

news about FRRS' participation in...

# The Pacific Limited

Union Pacific's steam powered train from Cheyenne, Wyoming to San Jose, California for the NRHS convention has been named, "PACIFIC LIMITED," a name UP used during the 1930's and 1940's for a train that ran between Omaha and the West Coast. Details for the July, 1992 round trip of UP 3985 continue to be worked out. Norm and Barbara Holmes and Bill Evans attended a joint group meeting in Salt Lake City on February 1, 1992. At that meeting, it was agreed that responsibility for the train's passengers would be shared by all four organizations with Central Coast Chapter NRHS being the primary sponsor. When the train has completed its journey and all bills are paid, any profit will be divided equally between the four groups.

The Union Pacific Historical Society will sponsor the Cheyenne to Rock Springs westbound, Salt Lake City to Rock Springs eastbound, and Rock Springs to Cheyenne eastbound.

Promontory Chapter NRHS will sponsor Rock Springs to Salt Lake City, Salt Lake City to Elko, and Elko to Winnemucca westbound, Elko to Salt Lake City eastbound.

FRRS will sponsor Winnemucca to Portola, Portola to Sacramento westbound, Portola to Winnemucca and Winnemucca to Elko eastbound.

FRRS will also arrange for an optional side bus trip from

Reno to Virginia City and Carson City for the layover day July 17, 1992. Central Coast will be responsible for Sacramento to San Jose westbound and San Jose to Sacramento and Sacramento to Portola eastbound. Central Coast is the sponsoring group for the NRHS convention in San Jose and a number of one day trips will be scheduled during the July 20-26, 1992 convention including operation of SP 2472, SP 4449, and UP 3985.

Union Pacific's train will have 19 cars; 12 will be for passenger use. New this year are two dome coaches and the use of the dome diner. A surcharge of \$50 per day will be charged for a dome seat. Through passengers will have to make their own hotel/motel reservations, however a shuttle bus will be provided at overnight terminals to a selected hotel/motel. Buses will also be provided to return one day passengers to their point of origin.

We will be providing car hosts for our four segments. Bus transportation and overnight accommodations will be furnished when necessary for the car hosts. (See story below on how to volunteer as a car host.)

A first class mailing has been sent to all FRRS Active, Family, Sustaining and Life members outlining preferred ticket purchasing procedures. A Pacific Limited flyer is enclosed with this issue of the Train Sheet.

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**A central reservation and information office has been set up in Salt Lake City which will be staffed by volunteers from Promontory Chapter.**

The phone number is:  
1 800 444-3985

The address is:  
P.O. Box 27081  
Salt Lake City UT 84127-0081

## Running Extra

by Bill Evans, "Pacific Limited" Crew Chief

As most of you already know, the Feather River Rail Society has been selected to assist in operating a Steam Excursion this year. The excursion, The Pacific Limited, is being operated for the NRHS convention (July 19, 1992 - July 26, 1992) and it will be running from Cheyenne, Wyoming to San Jose, California and return during the second half of July 1992.

The FRRS has been asked to be in charge of staffing the following sections of the train:

### Westbound

Winnemucca to Portola, Thursday, July 16, 1992

Layover Day in Portola, Friday, July 17, 1992

Portola to Sacramento, Saturday, July 18, 1992

### Eastbound

Portola to Winnemucca, Tuesday, July 28, 1992

Winnemucca to Elko, Wednesday, July 29, 1992

Note: there will NOT be a layover in Portola on the Eastbound trip.

Should you be interested in being a car host (attendant), please contact myself or Norm Holmes by telephone or by mail at the addresses given at the end of this notice. Please

bear in mind, that it will be necessary for you to be committed to the entire East or Westbound trip. Because of the logistics of this trip, we will not be able to arrange for one day ONLY assistance.

Furthermore, it will also be necessary for you to be available the day preceding each section to attend the safety lecture at the point of origin.

As you can see, the trip this year is much larger in scope than last year's venture.

If you are chosen to be a car host/hostess, you will be expected to perform these duties first and foremost. It will be a nice opportunity to ride the train, but remember that your commitment to assist is most important. The reputation and pride of the FRRS is utmost.

Also, on Friday, July 17, 1992, the train will be laying over in Portola. We would hope that our members will make themselves available to help around the museum on that day or assist in a day trip to Virginia City and Carson City.

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