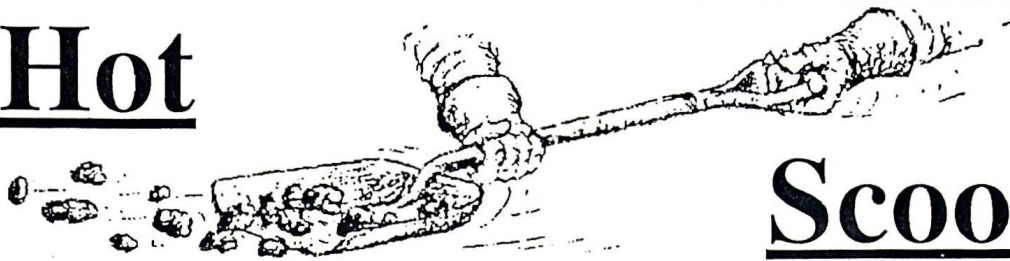


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DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS REPORT

Denby Jones

We seem to be very popular at Campo lately. Within the space of one week we had the Heal Service Hazmat Inspector, **Mike Ponsler** from California Department of Forestry, and MTDB requesting follow-up on the track inspection that was performed recently. We all tend to focus on specific projects and sometimes we can't see the forest for the trees. Well, the forest was pointed out to us, so here is what all of us have to concentrate on:

Hazardous Waste: This is an ongoing problem that we are going to have to deal with. The best way to deal with it is to learn the rules and follow them. Sometimes it may be a bit inconvenient for us, but believe me I can think of better places to put large sums of money other than fines. We have to be extremely careful that we dispose of this material properly. As an example; it costs \$600.00 just to process one drum of contaminated earth. So let's all take an active interest in this.

Some points to remember:

- ✓ Oil and diesel fuel can be mixed for disposal but nothing else.
- ✓ Filters have to be treated as used oil and disposed of appropriately.
- ✓ Sand Blasting residue can be treated as hazardous waste.
- ✓ Solvents and thinners must be separated from oil.

- ✓ Paint cans are hazardous waste unless the contents are completely dry. And that does not mean a skim layer on the top.

I will get more information out to the superintendents who can pass it on to you. Please, **DO NOT SPILL ANYTHING ON THE GROUND.** Contaminated earth is one of the most expensive materials to properly dispose of.

CDF: We have to keep our line clear or they will shut us down. CDF takes weed control on the railroad very seriously, and we are responsible for any fires that are started by our equipment. We will be having weed clearing parties, preferably after the last train in the afternoon when it is cooler. Please help, believe me it is beneficial to everyone.

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In that same vein, I would like to extend my personal thanks and that of the museum to **Larry Williams, Mike Reneau, Mike Panger, Rich Borstadt, Don Livesay, Gaylen and Carol Dyreng, Ray Lethbridge, Randy Houk, Dick Nelson, Josh Clem, Matthew Quevas, Pete Sheakley, Kevin Faverdy, Rene Malendras, Dan and John Schultheis, Tom and Victoria Ritenour, Matt Richaenbasch, Bryan Nolan, and Damian Del Gado.**

Saturday, September 20th, **Mike Ponsler** from CDF suggested that we clean the slash and weeds from the cut at La Posta road. After the last train, we started out with a work train and six people. About half an hour after we started work we had 23 people working in that cut. I don't mind telling you that it really felt good to see every one working together to tackle a problem, and that cut shines !!!

NOTICE
— RULES TEST —

There will be a Rules Test on October 6th & 8th at 7:00 p.m. in the Museum office (1050 Kettner Blvd.). It is mandatory that all train and engine service personnel pass this exam.

Well, that's enough for this issue except to thank everyone for the time and work they are putting in at Campo.

See you at Campo,

Denby

OPERATIONS REVIEW**Mike Reneau**

On September 21, the County Department of Hazardous Materials paid a visit to the Museum (it was their yearly inspection). While making their rounds, they found containers of oil that were not marked, fuel and oil filters not marked with proper info, leaking barrels, etc. While they didn't write us a violation for these problems, they did say we need to do better. They did write a violation for the underground tank down by the speeder shed. The violation was more for MTDB or SD&IV than for us.

Ridership is pretty much holding steady around the 1,200 mark. For June, we had 1,983 riders, July 1,247, August 1,135, and September 1,602 for a four month total of 5,967 riders. Our riders to date are 16,531. Last year we had 17,956, a difference of 1,425.

Rules testing time is upon us once again. All operating crew members must pass this test. We are planning to have the testing at the Museum office on October 8th & 10th at 7:00 p.m. Tests will also be given at Campo on the weekends. A gentle reminder to all engineers to submit the paperwork needed for certification.

I would like to thank everyone who has helped with running the trains and helping on track work.

I would also like to welcome five new Trainmen to our ranks. Welcome to **Allen Dillane, Matt Rockenback, Mike Morrin, Jon Vikander and Ashley Anderson.** Welcome aboard.

Track Work Party - There will be a track work party the weekend of October 10-11. We really need all the help we can get. We will be clearing cuts and access trails both days. If you can come either day (or both!), great. Give Paul Westover a call at (619) 272-3523 if you plan to make it. He's coordinator of the track work project. 🚂

UPCOMING EVENTS. . . at the San Diego Model Railroad Museum

Friday, October 30, 1992

First Annual Awards Dinner

5:30 pm - Reception

7:30 pm - Dinner

To be held in the Loggia Room (Above Cafe del Rey Moro in Balboa Park). Cost: \$25.00 per person. Awards will be presented in six categories:

- Benefactor Award
- Museum Member of the Year
- Model Railroader of the Year
- La Mesa Model Railroader of the Year
- SoNS Model Railroader of the Year
- S. D. Model Railroad Club Railroader of the Year

Plus a slide presentation on the development of the museum since its beginning, and door prizes. Join Master of Ceremonies Jack White, of Channel 10 news and your friends for an evening of fun! Advance payment required.

Mail reservations and payment to: Awards Dinner, San Diego Model Railroad Museum, 1649 El Prado, San Diego, CA 92101.

Yes, I want to attend the:
San Diego Model Railroad Museum
Foundation First Annual Awards Dinner

Please reserve _____ seats at \$25.00 each.

Total enclosed is \$ _____.

Name _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

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STEAM TEAM UPDATE

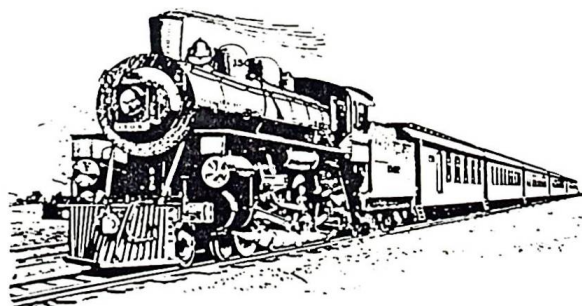
Larry Williams

Just a reminder to all members of the Steam Team and anyone who wants to join in the restoration of #2353: Our work schedule will be Friday, Saturday and Sunday until further notice.

The monthly meeting will still be held on the third Thursday of the month.

We're ahead of schedule, but we still have lots of work to do, so if you've been thinking about coming out to Campo to help out, come on out.

Hope to see you at Campo. 



Christmas...It's Coming!

Chalmers Kerr

Last year the Museum had at Grossmont Center an excellent mini museum and gift shop, complete with Christmas trees and decorations. However, the Museum office looked like Scrooge worked there!

For 1992 let's all pitch in and dress up the office in fine style for Kay, Bobbi, the public and the Museum members.

The first task is to get a Christmas tree. As a challenge donation, I'll donate a tree. A Museum friend has already given a box of craft decorations.

I propose that each volunteer, members or friends donate an ornament, a garland, icicles, a set of regular or mini tree lights, an angel, a tree stand that holds water, and any other decorations suitable for the office.

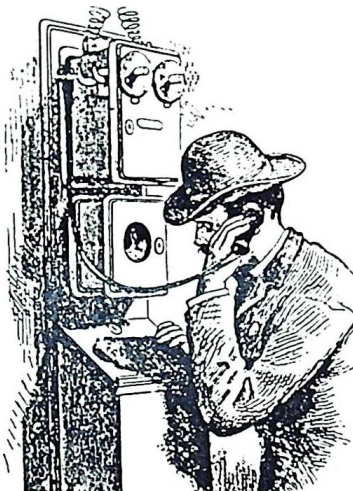
Drop off the decorations at the office in time to set up the tree in late November or early December. Donors of a tree stand or lights, please check first to see if these items are still needed.

When everything is on hand, perhaps a tree decorating party can be held. If you have questions or ideas, please call me on 291-4787.



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
Interpretation Dept.	Rich Borstadt	447-3297
Research	Bruce Semelsberger	264-7282
Chief Trainman	Mike Retz	466-8808
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

SDRM CALENDAR OF EVENTS



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	2 - Steam Team Work Day	3 8:30 AM - Train Crew 10:00 AM - Library - Kettner Bl. 12:00 NOON - Restoration Mtg. - Steam Team Work Day
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