



Trinity River Interchange Gazette



A Word From Jerry's Corner...

*Jerry Hoverson,
Convention Chairman.*

Wow, what a great convention in Houston! Those ***Iron Horse-8*** folks really know how to put on a Texas Style Shindig!. All of the regular activities and a catered Bar-BQ at Zube Park where we each had the opportunity to ride live-steam trains... What great fun! **Guys & gals of Division 8**, you did a fantastic job and certainly set the bar high for **us** next year!

By “**us**”, I mean **Divisions 1 & 3**. Just like the east met the west at Promontory, **Divisions 1 & 3** are coming together to bring you your 2009 convention that we call, the

Trinity River Interchange.

The host hotel this year will be the **Sheraton Grand**, north of the DFW airport on Hwy 114.

So mark you calendars for

June 3rd. to the 7th. 2009,

and start planning on havin’ lotsa fun, LSR style!

For more info on the convention, I’d like to introduce some of *your*

2009 CONVENTION TEAM:

AUCTION - Bill Dryden.

Start cleanin’ out them train storage closets. Remember one mans trash is another man’s treasure!

CLINICS - Paul Richardson:

Already lined up a bunch of them. How would you like to be able to paint a back drop without one drop of artistic ability in your bones?

COMPANY STORE - Russ Covitt.

Lot’s of the standard items will be available and maybe a few new surprises!

CONTEST -

Chuck Lind & Duane Richardson.

Chuck will run the contests & Duane will be making sure the facilities run smoothly.

GUEST SPEAKER - Marc LeChey.

Marc is currently working on a couple of fantastic prospects. You won’t want to miss hearing about this!

LAYOUT TOURS - Steve Willis.

See one of the biggest new layouts in the DFW area. Can you guess who is building it?

NON-RAIL - Barbara Smith, Julia Davis, Mary Lou Schoenberg, Fredda McPherson, & Phyllis Hoverson.

Lotsa news here. So, check out the “**Petticoat Junction**” article in this issue of the Marker Lamp!

OPERATING SESSIONS - Jim Norwood.

Ever operated on a Z-scale layout? This might be your chance.

PROTOTYPE TOURS - Les Brandt.

Not to let too much out of the bag, but there is something about 1:1 steam in the works.

SPECIAL EVENTS -

Jerry Hoverson & Chris Atkins.

Your LSR Board of Directors has agreed to sponsor a ride on the **Grapevine Vintage Railroad** behind old “**Puffy**”, their steam engine. This is a benefit that is available to all LSR members and their guests at no cost. All you have to do is **come to the Trinity River Interchange in June!** A special “Thank You” to our LSR Board of Directors for making this wonderful train ride possible for all of us. You’ll see more details in future issues of the Gazette.

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PUBLICITY - Larry Swigert.

Throughout the year, you will be receiving the latest edition of the "Trinity River Interchange Gazette", the official newspaper of the 2009 convention. It will feature "breaking news" to keep you updated on all of the new and exciting events as they are added to this year's convention fun.

Here's where we need your help! A recent LSR survey showed that over half of the NMRA member information was either outdated or wrong.

So, if ya' don't want to miss anything, make sure that the LSR has your correct email & home address and phone number by;

-Emailing it to:

NMRAMemberInfo@AOL.com

-Or sending it regular mail to:

**LSR/NMRA Member Information
6548 Clearhaven Circle
Dallas, Texas 75248.**

Make sure you don't miss out on *anything*, by sending in your information TODAY!

REGISTRATION - Chris Atkins.

Our goal here is to make this as simple, as easy, as painless, and as flexible as we possibly can for you. We're workin' on it. More to come as we move on.

SPONSORS & PRIZES - Larry Swigert.

We've already given away the first door prize at the **Iron Horse-8**. Roddy Wilder of Georgetown won FREE Registration for him and his wife to the **Trinity River Interchange**. They said they can't wait for 2009!

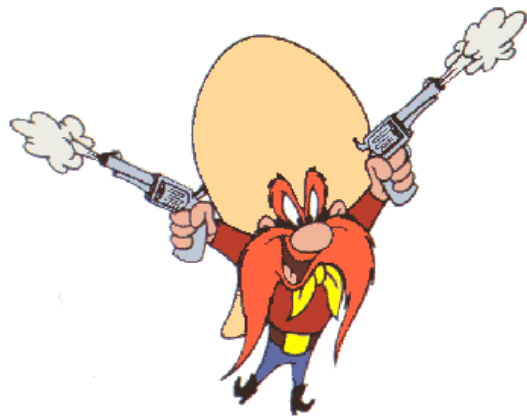
WEBSITE - Chris Atkins & Allan Gartner

The website is already online and there is a link to it on the LSR homepage. Make sure to bookmark it as a "favorite" so you can come back often for the latest info as we draw closer and closer to the big event!

VOLUNTEER OF THE MONTH -

For this issue, I would like to single out and recognize a handful of committee workers for the hard work they have already put in - your 2009 convention publicity team. These guys have already put in more time than you can imagine and we're still a year away! The publicity team consists of **Larry Swigert, Tom Browning, Matt Latham, and T.C. Carr**. Without them and their never ending devotion to the LSR and your **2009 Trinity River Interchange Convention**, I'd be in way, way over my head already!

A FINAL NOTE (or two). This is not all of your 2009 convention team. There are more behind-the-scenes committee heads as well as many assistants in each committee, and we're all working hard to bring you an **outstanding convention in 2009.**
So.....



See ya thar' Podnah !

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Whooh Hee! This here has been a gosh dern busy summer! We've had storms aplenty and durned hot weather ta boot!! It's cooled down a might but them thar Non-Rail Gals for the Trinity River Interchange for 2009 are still buzzing around busier than bees for you folks!! They've a bin

workin' like crazy to make sure you all have some fine things to do!!

Now, ya'll remember that they've got that **Project Linus**? It's a fine thing ya'll be doing; makin them soft fleece blankets for little kiddies in hostiles!! It's purly marvelous that it doesn't need no gal dern machine for sewing either!! They'll have some soft fleece material and other stuff to make them but ya'll can bring some fleece too if'n ya want to. Jest ya remember that these is for little tykes so please make sure the pictures on it is good fer them!!

Now them ladies is a cookin up a couple of fine tour idears! There's this great huge shoppin place called Grapevine Mills Outlet Mall. Ya'll have a fine time shoppin and eatin at this here place. I here tell they've got over 1.6 million sq. ft of indoor stores, restaurants and entertainment places! They've got over 180 stores ta choose from like Abercrombie & Fitch, Victoria's Secret, Forever 21, Old Navy, Group USA, Rainforest Café and Chili's Too! So even though you can expect the summer weather to be warm next June, you can be cool while you "**Shop Till Ya Drop**" ya'll keep practicing!! This here time ya'll can do on yer own. Yer Sheraton Grand Hotel has some great transportation to git ya thar!!

They's a workin' on another trip. It's a fine wine tasting in downtown Grapevine. Ya knows; Grapevine has become well known fer it's real tasty Texas wines. It all started about 1844 when us settler's first moved to the prairie that earned its name from the wild Mustang grapes that grew thar. It's all growed up real fine and we're real excited to visit one of them fine

wine places. We'll keep ya'll posted when they've got everthing all fixed up fine and dandy.

Now, one more thing them gals want me to remind you of. Don't forget to be a workin' on your arts & crafts project for the contest. They've got some fine ideas up they're sleeve for all of you. The theme is "Crossroads of Texas". Think, Indian trails, cattle drives, railroad tracks, highways and airline routes that all do a crissin and a crossin through here.

IMPORTANT!!! Plan and START NOW on an entry for the 2009 Arts and Crafts Contest.



"Trinity River Interchange 2009 Non-Rail Gang is excited and rarin to go! Them ladies is a hope'n ya'll are markin yur calendars to come and join us next year at the Sheraton Grand Hotel in Irving, TX; June 3rd - 7th 2009 for best ol gosh durn time you ever had!!"

That's right ladies! We've already started putting our heads together and we've come up with some great trips and clinics. Keep in touch for details as they develop in the Marker Lamp and at our website www.trinityriverinterchange.com

To start we'd like to let you know that the **Arts and Crafts** contest theme for 2009 will be "**Crossroads of Texas**". The area of Dallas/Fort Worth has been an interchange, junction or meeting place since the origins for our region. Indian trails, cattle drives, railroad tracks, highways and airline routes have joined our region and our nation. Now you've got plenty of time to get those wheels turning so you get started on a great project! There are so many talented ladies out there. We're so looking forward to seeing all those great ideas come forward!