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## TIMETABLE

PLEASE POST THIS NOTICE BY YOUR CALENDAR

MONTHLY MEETING - Friday, December 18, 1987, 7:30 P.M. at the Cordova Recreation and Park District Building, Rancho Cordova, California (Chase Drive next to the High School). The "Buffet Car" will be hosted by "YOU", ALL OF YOU! Traditionally the Buffet Car is hosted by everyone at the December meeting. Please bring a sampling of "goodies" to share with everyone. The program for the evening will be a GIANT Show and Tell. Dad, Mom, Teens, Kids, EVERYONE bring some project that you are presently working on or have completed to share with everyone at the "GIANT" December Show and Tell. Don't be bashful! We all would like to see how each of us spends our spare time! Again, if you are a little too shy to get up in front of the group to discuss the item, then just bring it in and display it on the table.

WORK DAYS - The work days for December are cancelled due to the weather and the busy holiday season. Enjoy the rest, because starting next month we ALL will have plenty to keep us busy.

RUN DAYS - There will not be a Run Day in December, again because of the weather and the busy holiday season. However, if it is not raining there will be a Run Day on New Years Day, January 1, 1988! Traditionally we have had a warm fire and usually each of us has brought out some munchies and goodies to share during the run. Please join us, it has been a wonderful run day in years past!

BOARD MEETING - At the time we went to press, the new Board had not yet made the decision as to day, time and place. If you wish to attend, please contact a Board Member at the December General Meeting for details.

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DUES ARE DUE AGAIN! - Last month you received notification that your dues are now payable. Please FILL OUT THE MEMBERSHIP SHEET and send in your dues as soon as possible so that your club can proceed with budgeting for 1988. At the last General Meeting the suggestion was made that we adopt the recent changes that were printed in the last bulletin of Golden Gate Live Steamers with regard to the collection of dues and penalties for late payment. Please pay your dues promptly so that these measures will not be necessary.

RAIL FAIR 87! - The Sacramento Valley Live Steamers had a well stocked display of steam power at the Rail Fair 87. I would like to thank all of the members that exhibited their equipment. Our display was in the same area as last year, close to the large door, so we could handle our engines efficiently. I would like to thank the Rail Fair committee for that consideration. We had two engines running on air this year. John Bailie's reliable Chole and a new one to be displayed under the Sacramento Valley's Live Steam banner, Dave Magaw's 0-4-0T engine. Another new one, was Don Juergenson's Michigan Cal's #2 Shay. It's engine even ran for a few moments under air. Milon Thorley showed off his 2-8-0, that he has under construction. Amandus Drewes brought his Mogul. Jim Durham had his Clishay. Ed Spall's Jolly Green Giant, 4-6-2 always is a eye catcher. Warren Wagner represented the maintenance of way with his track speeder. The one inchers were represented by Dick Quiring's Atlantic and Henry Stefani's beautiful engines. A special thanks to John Bailie for furnishing the air compressor again. It really shows off the engines to have them up on blocks and running on air. Its an eye catcher.

Submitted by: Alan Shelley, Chairman  
Rail Fair 87 Committee

ELECTION RESULTS - The Board of Directors for 1988 were elected as follows:

PRESIDENT	Dennis Gramith	VICE PRESIDENT	Milon Thorley
TREASURER	Stan Hindsley	SECRETARY	Henry Stefani
TRAINMASTER	Don Juergenson	SUPERINTENDENT	Erich Quiring

CLUB ENGINE - A reminder to you! If you would like to convert your purchases of Share Certificates for the Club Engine into a straight donation, please put your request in writing along with a stamped self-addressed envelope, before December 31, 1987, and send it to:

SACRAMENTO VALLEY LIVE STEAMERS  
P. O. BOX 273  
RANCHO CORDOVA, CALIFORNIA 95741  
ATTN: STAN HINDSLEY, TREASURER

Stan will send you a tax receipt for 1987. Thanks, once again to those of you who purchased shares.

SPECIAL SAFETY NOTE - All operating personnel are advised to be especially alert for red signals during the period between sunset 12/24/87 through sunrise 12/25/87! The red signal of particular concern will be of a flashing nature and on the head end of an extremely high priority merchandise with superior train status on all tracks. The aforementioned extra will not sound a horn or whistle, but it is rumored that passing train crews have heard bells of a jingling nature and even an occasional, "HO, HO, HO"! Any crews delaying or impeding the progress of this extra shall be dealt disciplinary action far more severe than any listed in the rule books. Woe be the train crew passing through mountains, cities, and farms to which no children (of any age) will raise their hand to wave and mile after mile you'll never be greeted with a smile. You would be better off driving a, pardon the expression, truck!

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Dennis and Judy Gramith