Pictures of Tree Debris Removal August 5, 200













Well and Septic Bids Complete!

Be advised that bidding is complete on the well and septic systems. We will be going with Bonds Septic and Well Services 25997 Brushy Creek Drive, Hockley, Texas. They have an excellent reputation and a solid record of service after the sale, and we were able to get a price break because they will be installing both systems. They will be using the best materials in the industry for a total cost including tax of \$8200.00, which is \$1,800.00 under budget! If anyone has an issue with this vendor or wants to look at the specs and parts to be used please let me know, as we have not signed a contract yet! I will keep you posted as we finalize the other remaining items open for bid.

Heating Air-Conditioning Contractor Selected

Be advised we have selected Capitol Air & Heat Inc. 3303 Cypresswood Drive, Spring, Texas as the contractor for our heating and air conditioning. We will be going with a split system consisting of two, 3-ton units one to service the office area and other for the layout room @ a cost of \$6,178.00. We had budgeted \$6,000.00 for the project and will come in very close to budget! **Note**: we are still waiting for an estimate from one other company, Houston North Air Conditioning, but barring a better bid we are set to go with Capitol.

As with the Septic/well contract, anyone having an issue with this contractor or wanting to look at the specs and parts to be used please let me know, as we have not signed a contract yet! I will keep you posted as we finalize the other remaining items open for bid.

Timelines and Deadlines

At the August 18, 2000 meeting:

- Review of progress against our financial goals.
- Review building progress to date
- Continuing discussion around the balance of tree debris removal and continuing action plan for its removal.
- Latest update of timeline to completion of building.
- Discussion around our participation at September GATS show
- Heating/air conditioning, septic, and well updates
- Update on our status for the November layout tour.
- Collection of the August assessments and stakeholders commitments

Calendar of Events

July 2000

22nd Framing for slab

24th-28th Pouring of slab for building

August

2000

18th Monthly Meeting @ Larry's Hobbies

7:30 p.m

APN SLATED FOR THE NOVEMER LAYOUT TOUR

Per our discussion at the July meeting we will be requesting that APN be included for the November layout tour this season! This means that module owners should, if possible, try and work on their modules before we put them into our new home, as time will be limited due to our projected move in date of October 31st! We would ask that **all** our modules be used for this event.

On a similar note, we are requesting all module owners notify the club as to their intention regarding the incorporation their modules into our layout. This is necessary to begin our layout planning process! Please let us know by the time we open in October. Thanks!

Happy Birthday!

August 2000

4th Jim Dunnuck 24th Kevin Grandjean 25th Jerry Williams

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First Train run at APN's New Home!

Stephen Foster has claimed the distinction of having run the first train at APN's new home. He ran a New York Central locomotive powered by a 9 volt battery on our slab he week of August 1, 2000!

Congratulations Stephen, I look forward to many more!







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Side Tracks

Steve Hashagen

Again for those who missed our July meeting a lot has happened in the last 30 days! We have our septic, well and building permits. The slab form was built, and the concrete was poured July 27th. We are in the process of determining our vendors for our septic, well and heating/air conditioning projects and should begin construction by the first to middle of October, with a planned completion date of October 31st

I am also pleased to announce that we have expanded our membership from 20 to 22 members with the addition of Tommy Graham and Miguel Marcias. If you have not had the opportunity to introduce yourself to them please take a minute to make them feel welcome! That's it for now; see you at the August 18th meeting!

*******Important Information ****

September 2000 GATS Update!

The club has decided to not bring a layout to the upcoming GATS show scheduled for September 16th and 17th. As this was probably our last GATS at which to set up a layout, it means we will not ask for layout space going forward for the foreseeable future. We will however maintain a presence at GATS what's called a 3-table booth (with electrical power) to promote our club. I will be designing a folding booth backdrop display area to feature APN and it's club and activities, which due to the short time frame will probably not be ready for this years GATS. More details at the August meeting, or as soon as we find out if we can get a table for this September's GATS show.

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