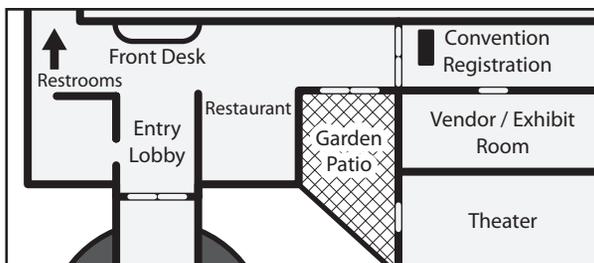


WELCOME to the 2014 Western Pacific Railroad Historical Convention, hosted by the Hilton Garden Inn - Fairfield and produced by the FEATHER RIVER RAIL SOCIETY.

All events at the Hilton Garden Inn will be taking place in the **GRAND BALLROOM** and associated rooms.

The Hilton restaurant and bar is located between the convention area and the front lobby. Restrooms are located past the Front Desk and down the hallway to the right. Check signs for directions.



Please refer to the map and schedule located in this program for more information.

We would like to thank the following for their invaluable assistance in making this event possible for everyone:

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*as well as anyone we forgot!*

*Thank you,  
Eugene Vicknair and Wayne Monger  
2014 Convention Chairs*

## CLINICS and PRESENTATIONS

### Western Pacific Images by Roger Hepkema

A salon of WP images covering many aspects of the railroad.

### Modelling the Zephyrettes by David Epling

Information and modelling details of the Budd RDC-2 railcars used by the Western Pacific.

### Gould's Beachhead by Eugene Vicknair

A discussion of the Boca and Loyalton Railroad and its role in building the Western Pacific.

### WP San Francisco Detours by Wayne Monger

A look at the 1978 grain train detours WP operated over the Southern Pacific Peninsula line.

### Western Pacific's Sleepy Side by Dave Stanley

A tour of the Tidewater Southern and Sacramento Northern during pre and post UP merger eras.

### Virgil Staff Films

Newly digitized footage from the Virgil Staff film collection, part of the FRRS archives.

### The WP and a Lost Opportunity by Stuart J. Swiedler

A discussion of the Sacramento Northern Railway and the lost opportunity to improve its use in Alameda and Contra Costa Counties.

### 1961 Potash Trains by Wayne Monger

A look at WP's role in potash hauling in 1961.

### Tidewater Tour by Ken Rattenne

A look back at the Tidewater Southern in the years following the UP merger.

### 72-82: WP's Final Decade by Dale Sanders

The WP's final and finest hours, as seen by four of its most ardent admirers.

### WP Scrapbook: 45-47 by Bob Sims & W. Monger

Personal images from five train rides on the WP in 1945 and 1947.

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*Celebrating the  
WP Family*

# SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

## Friday, August

10:00 AM Registration opens - Vendor and Exhibit Room opens  
 12:00 PM Doors open - Ballroom Theater

### Clinics and Shows..

12:15 PM The Final Years - by Roger Hepkema  
 12:40 PM Modeling the Zephyrettes - by David Epling  
 1:15 PM Gould's Beachhead: The Boca and Loyalton - by Eugene Vicknair  
 2:00 PM break  
 2:30 PM WP's San Francisco Detours - by Wayne Monger  
 3:00 PM WP 165: Coming Back to Life  
 3:15 PM Western Pacific's Sleepy Side - by Dave Stanley  
 4:00 PM dinner break  
 4:30 PM Vendor and Exhibit Room closes

### Evening Event..

6:30 PM Layout Tour: Golden State Model Railroad Museum - Point Richmond

## Saturday, August 16

9:00 AM Registration opens - Vendor and Exhibit Room opens  
 9:30 PM Doors open - Ballroom Theater

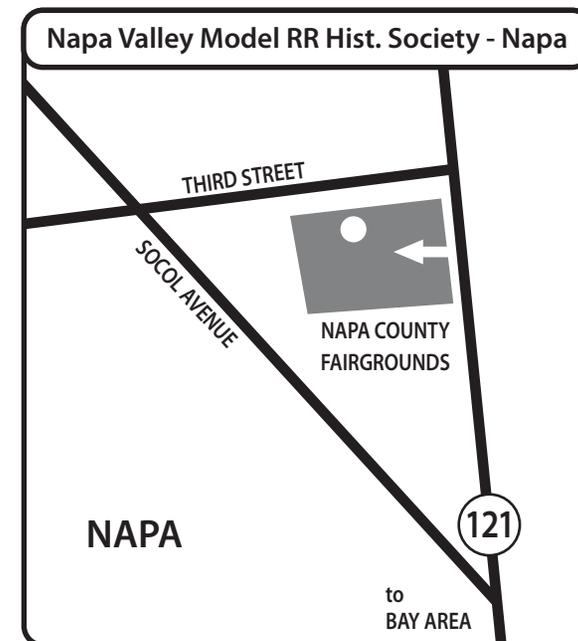
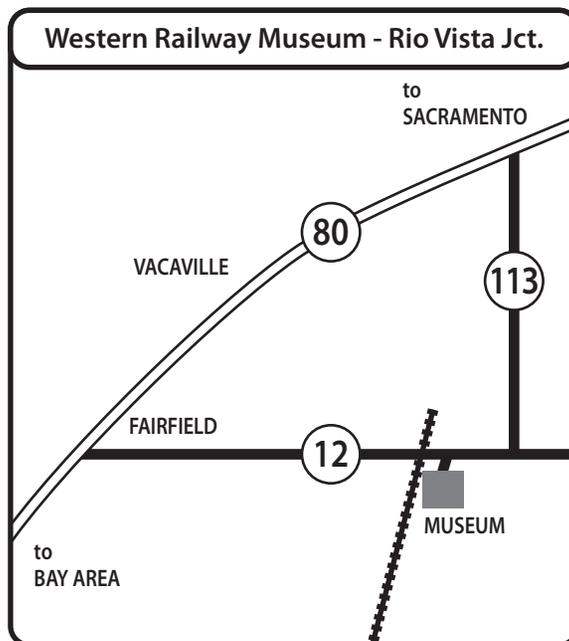
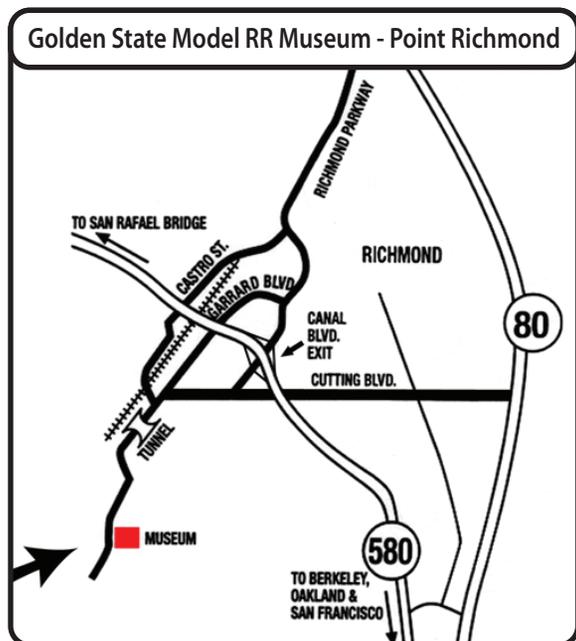
### Clinics and Shows..

10:05 AM Potash Trains on the WP - by Wayne Monger  
 11:00 AM Tidewater Tour - by Ken Rattenne  
 12:00 PM lunch break  
 1:15 PM Virgil Staff Films from the FRRS Archives  
 2:00 PM The Western Pacific and a Lost Opportunity: the Sacramento Northern Railway - by Stuart J. Swiedler / eastbayhillsproject.org  
 2:50 PM break  
 3:10 PM 72-82: Western Pacific's Final Decade - by Dale Sanders  
 3:45 PM WP Photo Scrapbook from October 1945 and June 1947 - A Western Division - by Bob Sims and Wayne Monger  
 4:00 PM Vendor and Exhibit Room closes, Raffle sales end  
 4:45 PM break

### Evening Event..

6:30 PM Western Pacific Banquet - Dave Buccolo, keynote speaker

**Fundraising Raffle Tickets: 1 for \$1, 12 for \$10 - vote for the 2015 Convention city!**



## Sunday, August 17

9:45 AM Western Railway Museum Breakfast, Ride and Tour - breakfast serves at 9:45 AM - WRM Picnic Grounds  
 10:00 AM Napa Valley Model Railroad Historical Society (closes late afternoon) - Napa Fairgrounds

**If you have questions...  
 Look for a volunteer with  
 a GREEN NAMETAG**