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## SLORRM eNews

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## From the Freighthouse SLORRM eNews

SLO TRAIN DAY  
Saturday, May 7th

As you can see below, there was music, face painting, ice cream, a beautiful train and so much more. Hope you had the chance to join us. Watch here for information about Central Coast Railroad Festival in October.





### SLORRM AT SCOUT O RAMA ON MAY 20th.

Many scouts learned about the Museum's Railroading Merit Badge program. See below for photos of this fun day. The next class will be Sunday, October 16th. Cost is \$25 and includes all materials, including a model railroad car. Check the SLORRM website for information about prerequisites and registration.



### I CAN SEE CLEARLY NOW!

We are proud to say that we are nearing completion of the lengthy restoration of our #1886 Caboose. Last year, dedicated friends and members donated to help get the chairs, bunk and desk reupholstered.

Now, we need to ask for help again. The windows, made of lexan, have been badly weathered. It is impossible to see anything through them. We need to repair or replace all eleven of them. Some can be polished. Some must be replaced. The average cost to repair or replace a window is \$200. We are putting out a call for donors who are willing to pay for a window. If you can help, please contact [media@slorm.com](mailto:media@slorm.com) or come in to the Museum any Saturday. Many thanks to those of you who are willing to step up to this request. We appreciate your help.



THE GREAT LOCOMOTIVE CHASE  
SATURDAY, AUGUST 13th

At 3 pm hear Glen Matteson's account of the events that occurred when some railborne military guns were fired on the California coast. Then enjoy one of the finest silent movies ever made. Buster Keaton stars in "The General", a movie based on the Great Locomotive Chase which occurred in 1862. Keaton was famous for doing his own stunts and the ones in this movie are exciting (and dangerous). The American Film Institute rates this movie as one of the top 10 comedies of all time and we are proud to present it as the first in our series of  
MOVIES AT THE MUSEUM.

POMAR JUNCTION WINE TRAIN EXCURSION  
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2016

Leave the SLO Amtrak Station at 3:35 pm on Friday afternoon, October 7th, and travel on the Coast Starlight over the beautiful Cuesta Grade to Paso Robles. From the Paso station, you will be transported to Pomar Junction Winery for their Train Wreck Friday party. Listen to local

favorite, Louie Ortega, enjoy the wine-tasting included in your fare (normally an extra \$10 charge), buy dinner or bring your own picnic, and then get transported back to the SLO Amtrak Station. Cost is \$75 per person for the entire excursion. Contact [media@slorm.com](mailto:media@slorm.com) or call 805-548-1894 for tickets.

## CENTRAL COAST RAILROAD FESTIVAL OCTOBER 7th THROUGH 9th, 2016

The Railroad Festival is coming up in October, so mark it on your calendar. There will be many activities throughout the County, including Railroad Story Times at local libraries, a list of local train layouts open to the public for the weekend, and a bike ride along the historic Pacific Coast Railway right-of-way.

**MEMBERS:** Would you like to become a hands-on member of the fastest growing Museum in the area? Do you like local railroad history and like talking to people? Or learning how to restore a historic artifact or railroad equipment? There are lots of fun opportunities for volunteers here at the Museum. Contact [media@slorm.com](mailto:media@slorm.com)



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