



Feather River Rail Society

Portola Railroad
Museum

Preserving

"The Feather River Route"

P.O. Box 608
Portola, California 96122
(916) 832-4131

The museum is open daily year round from
10:00 AM to 5:00 PM except Christmas Day.
Entrance to the museum is free, however, we
have a suggested donation of \$2.00.

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From the Desk of the President



As the Society begins preparations for our 11th operating season, those of us here in the immediate vicinity of the Museum must mentally "shift gears," writing and thinking ahead toward longer days and warmer weather that will eventually come. This issue of the Train Sheet brings news and information of significant events scheduled to take place at the Museum in April and May, conjuring up thoughts of springtime and increasing visitor counts, while outside it's still all too February-ish, snow deepening by the hour. But let's set that snow shovel aside for a minute, and make plans for springtime in Portola. It's an exciting time to be here, as things put away for the long winter months must be dug out, cleaned up and prepared for visitors; equipment must be prepared for service; and general spring cleaning needs to be done. There's plenty to do and we can always use more able hands to help do it. You don't need to be a specialist--you just need to have the desire to share your enthusiasm with others toward the common goal of making the Portola Railroad Museum a place our visitors will want to come back to and tell their friends about. So make plans to come on up to Portola this spring -- we can't promise you that you won't have to shovel snow, but we can promise you the opportunity to participate first-hand in the operation of your Museum. We look forward to seeing you in Portola.

The FRRS will be well-represented at the annual Winterail photography exposition in Stockton on March 11th. Stop by the FRRS table in the flea market and support the Society. Many of the Directors will also be there; feel free to bring your comments and concerns to us directly -- we need your input.

-- Steve Habeck

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