
Upcoming Parlor Car Chats

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SWANTON PACIFIC RAILROAD

January 9, 2021, 10 am PST

Presenter: Charlie Crabb

The Swanton Pacific Railroad represents over 105 years of railroad history. The railroad is located in Davenport, California, on the Cal Poly Swanton Pacific Ranch and operates 1/3-scale steam locomotives that were originally built for the 1915 Pan Pacific International Exhibition. Charlie Crabb will tell us about the early history of the locomotives, how Al Smith worked to establish the Swanton Pacific Railroad, and how a group of dedicated volunteers continue the effort to preserve railroad history. Charlie will share with us impacts that the recent CZU Complex fire had on the railroad. Finally, he will bring us up to date on efforts to recover from that devastating fire.

For this session, video and audio are highly recommended in order to see the photos and graphics as well as hear the commentary.

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VIEWS FROM THE OBSERVATION CAR

January 23, 2021, 10 am, PST

Presenter: Jamie Foster

If you ever get a chance to ride in an observation car on the end of a train, do it! Jamie and his wife Lynn have had numerous chances to do just that, and he'll share some photos and stories from those experiences. There will be views along the Starlight Route (L.A. to Seattle), Donner Pass, and Omaha, NE. For this session, video and audio are highly recommended in order to see the photos and graphics as well as hear the commentary.

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REMNANTS OF RAILROADS IN THE SANTA MARIA VALLEY

February 6, 2021, 10 am PST

Over the years, Jamie took advantage of many Friends of the Santa Maria Valley Railroad field trips, led mostly by Kevin O'Roark, who, as his wife pointed out, ventured forth "to see stuff that wasn't there any more". Exactly! A few remnants still exist, see the Sisquoc Depot above, which is now a home. Join us for Jamie's photos and commentary from these various field trips covering stretches of the Pacific Coast Railway (PCRY) and the Santa Maria Valley Railroad (SMVRR) that have long since been abandoned. The "rarest mileage" of our journey will be to the farthest eastern end of the SMVRR near Palmer.

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END OF YEAR GIVING

All 2020 members have had their memberships extended through the end of 2021, at no charge. So no membership fees are due from existing members at this time. However, the Museum's expenses go on, and projects continue to be worked on. This year we are seeking funds for the following:

General Operating Expenses

Scenery for the Central Coast Model Railroad

Painting of Rolling Stock (see above)

If you can help, please let us know how you would like your funds applied and send a check to SLORRM, [1940 Santa Barbara Ave, SLO, CA 93401](#). Or you can go to our website and pay through PayPal. If you would like to arrange to pay by credit card, let us know by emailing media@slorm.com.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP!

BECOME A MEMBER AND SUPPORT THE MUSEUM

Annual memberships are just \$36 a year for individuals and \$60 for families (prorated for new memberships). You can become a lifetime member for \$1000 or, if you are 62 or older, only \$600. Support the history of railroading on the Central Coast. Contact Diane at media@slorm.com or call 805-548-1894 for information. Note the Museum is temporarily closed.

MEMBERS: Do you like railroad history? Are you a modeler? Do you like to work on equipment or talk to people? We can use many different talents.

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