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Editor's Comments

Cape Horn Presentation:

Member Jack Duncan will be making a presentation on the construction of the railroad around Cape Horn. The meeting is sponsored by Placer Historical Society. They will have dinner from 6:30 to 7:30 PM, with Jack's presentation to follow. The dinner is \$13.00, but the following presentation has no charge for walk-in spectators at 7:30.

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, September 27th. in the Multi-purpose Senior Citizen Center on D Ave. at the Dewitt Complex in Auburn. Call (530) 346-9607 for more info.

Membership Information

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

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Monthly Newsletter ---September 2007

September Meeting Program:

This meeting will have a review the upcoming restoration work on the NWP caboose in Colfax, with a series of photographs showing the current condition of the railcar. The photographs of the Dutch Flat caboose will be shown to illustrate the restored condition we hope to achieve with the restoration work.

Also discuss the will be the possibility of our Society having a technical advisory role in the renovation and reuse of the Colfax railroad passenger car that is currently used as the Chamber of Commerce Visitor Center.

August Meeting Announcements:

The City of Colfax has approved the proposal to have the PSRHS take on the job of restoring the NWP caboose.

Colfax Chamber of Commerce spokes-woman made a short presentation about the upcoming Colfax Railroad Days, to be held on September 29, 2007. This will be what was formerly known as Founders Day. Volunteers may be needed to staff a SPRHS booth at the festivities.

Ardenwood. There is a narrow gauge railroad, privately owned and operated, at this location, which is near Fremont, California. There is an operating Porter steam locomotive on this site.

A SP railroad crane, Number 4027, has been donated to the Society and is now in Colfax. For now it sits on a spur of the UP awaiting the City of Colfax's approval

for land near the passenger depot museum for construction of a display track. This crane is self powered and will be very useful as it can be used moving future rail car acquisitions around the site.

August Program:

A presentation was made regarding the rail cars at Lake Tahoe, owned by Gunnar Henriouille of Colfax. He has offered this car to us for the Colfax Railroad Museum.

A copy of the Pullman Standard Car Company engineering shop drawings of a similar car was displayed showing the layout and details of the car. Photos were shown of the condition of Gunnar's car today, along with photos and description of the various facilities and rooms in the car. The interior included a lounge/bar area, kitchen, cooks pantry, steward's room and a lavatory. There are some original items still intact, but many others would need to be found or built to restore the interior back to what it was when the car was in regular passenger service on the SP.

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