

The FRRS invites you and your family to attend the:

11th Annual Railfan Photographer's Day

at the Portola Railroad Museum

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**1st Annual
Western Pacific Railroad Historical Society
Convention and Railroadiana Show
and Swap Meet**

Saturday, September 14, 1996

Gates open at 9:00 AM
various events run until midnight

This year's event theme:

**"A Celebration of
First Generation EMD Hood Units"**

This is THE event of the year for ALL fans of the Western Pacific Railroad! Whether you are interested in witnessing and photographing actual Western Pacific locomotives and equipment operating for your pleasure, attending modelling clinics on how to build scale WP equipment led by noted modellers, watching multimedia shows featuring the WP and other Plumas County railroads, purchasing WP and other western railroad items at a railroadiana show and swap meet, participating in a group night photo session featuring restored WP equipment or even riding inside WP cabooses and in the cabs of restored WP diesel locomotives,

You need to plan to be at Portola on this day!

This year's featured photographer:

John E. Shaw, Jr.

**"Plumas County Logging Railroads
of the 1950's"**

Advance ticket sale price \$12 per adult.
Date of event ticket price \$14 per adult.

FRRS members get 50% discount on ticket prices.
All children under the age of 17 are admitted free.

For advance ticket sales or event information, contact
Wayne Monger, 1409 Tillman St., Suisun City, CA 94585
(707) 426-5510

Dealers interested in sales tables at the railroadiana sale and swap meet contact

Roy Gabriel, P. O. Box 981, Sacramento, CA 95812
(916) 485-4579

Table cost is \$25 per 8 foot table. Dealer set-up OK the night before from 5 PM until 9 PM.

FRRS Gift Shop and Train Shows

May and June were busy times for the Train Show circuit. On May 4, 5, Ken Hitch attended a railroad meet at Bakersfield while Norm Holmes set up a table at the PCR-NMRA convention in San Rafael May 3, 4, 5. On May 10-12 we were represented at the 100th Anniversary of the Portland Union Station by Norm and Barbara Holmes. There were over 30,000 people attending the 3 day event which featured three fired up steam engines, five diesels and a large number of passenger cars. Sales were brisk and over \$4,000 in merchandise was sold.

On June 1, 2, Norm and Barbara were present at a GATS show in San Mateo, on the 8th and 9th, Ken did a GATS show in Santa Barbara. On June 23, Norm and Barbara set up tables at the Great Pacific Railroadiana show in Sacramento. Our next shows will not be until October. We pass out lots of brochures about our museum and rental program and receive many favorable comments from people who have visited our museum.

New at the Gift Shop are lots of WP HO gauge models including a special run by Athearn of our WP 921 and 707 in green. 921 is powered, 707 is a dummy, price is \$49.95. Athearn also re-ran the WP 86' auto parts box car which sells for \$8.50 and the WP wooden Bulk Sugar car for \$4.75. We also have the Kato NW-2 as WP 607, 608 and SN 607 at \$99.95 and GP-35's in several numbers for \$119.95. All are in Perlman green. The Red Caboose Co. continues to send us some of their latest production runs of tank cars, wooden reefers (SP-UP and WP), box and flat cars. A run of WP heavy weight passenger cars was produced by IHC. Although they are not exactly prototypical, they do represent WP's older passenger cars. They sell in a set of 8 for \$124.95. We can supply a list of available models if you send us a request.

There are not too many new books on the market, but we have the following: Pentrex has reprinted Ted Wurm's "Crookest Railway in the World" (Mt. Tamalpais). The soft cover edition is \$24.95. Another really nice new book on hand is "World of Steam" by Nils Huxtable, all color, 48 pages at a price of \$19.95. Motor Books has branched out into the railroad line with "Burlington Northern Heritage" at \$39.95, "American Train Depot and Roundhouses" at \$29.95 and "Trains of America" at \$44.95. Books are shipped post paid, please add \$2.50 shipping for other items and don't forget sales tax if ordering from California.

Feather River Railroad Days

This annual event will be held in Portola on August 17-18, 1996. The Grand Marshall will be Chuck Yeager. The parade starts at 10:00 AM and will probably also have our M60A3 tank operating in the parade again this year. This is Portola's largest public event and produces our Museum's largest visitor days. As usual we will have several model railroad layouts and operate two passenger trains. We can use all the volunteers we can get for this important event. Plan to be in Portola for that weekend, if possible.

Cash Donations

These donations go into our general account to pay ongoing operating expenses, thanks people.

Mark Acuna, Bob Carr, Malcolm Church, Scott Crawford, Charles Davis, Tim Diaz, Doug McCreary, Kent McDougall, Ken Meeker, Ken Noren, Andy Petersen, Michael Rohrback, Charles Schoonover, Rich Sullivan, Rich Thompson, United Way of Los Angeles, Roger Verity, Walt Whitman