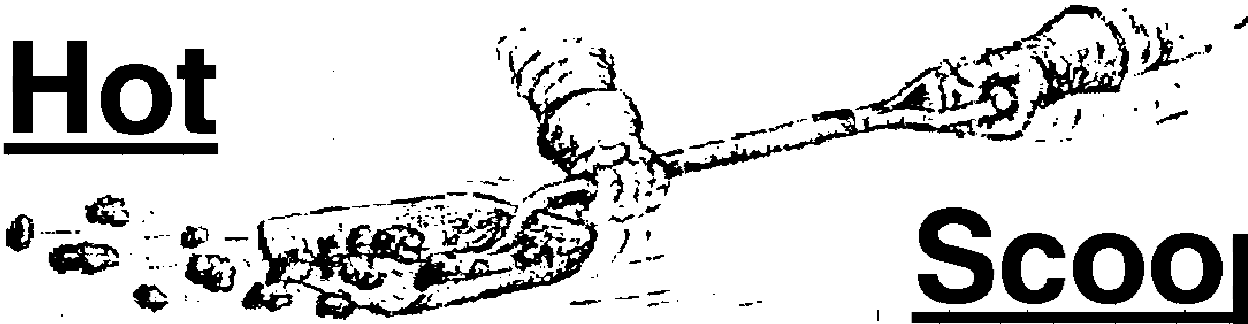


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MUSEUM NEWS

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*** President's Report *** *Jim Lundquist*

Congratulations to our newly elected Board of Directors, as selected by you, the membership: **Jim Lundquist** as President, **Dick Pennick** as Vice President, **Sandy Schussler** as Secretary, **Diana Hyatt** as Treasurer, **Dick Ruppert** as Museum Services, **Larry Rose** as Facilities, **Greg Luiz** as Operations and **Ron Hyatt** as Mechanical. This group has already held one meeting, which was attended by all. Let me say that chairing a meeting with 8 is much easier than with 25, and all agreed after the meeting. I would like to thank the many members who served on the board over the years - a usually thankless job. Members - you are greatly encouraged to attend your Board meetings and observe how the Board does business. The schedule is the second Tuesday of the month at 7 PM at Trinity Church, 3902 Kenwood Dr, Spring Valley.

Planning work continues with the proposal to expand our covered property at Campo, which requires a Modification to the Major Use Permit. The County is also going through an update to the General Plan which might allow us to add additional storage and other activities by zone, which would save the effort required for a modification to our MUP. The next step is asking the SD&AE Railway to contribute land between our property and the mainline railroad at Campo. Also, planning work has continued for using some SD&AE land in town for our library. Both of these proposals are going to the SD&AE Board next month - keep thinking good thoughts about them.

We must express our sincere thanks to URS for their recent inspection of tunnel #4 at Division. The tunnel portal was burnt during the September fires. URS has reported that we may again use the tunnel for our passenger trains. Plans are now underway for the Campo to Tecate trains to begin again, and, we are backing down into the tunnel with our Division trains as well. Thank you **Leo Hanfield** and **Dave Schug** for your donation of the inspection.

We heard additional good news on the financial donations side again. **Helen Russell** left us \$11,000 in a life insurance policy, and the paperwork has begun to accept this from the insurance company. Perhaps this might be one way you can help us also - have you considered a similar policy yourself?

We continue to see additional volunteers working their way through the Brakeman training program. We really appreciate the soon to be qualified crew members to allow us some breathing room for those of us that crew our passenger train often. I am also encouraged by the discussions of re-crewing the #1509 now that it is back in service.

Our thanks go out to **Larry Owen**, who professionally painted a direction sign I made at Highway 94. Thanks also to **Larry Rose** for helping me install the sign. It looks beautiful - come out and see it. It is small, but directs visitors from the highway to stop by and visit us.

On any given weekend, there seems to be more and more volunteers helping out in many places at Campo and La Mesa. It's great to be building up the family of volunteers again. Speaking of building a family, **Ron and Diana Hyatt** just added to theirs (and ours) with a new boy, **Ian**. He weighed in at 10 pounds! Congratulations Hyatt's.

Ted Kornweibel and gang have continued the effort with the wooden combine car, and, have a super display all set up this month - African American's in Railroad History. Plan on coming out and seeing this exhibit in the display building at Campo - and pass along a Thank You to Ted and the guys when you are there.

We hope to see all of you at the Annual Dinner held this month - look for the flier.

Also, the England tour looks great. Please consider traveling with us this Fall for a fun time with your fellow members.

There are, of course, many other worthwhile projects underway all over our museum. As always, we welcome your involvement - by either stopping by and help or mailing in your checks. Both are needed and welcomed. See you soon at Campo or La Mesa.

*** Operations Volunteers *** *Randy Houk*

We have a group of extremely dedicated, hard working people who continue to make the trip to Campo each Saturday, Sunday and School Train Tuesday to keep our demonstration trains running. These folks ran 17 trains in January. Many of them filled in where the callboard was vacant, or where a crewmember was not able to make his assignment. We owe them our gratitude.

Zac Armstrong	Jim Baker	Darrel Bivans	Rich Borstadt	Roger Challberg
Duane Dubke	Don Getz	Matt Gorney	Larry Hieshetter	
Dave Houk	Randy Houk	Jim Lundquist	Mike Mendoza	Bob Nickles
Jack Ohmstede	Linda Ovadia	Mark Ovadia	Jack O'Lexey	Dick Pennick
Don Pope	Mike Retz	Ann Ruppert	Bob Schussler	Rob Stebbins
Frank Stites	Robin Wonders			

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Please check the expiration date on the cover page of this issue. If your membership is soon to expire, please send a check made out to "PSRM". Also, please consider upgrading your membership level.

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\$40: Family	\$300: Senior Life	Note: Students are 18 and younger
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Mail your check to PSRM, 4695 Nebo Dr, La Mesa CA 91941-5259

*** Donations ***

Adams, Jr. William B.	General Fund	50
Crile, Dennis R.	General Fund	100
Davis, Dorothy A.	General Fund	250
Grove, David E.	General Fund	50
Heveron, Gerald D.	General fund	5
Kehr, Herbert G.	REPORT	100
Lundquist, Paul D.	Jim Crow sash locks	45
Roesener, Mr. & Mrs. Harry	Fire Reconstruction	60
Scotfield, David & Carolyn	General Fund	500
Tullis, Dr. Richard H.	General fund	100
Wright, Alvin C.	General Fund	30

*** Steam Whistling *** *Jim Baker, Steam Foreman*

We made lots more progress on assembling 2353 this month!

Dick Pennick, Bob Nickles, Larry Owen and Jim Baker were present on Friday, Jan. 7. We finished the jacket on the sides of the boiler in the cab, installed the steam and air lines to the power reverse, steam lines from the turret to both injectors and the air pump. The jacket pieces for the backhead were cleaned and the steam gage and try-cocks were removed. Bob figured out a logical layout for the backhead stud spacers. The spacers were all numbered, but there was no listing of which number went where.

On Saturday, **Bob Nickles, Mike Lucek and Jim Baker** were present. We were the only volunteers to travel out to Campo that day - predictions of very heavy rain annulled all trains. While Bob needle-gunned more of the Lavino's saddle tank, including the cab end, Mike and Jim installed the steam lines from the turret to the cylinder cocks and the mechanical lubricator. We then got all the back head jacket set in place. It appears that the nuts for the various appliances hold it on. The try-cocks and fireman's steam gage were re-installed, along with the control for the firing valve. The fireman's manifold and bell ringer control were set in place, but will need to be cleaned before final installation.

Next month we will do the last strap on the jacket, the steam lines to and from the fireman's manifold, power reverse and blow down controls, turret valve remote operators, fire door, throttle handle, and oil can tray.

The foreman anticipates that we will be pretty much done with the re-assembly in March. Then will come the Big Move to the Train Shed (Display Building). This will require LOTS of switching, and will probably take several days. We will need to rearrange the Train shed and car barn. To do this we'll need to move stored equipment off of about six different tracks.

Our next quarterly meeting will be April 11, unless an earlier one is needed to plan the Big Move.

Our next work weekend will be Friday and Saturday, Feb. 11 & 12.

Hope to see you there! Need more info? Call the foreman, 619-670-7441.

*** San Diego, 1952 *** *Dick Pennick*

Look up a copy of the Winter, 2004 edition of *Trains* quarterly companion magazine - *Classic Trains* - for a beautiful photo of train time at San Diego station in 1952.

Taken by legendary photographer and author **Richard Steinheimer**, who also visited the SD & AE over the years, the classic shot shows Santa Fe 4-8-4 # 3759 with the second section of Train 75 preparing to turn its train on the wye at Washington Street. Santa Fe Alco PA diesel-electric # 65 waits on the next track while its Train 77 stainless-steel headend cars are switched to the other end.

Much has changed in the 52 years since Mr. Steinheimer took this photo. The end of steam on this part of the Santa Fe system was only a year away. Amazingly, Baldwin-built #3759 - built originally as a coal-burner and later converted to oil fuel -- was preserved and is today displayed in a park at Kingman, Arizona. Unfortunately, the same fate was not in the cards for 5-year old No. 65.

Today, the only similarities to this scene are that passenger trains still serve the station and the main track is still in the same location. Mr. Steinheimer, now in his early 80's and living with his wife in Sacramento, was a guest speaker at a Museum fund-raiser at the Santa Fe station in the 1990's.

*** Mechanical Update *** *Dave DiGiorgio*

First of all, sorry for not having a mechanical update for awhile. Ron has been very involved with the repairs of the Miramar derailment, and then the recent birth of his and Diana's fourth child has kept him home.

A lot of work was done the weekend of January 29th on the GP9 (SP 3873). As many of you know, we experienced a ground fault a several weeks ago, and had been unable to find the problem. This weekend **Ron Hyatt, Dan Robirds, Mike Chisholm** and **I** worked several hours on the problem. We rebuilt 2 contactors, replaced one resistor bank (from museum stock) cleaned others, traced wiring, studied schematics, cussed a lot, and finally came up with some answers. There were a few problems, some may not have been our current issue, but would have been in the future. We are quite sure the main problem this time was related to water getting into the main generator. We are in the process of drying it out, and then we need to caulk all the seams and do what we can to keep the water out, this SHOULD fix the problem.

Some more paint preparation has been done on #2104, as well as parts have been lined up for the project. Until #3873 is back up and running, we don't anticipate any mechanical type work to be done on #2104, but paint prep will continue as volunteers are available. I don't know who all has been working on this project; if you have I am sorry for missing you. **Al Brill** has been repairing a cab door, and it is looking GREAT!!

We need all the help we can get, please plan on joining in on the fun. I suggest sending me an email a day or two before the weekend and letting me know if you plan to, so I can let Ron know and plan for it.

I would like to thank **Ann Ruppert** for cooking a fine lunch for the volunteers Saturday the 29th!! If YOU want a shot at cooking for the troops, please let me or **Diana Hyatt** know.

*** Jacumba Cars Get Weather Protection *** *Randy Houk*

Larry Rose, Director of Facilities, is one of the busiest folks at Campo. He's usually seen up around the carbarn fixing leaks, refurbing an office, installing cabinets or something else that needs doing. I caught him and some helpers on January 22nd putting tarps on the roofs of our old Jacumba Cars down near the Campo Depot to keep the rain out. Thanks, Larry!



***** January 13 Board of Trustees Draft Meeting Minutes ***** *Sandy Schussler*

Held at Trinity Church, 3902 Kenwood Drive, Spring Valley, CA

OPENING

- 1. Call to Order - Lundquist** Meeting called to order at 7:05 pm.

Trustees present: Dave DiGiorgio, Don Getz; Ken Helm, Diana Hyatt, Jim Lundquist, Dick Pennick, Larry Rose. Ron Hyatt and Greg Luiz arrived within the next 5 minutes.

- 2. Introduction of Guest and Guest Speakers - Lundquist**

Guests present: Wally Barber, Larry Owen, Dick Ruppert, and Dan Robirds.

- 3. Addition, Corrections and Adoption of Agenda - Lundquist**

Agenda was adopted by consensus.

- 4. Approval of Minutes of the December 9, 2004 Board of Trustees Meeting.**

Minutes were approved with the amendment by D. Hyatt to include the discussed request for Marketing to provide a report on how advertising funds were spent and the effectiveness of the effort. Minutes accepted as amended 6/0/2 (DiGiorgio and Schussler abstaining.)

NEW BUSINESS

- 10. Report from the Inspectors of election. Don Getz**

The Inspectors of election were Randy Houk, Connie Houk, Don Getz, and Elaine Getz. The election results showed the following:

Four ballots from the previous election were received and not counted. There were 5 submissions without signatures on outer envelopes that were not counted. 187 Ballots were counted.

President:	Jim Lundquist	176
Vice President:	Dick Pennick	154
	Lew Wolfgang	19
	Diana Hyatt	5
Secretary:	Sandy Schussler	186
Treasurer:	Diana Hyatt	181
Equipment:	Ron Hyatt	184
Facilities:	Larry Rose	186
Museum Servs.	Dick Ruppert	158
	Dianna Hyatt	25
Operations:	Greg Luiz	99
	Dave DiGiorgio	88

MOTION by Getz, Pennick: The Board of Trustees to accept the report dated 8 Jan 2005 from the Inspectors of the Election electing eight members to the Board of Directors. The motion was passed 9/0/0.

- 20. ADJOURN - MOTION** by Di Giorgio, D. Hyatt to adjourn, passed 9/0/0. Meeting was adjourned at 7:13 pm.

Pacific Southwest Railway Museum
Board of Directors
Draft Meeting Minutes - January 13, 2005

Trinity Church, 3902 Kenwood Drive, Spring Valley, CA

OPENING

- 1. Call to Order - Lundquist**

The meeting was called to order a 7:15 pm. Directors present were D. Hyatt, R. Hyatt, G. Luiz, J. Lundquist, R. Pennick, R. Ruppert, L. Rose, S. Schussler

- 2. Introduction of Guest and Guest Speakers - Lundquist**

Guests and guest speakers present were Larry Owen, Dan Robirds, David Jacobs of The Westhem Grant Group, and Ivan Farber and Mike Holder of Get 1 Free Magazine.

- 3. Addition, Corrections and Adoption of Agenda - Lundquist**

Motion by R. Pennick, second by S. Schussler to adopt the Agenda. Passed 8/0/0.

OLD BUSINESS

10. Computer Simulator and Cab - Lundquist

Dave DiGiorgio is researching this item for us. It will take more time to accumulate needed information and resources. Item will be tabled for at least a couple of months.

11. Investment advise - Owen

Larry Owen has been investigating our investment accounts and the poor yield on the Museum's endowment fund. There was also a concern about the unresponsiveness of our current adviser. He introduced David Jacobs of The Westhem Grant Group to present alternatives to current investment accounts. The presentation was well received, and it was decided we will have at least one more presentation before attempting to make any decision on this topic. R. Pennick offered to bring the Museum's current AG Edwards fund advisor - and possibly others - to the next Board Meeting.

12. Temporary home for Santa Fe Railway Historical & Modeling Society archives - Pennick

Dick Pennick will be providing a draft written agreement for Board review. Said draft is presently in the hands of SFRH & MS for review. R. Pennick should have a revised draft by the February Board Meeting. This item will be carried forward.

13. Substantial Donation Planning Ad-hoc Committee - Lundquist

In December, the Board asked the Facilities department to bring back additional information at the next meeting on the costs estimated to complete the display building: concrete floor, indoor bathrooms and electrical service. The estimate is still in work, but the board requested wire specifications and type of sub-panel box information from Larry Rose as soon as possible. R. Pennick said one of his neighbors, an electrical contractor, will probably donate a box for the subpanel and possibly the wire as well.

14. Acquire a PCC Car - Lundquist

Should the Museum make an effort to acquire a PCC street car similar to those which ran here in San Diego? It could be used as a display car, or, it might be able to be made runnable and used to transport visitors between the Campo Depot and the Display Building. At the December Board meeting, the Board expressed a desire to continue a dialog with the San Diego Electric Railway Association for a potential joint operation/partnership with a streetcar operation at Campo, and asked for an update at the January 2005 meeting. The SDERA has responded that they aren't interested in a joint effort at Campo. By consensus, there is no intent to acquire a PCC Car at this time.

NEW BUSINESS

30. Annual Dinner and Awards - Lundquist

The Board needs to establish guidelines for awards and pick a firm date (3rd Tues. or 2nd Thurs. for example) for the Annual Dinner. At this juncture, it is a little late to implement any new criteria for awards. The Board will develop specific guidelines for awards and establish the date for the Annual Dinner meeting in time to apply next year. This year's annual dinner will be Thursday, February 24, 2005.

31. Approve the Site Plan for the MUP - Rose

This item is still pending, but a lot of progress has been made in developing the final version. Approval of the site plan is pending.

32. Advertising Proposal - Lundquist (was taken out of order)

Ivan Farber and Mike Holder attended this meeting representing "Get 1 Free" magazine, a direct advertising service. Ivan Garber made a presentation outlining diverse benefits for consideration. A motion was made to advertise with "Get I Free" by Larry Rose, seconded by Dick Pennick. Passed 8/0/0.

33. Government Surplus Guidelines - Lundquist

The Board needs to give direction as to how we want to approve acquisitions. The current authorized limit appears appropriate, but some needed items may be available for a limited time at a good price. Such items include 2 operational and licensed flat bed trailers. A motion was made by Dick Pennick, seconded by Larry Rose to authorize a larger acquisition amount for the acquisition of the 2 trailers. The motion passed 8/0/0.

34. Bonding Costs - Lundquist

Bonding would require significant accounting changes we cannot implement at present. This proposal is dropped for now because current auditing is sufficient.

35. Bank Cards Signatures - D. Hyatt

It was deemed that the current signature authorizations are adequate. No action required.

REPORTS

40. Presidents' Report - Lundquist

The President's Report emphasized the accomplishments of 2004 and plans for 2005. The Report has been published in the latest "Hot Scoop" for all to read.

In the 4th Quarter Report, J. Lundquist also communicated to the Board and MTS plans for the Library, updates on our Major Use Permit and additional signage at the highway crossings at Campo. He reemphasized the Museum's standing request to MTS to extend our operations to the East. He also stated that CZRy and "Trains Unlimited Tours" have begun advertising a passenger train operation through Carriso Gorge in May even though CZRy lacks passenger train rights.

41. Treasurer's Report - D. Hyatt No report.

42. Vice President's Report - D. Pennick

Dick Pennick said there was still a need for a Development Committee. He reminded the Board that February is Black History Month and Valentines Day, both of which would be recognized by special displays and events by the museum. He suggested that we plan a Special Event for Gold Spike and Life Members.

43. Museum Services Report - D. Ruppert

Dick Ruppert reported that the Santa Trains went extremely well. Museum Services has planned and built special displays to show Blacks' contributions to railroading for the first weekend in February. Valentines Day the museum will distribute flowers to female passengers.

44. Facilities Report - Rose

Larry Rose discussed the progress made on the Campo Depot, with the remaining task on the West end being the 3 windows. Larry said he may be able to complete the windows with the recently acquired mortise machine. A new station sign is being prepared by Larry Owen after discovering that the sign required rework because the original paint was inappropriate.

There was also some discussion concerning the completion of the Exhibit building with the addition of power and Restrooms, and the proposed Library building.

45. Operations Report - Luiz No Report.

46. Equipment Report - R. Hyatt

An extensive 2004 Annual PSRMA Equipment Report is available detailing the condition of our rolling stock.

47. Library Ad Hoc Committee - Pennick

Discussion centered on the proposed new building to be constructed at Campo for the Library on museum property. R. Pennick reported on the preparation of a proposal to construct a new 6000 sq. ft. research library building on property currently owned by MTS in El Cajon. This proposal was recently submitted to the SD & AE Railway Board for review and approval.

48. Marketing Committee - Ruppert

Dick Ruppert discussed the placement of advertising without notification or prior review of the Marketing Committee. He also said the committee was continuing to refine basics of our Marketing Plan. There has been some discussion which keeps leading back to membership, and what can be done to enhance member benefits.

60. CLOSED SESSION

A closed session centered on business and management issues and advice.

70. CARRY FORWARD

Investment advice - Pennick

72. Temporary home for Santa Fe Railway Historical & Modeling Society Archives - Pennick

Substantial Donation Planning Ad-hoc Committee - Cost estimates and Specs - L. Rose

Approve the Site Plan for the MUP - L. Rose

80. ADJOURN

There was a motion to adjourn by Dick Pennick, seconded by Rose. Passed 8/0/0.
Meeting was adjourned at 10:44 pm. 1/28/2005 3:05 PM

***** Web page update ***** *Randy Houk*

Don't forget that our web page has a link for our volunteers: www.psrn.org/members/
You can see old issues of the "Hot Scoop", the "Report" and crew callboards. The username is "volunteer" and the password is "2353".

***** Year 2005 Dates of Note *****

	Feb	Mar	Apr	May
School Train	15	15	19	17
Board meetings	10	10	14	12
Museum Services meeting	15	15	19	17
Steam meeting			11	
Deadline for Hot Scoop articles	28	28	28	28

Your Board meets the 2nd Thursday each month, 7:00 PM at Trinity Church.
Museum Services meets the 3rd Tuesday each month, 7 PM at Ted Kornweibel's house.

***** Article Submissions *****

Please submit articles in pure text (.txt) or MS Word (.doc) format. E-mail to hotscoop@sdrm.org is preferred. **The deadline for article submissions is the 28th.**

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