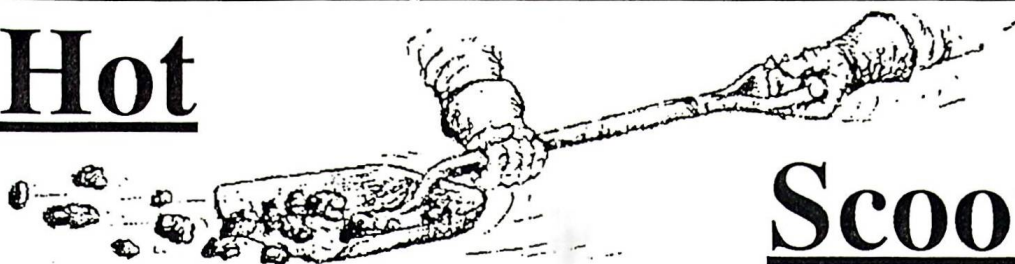


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DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS REPORT

Denby Jones

There has been some discussion as to whether the Call Board (HOT SCOOP) is actually effective as a means of communication. It was originally conceived, and still is for the most part, a vehicle to communicate information to the members that are actually doing the hands on work for the Museum. My feeling is that it can be a valuable tool in getting out information to all concerned. What are your feelings? Is it effective? Please let **Carol Westover** or myself know.

So what is happening? Well we can start off with the Car barn and **Steve Wade**. **Steve** is turning into quite an electrician. We are to the point where we have people actually producing parts from the machine shop. **Steve** and **Charles Alban** are starting on the tool room. They have moved out some benches and installed shelving. This Saturday, **Steve**, **Mike Reneau**, and **Mike Reading** are going to finalize details on the planning, and we will be underway. I might add that **Steve** is also working with the students, so he has his hands full. **Mike Reading** is getting 2104 ready for service. The brakes have been re-installed, filters changed, and she has been fired up. There are a few glitches to be worked out, but she is almost ready for service. The postal car is scheduled to be re-trucked in mid-November. I am sure that they can use all the help they can get. Contact **Mike Reading** or **Ted Kornweibel** for more info. Speaking of help — we can always use more help at Campo. With the addition of 2104, that is going to give us three operating locomotives. That's going to be great, but that also means that there is more maintenance to

perform and I am sure that **Mike** could use more help. So, if you don't mind getting your hands dirty, volunteer to help. You may find skills and talents that you didn't know you had. **Steve Wade** can use help in facilities. The north side of the carbarn needs to be sided, **Mike Reneau** and **Ted** could use help with the Hospital car. So don't be bashful, there is something for everyone. Anyway, that's all for now. 🍷

See you at Campo —

Denby

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RESTORATION NEWS

Ted Kornweibel

Help Wanted: FGEX reefer needs painters, no experience needed, to complete lettering. Members of Project 1820 and those maintaining the excursion fleet, here is a good opportunity to learn the art of making and using pounce patterns and hand lettering your equipment. Call **Ted Kornweibel** at 461-0098.

Help Wanted: Individuals interested in converting a hospital car to an open-air, concession, and toilet car. Present task available: patching concrete floor. Call **Mike Reneau** at 466-5402 or **Ted Kornweibel** at 461-0098.

Help Wanted: Individual to compile inventory of all paint and supplies in paint storage reefer. Thanks to **Charles Alban** and **Steve Wade**, everything is on shelves and there is good light to work with. Call **Ted Kornweibel** at 461-0098 to volunteer. 🐾

SAFETY CORNER

Lou Wolfgang

Getting on Moving Equipment ...

The subject this month is for those of us who, in the course of our employment at Campo, have occasion to get on and off moving equipment. This is a subject that has great significance for yours truly, since I took a rather spectacular spill while trying to get on locomotive 1809 at Miller Creek last month. While I was not injured physically, the potential for dismemberment and death were close at hand. As it was, only my self-image was damaged as the trainmen said to our passengers: "Yes folks, there is our Conductor lying flat on his back in the dirt."

It was not my technique that was responsible for my spill, but my over-confidence. The locomotive was approaching at more than 10 miles-per-hour, but I thought I could do it, and I think subconsciously I wanted to test myself. Also, I didn't make it clear to the locomotive crew what my intentions were. If I had, I am sure that they would have slowed down to a safe speed.

I won't get into the specifics of technique at this time, the Museum's brakeman class and the Safe Work Practices Handbook more than amply cover the subject. What I will reiterate are the lessons I re-learned personally.

1. If you are going to get on or off moving equipment, YOU are in control of the movement. If you feel the speed is too great, you are obligated to signal for a slowdown. This includes bringing the movement to a complete stop if necessary. A small loss in time is a fair price to pay to keep all your limbs intact.

2. Don't be over-confident. Remember that it is your leading hand on the leading handrail that bears a lot of the responsibility for matching your velocity with that of the locomotive's. Thus, those of us with significant girth require superhuman hand strength as the speed increases. In other words, fatsos have to do it slower!

3. Since it is the leading hand that takes the load, carrying anything that would tend to loosen your grip should be placed in the trailing hand. Signal flags at La Posta Road immediately come to mind.

4. Make sure that the locomotive crew knows of your intention to get on or off. They may adjust speed as appropriate and they will be ready to react should something go wrong.

If you have any of your own safety related experiences to share with us, please give me a call and we can talk about it. I promise not to use your name unless you give me your permission.

Remember, be safe out there! 🐾

STEAM TEAM UPDATE

Larry Williams

1. The large radial arm drill press has been delivered and set up in the machine shop area at Campo. It requires a reinforced mounting pad for stability before it can be operated. **Steve Wade** and team members are doing the installation.

We are anxious to have the press going soon so the 2353 axle brasses can be milled smooth. Being able to do just this one task will save about \$1,000 of our scarce funds. And that is just a beginning.

2. You will notice also, that the big Linde electric welder is operating, thanks to **Steve Wade** for the electric hookup, and we are busy doing spring hangers, work stands, worn parts and will even have enough power to weld the frame and wheels.

We hope to have the locomotive back on its wheels by the spring of 1993.

3. We have been offered a metal building, free for the taking, by the people from the Santa Fe Locomotive #3751 at Fontana. We would have to go dismantle it and bring it to Campo.

The Steam Team could work inside, out of the sun and rain and have a storage place for #2353 in the future. Should we take it? Let me know your thoughts.

4. The boiler off #2353 at Fraser's in San Diego is progressing more slowly now. They have more work and so work less on our project. This is in line with our agreement.

5. The work on Locomotive S.P. #104 is moving ahead. **Dick Pennick** will soon begin applying paint to the tender. He will provide further updates as the work progresses.

INTERPRETATION DEPARTMENT NEWS

Rich Borstadt

Calendar:

Trainman/Guide Class: Environment of Campo and the Carrizo Gorge on November 11; Dorcus Utter, Chief Naturalist, Audubon Society
Gerry Gillam, Chief Campo Tour Guide.

4th Quarterly Membership Meeting: Don't forget the **4th Quarterly Membership Meeting** at the SDG&E Auditorium on Friday, November 20, at 7:00 p.m. As always, it is slated for November to avoid conflict with holiday preparation activities in December. The focus is on *Looking Ahead to the SD&A Diamond Jubilee and Beyond* and will provide updates on Museum plans and projects.

Interpretation Department Meeting: On the last Wednesday, November 25, at 7:00 p.m. at the Museum office in the Santa Fe Depot.

Rail Buff Bluff Interpretive Trail: The interpretive trail over Rail Buff Bluff is under construction with the aid of Boy Scouts under the direction of Eagle Candidate **Dale Ritenour**. It has been graded and the perimeter ties are in place. Watch for a story in the *Report* in the near future.

50 Years in the Crate

Water Tower Spouts to Campo: Two water tower spouts, counter weights and associated hardware, still in their original crates after fifty years, were located by **Dr. Dan Marnell** in Ogden, Utah. Chief Trainman **Mike Retz** and Superintendent **Rich Borstadt** went up to Utah with Dan over the October 17/18 weekend to drive them to Campo, along with a number of RPO interior accessories, also obtained for the Museum by Dr. Marnell, for our Railway Post Office Car restoration project. Those interested in helping move the water tower installation project at Campo forward should contact **Rich Borstadt** or **Larry Williams**.

INTERPRETIVE DEPARTMENT - Continued

In the RPO vein, photo documentation has been completed on the interior of the Orange Empire Museum's car No. 60. This will provide another resource for restoration of our RPO car. The photographic skills of **Bill Schneider** and **Mike Morrin** were devoted to the effort. 📷

FROM THE OFFICE

Bobbie Ringersma

THANK YOU AGAIN !!!!!!!

On October 22nd MTDB hosted a reception in the Santa Fe Depot for the American Public Transit Association members which had attended a week long conference in San Diego. MTDB requested our trainmen and conductors be at the reception as representatives of the Museum. As usual, our guys came through and showed up in uniform lookin' really GOOD. Thanks to the following:

Jim Baker	Cliff Pennick
George Boggs	Dick Pennick
Rich Borstadt	Mike Retz
Al Brill	Bill Schneider
Duane Dubke	Dave Slater
Richard Dick (as an engineer)	Lew Wolfgang

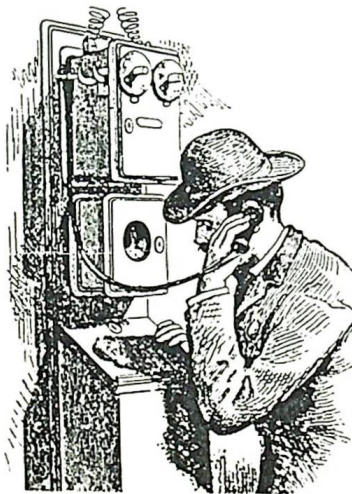
Again, the call went out to help staff a booth at the San Diego Home & Garden show which was held on October 23, 24, & 25th. This was a great opportunity to make the public more aware of the Museum and according to reports from the staffers we had a lot more traffic than the Del Mar Fair. Look for ridership to improve within the next few weeks. A BIG THANK YOU to **Jim Hamill** who came down and helped Kay and I move the display over to the convention center and then **Jim** and **Mike Reneau** took it down for us on Monday. Don't know what I would do without these two guys helping me set up displays at the last minute. The following folks staffed the booth over the 3 days:

Bill Schneider	Carol Westover
Chop Kerr	George Parrish
Ann McVeagh	Duane Dubke
Art Paget	Roy Pickering
Maurice Fennell	

Thanks to **Chop Kerr**, **Terri Marnell**, **Carol Westover** and **Randy Houk** for the Christmas decorations that have been left on my desk. **WE WILL HAVE THE OFFICE DECORATED THIS YEAR!!!!!!** If you would like to come down and help decorate, give me a call and we'll set a date. 📷

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Museum Phone (Recorded Message)		697-7762
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Executive Director	Kay Carter	265-7682
Hot Scoop Articles/Subscriptions	Carol Westover	272-3523
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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



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Mechanical Dept	Mike Reading	277-5168
Ground Support Equipment	Mike Panger	263-4439
Museum Library	Roy Pickering	462-3392
Operations Dept	Mike Reneau	466-5402
Track Foreman	Paul Westover	581-3821
Restoration Dept	Ted Kornweibel	461-0098
Safety Officer	Lew Wolfgang	553-3106
Steam Department (Acting Supt.)	Bob Nichols	583-0531

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

November

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3	4	5	6 - Steam Team Work Day	7 8:30 AM - Train Crew 10:00 AM - Library - Kettner Bl. 12:00 NOON - Restoration Mtg. - Steam Team Work Day
8 8:30 AM - Train Crew Campo	9 Staff Meeting	10 7:00 PM - Library Work Day Kettner Blvd.	11 Veteran's Day Train Crew Trainman/ Guide Class	12	13 - Steam Team Work Day	14 8:30 AM - Train Crew 10:00 AM - Library - Kettner Bl. - Steam Team Work Day
15 8:30 AM - Train Crew Campo - Steam Team Work Day	16	17 7:00 PM - Library Work Day Kettner Blvd.	18 7:00 PM - Operations Dept. Meeting Kettner Blvd.	19 7:00 PM - Steam Team Mtg. Kettner Bl. - Student Appreciation Day	20 - Steam Team Work Day HOT SCOOP DEADLINE 7:00 p.m. 4th Qtr. Mtg. <i>Looking Ahead to the SD&A</i>	21 8:30 AM - Train Crew 10:00 AM - Steam Team Work Day - Library - Kettner Bl.
22 8:30 AM - Train Crew Campo - Steam Team Work Day	23 Staff Meeting	24 7:00 PM - Library Work Day Kettner Blvd. 7:30 PM Board Meeting	25	26  Happy Thanksgiving!	27 - Steam Team Work Day Train Crew (Miller Creek Run)	28 8:30 AM - Train Crew 10:00 AM - Steam Team Work Day - Library - Kettner Bl.
29 8:30 AM - Train Crew Campo - Steam Team Work Day	30					

