The Railroad Museum at Ardenwood is located at Ardenwood Historic Farm, in Fremont, California. The Museum's mission is the preservation, restoration and interpretation of regional narrow gauge railroad history, including Carter Brothers, a pioneer railroad car builder of California. The Museum is operated by SPCRR, a non-profit 501 (c)(3) corporation of the State of California.

Introduction

Hootbox is a monthly publication of The Railroad Museum at Ardenwood, designed to update members and the general public about activities, work events, and volunteer opportunities at the museum. Individual comments or text can be directed to Rome MacGregor, editor, at editor@spcrr.org.

Volunteer Update

John Goldie, Membership Manager

Volunteer Who: Newly elected volunteer board member Kirk Stutz

Volunteer Where: Car Barn (eastern end of Ardenwood Historic Farm, Fremont)  Car Barn Furnishings and Organization

Who: Volunteer who is working on the Car Barn (as of January 11)

What: Moving and organizing shelving

Where: Car Barn (eastern end of Ardenwood Historic Farm, Fremont)

When: Saturday, January 11, 10am-5 pm; most Thursday afternoons, 2-5 pm

This activity is open to all skill levels. We have tools on hand. Leather gloves and sturdy footwear recommended.

Hotbox

Kevin Bunker's employer has possible surplus shelving located in San Francisco; someone able to transport the shelving for possible use, should email John Stutz to make arrangements.

As part of our regular monthly work days (January 11), we're hoping to make progress on two Car Barn projects:

Tracks

John Stutz, coordinator:

Who: All are welcome, but many tasks involved in track work require physical ability to lift heavy tools and parts, and sturdy footwear is recommended.

What: We are about to purchase a new center plate for the Track Fund.

Where: Car Barn (eastern end of Ardenwood Historic Farm, Fremont)

When: Saturday, January 11, 10am-5 pm; most Thursday afternoons, 2-5 pm (as of January 11)

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