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The Santa Maria Valley Railway Historical Museum

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The Museum: Santa Maria Town Center Mall, Sat./Sun. 1-4:30pm

<http://www.smvrhm.org/> School/Club groups by appointment.


Caboose No. 200 being restored

The restoration of SMVRR Caboose No. 200 has just gotten underway at Train Mountain in Chiloquin, Oregon. This is the "sister" caboose to No. 210 (see story reverse side). Photo courtesy of Marie Weaver. 



SMVRR Caboose No. 200 at Train Mountain, Oregon.


Thank you, Gary!

Members and friends of the SMVRHM express their heartfelt gratitude for the efforts Gary Van Aken has given to the Museum as its President over the last year and a half, and since becoming a member years ago. Gary recently announced that he had to resign. We'll miss his support! Check in on us now and then, won't you, Gary!... 

Meetings

General: first Thursday of the month, 6:00pm, at the Santa Maria Inn.

Museum Development: Thursdays (except first Thursday of the month) at the Museum, 6:00pm


HO Modelers: Fridays at the Museum, 7:00pm. 

Rail Bosses

(Reverse emails to use - sorry, it's a spambot thing.)

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Sixth "Choo Chew" Saturday, Oct 29

At the Bitter Creek Western Live Steam Railroad

7.5-inch Gauge on the Nipomo Mesa
Enjoy Unlimited Train Rides, and BBQ!


Saturday, October 29, 2005

10:00am to 4:00pm

Santa Maria BBQ served Noon-2:00pm

Tickets: \$12/adult; \$6/child under 10

Make checks payable to "SMVRHM" and mail to:
SMVRHM, PO Box 264, Santa Maria, CA 93456-0264

Please allow time for tickets and a map to be returned to you via the USPS. Tickets may also be purchased at the Museum Gift Shop. Proceeds benefit the Santa Maria Valley Railway Historical Museum. 



Pictures from the last Choo Chew Saturday...



Model of Caboose No. 210 arrives at Bitter Creek

In July, Kevin's 1.6" scale model of the Santa Maria Valley Railroad's steel caboose No. 210 arrived at Bitter Creek Western Railroad (7.5" gauge), pictured below.



The original No. 210 is on display at the Amtrak station in Guadalupe, CA and is pictured below.



A 3rd grade class visits SMVRR Caboose No. 210 at Guadalupe in 2003.



Museum to Reopen by September 10th

Our Museum in the Town Center Mall is scheduled to reopen in time for the City's Centennial Weekend on September 10, 2005! The new location is on the second floor next to "Personally Yours" (section "K"), only a few dozen steps from the previous location.

We hope to be carrying some original watercolor railroad artwork by Museum-member Scott Hofmann, including images of the SMVRR. In the meantime, visit his web site: <http://www.hofmannstudios.com>



Museum member holds 13th Annual Rail Fest

Ken Kelley, an SMVRHM member, held the 13th annual Rail Fest for the benefit of the Santa Ynez Valley Humane Society. Visitors got to see both the magnificent indoor collection of pre-war Lionel equipment as well as Ken's new outdoor Lionel layout, the Santa Ynez Valley Redwood Railway (SYVRRy).



Ken (at left in a conductor's uniform) points out a few of the hundreds of vignettes on the five layouts in the Great Train Room. Here the group is gathered around the O-gauge layout.



A youngster studies a Southern Pacific Daylight passenger train as it comes off the Tehachapi Loop on the SYVRRy.

Many thanks to Dr. Marcus, Don, William, Ed, Helen, Rob, and Scott for setting up and operating an SMVRHM gift shop at Rail Fest 2005.

