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Southern Pacific 9010



The KM 9010 running under its own power.

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October 19, 2017, was a monumental day in the restoration of SP 9010. It moved for more than a few feet under its own power for the first time since 1968.

First is the starting of the Maybach engine after installation of a brand new set of starting batteries. All in all, it took about 20 seconds of cranking for the engine to start.

We ran the 9010 up and down our shop lead with 190 ton SD9 SP5472 and 120 ton NW2 SP1423 in tow. Neither of the other locomotives were

running.

Great thanks go out to Gerry Feeney for manning the throttle and Bill Stimmerman for keeping an eye on the gauges and listening for strange noises so I could be trackside and enjoy the sight and sound.

With regards to our supporters and donors.

Howard Wise

See Youtube:

<https://youtu.be/ZznjQBuKt0o>

<https://youtu.be/Xse72j51p7c>

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ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

November 4	1st Saturday	East Track Building, 8 a.m. (Brightside Yard)
November 11	2nd Saturday	Board of Directors Meeting, 3 p.m. (Sunol Depot)
November 21	3rd Tuesday	Bah Humbug TOL Test Train
November 24	4th Friday	Train of Lights (7:30 p.m. Sunolian Train, Sunol)
November 25	4th Saturday	Train of Lights (7:30 p.m. Volunteer Train, Sunol)
November 26	4th Sunday	Train of Lights (4:30 p.m. Volunteer Train, Niles)

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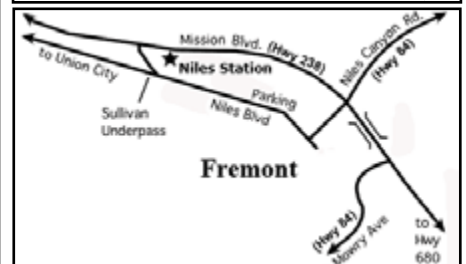
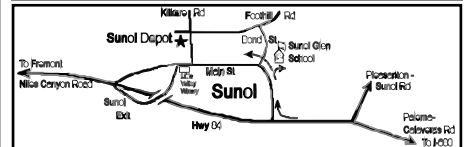
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The Club Car

The deadline for submitting articles and photos for next month's issue of The Club Car is the **20th of this month**. Submitting articles is easy by e-mail in MS Word™ text format.

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President's Report

I have just finished writing the Annual Report for PLA's Fiscal Year 2016-2017.

This is distributed along with the financial statements to the Voting Members of the organization. It documents the various activities from the previous year, all of which have been detailed in the Club Cars. The various sources of income and expenses are reviewed with an eye for highlighting the relationships between the sources and expenses.

Train of Lights is almost here. The train was 95% sold out in a couple of days. It is a primary source of revenue for the organization, and the funds it generates are the principle funds used for all the restoration and maintenance activities we enjoy spending volunteer man-hours on.

So once again we need lots of volunteers to come out and spend volunteer man-hours to keep the train a success. It is only by providing our passengers with the kind of experience they have grown to love that allows it to be such a wonderful funding source. So if you enjoy riding the trains come out and volunteer to work on the various runs. You get to ride the train and can help us make it successful. If you like to work on maintenance and restoration projects, come out and help decorate, or help the mechanical department and MOW with their work to keep everything running smoothly.

The PLA is an organization that has grown completely with and because of the support of our dedicated volunteers (and for many years their wallets). Some volunteers come out and just grind away methodically on pet projects and will keep doing so as long as they can. When they eventually finish a project, they look around and find a new one to work on. Sometimes these are small projects, worked on singularly or with a few like-minded volunteers, that aren't very visible to the general membership, but they are infinitely valuable. Some of these projects would never get done if it weren't for these volunteers, as there

are too many large projects that seem to absorb the available man-hours.

Well that was an interesting diversion. I just spent the last almost two hours standing 500 feet away from the ACE train I ride home on Fridays. I always like to stand and see how these things play out, and rate the professionalism of the train crew (and the police, in this instance). This was due to an Unattended Bag being identified. When the train reached Pleasanton, it was evacuated in an orderly manner. We were instructed to cross the street and stand alongside the Alameda County Fairgrounds fence. Many passengers complied, but many more stood about 150 feet away from the train. It took the police a good 15 minutes to finally convince most of the passengers to cross the street. As is usual, some refuse to comply, but they did at least move out of the parking lot and up to the street. The crowd across the street though kept spilling into the street, as it was a lot of people (almost 1000) to fit in a small area. Since the police and train crew were all centered in an area, it is natural for the sheep (I mean passengers) to stay close by, so they don't miss anything. One police officer kept enjoining the passengers to spread out so they didn't keep blocking the street. He was getting frustrated, but he didn't have good crowd skills. When he began impugning the intelligence of the crowd, as being unable to understand such simple orders, I suggested that he block off the street. If it was dangerous for us to be in the street, it probably was equally dangerous to have vehicles racing by. Three minutes later, the street was blocked. Only transit buses were allowed in to disgorge their passengers for the later trains, as they had to return for their next loop. Interestingly, once the street was closed off, the passengers had far less problems staying out of the street. Go figure.

And we waited. We apparently were waiting for the Pleasanton Bomb Removal Team to arrive with an

explosives dog, and/or the Alameda County Bomb Removal Team (which I believe is based in Dublin). The crowd began to thin as a number of passengers made alternative arrangements (Uber and Lyft were popular, especially for people going to Livermore. If you were going to the Central valley, driving over the Altamont is just not a better plan on a Friday).

But then the next train people began arriving and the area filled up again.

After about a total of 90 minutes the officers and train crew started walking back toward the train. I knew this meant the danger was gone. They waved everyone back onto the train. I asked an officer what changed; he stated he couldn't discuss it. What? I told him that was OK, I would ask someone who knew. I then hunted down the fare enforcement kid. I asked him if the bag owner had made contact, he said yes. Apparently, the bag owner, who had arrived earlier on a flight from Japan, boarded the train at Diridon Station. He reported he forgot something (probably to validate his ticket or something equally ridiculous) and raced off the train. By the time he returned, the train had left. Eventually, the bag was noticed, and after attempts to locate the owner failed, the train was stopped in Pleasanton and evacuated. I have no idea what the bag owner was doing, but he eventually contacted ACE (maybe he was trapped on the following train, put 2 and 2 together, and realized it was his bag) and after confirming the suitcase was indeed his and harmless, the All Clear was given.

So we arrived at Vasco 100 minutes late, and the following trains were also at least 40 minutes late due to traffic issues and other problems.

ACE personnel did the right thing, safety always comes first. Even if it upsets the passengers. We follow similar rules for our trains. The responses and comments of my fellow passengers were extremely interesting. While some passengers felt that everything

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Along the Right of Way FROM THE GENERAL MANAGER

October has turned out to be a very interesting month around Brightside. The mighty KM 9010 became an operational engine again. No one would ever have expected that this engine would rise from the rust and missing parts. The engine ran on its power units and controls. The air for brakes were provided by the SP 5472. It is just around the corner. Another year for sure. The SP 5472 can sit and watch big brother do it on its own. You want to really know what is taking place without putting out press releases. Just roam around in the car shop. Most likely that would put you to sleep, things don't move fast, but things get done on the KM 9010. When all the radiators are installed, that section will be put back on engine. The engine will be in many rail fan magazines. You might not be able to read them. The pictures will be great. Howard Wise has just gone into the hall of fame for rare engine restoration. The KM 9010 is the last one standing. All Howard has is blue prints. There are others that have done wonders in design and making parts for this engine. Another article is set aside for them. I want them to be the center of the article. It will be interesting to read. Howard and crew, congratulation for making this engine what it is today.

The TOL, the Big Number one in Country is well under way. In fact, when you read this, we will be done with the decoration of this monster. Nov 21, test run to see how many plugs we missed. Thanksgiving is a work day by some to make sure the train is ready to roll for the Friday after Thanksgiving. This year, the train is 16 cars long. The Combine is back with a gift shop fully stocked with PLA good stuff. These are for the people that get on at Niles that don't have a gift shop.

Good move on Gail Hedberg's approach to getting this done. The car was last on the train in 2010. This is



Photo by Dexter Day

HOLLYWOOD make over was done on the Combine 453 for TOL. Car needs a lot more preparation before final prime and paint.

its coming out party for 453 before we put it back into the barn to complete the job. But for this season, it will hold its own and the new gift shop to have an opportunity to make good. Jim Green will be doing a complete inspection of the car. It needs the normal annual check that is done on our cars. Air Brake, lube, adjustments, coupler. Jim also completed the two cabooses and signed them off.

The double articulated has just received its new generator. It is on the car now. It will be hooked up after the TOL. We now have four cars that

produce heat and AC. The Diner, Dome ATSF 505/ SP double articulated.

GGRM on the move. They are unloading Brightside piece by piece. Containers are gone and many other items are being loaded to move out. The area that they vacated will be developed into an area for overnight stays in RV's. The preparation of area is well under way.

Steve Barkkarie and train crew had a few days of successful side dump operations to clear Farmers culvert that flooded the highway last winter.

Still like to know what is up on that hill.

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Photo by Dexter Day

Steve Barkkarie digging out the culvert at Farmers Crossing. Trying to make it better.



Photo by Dexter Day

Our new Caldwell Lif-Truc. A fork lift crane in short. New 6ft fork blades are enroute.

Or Mother Nature planned the perfect attack on the railroad and Highway. The drain is designed for normal run off. Not a burst of mud, rocks, water, tree. Mother Nature most likely formed a natural dam and it broke. The Culvert as we know it still stands and is ready to receive water. Hope we have a light rain winter.

The Wednesday M of W has their hands full while they continue to pick up the 310 dead ties that took place between Dresser and Sunol from our last go around with H & H. The Wednesday crew also are replacing ties that were in write-ups from our weekly track inspection.

The WP 713 is in the Car shop receiving its new paint job. It is primed now but will be turning green soon. It will be great to have this engine in new paint since we use it all the time. Will have more on this next month when finished.

Our new hoist for the forklift arrived. It is a nice designed unit. Of course! They had to put it to work right away. They loaded the old wood chipper onto a truck and away it went. We will be getting a lot of use out of this unit.

It is now time for our members to sign up to work on board the TOL this year. This train needs a large support staff each time it goes out. From parking cars to working the snack bar and galley making cider. The two first class cars need hosts to serve our guests. Then there is the ticket staff to handle ticket situations that come about. Yes, we need you to help. Every year we make it but some nights are a little thin and it is rough on the ones that are working the train.

Well, that's it for this month, Hope everyone has a good Thanksgiving. Work safely and hope to see you along the right of way.

Dexter D. Day

NILES CANYON RAILWAY

The Train of Lights needs you!

Are you getting excited?? The Train of Lights event is almost here. It's such a magical time of the season! Our passengers come to ride with enthusiasm and excitement every night, and we need to keep that happiness flowing throughout the 24 nights of the season. But we still need YOU to help us. As of this writing, we still need 41 4:30 caboose hosts and 41 7:30 caboose hosts, 44 4:30 dome car hosts and 39 7:30 dome car hosts, 26 4:30 parlor car hosts and 24 7:30 parlor car hosts, 17 foodies to make food for the crews, 25 electricians, 60 train snack bar staff, 71 Niles Station ticket window staff and 77 Niles Station parking lot staff, 39 Sunol Depot ticket window staff and 112 Sunol Depot parking lot staff, and 16 gift shop on the train staff. For volunteering, please go to ncry.org and click on Volunteer Opportunities under Volunteer at the top of the home page, and then sign up for a job. If you

want to help on both the 4:30 and the 7:30 trains for caboose hosts, dome car hosts, and parlor car hosts, you will need to sign up for both the 4:30 and the 7:30 spots. But please sign up first. Don't just show up one night and plan on helping. We appreciate your help, but everyone needs to know if help is needed each night before that night happens. If someone signs up to volunteer, and comes out to help, and sees someone is already there who didn't sign up, the person who signed up will get discouraged and not want to help again. So this year, if several people want to work a position, whoever signs up online will be working

the position. If you didn't sign up and decide to come and help, if the spot is already filled, we could still use you, but it might not be in the position you wanted.

Pat Warren also needs train crew, but you have to be qualified for those positions, so if you are, please contact her or sign up online.

It's so much fun to interact with our passengers. Disneyland isn't the only place with magic; come be a part of our magic, and work the Train of Lights with us!

Thank you for all of your volunteering, we can't do it without you!

donna alexander

President's Report

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was handled correctly, others decided that the offending bag owner was not fit to breathe air on their planet. Some felt the ACE personnel also could have handled it better (just toss the bag out along the ROW was suggested numerous times). The Pleasanton Police were poorly equipped to handle the situation, since Pleasanton has no real crime (not true, but perceptions are perceptions). The fact that some passengers felt that their desire to get home was more important than the safety of their fellow passengers and the train crew is just not a reaction I can

understand.

Even if some of the things that were done were wrong, and maybe even exacerbated the situation, the fact is that we are all human, and while we are positive we always know what is best or at least better than everyone else, everyone makes mistakes.

It is very similar to working with volunteers.

As always, if you would like to discuss any topic in further detail, please contact me by phone at 925.447.7358 or by email at president@ncry.org

Respectfully submitted
Henry Baum

CLUB CAR EDITOR WANTED

We are looking for that someone special to take over the editor duties starting January 2018.

Contact Dennis Mann
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WANT TO VOLUNTEER? START HERE!

YOUR VOLUNTEER HELP IS ALWAYS NEEDED AND APPRECIATED

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Membership Report

The first thing I always recommend to any new member is the New Member Orientation, with Glenn Fountain. Those new members this month are Terry Stokes, Marshall Williams, the family of China Naga Vinnakota, Aruna Kureti, Bhanu Devaguptapu, and Rohith and Aditya Vinnakota, the family of Katrina and Connor Malone, the family of Ren Whysong, Chuyun Chang, Henry Ka Jr., and Benjamin and William Whysong, the family of Rosalba Perez and Danna Soto, the family of Fred, Paty, Tony, and Jonathan Henderson, and the family of Bob Owens and Yoki Park. Some of them may already know what they want to be doing on the railroad, but I believe any of us, when we are first starting out, could benefit from an introduction and an overview, especially from the perspective of someone with Glenn's many years of experience with PLA.

For those members who would like to contribute but have not already jumped right in, Ed Best, our Volunteer Coordinator, has the task of reaching out and matching them up with the various needs for volunteers that arise from time to time throughout all aspects of our operations. Ed makes the more specific introductions than Glenn does, among people who actually end up working together on their common interests and sharing their specific skills.

But wait. There's more! Now I would like to introduce the person who looks after our already active volunteers to ensure that their experience is as rewarding as it should be, both to them and to our organization. Linda Stanley has recently stepped forward to meet this vital need. As Linda says, it's all about communication. People need to

know what is going on in other departments that will impact the area of their own concerns, and they need their own concerns to be heard by the people running those other departments. People need to know when their own goals might have adverse effects in areas they had not considered. People need to know that they are heard, not just a herd, and that they and their contributions are appreciated and respected. That's an awful lot for Linda to take on, but with her spearheading the work on Member Communications, things can only get better.

Any of these three helpful people can benefit from and leverage your insight if you are an active volunteer, yourself. Please communicate the general nature of what you do to Glenn, the needs for specific volunteers in your area to Ed, and any concerns about coordination with other projects around you to Linda. That is a part of how we will make the Pacific Locomotive Association continue becoming an ever more amazing success.

And while you're at it, have a nice Thanksgiving. As a member of PLA, you have a lot to be thankful for.

Peter Midnight



Photo by Radoslav Radev

Ride on the Beer Train.

Treasurer's Report

Paul Veltman, Treasurer

September 2017

In September, \$25,715 in donations were received.

\$5,000 was received for painting the WP 713, \$200 for the General Fund, \$20,115 for the SP 9010, \$100 for the Robert Dollar #3, \$100 for the steam department, \$100 for the car department and \$100 for the new locomotive shop.

Donors were:

Andrew Goodson
Jean Pol Zundel
Linda Stanley in memory of Dudley Westler
Steve Jones in memory of Dudley Westler and John Senf
Kent and Gail Hedberg
Dick and Barbara Harley
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Dennis O'Brien
Pat Warren in memory of Kent Brezee

We thank all of you for your generosity in helping the Niles Canyon Railway and its many projects.

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NILES CANYON RAILWAY



Photo by Dan Sarka

Hunter's Moon Special potluck dinner and steam train ride at Sunol Depot Garden.



Photo by Dan Sarka

A typical train crew required for Steam/Diesel special operations. Countless other volunteers are behind these individuals who give their time and enthusiasm to carry forth the magic of a very historical railroad.



Photo by Dan Sarka

Dave and Stephanie Tadlock taking '5' before the 12:30 regular ops departure to Niles. While Dave is a Brakeman and Stephanie is a Student Brakeman, both are Steam Engineers at Railtown 1897 State Historic Park/Sierra Railway at Jamestown.

NILES CANYON RAILWAY



Photo by Pat Stratton

"Speak no work, see no work, hear no work!"



Photo by Dan Sarka

Doug Debs and Dee Murphy at the Hunter's Moon Special potluck dinner and train ride at Sunol Depot Garden.



Photo by Dan Sarka

Hunter's Moon Special potluck dinner and steam train ride at Sunol Depot Garden.

Wednesday Maintenance of Way

Putting in an appearance this past month was: Bob Pratt, Dee Murphy, Pat Stratton, Pat Hafey, Gregg McNaughton, Karen Kadaja, Jim Stewart, Ron Thomas, Joe Romani, Dee Murphy, John Zielinski, Rich Alexander and yours truly!

And what was accomplished you ask?

May I have the envelope please?

Continued bolt tightening, 98% clean-up from H. & H.s last tie extraction party, the usual, daily switching of MOW pieces so that the needed equipment could be sent out, making the parts Burro more accessible for removing the counter weight, making the Promark Chipper accessible for removal to its new home, more bolt tightening, lunches, continued fight against bad tires and misplaced tools and wheels, re-strapping the phone booth at Farwell, replacing the concrete core samples that are used to hold up the ballast at the culvert at MP-30.6, and all sorts of "little" things that pop up.

FYI: If you break a Craftsman tool, do



Photo by John Zielinski

If it weren't for John Zielinski, many tires would go flat, leaks would take longer to be fixed and there would be gnashing of teeth and wailing along the ROW!

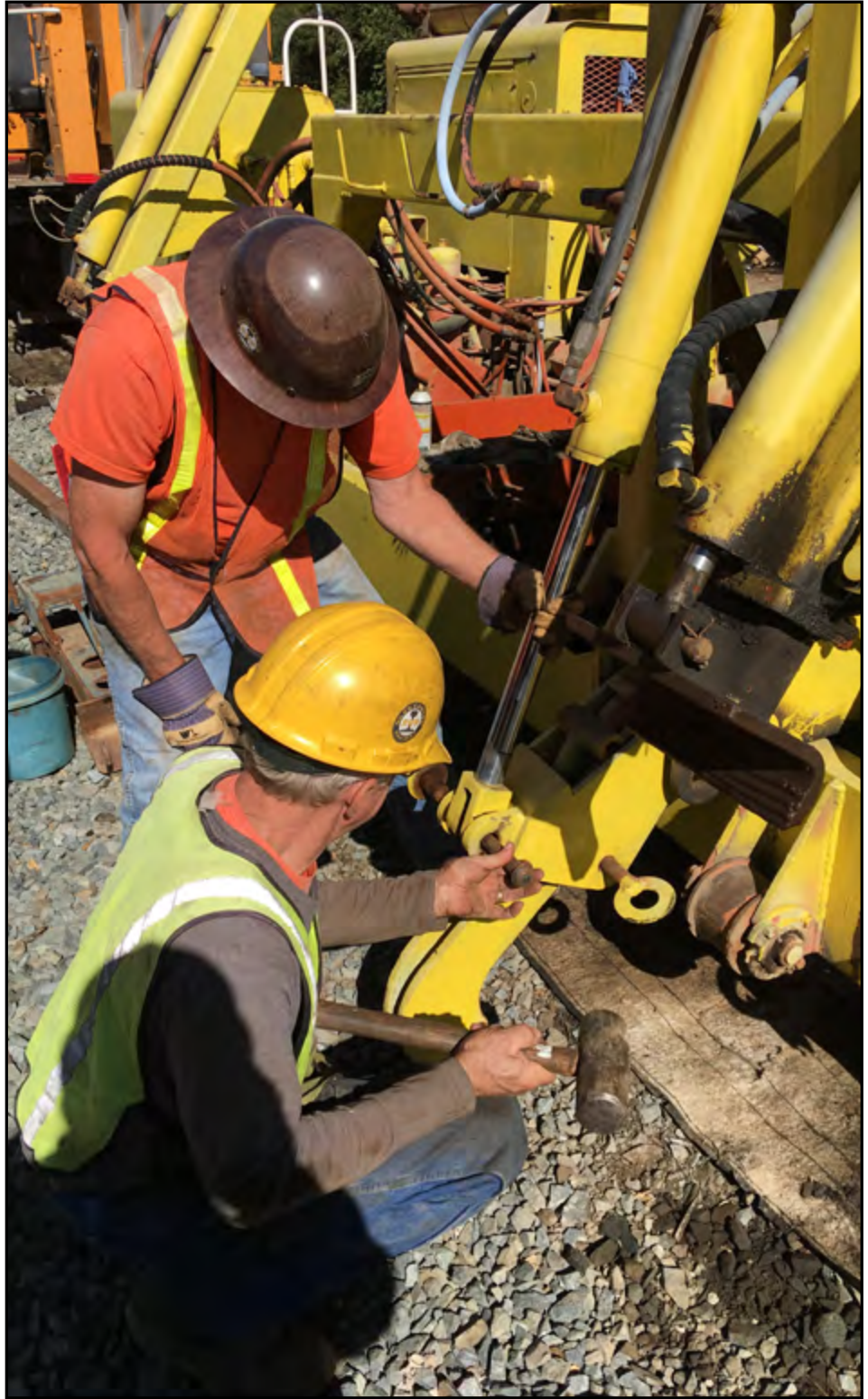


Photo by Joe Peterson

Pat Stratton holds the shaft while Ron Thomas applies some persuasion to release the pin. In the end, they won!

NILES CANYON RAILWAY

Wednesday Maintenance of Way

not throw it out. Take it to Sears for a replacement.

We also took time out to remember Bob Ackerman. Bob was instrumental in getting the Fairmont Tamper's vibration motors removed, re-built and re-installed before a long sabbatical. He will be missed!

Thanks to a great team, another nice productive month along the Right-of-Way!

Joe Peterson

Photo by Joe Peterson

Right, The Farwell phone booth was hit by vandals and now sports five black bands of newly applied banding straps in an attempt to keep the miscreants at bay.

Photo by Karen Kadaja

Below, WEDMOW enjoys lunch wherever we are along the right-of-way, even if it is in Brightside yard!



Saturday Maintenance of Way

Saturday Maintenance-of-way (MOW) crews are actively working on the new spur at Verona, fondly nicknamed the Phoebe named in honor of the original spur and station for which the Phoebe Hearst estate was located nearby. The last two rails were installed 10-7-17 and as of this writing remaining work includes minor spiking, ballasting and surfacing. This will be a great addition to our track so that MOW equipment

can be switched out without having to go back across the Sunol-Pleasanton Road crossing to the switch at Hearst siding. Once the spur is completed, the next order of business is to harden up the mainline from the new switch at Verona eastward to the end of track. This comprises of replacing bad ties

from all the panels, straightening and re-spacing ties. Many of the ties also need to be lifted (nipped) and re-spiked. Once that is done, ballast can be placed and eventually the track will be surfaced.

Mike Strider



Photo by Dan Sarka

Gail Hedberg is outfitting Derek Schipper at the Sunol Gift Shop with a brand new Conductor's hat.



Photo by Joe Peterson

Bob Ackerman re-seating the end plate on one of the re-built Fairmont Tamper vibratory motors. Thanks for all you did and may you rest in peace!



Newest Christmas item to be featured in the gift shops this year!!!

Niles Canyon Railway Engineer Bear

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DECEMBER 6, 2017
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TRAIN OF LIGHTS HOLIDAY RAFFLE

New On-Board Gift Shop

Niles Canyon Railway Fundraiser

A PLA member and her team of talented quilters from Safari West in Santa Rosa, CA. put in over 350 hours to create this holiday quilt for Niles Canyon Railway.

Tickets are \$5.00 each or 5 for \$20.00
Winners will be notified Dec. 31st



The Car Department has finished interior restorations of the vintage railcar known as the "453 Combine" for use as an added on-board holiday gift shop on the Train of Lights. Rich Alexander and Carlo Borlandelli helped design and created the framework for a unique shopping experience in the baggage area. The history behind this car is it was built new as Arizona Eastern Railway (AE) #453 then later became Southern Pacific Railroad (SP) #3176 after AE was absorbed by the SP on Dec. 31, 1924. This car was used in 1946-late through 1950's on the Sacramento Daylight, trains 53-54.

Visit the on-board and Sunol depot gift shop during TOL and check out the latest fundraising opportunity to support ongoing railcar and locomotive restoration projects. New holiday ornaments and a wonderful engineer teddy bear and toys are just a few of the unique items this year. All proceeds from sales from items in our stores directly support the Niles Canyon Railway museum.

To celebrate the launch of the on-board gift shop and newly restored Combine for TOL; a group of PLA members from Safari West, Santa Rosa, CA created a beautiful holiday quilt as a raffle item. Tickets are \$5.00 each or five for \$20.00. The winning ticket will be drawn on December 31st. Stop by and see the quilt to appreciate the hours of work from these talented quilters. Contact giftshop@ncry.org to purchase tickets if unable to ride the train this year. Please visit the car and see all its charm and classic history including the beloved pot belly stove. Your support is important and our volunteers appreciate knowing you acknowledge their hard work behind the scenes. The gift shop team certainly does.

Gail Hedberg

Gift Shop Manager
giftshop@ncry.org

Flagging at Farmers Crossing



Photo by Curt Hoppins

General Manager Dexter Day is watchman and flagging Farmers crossing for Curt Hoppins Signal crew.

NILES CANYON RAILWAY

The following is a list of the people who helped run your railroad in **September**. Names in Bold are new members, first timers, or the first time in a long time. If you are new to volunteering on the railroad, please print your name clearly on the sign in sheet so it can be read. You can also send hours by e-mail to Paul Veltman at: stumpie1@sbcglobal.net.

Note that if I can't read your writing, you may not get credit for the hours you worked.

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