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FEATHER RIVER RAIL SOCIETY WESTERN PACIFIC RAILROAD MUSEUM at PORTOLA

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The museum grounds are open to the public from 10:00am until 5:00pm daily from the last Sunday in April through the first Monday in November. The diesel shop is open during this time.

Train operations begin the last Saturday in May and continue each weekend through the first Monday in September, as well as on major holidays between these dates.

Museum grounds are closed to the public from the first Tuesday in November through the Friday before the last Saturday in April except for special events for which advanced arrangements have been made. If you wish to visit during the closure period, it is advisable to call in advance and find out if the museum will be open.

Entrance to the museum for members is free. Nonmembers are required to pay an admission fee, details are inside this issue on the inside of the back cover.

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WP 3517 leads a manifest on 23 December 1982. WP 3517 experienced a colorful life, passing through several owners.

Greg Elems photo.

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President's Report – March 2017 – Steve Habeck, President

Unless you have been living these past few months under a rock, or blissfully out of touch with the news, you are aware that this winter showed up determined to make up for the mild ones we have had the past few years. While the snow we have received so far this year (it's only March) is more like a normal winter, the unprecedented rains we have seen in the higher elevations (as well as in the valleys) are what made the news. After receiving a decent amount of snow after our successful Santa Trains (there's another article to write), the warm rains came, and amounts were measured in feet, not inches. The rain has been followed by more snow, which is again accumulating. The heavy rains, combined with significant snow melt, caused a lot of flooding in Portola and Quincy, as well as closing Highway 70 and the UP's ex-WP line through the Canyon for over a month. Fortunately, when the WP was built through Portola, the surveyors chose to construct the main line, yard, and support facilities well above the river's expected flood stages. The WPRM has benefited from this in that we have had no flood damage to any of the facilities on campus, while directly across the river from WPRM, the Sleepy Pines Motel and Highway 70 were flooded, with water a foot deep on the highway. The only issues at WPRM are the water that gets into the shop building every year, and significant damage to the access road where it comes down towards our front gate. The shop building is built at grade level, and the snow that accumulates on the north side of the building, which never gets any sun in the winter, melts into the building through the doors and the foundation on that side. With over 3 feet of snow accumulated when the rain started, a lot of water came into the building, and will continue to do so, at a lesser rate, until all the snow has melted. The resulting water floods the WP Store, kitchen area, and the Board Room the worst, as well as the Ops Office, electric room, and other areas on the north side of the building. I have to acknowledge the continuing efforts of many volunteers who spent a lot of time with squeegees and the shop vac to try and stay ahead of the encroaching water, including Directors Charlie Spikes and Greg Elems, as well

as Duane VanderVeen, David (Fritz) Elems, and Ethan Doty. The tally from the shop vac is well over 200 gallons by now, and counting.

The heavy precipitation this winter has kept us busy simply maintaining access to the building. Ethan Doty and David Elems have spent a lot of time on the backhoe trying to open up a path, and keep it open, so we can get in. This was one of the reasons we decided to cancel the February Board meeting. We also had problems with the backhoe getting stuck in the deep slush, ice, and snow. I went to Les Schwab and bought a set of tire chains for the large drive wheels on the backhoe (we already had chains on the steering tires), which was a great help in maintaining traction. Unfortunately, there is insufficient clearance between the drive tires and the backhoe frame for the chains, and they got worn severely in a short time. At least we got the access we needed.

Due to the issues with the weather, and my inability to predict work times due to UP's service outages in California and Nevada, taking down the Santa Train lights has proven to be difficult. At this writing, Ethan Doty and Loren Ross have completed much of the work to take down the lights off the train. I have been saddled with a persistent sinus and chest congestion issue that I can't get rid of (over 6 weeks now), which has also limited my ability to get over to the Museum. Fortunately, my family was able to get the decorations down in the diner and baggage car before the worst of the big snowstorms hit, but we have not been able to move things around to facilitate the mechanical work that Fritz wanted to get to this off-season because of the deep ice-encrusted snow on the tracks. With this recent warm-up, we may finally get the opportunity to get the switching done, and still have time for some of the mechanical work.

You may have seen on the website some photos and reports of the long-range planning meeting held in Davis, CA, and attended by the FRRS Officers, Directors, General Superintendent, Webmaster, Acting CMO, and Patty Clawson from Big Fish. I felt that this was a good new step for us to take, and many issues were discussed. Plans for the short term were firmed up, and

guidelines for the long term were established.

Another issue we have been dealing with for some time now is our banking. The FRRS has been with Bank of America since we started out, but things have changed. First, B of A closed their Portola branch in 2015, forcing us to go to Quincy, Truckee, or Reno for our banking (deposits, etc.). While inconvenient, we made it work; I made deposits approximately twice a week during the season in Ouincy, less often in the off-season. Then, B of A closed their Quincy branch in November of 2016. With the nearest B of A branch now in Truckee (the B of A branch in Lemmon Valley in North Reno will never see me darken their door again), we opted to change over to Plumas Bank, a local bank headquartered in Quincy, with branches everywhere we might need them (Quincy, Portola, Reno, etc.). This has proven to be easier said than done; after delays, and jumping through lots of hoops, this process is about complete. All the Plumas Bank accounts are now open, and as soon as we get the electronic services (like PayPal) and the point-ofsale transferred over, I will close the B of A accounts, and transfer the funds to the corresponding Plumas Bank accounts. We already have the new deposit slips and a new check stamp in the fire safe; Susan Scarlett has ordered and received new checks, and also has deposit slips and a check stamp for her use. This has turned into a six-month ordeal, mostly for me. My thanks to Alyssa at the Portola branch of Plumas Bank for guiding me through this process.

Attached to this report, for the Board meeting, is my statement of donations to the FRRS for 2016. I also want to acknowledge the contributions of Duane VanderVeen, who also submitted a report of donations he made in 2016. I have written an acknowledgment letter to Duane in recognition of his contributions. I know almost all of you have given freely of your time, as well as donations of goods, and it is hereby recognized, and very much appreciated. I will acknowledge, in writing, any lists submitted. This will also facilitate the documentation needed for your taxes.

Don't forget to sign up for the 2017 Convention in Reno, from May 4-7. Eugene has done a fantastic job setting this up, and it promises to be a fun-and-fact-filled time for all. My wife and I will be in attendance for the entire Convention, and all special events, and look forward to seeing everyone, and enjoying the atmosphere. Please feel free to hunt me down with any questions, comments, or concerns you may have regarding your Society. This is a great time to engage the Officers, Directors, and Department Heads in one-on-one or group discussions; I, personally, look forward to it. Good or bad, make your voice heard. I can't guarantee your satisfaction with my answers or my take on an issue, but I can guarantee you'll have my attention.

President's Report – April 2017 – Steve Habeck, President

After a winter that will be talked about for quite some time, we have finally begun seeing a large, bright ball of light moving across the sky during the day, bringing with it longer days, and warmer temperatures. Mostly due to weather issues, we were unable to clear the shop for the Mechanical Department until the middle of March, but once we gave them some shop space in which to work, CMO Bil (1L) Jackson, asst CMO David (Fritz) Elems, and able helper Ethan (Zeke) Doty got right to work, and as I write this, the QRR (SP) 1100 and the Kodachrome (SP 2873) have been serviced and released for duty. WP 917-D has had most of it's servicing completed, but a rusted, frozen power contactor (S13) is keeping it out of service (but not for long).

Also, Ethan Doty and Loren Ross braved the elements earlier this year and got all the Christmas lights off all 7 cabooses (and the engine) while I was dealing with work issues and a stubborn congestion problem. This work facilitated moving the cabooses out of the way, so the passenger cars from the shop could be placed on track 3, out of the way of the Mechanical Department.

One of the reasons we were delayed was access to the Museum, or lack thereof. After the Santa Trains, we got around 3 ft of snow, and then the rains came. Then it got cold, everything

froze, and we got more snow. This resulted in many hours of backhoe time by Ethan and Fritz, and a lot of shovel time for them and others (including Director Greg Elems and both his sons, Matt and David, Director Charlie Spikes, and Duane VanderVeen).

Meanwhile, several people were kept busy squeegeeing and vacuuming water from the north side rooms in the shop. This is a problem every winter, but was especially troublesome this year due to the amount of water we had to deal with. Director Charlie Spikes, Duane VanderVeen, Loren Ross, Ethan Doty, Director Greg Elems and his son David Elems, and probably others, kept after the nearlycontinuous inflow of water. Over 300 gallons of water were sucked up and dumped with the shop vac during the many sessions worked.

Despite the widespread flooding and other problems in Portola, the Museum came through with minimal damage, with the notable exception of our main access road, which was destroyed by a combination of heavy water flows undermining the pavement, and lots of heavy truck traffic by UP and their contractors during the flooding. I have responded to an application from FEMA for assistance, and have begun inquiries with UP for possible assistance. In the meantime, exercise caution when coming into the Museum once you pass the City's yard and start down the hill to our gate.

Due to several issues that were not resolved to our satisfaction, we let Elise Tiffany go. We have hired a new person, KC Dunn, to work in the store, and I am sure everyone will be pleased when you get to meet her. Director Leisa Wesch has stepped up to oversee the transitions occurring in the WP Store, and manage it's operation till things settle out. The Board authorized purchasing a new point-of-sale system and related components, and Directors Eugene Vicknair and Leisa Wesch, and Ethan Doty have been working on the inevitable teething issues involved. Check out the new layout of the WP Store; we can always use helping hands to make it even better. The soda fountain is also up and running for the season, thanks to Director Charlie Spikes, who had to badger Swire and threaten to toss the machine

outside before we got them to show up.

We are preparing for the spring steam work session, and some folks are already here (Bob Sims, Roger Stabler, and Kirk Baer). We are kicking off a major fundraising campaign, with the goal of having the 165 under steam by Railroad Days. This work session will hopefully see much critical work done towards accomplishing this goal, and we expect to have people working on the engine all summer, as well. Check out our social media blasts, and help bring steam back to Portola in 2017!

Next month, we will be having our Convention in Reno, NV. There's still time to sign up for what should be a great set of events. We hope to have news regarding the Convention banquet speaker very soon. I hope to see many of you there.

The last chapter in the saga of Doug Morgan's equipment may soon be written. His deadline to remove his equipment has come and gone. We have one more Court hearing upcoming which, hopefully, will resolve this issue for good.

In other equipment news, I have started a dialog with the Manager of the Collins Pine lumber mill in Chester, where they still have the home-built Carr-bell plow sitting there. Collins Pine very much wants to see this plow preserved; since the deal with the group in Truckee fell apart, they have reached out, looking for someone interested. I responded, since I went there with the Truckee guys some time ago, and was very impressed with the resourcefulness that went into this plow's construction. Collins Pine may even be able to provide some assistance (equipment and funding) to ensure the plow's preservation. This is local history, right in our wheelhouse; Collins Pine's railroad, the Almanor Railroad, interchanged with the WP at Clear Creek Junction, between Almanor and Westwood, on WP's High Line (the old 4th Sub). We would be remiss in our mission if we didn't make an effort to save this plow.

Richard G. "Andy" Anderson —Frank Brehm

Richard G. Anderson, at the age of 90, passed away on August 1, 2016, at Renown Medical Center in Reno, Nevada, after a brief illness. To all of us in the Feather River Rail Society and his many friends he was known as just "Andy".

Andy was born on November 30, 1925, to Mary and Earl Anderson in Herrin, Illinois. Raised on the family farm Andy learned the value of hard work at an early age. He saw his father work in the coal mines as well as tend to the farm and vowed at an early age to get his father out of the mines.

He was an amazing man and had an equally amazing and love-filed life. Andy loved people and it showed in the way he lived his life, always helping others. Although he will be remembered for his career in the firefighting service that was not his original career path.

While growing up Andy had started working in

the local mortuary after high school and found that to his liking. After an honorable discharge from the US Navy, with the help of a friend he attended mortician school in San Francisco and after completing his apprenticeship in Richmond moved to Red Bluff. The Coroner in Red Bluff saw Andy as competition. The coroner's son owned the mortuary in Portola and wasn't doing so well so made a deal with Andy and sold him the mortuary, thereby moving young Andy out of Red Bluff to Portola in 1954. It was in Portola that he got his first taste of the fire service having become involved with the town's fire department.

In 1956, he moved to Quincy when the opportunity arose to purchase the funeral home there came his way; with the help of his father he was now running the mortuaries in both Quincy and Portola. It was that same year, he joined the Quincy Volunteer Fire Department. Clearly, he had no idea of the legacy that would result when, five months after joining the firefighting ranks in Quincy, he was elected their volunteer fire chief. In order to raise a family and pay their bills, he



Prior to boarding the 707 for the trip down to Quincy, Steve Habeck (left), Andy and his wife Gayle stand next to the 707 which was "named" in Andy's honor for his retirement dinner. — Frank Brehm Photo.

continued to own and operate the funeral home in Quincy until selling it in 1986.

Andy often said he wasn't looking to be the fire chief, he just wanted to help the department, which he did for the next 50 years, right up until his retirement from the department in 2007. As Chief Andy took the small rural fire department and turned it into a role model for all volunteer departments, not just in Plumas County, but throughout the state and country. He was the department's sixth chief in its first 128 years. His devotion to the department, 'his' firefighters, the community and emergency services was evident in nearly everything he did in his career over the next half century.

Most notable might be the development and construction of the emergency services training facility at Fire Station 1 on Lawrence Street in Quincy. He and his wife Gayle also donated the land behind the station for this training complex on Andy's Way, the side street appropriately named in his honor in 2006. He was responsible for merging the Plumas County Fire Chiefs' Association and the county's Fire and Emergency Association into one group, which he chaired for 25 years. He established the county's first Disaster Council and chaired the county's Multi-Agency Coordination Team and was on the organizing committee to form the Plumas Fire Safe Council.

He was also the director of the Office of Emergency Services for more than 30 years. In 1983, the Board of Supervisors appointed him the County Fire Warden. At the state level, he was appointed to the Senate Select Committee on Volunteerism in Fire Service and was a charter member and past president of the California Rural Firefighters Association.

Along side his life's devotion to fire service, his other passions included county fairs, railroading, radio broadcasting and flying his own airplane. For 35 years, he volunteered for various jobs at the fairgrounds including serving as the master of ceremonies at various grandstand events. He stepped in as fair manager for four years, from 1987 to 1991. He was also a member of the board of directors for the Feather River Rail Society, being elected by the board to fill a vacancy in October 1998. He was elected President at the July 1999 meeting. Andy did not care for being called President, instead preferring the title of Chairman. He became very active in the Run-a-Locomotive program, and of course excelled in this endeavor. He never tired of promoting the museum and was instrumental in finding support and funds for many museum projects.

In 2006 Andy decided that 50 years in the fire service was enough and it was time to call it a job well done. Andy refused to say the word 'retire', instead preferring to say he was moving on to other opportunities. A retirement dinner was held for Andy on November 11, 2006 were he was presented with a tribute as entered on September 28, 2006 into the Congressional Record of the House of Representatives by Rep. John T. Doolittle;

Mr. Speaker, today I wish to recognize and honor an outstanding citizen and public servant who will celebrate his 50th Anniversary as Fire Chief of the Quincy Volunteer Fire Department on November 11, 2006. I join with the local community of Quincy and the residents of Plumas County in congratulating Mr. Richard G. "Andy" Anderson for his remarkable service.

Andy Anderson was born and raised on a farm in Southern Illinois. In addition to attending school and performing farming chores, Andy also worked at the local mortuary. When World War II commenced in 1941, he pleaded with his father to allow him to serve in the United States military. When his father finally granted permission in 1942, Andy enrolled in the United States Navy and served aboard the USS Cullman for the duration of the conflict and received an honorable discharge for his contributions.

After the war, Andy attended mortician school in San Francisco and completed his apprenticeship in the Bay Area. He then took a position in Red Bluff, California, before purchasing mortuaries in Portola and Quincy, California. In 1956, Andy moved to Quincy to

manage his businesses and was elected fire chief of the local department in November of that same year. During his service as chief, Andy made the Quincy Volunteer Fire Department into a model organization. He has stressed the importance of inter-agency cooperation and created the Plumas County Fire Chiefs Association which included the fire chiefs from throughout rural Plumas County. Andy served as the chairman of this organization for 25 years. Presently, the organization has expanded to include all Plumas County emergency service providers. In addition to this valuable contribution, Andy participated in or created several other county and statewide organizations dedicated to emergency services and disaster preparedness. To this day, he serves as the Director of the Plumas County Office of Emergency Services and as Plumas County Fire Warden.

Andy is also an accomplished pilot and has an active interest in radio broadcasting, railroading, and county fairs. He has poured his efforts into these worthy causes as well as numerous other local volunteer and civic organizations. Andy has great pride in his two grandsons, Will and Richard, and has been married to his wife Gayle for over 42 years. He affectionately refers to Gayle as "the real Chief."

Mr. Speaker, my district encompasses a large area of rural California, and I am happy to say that these communities are kept strong by people like Andy Anderson who make sacrifices in order to serve their fellow citizens. Andy is deserving of our recognition because of his five decades of public fire and emergency service, his military service to our country, and his love of family. I appreciate the opportunity to honor him today.

This tribute was also entered into the record of the California State Legislature on September 29, 2006.

Many of the local population may also remember him as a popular early morning disc jockey on the local radio station. While on the air, Andy always ended each radio broadcast playing the Orange Blossom Special in the background with one heartfelt message: "... and if I'm lucky, I'll get to see you." Well Andy, clearly those who knew you consider themselves the lucky ones.

He is survived by his loving, devoted and supportive wife of 52 years, Gayle; sons Will (Kelly) and Rick (Sara); and grandson Richard G. Anderson III and step-granddaughter Sadie Dingel. Andy was preceded in death by his parents, Earl and Mary Anderson; son Ed Anderson; and brother Earl Anderson.



Steve Habeck and Rod McClure behind the sign on the 707 which thanked Andy for his public service.

-Gail McClure Photo.

Support the FRRS when you shop at Amazon!

Paul Finnegan

The Feather River Rail Society has partnered with the Amazon Smile project. When you shop on smile.amazon.com and select the Feather River Rail Society as your charitable organization, Amazon will donate a portion of your eligible Amazon.Smile purchases to support our society.

There is a direct link on our Donation page under the About Us pull-down menu on the wplives.org website that you can use to start shopping!

Do you call yourself a Railfan? *Paul Finnegan, Webmaster*

WANTED P/T HELP Full or Contributing Railfan. FRRS has immediate openings for members to research and document pieces of museum equipment for publication on the society web site. No web experience necessary. site Interested parties should contact society webmaster the at webmaster@wplives.org.

The FRRS website has a large collection of web pages about our extensive collection of historical rail equipment. They are under the Museum > Rolling Stock pull-down menu. Some of the pages contain a great deal of information about the characteristics and history of the car or locomotive. Others pages contain only a picture. Some pieces of equipment don't even have a page or a picture on the website!

Our objective is to have an informative web page for each piece of equipment in our collection. If you are interested in helping advance this effort please contact me with which equipment you would like to adopt. You create the content; I will turn it into the webpage. Please help me expand the historical content of our website for others to enjoy.

Museum Sponsors

The Western Pacific played a major role in developing the economy of Plumas County and the surrounding region. The Western Pacific Railroad Museum is proud to be a part of that heritage and to hold a position in supporting the ongoing economic health of our community. We welcome the support of that community in return. Helping to preserve the Western Pacific is good for tourism, good for our regional culture and good for business.

We ask our members and visitors to support our business sponsors, companies who have generously contributed to the museum and its mission to preserve the Western Pacific family.

If you are a business owner, see how you can support the WP Museum, your community and improve your advertising and networking outreach through our sponsorship program.



Feather River Food Co-op 60 North Pine Street, Portola, CA 96122 530-283-3528



Portola Village Pharmacy 157 Commercial St, Portola, CA 96122 530-832-4218



Cheeseburger Restaurants 73875 CA-70, Portola, CA 96122 530-832-6878

General Superintendents Report

– Kerry Cochran Director, General Superintendent

While the current operation season has come to an end (Except the Santa Trains) I would like to take the time to thank all the members of the society for their help and time this year. Without all the volunteers, we would not be able to make the Caboose train, the Pumpkin train and the Santa train possible.

I would also like to thank all the volunteers in the Mechanical department for keeping the fleet operating this year and coming to the rescue when we had issue.

There as so many volunteers that help around the museum all the time and I would be remiss if I did not say thank you to all of you. Your help is needed to keep the place running and helping our visitors.

Keep Alert, Be Safe.

Policies and Procedures Report

Several of the revised Policies have been placed into the new format and posted on the WEB Pages for viewing.

Historical/Archive Department Report

Last Report 8-7-2016

As in my last report, I described the number of box cars that had Historical/Archive materials stored within them.

All Historical/Archive material box cares have had the locks changed to a high security lock and the appropriate officers have keys to these cars.

To follow up on this, I have identified the following:

Here is a list of the box cars: (updated 9/2016)

FGEX	(Fruit Growers Express)	59932
PFE	(Pacific Fruit Express)	11454
PFE FRRX	(Pacific Fruit Express)	100468

(Cotton Belt)	23908
(Simplot)	5021
(RPO)	14144
	(Simplot)

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Contents:

UP/MP 14144:

Kent Stephens Collection Books, Photos, Slides, Research information, Documents, Correspondence and Magazines.

Efforts are in progress to catalog this collection.

PFE FRRX 100468

Frank Beavers Collection

- Models, Correspondence, Books, Western Pacific Railroad items, Magazines.

- I understand that either Rod or Gail McClure made an inventory of this collection as it was picked up. If that inventory is available is will save time in cataloging this collection.

Delozier Collection

- Model Collection, Slides

- Efforts are in progress to catalog this collection.

Virgil Staff Collection

- Books, Correspondence, Slides

- Efforts are in progress to catalog this collection.

Merrill Thurman Collection

- Model Train Parts, Photos

- Efforts are in progress to catalog this collection.

JRSX 5021

Tom Broman Collection Rock Island Collection Magazines Collection

- Extra 2200X South
- Railfan Quarterly
- Passenger Train Journal
- Railfan
- Railway Age
- Pacific Rail News
- Trains
- Various other magazines

Various Western Pacific Railroad Drawings

Timetables Locomotive Manuals Air Brake Piping Manuals Lanterns

Efforts are in progress to catalog this collection.

Bob Sims

- 2 Western Pacific Railroad Oil Cans

Virgil Staff

- Box of Maps

- Efforts are in progress to catalog this collection.

One of the new things that you will find on the Historical/Archive WEB pages is, the FRRS History page, where several old FRRS (Portola Railroad Museum) WPRM documents will be available for viewing. This look back into the FRRS's history (by document) should give everyone a look back into the days when we started, thru our tenth year anniversary right in to today.

One of the things I hope everyone will find an interest in, is the Grand Opening 1985 flier announcing the opening of the museum and train rides, The Circle the Wagons, Tenth year anniversary program, And the first printed Rules Book.

I hope that you all will take a look and give us feedback on this concept.

If you come across and Historical/Archive, Donated materials, Please contact one of the staff of the Historical/Archive Department and let them know that the materials have been received and where it is located so that it can be moved to proper storage.

Frank Brehm has been lending a hand with all the documents needed to make sure that we have operating policies and procedures in place to account for the Arthur Walter Keddie Railroad library.

Working Group Meetings

In the background during the non-operating season, there is some hard work going on for not

Paul Finnegan, Kenneth Finnegan, Rick Gruninger and Kerry Cochran, have been working on various Operating Department procedures for next year's training classes and adding more content to the training for our volunteers.

During these meeting, there are other thing that have been brought up that concern the overall operation of the museum and the volunteers. These items relate to Safety, Volunteer records, Volunteer Training, RAL Operations and several other issues.

I walked away with 7 pages of notes that will be used for discussion with other department within the museum, plus discussion items that I will discuss with the President and Secretary.

One of the larger projects is the revision of the Red book (actually Orange right now) will be revised for next year to represent the current practices of the operating department and make the book more consistent with the operating rules.

During these discussion there will be some new additions to the book, several positions (Car Attendant, Switch Tender, Student Hostler and Qualified Hostler.



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The Feather River Rail Society Board of Directors has given its support to a joint effort of the FRRS' WP 165 Restoration Team and Wasatch Railroad Contractors to complete the final steps in returning historic Western Pacific steam locomotive 165 to full operation.

The 165 is one of only five Western Pacific steam locomotives existing today and the only one currently slated for operation. This yard switching locomotive is being restored at the Western Pacific Railroad Museum in Portola, California, one of the facilities it worked regularly during its railroad career.

This effort will only be possible with extensive support from donors and the community. We need to raise \$80,000 to reach this point of first operation.

Returning the 165 to service will not only be a milestone in its preservation, but will also draw more visitors to Plumas County, helping to improve the economic health of the region, and become a rally point for the continued growth and improvement of the Western Pacific Railroad Museum.

Please visit <u>http://steam.wplives.org</u> to donate or mail your donation to WP 165 Restoration, Feather River Rail Society, P O Box 608, Portola, California 96122.

Feather River Rail Society Board of Directors Meeting – March 15, 2014 – 1:00 PM WPRM Meeting Room – Portola, CA

President Rod McClure called the meeting to order at 1:07 PM.The following Directors were presentTom CarterKirk BaerBugene VicknairWayne MongerCharlie SpikesGreg Elems (arr. 2:00 PM phone)Gail McClure

Attendance

Rick Gruninger – Insurance Manager Matt Shuman – Election Chair (phone) Ron Huey – Election Committee (phone)

Matt Elems David Elems Frank Brehm – Archivist (phone)

Correspondence

- We were contacted by a non-member whose uncle worked for WP. He has a diesel enamel herald and a steam enamel herald he is going to donate as per his uncles wishes. His uncle is still alive and they have been invited and are planning to come to the museum for a visit in the summer. His name is Oscar Arrieta.
- We received a check from a Life Member for painting of the WP SW1500 1503. Amount is \$5000. Asked that his name be withheld from the record. The Board extends its thanks for this support.

Old Business

2014 Budget

- Proposed agenda provided.
- Review of budget and details, including needs in the budget for fundraising / sales.
- Discussion of past use of Restricted Account as "savings" account and intention to revised how this account is used.
- Recommended that we adopt budget and revise as needed for now.

Motion 14-03-01

Adopt proposed budget for 2014 with requested change in steam fund cost to \$40,000 from \$10,000. G. McClure / Carter. Aye – 6, Nay – 1, Abstain – 0. Motion carries.

Southern Pacific SD9 4404 Status

- Written report provided.
- Overview of current status, Western Rail wants to complete sale.
- Check received for full sale amount of \$40,000. Received today.

Milwaukee Road U25B 5057 Status

- Written report provided.
- Storage grace period ended January 1, 2014. Since then, we have been charging reduced rent of \$100. Proposal is to increase rent to full authorized \$300 as of May 1, 2014.
- Estimate is that there are 2 more days of work needed to prep engine for movement. Need shop and pit access.
- Work estimated to be done in April May.
- Request that Cascade Rail provide more people to assist with work.
- All negotiations for movement are coming from Cascade Rail.
- Cascade Rail has been performing more fundraising.

New Business Grant Applications

- Written report provided by Director Vicknair outlining grants and projects he would like to apply for.
- Director Monger outlined grants he is applying for.
- Directors Vicknair and Monger to work together on grants.

Motion 14-03-02

Accept the report and give Director Vicknair authority to proceed. G. McClure / Habeck. Aye – 6, Nay – 1, Abstain – 0. Motion carries.

Conference Call Access Policy

- Clarification of conference call policy.
- Directors, Officers and Department and Committee Heads only would be allowed to use conference call system.
- Question about allowing exceptions for special cases.

Motion 14-03-03

Set policy to restrict conference call use as outlined to just Directors, Officers, Department and Committee Heads, with exceptions to be approved by Board on a case by case basis. Spikes / Carter. Aye – 5, Nay – 2, Abstain – 0. Motion carries.

2014 Portola Railroad Days Events

- Written report provided.
- Idea to bring speeder car rides back to Portola Railroad Days.
- Outlined plan was provided. Seeking Board approval to proceed with planning.
- Plan is to charge for speeder rides.
- Matt Shuman to manage and coordinate.
- Questions about insurance and coverage needed.
- Would need to provide insurance to cover while operations are on our property.
- Consensus direction given to proceed.

New Project Moratorium

- Written report provided.
- Response to concerns over large number of projects currently approved.
- Intent is to clear out some of the current projects before we take on some more projects. Motion 14-03-04

Approve report and adopt the moratorium. Review in 6 months Carter / Habeck. Aye – 6, Nay – 1, Abstain – 0. Motion carries.

Change to Election Procedure

- Written report provided.
- Update on Election process status.
- Election ballot / package is nearly ready for printing.
- Question about deadline to submit By-Laws changes.
- Nothing in By-Laws about deadlines / dates for By-Laws changes.

Motion 14-03-05

Accept proposed changes to election policies as proposed by Election Chair with effective date of 3-15-14, to

be reviewed in 4 years, replacing issue of 1-5-02.

G. McClure / Spikes. Aye – 7, Nay – 0, Abstain – 0. Motion carries.

Summer Excursion Train

- Written report provided.
- Request as to whether there have been material changes to the facts versus when Board rejected this previously.

- Chris Skow requested reconsideration.
- Union Pacific, Omaha, has stated that no one can stay on train if stored in UP yard. Excursion has 75 stay on board bedrooms sold on train.
- If anything goes on the ground owned by Amtrak, we would need to change any derailed wheels at our cost. Considering condition of West Pass interchange, this is a concern.
- Concerns that we keep bringing up already considered items.
- Director Carter stated that reconsidering this item sets a bad precedent unless there have been material changes. We have already told Chris Skow no several times. Feels it is a waste of time. Motion 14-03-07

Reaffirm that we do not wish to get involved in the excursion due to various concerns including insurance, condition of West Pass interchange and business concerns.

G. McClure / Carter. Aye – 5, Nay – 2, Abstain – 1. Motion carries.

Equipment Storage

- Written report provided.
- Review of proposed policy / new calendar for payment and discussion of proposed fees / penalties for late payment.
- Legal counsel has reviewed and approves of changes.
- We have current insurance certificates for Wayne Monger, Dave Wallace and Bill Parker.
- Suggestion to offer discount for year advance payment.
- Request for effective date. Suggestion to make effective July 1, 2014.
- Director Carter, as manager of rentals, to review with all equipment owners.

Motion 14-03-06

Accept report as outlined and revise current storage policy. Effective date to be July 1, 2014. Carter / G. McClure. Aye – 6, Nay – 0, Abstain – 2. Motion carries.

Good of the Order

President's Report

- Written report provided.
- Over \$2100 was spent to repair white forklift due to abuse and bad operation practices.
- White forklift is to only be stored inside from now on.
- Backhoe is currently being check for possible hydraulic leaks.

Director's Reports

Carter - written report provided

Habeck – written report provided

Monger – \$250 from Dick Dorn to archives. CAM conference attendance will be reported next month. Was at

Jeffrey Moreau (author and FRRS member) memorial on day after Winterail at Western Railway Museum at Rio Vista Jct. Director Monger has been asked to go through Jeff's archive materials. Interurban materials will go to WRM and OERM, Milwaukee materials to go to Cascade Rail and we will get WP material. Suggestion to see if we get support for CCT 24 caboose project as memorial to Jeff.

Financial Reports

- Reports provided
- Treasurer McClure is going to start doing 1 hour classes before each Board Meeting on accounting topic such as how to read a balance sheet, profit and loss statements, etc., as well as topics requested by directors and members. They will be open to any member who wishes to attend.

Event Reports

2014 Historic Convention – report on current plans, status. Looks like it will be at Hampton in Suisun City and banquet at Western Railway Museum.

2014 Media Day – written report provided. We received a call from a Redding TV station wanting to do a live spot on events and venues in the area. Eugene Vicknair and Tom Carter are working on event with help from Matt Parker. Proposed date is May 9.

Department Reports

Funding - written report provided

Committee Reports

Election – written report provided

Safety Report

- Tom Carter has volunteered to take job as Safety Manager for the museum. He has experience in railroad and OSHA procedures.
- Concerns about level of hornets and wasps this year.
- Facilities Manager to acquire and put out more traps for the wasps.

Public Comments

- David Elems had sample of forms he is proposing to hand out at crew training concerning locomotive cooling aspects. Has been working on damaged reverser on WP 917. Reverser is very gunked up and requiring a great deal of cleaning and lubrication. Currently non operational.
- Noted by the Board that Matt and David Elems have been working at the museum over the winter and putting in many hours despite weather and conditions.

Notices

- Gail McClure needs assistance for Volunteer Day events.

Closed Session – requested by President McClure and Director Vicknair.

Adjourned to closed session 3:06 pm and reconvened to open session at 4:43 pm.

"The Board heard a report on a Business Item – Museum Property. No action taken. The Board heard a report on a Membership Issue – Contested Membership. Consensus direction given, no reportable action taken. The board heard a report on a Personnel Issue – Policy Adherence. Consensus direction given, no reportable action taken."

Feather River Rail Society Board of Directors Meeting – April 12, 2014 – 4:00 PM WPRM Meeting Room – Portola, CA

President Rod McClure called the meeting to order at 4:06 PM.

The following Directors were present:		
Tom Carter	Kirk Baer	Eugene Vicknair
Wayne Monger	Charlie Spikes (phone)	Steve Habeck
Greg Elems (phone)	Gail McClure	

Attendance

Debra BaerMatt Shuman – Election Chair and Board of TrusteesRon Huey – Election CommitteeAlicia LaBrecqueNorman HolmesAnn MorningstarJames MasonChris SkowMatt Elems (arrived at 4:45 PM)David Elems (arrived at 4:45 PM)Tim Carter (arrived at 4:45 PM)Rick Gruninger (arrived at 5:00 PM)Noted: public comments will be held to 3 minutes when recognized by the chair, unless grantedextension by the Board.

Correspondence

- *Carter* proposed community garden at Hospital. Consensus of the Board is to decline.
- Bill Parker sent check for his caboose rental.
- Habeck renewals received for NMRA, Cal Association of Museums and American Alliance of Museums. Fundraiser has received 29 responses, 27 are checks, 2 are credit cards. \$4850. Received \$1160 for steam fund and \$1000 from Barbara Flannery for general fund.

Consent Calendar

Minutes of the February and March 2014 BOD Meetings and April 2014 Special Meeting Motion 14-04-01

Motion to act on minutes separately.

G. McClure / Monger. Aye – 8, Nay – 0, Abstain – 0. Motion carries.

Request to add notation that Bill Meeker threatened legal action against FRRS in February minutes. Motion 14-04-02

Motion to accept the February minutes as amended.

G. McClure / Monger. Aye – 6, Nay – 0, Abstain – 2. Motion carries.

Motion 14-04-03

Motion to accept the March minutes as presented.

G. McClure / Carter. Aye – 8, Nay – 0, Abstain – 0. Motion carries. Motion 14-04-04

Motion to accept the April special meeting minutes as presented.

Vicknair / G. McClure. Aye – 6, Nay – 0, Abstain – 2. Motion carries.

Old Business

Events for 2014 Portola Railroad Days

- Question if there has been any check on insurance for speeder operations.
- Our insurance folks have been on vacation. Hoping to have answer soon.
- Speeder people are lined up.
- All speeder folks are members, ready to go once insurance question is answered.
- President will inform Board of insurance issues at next Board meeting.

Railroad Days Excursion Train

- President McClure has been talking to Bert Hermey and Roy Wullich about needs for Portola Railroad Days train.
- Serious concerns that our liability would be substantial if a private car or Amtrak equipment went on the ground.
- Only cars that would come on to our property would be 4-5 sleepers that will have people staying on board overnight. Rest of train will stay in Union Pacific yard.
- Concern about West Pass. Interchange track has been red flagged leaving only enough room for 2 passenger cars and locomotive.
- Passenger cars would be placed on RIP 1. None of our cars would go into UP yard, all would be placed on east end of our yard.
- Written report of requests from FRRS to Trains and Travel was presented and reviewed.
- Would need Silver Solarium and Silver Lariat on dinner train Saturday. This will be negotiated.
- Cars will be watered in Union Pacific yard.
- Trains and Travel staff will be present to guide their passengers so that FRRS volunteers do not have to worry about it.
- Bookings are at Go level. Waiting on final Union Pacific approval.
- Any servicing of sleeper cars needs to be done within normal operating hours.
- \$10,000 payment would be refunded if train does not run.

Sunset Magazine reporter will be on train and would like to do article on the museum as well.
Gail McClure will handle PR relating to museum. Debra Baer will handle PR relating to Railroad

New Business

Days.

Wrapping of "Silver Hostel"

- Written report provided.

- Will keep people out of car when stored.

Motion 14-04-05

Motion to accept report and approve expenditure under Zephyr Project line item.

Vicknair / Carter. Aye – 8, Nay – 0, Abstain – 0. Motion carries.

Board of Trustees

- Board of Trustees meeting is scheduled for May 10 at 1:00 PM.
- Trustees have questions, including whether Trustees are a true Board.
- Trustees would like to get fiscals from 2013 to today. Will work with Treasurer McClure to get financial reports needed.
- There were questions about responsibilities of the Trustees. Their responsibility is to manage and grow the Endowment and to make recommendations on any Endowment policies to the Board of Directors. Treasurer McClure will provide clarifications.

Collections Committee Sales List

- Written list provided.
- Request to remove Western Pacific 11509 from list.
- Notes on O&NW 4 AS-616 corrected.

Motion 14-04-06

Motion to accept report as amended above. Carter / G. McClure. Aye – 7, Nay – 0, Abstain – 1. Motion carries.

Good of the Order

President's Report

- Written report provided at meeting.
- Noted that drain line for oil separator was crushed due to a pile of debris being dropped onto it. Need to get new pipe into drain line.

Director's Reports

Carter – written report provided. Overview of safety changes being looked at and request that the Board buy in on supporting this. Equipment is being damaged and dangerous situations being created.

Financial Reports

- Reports provided, Treasurer's report to be provided at meeting.
- Treasurer will be offering a class before July meeting on basic accounting. Class will be 1 hour before Board Meeting. Class July 12 at 3:00 PM.
- Request to follow up on donation check by Dick Dorn to Archives and payment by Wayne Monger for rental. Treasurer McClure to follow up.

Event Reports

Winterail – we did approximately \$1,200 at Winterail, including memberships. Revenues have been declining over last 3 years. We need to consider if we will keep participating. Suggestion to revisit in September.

2014 Historic Convention – written report provided.

2014 Media Day – written report provided

Department Reports

Funding – written report provided

Committee Reports

Election – written report provided. Mailing is ahead of schedule and will be out within the next week.

Legal / Insurance Report

none

Status of Surplus Property Report

SP SD9 4404 – work crew from Western Rail is delayed a couple months.

Safety Report

Covered in Director Reports

Public Comments

- Ron Huey donated a new Shop vacuum to the wood shop.
- James Mason made statement concerning response to comments he has made recently to and about the Board. Stated he has made comments as a member and California resident who feels concern for the Society. Requested the Board help support current fundraiser and noted that grant organizations ask how much Board members contribute to organization in terms of monetary donations. Expressed disappointment that he is not allowed to speak with bookkeeper and CPA who handles our taxes. Last year donated \$23,000 to the Society and also coordinated an additional \$33,000. Stated that as he was not allowed direct access to the bookkeeper and CPA this year he would no longer donate to Society. Expressed his opinion of no confidence in President Rod McClure and Treasurer Gail McClure.
- Debra Baer Was at last Portola Railroad Days meeting and they requested info as to whether we would be having transport to and from museum and what events will be happening at museum. Asked for reciprocal links on website. We will provide tug and propane for towing people mover. Gave update on events being planned by city. Discussion about having a horn signaling contest.
- *Chris Skow* offered to give 2 free tickets for Keddie Dinner Train to raffle to raise money.

Notices

- Gail McClure needs assistance for Volunteer Day events.
- We need to start planning Annual Meeting / Dinner.
- To all our Family and Friends Anyone up to joining us for the Marriage and Union of two families on May 16, 2015 between Deborah Ann Harton and Matthew Stephen Shuman in the Dunsmuir City Park/Botanical Gardens (www.dunsmuirbotanicalgardens.org) in Dunsmuir California? Date set and more details to come. Let the little wedding planner, Riley, loose!!!

Closed Session – requested by President McClure and Director Vicknair.

Adjourned to closed session 5:50 pm and reconvened to open session at 7:28 pm.

"The Board heard a report on a Business Item – Museum Property. No action taken.

The Board heard a report on a Business Item – Equipment Opportunity. Consensus direction given. No action taken. The Board heard a report on a Proprietary Business Item. Action taken as outlined. Motion 14-04-07

Motion to address concerns raised in candidate statements, as is our responsibility to the membership, outside of the established election; costs to be covered by line item – Printing 67220, conditional upon recommendation of attorney.

G. McClure / Carter. Aye – 5, Nay – 1, Abstain – 0. Motion carries.

Greg Elems and Charlie Spikes had to leave during the Closed Session before vote on motion."

Feather River Rail Society Board of Directors Meeting – May 10, 2014 – 4:00 PM WPRM Meeting Room – Portola, CA

President Rod McClure called the meeting to order at 4:08 PM.

The following Directors were present:

Tom CarterKirk BaerWayne MongerCharlie SpikesGreg ElemsGail McClure

Eugene Vicknair Kerry Cochran (phone)

Attendance

Bob SimsDave RothRick Gruninger – Insurance AdviserRon Huey – Election CommitteeDebra BaerMatt Elems

Matt Shuman – Election Chair Alicia LaBreque Ed Wagner David Elems

Correspondence

- *Monger* – Contacted by Lisa Stark of Union Pacific, has been invited to Union Pacific Foundation grant award ceremony along with Debra Baer at the Rocklin Amtrak Station on Friday, May 16.

Consent Calendar

Minutes of the April 2014 BOD Meeting

Motion 14-05-01 Motion to accept the April minutes as presented. G. McClure / Spikes. Aye – 8, Nay – 0, Abstain – 0. Motion carries.

Old Business

Speeder Event for 2014 Portola Railroad Days

- Written report provided.
- NARCOA (North American Railcar Operations Association) will be carrying insurance for Portola RR Days speeder operations once we finalize details.
- We will also need to carry our own insurance endorsements.
- Question about can we operate FRRS owned car as part of event. Car has some issues to operate.
- Kerry Cochran suggested that balloon track gauge be checked before speeder event.

Membership Pins

- Written report provided.
- Request to fund project previously approved by Board.

Motion 14-05-02

Motion to accept the report and recommendations and approve expenditure not to exceed \$850 from line item 67184 – Membership Expense.

G. McClure / Vicknair. Aye – 7, Nay – 1, Abstain – 0. Motion carries.

New Business

2015 Military Vehicle Show

- Review proposal for fundraising event at museum in 2015.
- Written report provided.
- Suggestion to start planning in 2015 for event in 2016.
- Discussion about nature of event and other similar events currently being held.
- Consensus direction to start exploring event for 2016.

Rebuilding of Wood Shop Bay

- Discuss funding proposal for partial rebuilding of museum wood shop.
- Written report provided.
- Changing request to \$1000 from general fund, on funds available.
- Bob Sims offered to donate some funds to cover expenses once he discusses plan with Director Vicknair to keep funds from hitting general fund.

Motion 14-05-03

Motion to accept the amended report and recommendations and approve expenditure not to exceed 1000 at this time for Phase 1 from line item $70005 \cdot$ Building Maintenance-Shop.

G. McClure / Carter. Aye – 8, Nay – 0, Abstain – 0. Motion carries.

Property Donation

- Discuss offer to donate lot in Portola to Society.
- Written report provided.
- Question if there are utilities to the lot and if there was a structure once on the property.
- Recommendation to tear down small shed currently on property.
- If shed is torn down, we can probably add to liability policy for no cost.
- Estimated tax is about \$78 annually.
- Consensus direction to pursue and report back at next meeting, including answering questions about utilities and prior structures.

Railroad Alaska TV Show

- Review proposal from Discovery Networks to partner with FRRS for promotion.
- Written report provided.
- Discovery Network wants to partner with FRRS to cross-promote "Railroad Alaska" TV show.
- We would receive promotion on Discovery Network websites / blogs in exchange for promotion in our publications and websites.
- Want to work with 3 museums, we have been chosen as museum on west coast.
- Would also promote us via a feature on Destination America channel.
- No funds to change hands, no cost to FRRS.
- Would like to premier second season of show at the museum as a public screening. Would be in October.
- Director Carter would like authority to negotiate and sign contract on behalf of Society.
- Contract to be provided to legal for review.

Motion 14-05-04

Motion to accept the report and give Director Tom Carter authority to negotiate and sign contract with Discovery Networks with caveat that contract be provided to Board Members and legal counsel via email and, if there are objections, to be discussed at the next meeting.

G. McClure / Spikes. Aye – 6, Nay – 0, Abstain – 2. Motion carries.

Good of the Order

President's Report

- Items covered under other reports of in closed session.

Director's Reports

none

Financial Reports

- Reports provided
- Noted that house on Fourth Street is still being shown as asset. Will review with bookkeeper.

Event Reports

2014 Historic Convention – Wayne Monger is now co-chair of convention, replacing Scott McAllister. Formal thank you to Scott for his help. Nailing down last details before advertising. August 15-17.

Department Reports

Funding – over \$17,000 received so far in Spring Fundraiser. NRHS grant submitted, Dailey foundation grant in progress. *Archives* – written report provided

Committee Reports

Election – written report provided. Total ballot count received is 252, about 27% return. 869 total ballots mailed out. 132 Family / Family Life received two ballots. Board needs to appoint tellers. Names put forward are:

Debbie Reynolds, Stephanie Parker, Rick Gruninger. Ballot count will be held in the Silver Debris which will be off limits during count. No requests for nominee observers. Secretary to provide roster for validation of write-in nominees.

Legal / Insurance Report

none

Status of Surplus Property Report

none

Safety Report

- Request to keep fire lane on north side of diesel shop clear of vehicles.
- Reserved spaces to be marked and signed along north side.
- We will be placing flammables cabinet between wood and metal bays.

Public Comments

Rick Gruninger – Expressed how much he appreciates financial report that Treasurer McClure has been providing.

Debra Baer – Question as to why there were not track changes listed in the by-laws that were sent for vote.

Answer – The members who put forth the by-laws wanted the membership to completely review the bylaws, not just what was being changed.

David Elems - Requesting articles for the Train Sheet.

Bob Sims – Has two artifacts to donate: white and green signal flags and caboose first aid kit. Also brought up photo book the he is donating. The Board thanks Bob for his on-going donations.

Notices

- Annual Meeting and Dinner next month on June 7.
- Will review time for August Board Meeting next month due to conjunction with Railroad Days.

Closed Session – requested by President McClure and Director Vicknair.

Motion 14-05-05

Motion to add two items to Closed Session as items of urgency: Business Item – Excursion Train and Property Item. Both are informational.

G. McClure / Carter. Aye – 8, Nay – 0, Abstain – 0. Motion carries.

Adjourned to closed session 5:34 PM and reconvened to open session at 5:43 PM

"The Board heard a report on a Legal Item – FRRS v. Kasten. No action taken.

The Board heard a report on a Business Item – Excursion Train. No action taken.

The Board heard a report on a Property Item. No action taken."

- FRRS Membership -

Yearly Dues Associate \$25.00	Single Life Membership - \$1800.00
Active \$50.00 Family \$80.00	Family Life Membership - \$3000.00
Sustaining \$150.00	<i>Institutional</i> - \$60.00 (annual membership for 501(c)3 groups)

These are the dues for the duration of one year, with Life and Family Life being a one-time payment. Five year payment plans are available for life memberships.

Associate memberships do not have a vote, receive The Train Sheet but not the Headlight and are for one person only. **Active** memberships receive both The Train Sheet and the Headlight, have voting rights and are for one person only. **Family** memberships receive both The Train Sheet and the Headlight, have two votes and include two adults and all minor children residing at the same address.

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Send all applications, renewals and address changes, including email changes, to: Feather River Rail Society - Membership Dept. - P.O. Box 608 - Portola, CA 96122-0608 Address / email changes may also be sent to membership@wplives.org

Mission Statement

"The Feather River Rail Society is dedicated to the preservation, interpretation and education of the public, as to the history and people of the Western Pacific Railroad."

Mission Goals

To preserve and interpret the history of the WP, the "Willing People" as a vital link in the development of the rail industry on the West Coast, including the steam and diesel evolution, WP's influence in the passenger tourism industry, the impact of freight competition between neighboring railroads, and WP's influence in the lumber, mining and agriculture industry from Plumas County throughout California, Nevada and Utah.

WPRM Admission and Train Ride Fares for non-members (effective April 1, 2011)

Admission

- Adults 19 and over... \$8.00
- Youth 4 18... \$4.00
- Child under 3... free
- Family... \$20.00

(2 adults plus any related children 18 and under)

Admission and Train Ride tickets are good all day.

Admission and Train Rides for FRRS members are free. Cab ride is extra fare with member discount.

Train Rides

- Adults 19 and over... \$4.00
- Youth 4 18... \$2.00
- Child under 3... free - Family... \$10.00
- (2 adults plus any related children 18 and under)

Cab Rides

- Adult 19 and over... \$20.00 - Youth 4 – 18... \$10.00 Cab rides are for one (1) ride only.

The Train Sheet needs your photos and articles!

If you are working on projects for the Society, volunteering on restorations, performing archives work, helping out at off-site events, etc., or if you get some nice photos of FRRS or museum happenings that you want to share, **please contact us to have them printed in The Train Sheet**.

Photos should be at least 5" high by 7" wide and 300 dots per inch.

Articles should focus on FRRS related events, people or your own personal experiences with the Society. To contribute, contact Editor Matthew Elems by email at trainsheet@wplives.org.

The Train Sheet

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