

The Fire Door

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The Southern California Live Steamers, Inc. has been in existence since 1948. The mission of the Southern California Live Steamers is to educate and promote interest in railroad history by building and operating a miniature railroad facility.

New members are always welcome to join the club; just show up at Wilson Park, 2100 Washington Street, on run day (the first Sunday of the month) or at a regular meeting (the third Saturday of the month). Member support is especially needed on run day! The February run day is April 4, 2010, so please come and support the club.

Regular meetings of the club are held on the third regular Saturday of each month in the club house at Wilson Park, Torrance, California beginning at 10:30 AM. The next club meeting will be April 17, 2010.

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March 20, 2010 Minutes

Meeting opened at 10:40 AM by President Tim Brothers. Lynn Fielding read the February 20, 2010 Meeting Minutes and they were accepted as read and published in the March 2010 newsletter. Kelley Smith provided the treasurer's report.

Guests present: Desiree Machadu, Andrew Chaves, and Ray Moran.

Old Business

Crenshaw Line

Steve Claude has been working on the Crenshaw Line and there is now a 400 foot bypass so that two trains may run on the Crenshaw Line.

New Business

FRS Radios

Members with FRS Radios should monitor all calls. Tim Brothers recommends the Motorola brand radios with the rechargeable batteries.

New Switch Stands

Bob Bryant motioned that the Club purchase new switch stands. Ray Martin seconded. All in favor.

Train Operation

The Stationmaster needs to have all completed inspection slips before the start of run day. Trains need to pull as far forward as possible when entering the station.

City of Torrance Volunteer Recognition Dinner

Each year the City of Torrance honors one special volunteer. This year, George Jones will be honored for his years of service with the Southern California Live Steamers and the wonderful photographs he has taken of the run day visitors each month. The dinner will be held on Thursday, April 22, 2010 at 6:00 PM at the Torrance Cultural Art Center.

Special Run Day

Lynn Fielding presented a request for a special run day for Herb Griffith for his grandson Luke Rezai's fourth birthday celebration on Sunday, April 25, 2010 from 11:30 AM to 2:30 PM. The request was approved.

Meeting adjourned at 11:35 AM. There were 25 members and 3 quests present at the meeting.

> Run Day March 7, 2010 1,556 **Riders**



It was a beautiful day for visitors to enjoy the first run day in March.

The March 20, 2010 run day was sunny and warm with a large number of visitors, 1,522 riders, enjoying a train ride.







New club member Herb Griffith poses with his 3 year old grandson Luke Rezai.

Photograph taken by Lynn Fielding.

Of Interest: Kate Rezai

Kate Rezai, Herb Griffith's newest grandchild, was born five weeks early, measuring 18 inches and weighing 6 pounds.



Run Day April 4, 2010 Business Meeting

and Run Day April 17, 2010

Run Day May 2, 2010

Business Meeting

and Run Day May 15, 2010

As newsletter editor, I welcome your feedback, comments, corrections, and suggestions for material to include. Please contact me directly, at the address provided, by phone, or by e - mail.

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Steamers, keep on chugging along!

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