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Scheduled and Unscheduled Society Events, Timely News, and Notes of Interest

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SCRVRHS Fireworks Sales To Begin 6/27 Our Only 2014 Fundraiser Needs Your Help

By Rick Swanson

131 East Telegraph Boulevard (Highway 126) will again be the location for the SCRVRHS Fireworks booth. Located in a shaded, tree filled park setting,



the booth offers a pleasant experience for both customers and volunteers alike. Located near Pole Creek on the north side of Highway 126 as you enter Fillmore from the east, this location offers the best opportunity for the most important, fund raising activity of this non-profit organizations' year.

Due to a loss in income

from the 2014 Railfest cancellation, this year's fireworks effort is really important in supporting the society goals of a concrete surround and fencing for the turntable project. "Our general fund has suffered from annual insurance and recent facility repair expenses and we could use the fireworks money to assist with our mission", said Ron Lewis, SCRVRHS President.

Society members can help out in two big ways. First, **buy your 4th of July fireworks at our booth** and enjoy the car show and other festivities that will be taking place in Fillmore on the 4th. Second, donate some time and **help us**

sell fireworks. Two shifts of volunteers have been set up for your convenience. They are 9:00 am to 3:00 pm and 3:00 pm to 9:00 pm daily through the 4th of July. We need at least two people, age 18 and older, in the booth at all times. Volunteer just a few hours of your time and support YOUR Society. We need both you and the money generated by fireworks



sales. And, it's fun! Contact **Jim Mendrala** for the sign up's at: 661-294-1049 or info@scrvrhs.com or j.mendrala@ieee.org.



Dusty Clark, SCRVRHS Director and Fireworks Chair for many years enjoys his farewell cake before moving to Texas this past spring.

SESPE SOLD

By Ron Lewis

The beloved Sespe Porter steam Locomotive was recently sold to the Jacksonville Oregon Historical Society by the F&W.

In Oregon, the Sespe once served as motive power for a one car train between Jacksonville and neighboring towns. Just a few years ago, the F&W transported the locomotive to Jacksonville for an anniversary celebration. The locomotive, was featured in a parade through the old downtown district, steamed up and with whistle blowing. It was the hope of the Jacksonville Historical Society to someday return the locomotive to it's original home. That hope has now become a reality.

However, it was a sad day to see the little Sespe load up and leave Fillmore.

Happy Rails!

DISPATCH BOARD

SUMMER 2014

June 27 — July 4th FIREWORKS 9:00 am to 9:00 pm, East Hwy 126, Fillmore (see article on page 1)

- July 4th Sespe Creek Car Show & Holiday Celebration Fillmore
- July 9th No General Membership Meeting Thanks for helping with fireworks!
- August 6th 7:00 p.m. SCRVRHS Board of Directors Mtg, Railroad Visitor Center 455 Main Street, Fillmore
- August 13th 7:00 p.m. General Membership Meeting Railroad Visitor Center, Fillmore
- Sept. 3rd 7:00 p.m. SCRVRHS Board of Directors Mtg, Railroad Visitor Center 455 Main Street, Fillmore
- Sept. 10th7:00 p.m.General Membership Meeting
Railroad Visitor Center, Fillmore

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AROUND THE ROUNDHOUSE . . .



On June 3rd, SCRVRHS hosted a group of students from Fillmore High School. The kids really enjoyed the Visitor Center, taking great interest in the O-Gauge train display with the Society's new 2-8-4 Lionel Locomotive (with sound and smoke) and a movie in the theater. All were treated to free popcorn and a guided tour of the center's artifact displays.

After the Visitor Center, the students rode the train West just beyond Bellio Hill. For many of the students, this was their first train ride. We received many compliments for offering this tour project. By Ron Lewis, President

