

FEATHER RIVER RAIL SOCIETY – DIRECTOR REPORT

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Work is nearly complete on the inventory of the Bruce Yparraguirre O Scale Model Railroad collection and I am currently playing phone tag with the appraiser to set up a time to get the inventory verified so that we can begin the process of liquidating what we have decided not to retain for the Holiday Trains display. As I promised previously, once we are able to sell the remaining inventory, I will give an advanced notice to the membership via the website, where you may purchase and pay via Pay-Pal before they go to E-bay and train shows. International Railfair in Roseville is November 12 & 13, and we plan to be there with several pieces of the collection for sale. Remember, an O Scale train set is the perfect size for your Christmas Village buildings and accessories, and looks great (and is a lot of fun) around your Christmas tree, so, please keep that in mind.

We have recently been taken advantage of as an organization by members with equipment stored at the museum with late/no rent's being paid (and not paid). Remember, the rent for your equipment is due on the first of the month, and NOT after the fact. Please also remember, that in March 2014, the board approved penalties for late payment and they WILL be enforced. Once you go to a month late on your storage fees, it ends up costing nearly triple the rent had it been paid on time, and will compound from there. This is non-negotiable and will be heavily enforced.

I have been in communication with our friend over at Central California Traction regarding donated used ties for various track projects we have coming up. We're talking truckloads of ties that we will put to good use.

Recently, I have resigned as Safety Officer for the organization. I no longer feel that I have the support that I need to adequately perform in that capacity.

Lastly, this past week I had the opportunity to meet with a Senior Vice President at Amazon.com who looked at our website and loved it. The feedback he gave was that "it is elegant, yet simple to navigate; you guys have done a great job!". This is from a product developer that was part of the Amazon Echo design team, and has designed many of the products unique to Amazon, as well as being a coder and developer himself. He was impressed with the site and our organization.

Tom Carter

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