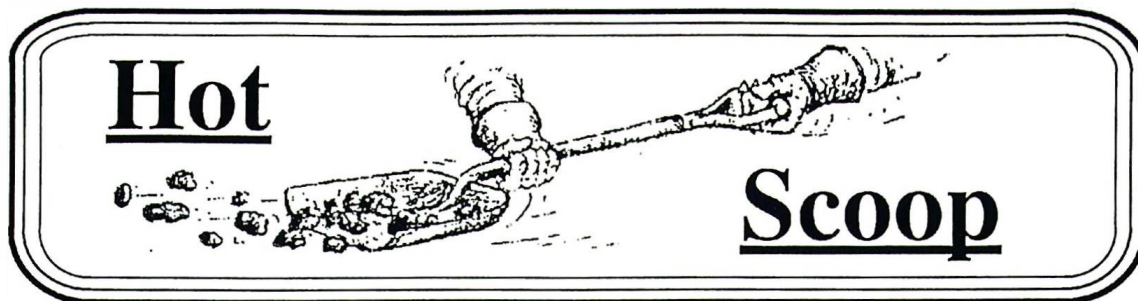




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DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Denby Jones

KEEPING UP WITH CAMPO

Well, the Mechanical office is finished, with the exception of the electrical wiring, and work is ongoing in remodeling the old facilities/restoration office. Most of the work has been accomplished by **Steve Wade** and **Charles Alban**. **Norm Hill** has been spearheading the clean up drive in the "North 40." He also ramrodded a clean up of the "Front 40" (from the entrance on Highway 94 to the line shack) on Saturday, February 8, 1992, and Saturday, March 14, 1992. Holes were filled, trash and old concrete removed, and signs repaired. In all, just a good 'ol fashioned clean up. Assisting Norm were **Ted Kornwiebel**, and his sons **James** and **Daniel**; **Mike Reneau**, **Charles Alban**, **Dale Busch**, **Steve Link**, **Bruce Semelsberger**, **Mike Reading**, **Jim Baker**, **Richard Dick**, **Duane Leal**, **Paul Westover**, **Steve Wade**, **Mike Retz**, **Cliff Pennick**, **Tom Akin**, **Don Bellis**, **Duane Kerr** and myself. **Ann McVeagh**, **Pam Thorton**, and **Mike Retz** supplied food for the hungry crew. A good turnout was seen from all departments. Since then a good portion of the barrels have been removed, almost all the scrap ties are gone, and a good portion of the junk has been removed. I feel that it is time to move on to phase one — which is, separate, consolidate and try and display what we have in an interpretive manner.

THE OLD "NORTH 40"

Speaking of cleanups, folks, let's try to remember that almost everything has an alternate use. This is not advocating collecting or saving any nut or bolt or whatever that presents itself, but I am advocating taking a look at what we have before we arbitrarily send it "out with the trash." And I mean a good, unbiased look. As everyone knows, the Museum operates on a limited and fluid budget. Anything we can do to reduce the cash outflow in one area, may mean more funds for something else.

Railroads were in the recycling business long before it became a popular buzz word in our society. It was, and still is, just good business sense to recycle usable material. All railroads have their "back 40's," and I will guarantee there is more in those collections of "recyclable" material than just railroad parts.

Director's Report - Continued

So if there is something that is to be discarded, take a second look at it, common sense prevailing. Check with the other superintendents. If it is truly scrap, discard it. However, if it does have value to some other department, that department should take ownership and ensure that the item is stored neatly in the proper area. There are a few people that have done a lot of work and surmounted many obstacles to clean that place up and I feel that it is everyone's responsibility to keep it that way. We do need a "Back 40." We DON'T need a junk yard.

THE "1820 RESURRECTION GROUP"

The "1820 Resurrection Group," (forgive me Dave, I just had to coin a title), headed by **Dave Slater**, is going great guns. Windows have been installed, flooring replaced, paint has been applied, parts are appearing, and most important of all, people are returning. Saturday there was **Dick and Jane Cupp**, **Vern Cook** was up for awhile, **Bill Neidrich** was up, people that have been away for awhile are making an appearance. All I can say is welcome back, we hope to see more of you!

CAMPO COMPLEX ACCESS

During the week and even on the weekends we would prefer that all access to the Campo complex be made through the front gates. It is true there are side gates available, but we would rather they not be used except in cases of emergency. We feel this way because of (1) safety, and (2) security. Thomas Lee is putting together a sign-in board and it will be located in the depot area. Members will be requested to sign in and out.

This is plain and simple safety. Someone could conceivably enter the premises, and go to work in the back without anyone knowing they were there. If they were to get hurt, have an accident, or possibly a medical problem, no one might know, and the results could be disastrous.

With access restricted to one entrance and a sign-in board, at least someone will know there are persons in the back and will check periodically. As far as security goes, it is far too easy to open or unlock the side gate, become distracted on another task and leave it unlocked or open, giving easy undetected access to anybody that would care to enter our property. This we do not need. So please use the front gate.

Denby

VOLUNTEER OF THE MONTH*Denby Jones*

This month's Volunteer of the Month Award goes to a pair. You will find them every weekend at Campo "minding the store." George and Nancy Boggs have taken over the Gift Shop and have literally turned it around. The Gift shop is neat, clean and the stock selection has improved 100%. This is a tremendous task, and is extremely important to the Museum's posture, as this is literally the first personal interface the people coming to Campo have with us. Thanks, George and Nancy, your effort is deeply appreciated.

*Denby*The "050"*Jeanie Jones*

Our next meeting will be at noon on Saturday, May 2, 1992, at the Campo Car Barn. We will be making a presentation to the Board of Trustees on April 21, 1992.

Anyone with any historical information or photos of the 050, please call Jeanie Jones at (619) 279-2419.

Thanks,

*Jeanie*OPERATIONS REPORT*Mike Reneau*

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the members of the Operations Department for a job well done this past year. Some of you received your Certificate of Appreciation at the annual dinner. The remainder of you should receive yours as soon as more certificates are printed. Those of you who weren't able to attend the dinner missed a very good meal and a very interesting talk on the San Diego Trolley.

Our ridership has improved over last year somewhat. Last year we had 4,552 people ride the train in the first three months. This year for the first three months 5,028, a difference of 476. A lot of thanks should go to Kay Carter for her hard work promoting the Museum and to all the people who work so hard in the Museum. Your hard work is greatly appreciated.

The Jacumba trip on March 7th was very successful with 422 paying passengers. While we made a good amount in profit, some of that profit was used to pay some of the outstanding bills. The next trip to Jacumba in May may not happen due to the possibility of fire caused by the train. The California Department of Forestry will make the final decision.

OPERATIONS REPORT - Continued

On March 26 and 27, inspectors from the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) paid a visit to the Museum office and to Campo to check our equipment and track. While some problems were found, none were real serious.

Repair work has already been started. Paul Westover would be grateful for any help anyone would be willing to offer, so the needed repairs can be made as soon as possible.

Mike

FROM THE OFFICE

Bobbie Ringersma

First, I would like to apologize for no *Hot Scoop* in March. With the Jacumba trip, Annual Dinner and Puerto Penasco all in one month, I just didn't have time.

An especially big **THANK YOU** to the following volunteers who came into the office on a one day notice and helped get over 7,000 flyers into the mail on the following morning. It was an enormous job and as usual they all rallied together and pulled it off.

Dick Dick	Duane Dubke
Maurice Fennell	Don Getz
Jim Hamill	Chop Kerr
Ray Krum	Dick McIntyre
Mike Reading	Mike Reneau
Cliff Pennick	Maryann Thompson
Paul Westover	

FROM THE OFFICE - Continued

Thanks as well to **Kay** for some really **wonderful meatballs**. They were really good.

Thanks to all who attended the Annual Dinner, it was a really nice evening with great food. Hope more of you will be able to attend next year.

The Jacumba trip was **OUTSTANDING**. the office has received a number of complements from passengers on how well we were organized and what a great time they had. **A BIG THANK YOU AGAIN TO ALL.**

Thanks to Elaine Hall for inquiring about the new Santee Bazaar which had its grand opening day on April 4 & 5. They offered the Museum a free booth for the week-end which we took advantage of. Thanks so much to **B.V. Parks, Roy Pickering, Cliff Pennick** and **Mike Retz** for staffing on an extremely short notice. **Jim Hamill** and **Mike Reneau** for helping me set up the display in a 6 hour time frame. Reports from Mike Retz are that we passed out a lot of time cards and brochures and talked with crowds of people. It was well worth the extra effort to participate. The Bazaar is in the old Price Club on Cuyamaca and will be open on week-ends only. They will be offering non-profits a booth every week-end on a rotating basis.

FROM THE OFFICE - *Continued*

Kay and I are looking for some folks who would be willing to help set up and staff the displays when needed. My blood pressure can't take these last minute crazy's. Some displays such as the one in the US Grant will not need staff but we need trucks and muscles to help move the display pieces over. We will be doing more displays during the year and need as much help as possible. If you are interested in helping in any capacity please give me a call at the office (619) 595-3030.

Santa Claus came a little late to the office this year, but oh boy, did he bring a present I have been whining about for over a year. Dave Slater has very generously donated a **FAX MACHINE** to the office.

The Fax number is 595-3034 should you want to fax something to the office.

Again, **THANKS, DAVE!!!!!!**

Bobbie

SDRM ADMINISTRATION/CAMPO PHONE NUMBERS

Museum Phone (Recorded Message)	697-7762
Business Office	Bobbie Ringersma 595-3030/FAX: 595-3034
Director of Operations	Denby Jones 279-2419
Executive Director	Kay Carter 265-7682
Hot Scoop Articles/Subscriptions	Carol Westover 272-3523
La Mesa Depot	465-8444
Campo Depot	478-9937
Campo Car Shop	478-9917
Campo Caretaker	Thomas Lee & Linda Braginton 478-9344
Campo Gift Shop	George & Nancy Boggs 789-4210

DEPARTMENT HEADS

Facilities	Steve Wade	469-8029
Interpretive/Exhibits	Rich Borstadt	447-3297
Mechanical Dept	Mike Reading	277-5168
Ground Support Equipment	Mike Panger	263-4439
Museum Library	Roy Pickering	462-3392
Museum Services		(VACANT)
Operations Dept	Mike Reneau	466-5402
Track Foreman	Paul Westover	272-3523
Restoration Dept	Ted Kornweibel	461-0098
Safety Officer	Lew Wolfgang	553-3106
Steam Department	Bill Donovan	632-0156

MEETINGS

FACILITIES DEPARTMENT

Meets first Friday of each month STEVE WADE

TRAINING CLASS

Meets second Wednesday of each month RICH BORSTADT

INTERPRETATION DEPARTMENT

Meets last Wednesday of each month RICH BORSTADT

STEAM WORK DAY

Meets third Saturday of each month BILL DONOVAN

STEAM DEPARTMENT

Meets Thursday preceding Saturday work day BILL DONOVAN

OPERATIONS DEPARTMENT

Meets second Friday of each month MIKE RENEAU

SDRM CALENDAR OF EVENTS



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2	3 6:30 PM Facilities Department Meeting - Kettner Blvd.	4 9:00 AM Train Crew 10:00 AM Library Work Day - Kettner Blvd. <i>Puerto Penasco</i>
5 Train Crew - Campo	6	7 7:00 PM Library Work Day - Kettner Blvd	8 6:45 PM Training Class - Kettner Blvd	9	10 7:00 PM Operations Department Meeting - Kettner Blvd	11 9:00 AM Train Crew 10:00 AM Library Work Day - Kettner Blvd.
12 Train Crew - Campo	13	14 7:00 PM Library Work Day - Kettner Blvd.	15	16 7:00 PM - Steam Team Meeting	17 HOT SCOOP DEADLINE	18 9:00 AM Train Crew 10:00 AM Library Work Day - Kettner Blvd. 7:00 PM Steam Team Work Day
19 Train Crew - Campo	20	21 7:00 PM Library Work Day - Kettner Blvd.	22	23	24 <i>Copper Canyon **</i>	25 9:00 AM Train Crew 10:00 AM Library Work Day - Kettner Blvd.
26 Train Crew - Campo	27	28 7:00 PM Library Work Day - Kettner Blvd.	29 6:45 PM Interpretive Department Meeting	30		

** April 24 - May 5 Copper Canyon

Time Card

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