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## **PROGRESS**

Great strides have been made in the warehouse work, due to the efforts of a small

but dedicated group of workers.

The gains made by a few members over a few Saturday workdays are truly amazing. So much progress has been made in the last two months, that we are now looking at a beginning date for the actual construction of our long awaited layouts.

Good men working together with a

common goal can achieve much.

Onward, we build toward the 'Golden Spike Ceremonies'.

### SPECIAL VISITORS

Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Wallace paid us

visits twice during the month of May.

During the first visit Malcolm heard that the Museum wanted to have a small visitor operated layout in the clubroom. With that bit of news, Malcolm offered to give the museum an operable Marx O-27 train with track and a number of accessories. The following week Malcolm showed up with the train set.

Thank you Malcolm for your generosity.

# 'O' TROLLEY MEMBER RETURNS

A former member from the Halleck days, Manuel Noriega has been visiting the club lately and is considering submitting an application for membership.

### <u>INVITE FRIENDS</u>

If you will remember that possibly someone asked you to join EBMES...Please do a friend a favor, invite him/her into our club.

# EGG ON THE FACE AWARD



Apologies are in order to - War Robert 'Bob' Dangel from Kelseyville. Last month we reported his demise in Clinkers & Sparks. We are very pleased to report that, that the report was a mistake. Our information source revealed his error at the March Business meeting.

There has been some talk about sending the reporter in this matter to Death Valley next August to do a feature story on the sand quality at Bad Water, California, to be followed by an on the go' first hand report of the 1990 Iditarod Dog

Sled Race in Alaska.

Word has it that Pauli Scarfano the owner of The Scarfano Printing Co. (Printer of this publication) was not too amused. Fortunately his cousin Angelo 'Bananas' Bonano, owner of International Donut Brokers, was on a short hiatus to Palermo and could not be reached for comments or suggestions at this time.

# **SMOKING BAN**

THE GSMRM BOARD PASSED A RESOLUTION LAST MONTH TO BAN SMOKING ANYWHERE IN THE MUSEUM BUILDING. THIS NEW RESOLUTION CONFORMS TO EBRPD POLICY.

# PCR PICNIC

The PCR picnic will be held in Davenport on Sunday, June 25th. Please check the COAST DISPATCH for details and directions.

East Bay volunteers will man the kitchen facilities for this event.

#### MATERIAL NEEDED FOR PUBLICATION

Deadline for copy to be considered for publication is the third Friday of the month. Place copy in Editors Box in office

# '90 ON THE HIGH ARM Convention News

by Paul Soito

This signals full throttle for the PCR convention to be held in Oakland, California in the Spring of 1990. The annual four day meet is being sponsored by your Society under the direction of Ray deBlieck, General Chairman.

Featuring a theme based on "Heritage and High Tech" it will present views of prototype and modeling, spanning the period from the turn of the century to the present and beyond. There will be events catering to all experience levels and tastes in modeling.

Over thirty clinics conducted by nationally recognized experts will range from historic trolley restoration and turn of the century layouts to modern control and computer options. Techniques demonstrated will cover weathering for age to 3D photography. Layout and prototype tours will also reflect this historical panorama.

Developing plans and activities will continue to be featured in these pages to keep you informed.

Serious condideration should be given by all members of EBMES/GSMRM in offering their time and effort in assisting in this important affair. Many jobs need to be done to make the Convention successful.



Rara Avis announced its first 'Open House' of 1989. The event is scheduled for Sunday, June 4th, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at 3494 Clayton Road in Concord, California.

Rara Avis specializes in 'O' gauge and larger (all the way up to 7.5" gauge). Live steam, LGB, Kalamazoo, REA, Bachmann, and many other large scale products.

There will be door prizes, special sales, new items and food available.

There will be a giant layout in the parking lot to run your live steam locos.

The Bay Area Garden Railway Society will be operating their modular layout.

To cap off the event there will be the "Silk Purse From Sow's Ear" Model Contest. Bring your favorite model that has been "kit-bashed" and maybe win a prize.

For more information, please call (415) 685-6566 during business hours.

# THE MUSEUM REPORT By Ken Harrison

Will begin with the next issue of Clinkers & Sparks.

## THE CALENDA

- 1. Fri., June 2nd, EBMES Bus. Mtg. 10:00 p.m. 2. Sun., June 4th. COAST DIV. MEET at Salesian High School, 2851 Salesian Ave., Richmond CA. 3. Sun., June 4th. Open House at Rara Avis in Concord, CA.Bay Area Garden Railway Society display.
- 4. Sun., June 25th PCR picnic, Davenport CA

NEXT TIME TRAVEL BY TRAIN Support National Rail Passenger Service.

#### SPECIAL NOTICE

Show your EBMES membership card at Tom Cole's Crossing Gate and receive a 10% discount.

### WANT ADS

See Editor for rates and rules.

### THE 5th ANNUAL GARDEN RAILWAU CONVENTION

Concord, California 1989

THE 9th ANNUAL NARROW GAUGE CONVENTION DURANGO, COLORADO Sept. 20-24, 1989

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