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# WELCOME RAILFANS!

APPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY! The Board of Directors, Members and Event Sponsors of the Santa Clara River Valley Railroad Historical Society, Inc. are pleased that you chose to join our St. Patrick's Day Rail Celebration today! Thank you for giving us the opportunity to show you a good 'railroading' time and for supporting the Society's efforts to create an educational Railroad Interpretive Center (RIC) right here in Ventura County.

'speeder' rides, and the big red ticket caboose. Feel free to ask them for information about today's activities, the RIC, or what it means to 'GET CONNECTED' by joining the Society. Don't forget to visit our displays in the red Santa Fe Caboose #054!

### **TODAY'S ACTIVITIES**

☐ 1 HOUR WESTBOUND TRAIN RIDES: 10:00 am 11:30 am 1:00 pm 2:30 pm Tickets - \$12.00 adult \$7.00 Kids 4-12 Under 4 Free Purchase tickets in the Bay Window Caboose

# HAPPENING THROUGHOUT THE DAY:

- EXCITING EASTBOUND 'SPEEDER' RIDES: Tickets - \$1.00 adults \$.50 Kids
- DELICIOUS TRI-TIP BAR-B-QUE SANDWICHES
  Available with grilled onions, beans, potatoe salad,
  corn-on-the-cob, and your choice of beverage
- .A. LIVE STEAMERS DEMONSTRATIONS
- ☐ 'JOHNNY POPPER' GAS ENGINE EXHIBIT
- THE ROCK SPRINGS ROAD BLUE GRASS BAND playing 'live' in Central Park

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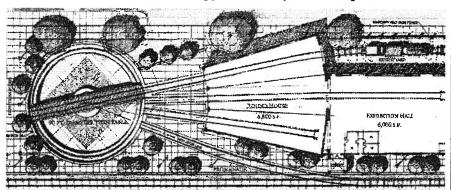
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# Here's What It's All About - Railroad Interpretive Center

The non-profit Santa Clara River Valley Railroad Historical Society, Inc., Railroad Interpretive Center (RIC) will be an exceptional facility with interactive exhibits that will interpret historical and contemporary rail equipment and its operation. This dynamic facility will educate young and old about all aspects of railroad history in the Santa Clara River Valley. The Center is a cornerstone in the City of Fillmore downtown revitalization and recovery from the 1994 Northridge earthquake. The Society has secured a lease for a corner of the railroad property as the project site. The key elements of the RIC, in the order of development, are: 1) a working 90 foot "box" turntable, circa 1911, that will be restored and installed on site; 2) a Round House of approximately 6,800 square feet for



display of historic locomotives and equipment and; 3) an Exhibition Hall of approximately 6,000 square feet with an interior spur rail line and areas for permanent and traveling exhibits. When the RIC is fully developed, the Society will expand its education programs and school tours reaching 2,000 children annually. In addition the RIC will become a visitor attraction in Fillmore and enhance local economic development. As a 'partner' in this 'community comeback' your contributions will help us showcase the rail, citrus, and oil industries that built the Valley. We will preserve the past, yet look to the future with a dynamic and interactive interpretive facility. Thanks to you and your contributions to our efforts!

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## **GET CONNECTED!**

YES, I want to join the Santa Clara River Valley
Railroad Historical Society, Inc.
—— \$35.00 Annual Individual Membership
—— \$50.00 Annual Full Family Membership

City: State Zip \_\_\_\_

Mail form to: SCRVRHS - 448 Sespe Avenue, Fillmore, California 93015



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#### STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

It is the purpose of this organization to assist in the preservation of the railroad corridor between Montalvo and Saugus, California, so as to maximize the economic, educational, environmental and recreational value of this unique historical asset to the residents of the Santa Clara River Valley and the surrounding area.

To this end it is the intent of this organization to acquire, preserve, restore, exhibit and operate historic railroad equipment, and to acquire, preserve, display, and make available for study, artifacts, information and photographs pertaining to railroad equipment, structures and operations in the Southern California region.