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PSRHS Activities & Events...

Editor's Comments

No, you did not receive a December newsletter. None were sent out. Sorry about that.

Hope everyone had a happy holiday season.

The January meeting should be very interesting. See program information herein.

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, January 24th. 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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January 2008 Newsletter

January Meeting Program:

Presentation: President Jim Wood will present some photos taken on our recent field trips.

He will continue with some information on using the "Google Earth" web site to search for historical photos and other information. This should prove beneficial to anyone interested in researching historical sites and landmarks along the railroads.

Field Trip Planning:

A discussion will be held on the possible field trips that the members would like to see. Suggestions are welcome and all will be considered on the basis of feasibility, interest and significance. If you cannot attend the meeting, please contact Jim Wood (530) 346-9607) or the Editor with your requests and suggestions.

IMPORTANT BUSINESS:

Please pay your dues for 2008 by the end of January. Our membership roster can then be updated in a timely manner.

New Business:

A Board meeting will be held after the regular meeting to discuss various issues. Non-board members are welcome to sit in.

Interesting Information:

On a recent trip near San Luis Obispo I found the following information.

Templeton California:

Crocker California was started as a cattle shipping center in the era of steam locomotives in the late 1880s. Colonel Crocker was the impetus behind the formation of the town and its name. He later asked that its name be changed to **Templeton**, thereby naming the town after the Colonel's son. The following is an excerpt from a local newspaper of the time.

The town of Crocker will now be called Templeton by the recent action of Colonel Crocker of Southern Pacific Railroad after whom the town at the present terminus of the road in our County has been called. The great promise of the location, the interest taken in it by so many people of foresight and energy, the rapid disposition of the lots and proposed construction of buildings for business and residences, has drawn the public attention. But Colonel Crocker realized now the extent of the distinction and has requested that the name be changed and has selected in lieu of Crocker that of Templeton.

This article gives some insight into the impact the railroad had on the California landscape!

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