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President's Pin

- Greg Elems



Cold short days and periodic storms have slowed things down at the museum. Locomotive work is taking place in the shop. The current plan is to start taking reservations in mid-June, for actual RALs to start in July and run until the season ends.

Plans are in the process for several projects along with preparations for opening up July 1st, this summer. The current plan is to be open Thursday - Sunday, July through September. The color level for Plumas County is at orange as of March 15th. With the up and down numbers of COVID-19 cases, planning is a hit or miss proposition. As it is, if you wear the PPE and practice good hygiene, we can accept volunteers coming to work at the museum. We have enough room and chores that social distancing isn't hard to practice. We do however; recommend if at all possible to get the vaccine. We are going to need help if we are going to make the July 1st opening.

Once we open in July, we will need to have Plexiglas barriers up on the counter in the museum store. We are looking into clear face shields for the staff in the store and anyone who is interested in one. RAL engineers will probably be asked to wear them also.

A quick note, we lost another former board member in the second week of February, Marty Anderson. He had just donated a road crossing signal in December to WPRM. Our thoughts and prayers from the society go to his family in these trying times. There will be more information to pass along at a later date.

Subscribe!

- Paul Finnegan
Webmaster

Would you like to receive notices and information about the FRRS and WPRM by email? As part of the new web server system, we have a new tool, *Mailtrain*, that we are using to email special announcements to FRRS members and other interested parties. To subscribe to the *WPRM News* email list use the subscribe tool on the "About Us" drop-down list on the society website. Each email will have an unsubscribe link in it if you change your mind later.



Operating Department News and Update

- Paul Finnegan
Crew Caller - Operating Dept.

The Operating Department plans to hold a "knock the rust off" training day at the museum on Saturday June 5th 2021, starting at 10 a.m. Everyone who would like to work on crew this year is strongly encouraged to attend. Please signup on the "Register for Crew Training" web page on the Members pull-down menu on the society website. Active (or above) members who would like to join the Operating Department are welcomed. Many of us have had very little, if



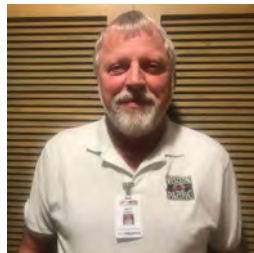
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2021 Election Update

Dear FRRS Members:

The 2021 Nominations were open from January 1, 2021 through January 31, 2021.

Nominations were submitted to the 2021 Election Committee in writing as required and all process and procedures were followed per the FRRS Elections Policy.



The FRRS 2021 Election nominations were closed and there were three (3) qualified incumbents, and a “White Ballot” was declared. They are current FRRS Board Members: **Matt Elems(I)**, **Steve Habeck(I)**, and **Eugene Vicknair(I)**. There was one other nomination received, but they officially withdrew from the election process. A postcard was sent out to all active and above FRRS Members about this as required for a “White Ballot” proceeding. No action was taken on this by the March 15, 2021 deadline so the listed nominees will be sworn into office in July 2021.

The Election Committee is also looking into possibly using a third-party vendor to hold future Board Elections via this process. This is only preliminary now, but the potential to save money and countless hours is present. Much additional research needs to be done though and many questions need to be asked and answered.

If you have an e-mail address the FRRS and WPRM would like to have it for multiple reasons including news announcements, elections, *Train Sheet* delivery by e-mail and more. You may update your contact information using the Membership Change of Address tool on the society website found on the Membership page on the “About Us” pull-down menu. These are used exclusively by the FRRS and WPRM and will not be sold or given out.

Please be sure to read the Election Policy for additional dates and details if you might be interested in running for the FRRS Board in 2022. Please refer to these on the FRRS website.

If you have any questions about the election process, please feel free to address the Elections Committee at election@wplives.org.

At this time, I would like to thank our Webmaster Paul Finnegan and the rest of the Election Committee for their continued assistance in the election process. Please stay Healthy and Well and might 2021 be better.

“Your 2021 Election Committee thanks you and is Proud to Serve the FRRS & WPRM.”

Sincerely,
 Matthew S. Shuman - FL 1948 - Chair
 Ann Morningstar – L 1967 - Co-Chair
 Debbie Shuman - FL 1948 - Clerk/Catering
 Facilitator to the Election Committee

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any, crew-hours for almost two years due to COVID-19. The day will focus on safety and new updates to operating procedures. We will spend time on hands-on training.

We want everyone to use the online rules exam link you will get when you register for the training. We do not want to use time on Saturday to administer a rules exam, we want to use the time for training. Please take the exam online and bring your signed paperwork with you to training.

Watch the Latest Museum News on the society website for updates.

