



FEATHER RIVER RAIL SOCIETY

General Superintendent's Report

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While 2020 has been less than a stellar year for the FRRS/WPRM and the outlook for 2021 does not look too good right now. With the COVID-19 virus rates in California climbing again and the most recent "Shelter in Place" orders, we may be hard pressed to be able to open on a regular schedule for 2021.

I am in weekly communications with some of our directors and officers about the pandemic. The current rate of spread of the COVID-19 across the state and in Plumas County will no doubt continue to impact the museum and our volunteers.

Please keep your eye on the FRRS website for more information as it becomes available. The FRRS Board of Directors will be discussing current conditions on a monthly basis to see when we can resume a normal schedule. (Should one be called normal again?)

However, please keep your eye on our Board of Directors meetings for the latest information as we strive to do our best to protect our members, volunteers and the general public.

Should you not be able to attend (by teleconference) our board minutes; agendas, directors' reports and department reports are posted to the website as soon as possible for those that wish to see what has taken place.

I know things are very hard for some of the limited staff who spend time at the museum working on cleaning projects, keeping the museum in shape so that we have a museum to open again when the time comes.

There has been a tremendous amount of time lost in 2020 working on several of the projects. Please be patient with all of us while we struggle to maintain a safe environment for all of us.

Any and all volunteers, should be very aware that the FRRS/WPRM has limited resources during these times and we need to know who, if any, members will be visiting the museum for any reason. It is very important to make sure someone will be available at the museum and that it is in fact staffed so that you will not be disappointed should you arrive and find the gates locked.

We must keep the museum locked down, as we have had several people just show up expecting to get into the museum while we are closed.

Please contact our president, Greg Elems, should you wish to give a hand during this time that the museum is closed.

In closing out this year, I would like to thank all our members, staff, volunteers, and the group of limited volunteers that keep the lights on even though the museum is closed. Sometimes the Thank You goes unsaid, and we all need to know that the work we do for the FRRS is important and that we need to acknowledge all who help the FRRS.

At any time should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me, I may not have an answer right away, however I will get one for you.

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