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PSRHS Activities & Events...

Editor's Comments

If you haven't paid your membership dues you are in danger of loosing your membership.

The March speaker will be Ken Yeo, a member of the Society and a well-known local railroad historian.

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Monthly Meeting...

PSRHS will meet on Thursday, March 24, 2005, at 7:00 P.M., at the Pilgrim Hall of the First Congregational Church, 710 Auburn Ravine Road, Auburn. Ken Yeo will be the featured presenter (see information on page 2).

Membership Information

Individual Members = \$20.00 Family Membership = \$25.00

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The President's Corner.- March 2005

Membership Renewal – Thanks to all who renewed membership for 2005. Your positive response helps encourage your officers and board to continue offering monthly meeting presentations and field trips on topics of local interest. We plan to have new membership cards/passes printed and available shortly.

Participation – Thanks also to all that participated at our last meeting, either sharing items from your collections or helping stimulate some very interesting discussions. I encourage you to help identify presentation topics for future meetings. Please notify vice-president Jim Wood or any officer or board member if you have an idea for a presentation. We have recently purchased a video projector, which can be used to display computerized slide shows, videos and DVD's. The projector provides improved flexibility and a better format for our meeting presentations. If you have photos on a computer disk, we can assist you in putting a slide show together.

History -- I have recently had the pleasure of listening to a couple of retired railroaders talking about the good old days. Often hidden in these discussions are gems of historical information about our region and its railroad history. If you know someone who worked on the railroad or just enjoyed watching the trains go by, ask them about their memories, be prepared to enjoy yourself, and take notes so you can share the stories with others.

Towle Road Engine -----

(Ken Yeo Collection)

Colfax Passenger Depot – Significant progress is being made on the Colfax depot interior renovation project. We are currently framing interior walls and roughing in the electrical. PSRHS members are providing overall direction for the project, along with much of the elbow grease. If you would like to participate, please contact Tony Hesch or me, or join us on one of our workdays, held every Monday and Tuesday.

Roger Staab, PSRHS President rsrr@ncws.com

March Meeting Presentation - The March meeting presentation will be from our own Ken Yeo who will give us a slide show of a comprehensive review of railroads in Placer County. His talk will cover all the original railroads beginning in the 1860's such as the railroads competing with the Central Pacific to build a regional railroad network and also cover the short line railroads that branched from the CPRR. As always, Ken's talk is sure to be spiced with interesting lore and anecdotes of the early days of railroading. We hope to see you there.

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