of the subjects to be discussed. If you can bring photos of where you work on your trains or buildings this will add a lot to the meeting. Another topic, **WHAT'S IN YOUR JUNK BOX?** Do you acquire from many sources the things that eventually end up in some part of your layout?

2010 CALENDAR

JUNE

- 21-26 **2011 National Garden Railroad Convention**, Overland Park, Kansas.
- 27, Mon. 7:00 pm **Meeting at home of Alan & Donna Wright**, Valencia, CA

JULY

- 10-14 **West Coast Regional Meet**, over 50 garden railroads open in the San Francisco Bay area, information & registration go to: www.bagrs.org
- 25, 7:00 pm **Meeting at home of Joe & Delia Caracappa**, Van Nuys, CA

AUGUST

- 29, Mon. 7:00 pm **Meeting at home of Don & Dodie Pilling / Ray & Martie Smith**, Newhall, CA

SEPTEMBER:

- 26, Mon. 8:00 pm **Meeting at home of Jim & Sandi Owens**, Canyon Country, CA

OCTOBER

- TBD Train event, details to be announced later.

NOVEMBER:

- 5-6 **Southwest Garden Railroad Show**, Fairplex in Pomona, CA. This is a G gauge only show.

HOLIDAY THEMED, LARGE SCALE EVENTS

Garden Railways magazine is currently soliciting events for this year's article, to appear on their web site, promoted in their email newsletters and on their Facebook page. The events must be open to the public during the holiday season and feature large-scale trains.

If you have an event, (or know of someone) and like to be included, please email the following information to rschweitzer@kalmbach.com

State where located

Name of display

Location of display, (including street address, city, ZIP)

Contact person with phone number and/or e-mail.

Dates of display

Hours of operation

Admission fee, if any.

Web site. (if you do not have a web site, you may use the Clubs web site for reference and we will put the information on the site.)

Garden Railways would like a few photos to accompany the article, preferably digital. If you have questions call Rene Schweitzer at 262-796-8776

DAN & DEBBIE GOETZ MOVE TO ORANGE COUNTY.

Dan & Debbie, long time members of the club, have announced that their home in Castaic has sold and they will be moving to Orange County in early June. Their first sale over 6 months ago fell through after they had pulled up their outstanding layout. They will be leasing a home in Anaheim for a while, so won't be building another layout for some time. Huge supporters of the club in many ways, they will be greatly missed. They have asked to continue their membership so we hope to stay in contact.

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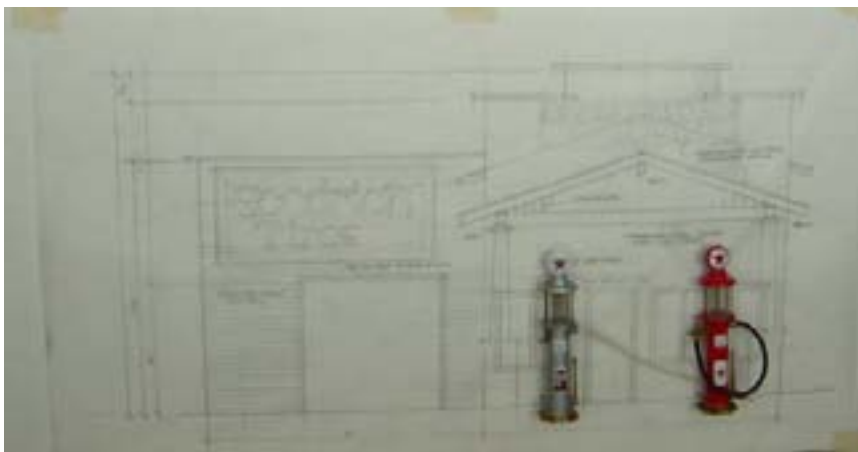
MY FAVORITE BUILDING



By Alan Wright



This building on my layout is a favorite because it replicates, as closely as possible, the building my dad first started in business in 1920 in Scott City, Kansas. He obtained the Chevrolet franchise that year and opened in the former U.G. Gates Livery Barn. The photo on the left is the only one I have which shows what the Westside Garage looked like then. The billboard hides what was a backlot.



The scale drawing I created is on the left with gravity fed gas pumps added. I used Hardiboard panels to construct the shell which was faced with corrugated metal panels on the main section and wood siding on the repair bay. The canopy has a wood structure and has a wood shingle roof.

GRANT & JENNY SWEERS TRAIN PLAY DAY



By Alan Wright

Members received an invitation from the Sweer's which read, "Jenny and I are planning to have a train play day on Saturday, June 18 from 1:00 pm to late into the night for night runs.This is not an official SCV GRC club event, just one railroader extending an invitation to other railroaders to play together." I spent two enjoyable hours in the afternoon there and had an opportunity to run an engine that I brought along.

The concrete "roadbed" came with the house and was reportedly installed by the previous owners to be a backyard tricycle freeway for their young children. He has two loops with 8 and 10 ft diameter curves and three freight yard tracks 40 feet in length. The controls are from two power packs and a switch box Grant constructed to operate the turnouts.

Sheila, the lady in the western hat, set up three diesel units and about 20 cars which ran well on the layout. Grant acquired some of his equipment from Sheila who lives in Pacoima. I understand Gary Woolard & Carla Breitner were planning to come by later.

