

FEATHER RIVER RAIL SOCIETY

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ITEM: Event Report
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Pumpkin Trains Report 10/09/2018

Decorations:

-Diner: The dining car is all but finished. I just have to put out the table cloths, which we've waited on so they didn't get ruined between now and the event. I'm going to lay them out this week to relax any creasing in the fabric.

-Train: The train is mostly complete. I just have to add lights to the interior. The Baggage car is currently being used as my workshop for decorating the train, so it is mostly decorated, just have to hang the lights and get the bins out of the car. We have discussed adding some bench seating to the baggage car to compensate for the loss of seating from the Diner not being in the train.

I should be able to finish the train this week, I'm hoping to have everything finished and ready for setting up the pumpkin patch by the end of Sunday evening.

-Shop: I'm planning on pulling the decorations for the shop out this weekend to get those staged and ready to go as well.

-Museum Store: KC has been busy getting the Store decorated and ready for the event, plenty of spooky things going on in there.

-Pumpkin Patch: Ethan is busy at work creating the pillars for my spooky cemetery gate, this week he's been able to get all the wood together and start cutting to get all the pieces ready for assembly.

I have gotten all the tombstones I currently have painted and ready for the patch. Bil Jackson is going to make me a few more, and I'm going to make a few concrete ones and weigh down a few of the foam pieces I have left from last year to really fill the space and make the graveyard as spooky as I can. I have decorations for the table as well, to really keep everything around the patch fitting in with the atmosphere I'm going for.

Volunteers:

For the first weekend, we are looking a little short handed as far as volunteers unfortunately. The Friday Night Live group is not available to help us this year, so we are looking at other avenues. KC is in the process of contacting the principal at Portola High School about getting some of their Leadership students to help us out. If those students are unavailable, Debra Reynolds has let me know that she would be happy to come down and help out with whatever we need, so that will be at least one extra set of hands. I'm working on gathering a few more. It's fortunate that we also have Taj in the store now, so if necessary KC will be able to move around the event as well.

I was able to get into contact with Jeff Downs, a parent in Boy Scout Troop 35 out in Reno, and they are planning on being there the second weekend to help us run our event. They will be staying on the property overnight in the Troop Sleeper as approved by Steve.