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Editor s Comments

## **NOTICE:**

This should be a very interesting meeting as Brendan Compton s video interview with the Bear, Jim Mahon of Donner Summit snow removal fame.

Please forward any comments, suggestions or ideas for trips or other activities to me for consideration and information.

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### Monthly Meeting

The next PSRHS meeting will be held at 7:00PM Thursday, July 27, in the Multipurpose Senior Citizen Center at the Dewitt Complex in Auburn. Corner of 1<sup>st</sup> St. and D Ave, Call (530) 346-9607 for more info.

### Membership Information

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

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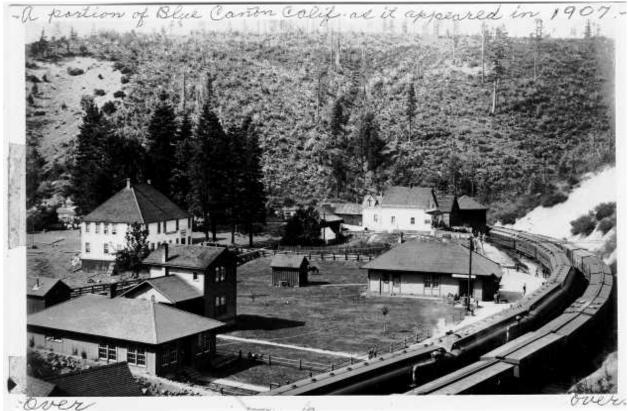
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### July Program:

## **Donner Summit Railroad History**

A Brendan Compton videotaped interview with Jim Mahon (aka The Bear ) who for many years was Manager of Maintenance Of Way for Southern Pacific Railroad over the Hill, will be presented. the concrete jail (which reportably was never occupied). A small gravesite also still exists. Using an old map, a turntable and short spur track locations can be estimated.

Once this was an important location on the Donner Pass route as water and helper engines were located here. Maintenance crews also lay over here.



### PHOTO OF BLUE CANYON

(Placer County Historical Society) Submitted by B. Yoder

1907 View of Blue Canyon site. This location was visited by the Society on June 24, 2006. Unfortunately little remains to indicate the site and railroad activities at this once busy location. Only a small bunkhouse near the Hotel location remains, as well as

