

Rubber-tire Fleet

- photo by Bob Sims

Help Give the Museum a Lift -

Everyone knows that trains are heavy, and so is almost everything associated with them! The museum has two forklifts that are critical to the operation of the museum. They are regularly pressed into service moving heavy objects around the museum, getting things into and out of boxcars and many other uses.

Both of our forklifts are getting very tired and need your help to restore them to full and safe operation. The rubber-tire mechanical team made a presentation at the September board meeting outlining work that needs to be done and estimated associated costs. Based on this discussion, the FRRS Board has authorized a "Forklift Restoration" fund raising campaign. On the campaign launch, members pledged or paid \$500. We are on our way!

You can give the museum a lift by making a financial donation to the project using the PayPal button on the website's Donation page (https://www.wplives.org/donate.html) or by sending a check with "Forklift Restoration" on the memo line to the Feather River Rail Society, P.O. Box 608, Portola CA 96122-0608.



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2019 UPCOMING EVENTS! Pumpkin Patch Express and Santa Trains

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Our seasonal special events are coming up at the Western Pacific Railroad Museum. To



celebrate its restoration, it is planned to have Western Pacific SW1500 1503 pulling all trains for both events.

This year's Pumpkin Patch Express trains will be held October 19-20 and 26-27, Saturdays and Sundays. The museum will open at 10 a.m. all



four days. Trains will depart hourly from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. for the Pumpkin Patch. On Saturday nights, our Super Spooky Night Trains will depart hourly between 7 p.m.

and 9 p.m. Gates close at 9:30 p.m. on Saturdays and 6 p.m. on Sundays.

In addition to the Pumpkin Patch, our Haunted Railcar will be open and we will also have an allages Haunted Car for the kids. Food and craft vendors will be on hand and a gunfighter performance group will be part of the entertainment. Some additional special things may also appear!

Santa Trains will operate December 7 (Saturday) and the following Fridays and Saturdays, December 13-14 and 20-21. The

museum opens at 4 p.m. with rides starting at 5 p.m. and continuing until everyone has a ride. The festive holiday train will be covered in lights and decorations. Free homemade cookies, hot cider, coffee and hot chocolate will be served and we will have special exhibits and local vendors on hand. Santa and Mrs. Claus will be on hand for photos with the kids!

Admission for both events is free for FRRS members. Non-member admission is \$10 per carload, or \$5 with the donation of 3 non-perishable canned goods for the EPCAN food bank.