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JULY GENERAL MEETING SCHEDULED FOR THE 22ND IN THE AFTERNOON

Mark July 22nd on your calendar for the summer General Meeting of PSRMA. This time we're trying something different for a change....a do-it-yourself General Meeting! This being the summer season, a family style get-together in the sun will be the order of the day.

The locale is the General Dynamics (Convair) Missile Park on Kearny Mesa. The time is 12:00 noon to 5:00 p.m. Bring your own picnic lunch, soft drinks, beer, snowcones, or whatever...or take advantage of the park refreshment stand.

The famous park train will be available for everybody to ride as well as the expected opportunity to loaf in the sun, play games, or whatever.

Needless to say, this is a whole family activity and kids are more than welcomed.

Somewhere along 3:00 p.m. a short business meeting will be held to elect a Vice President - General Manager and to accept nominations for next year's officers. See the next column for details; this portion of the day's activities will be extremely short, so don't let the business portion keep you away.

This is a golden opportunity to get to meet your fellow members and officers as well as enjoy a day in the sun and ride the park train. See you there, and don't forget the sun tan lotion. If you want any more information, just call any Museum officer.

Do try to attend if at all possible!

SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE HELD AT JULY GENERAL MEETING

A special election to fill the unexpired term of Vice President - General Manager will be held at the July General Meeting - Picnic. For those that can't attend, a special absentee ballot is enclosed to all members in this issue of REPORT. It must be returned to PSRMA Secretary John Hathaway (2926 Copley Avenue, San Diego, CA 92116) by the day of the meeting.

Nominated for the remaining portion of the term at the last General Meeting was Herbert Kehr. However, write-in votes are acceptable.

Just remember, any member holding office must be a Regular member in good standing.

NOMINATIONS FOR 1974 OFFICERS TO BE ACCEPTED AT JULY MEETING

Closing out the short business session at the July Picnic will be nominations for the 1974 slate of PSRMA officers. Positions to be selected include President, Vice President - General Manager, Treasurer, Secretary, and one of two Director-at-Large positions.

Nominations may either be sent to Secretary John Hathaway (see above) or received from the floor (er...grass) at the General Meeting. Any Regular member interested in seeking one of these positions is encouraged to nominate himself. Due to our wide-spread membership it is sometimes impossible to know who all is interested in actively participating as a Museum officer or staff member.

141R1199 DONATIONS - AN UPDATE

PSRMA extends the sincerest hand of thanks to the following individuals who have helped us out with the difficult Liberation Mikado project:

Dr. H. E. Heiges (La Jolla)	\$ 1.00
P. W. Schmidt (Columbia, Mo.)	5.00
R. L. Shaffer (Spring Grove, Pa.)	10.00
A. Clemmings (St. Louis, Mo.)	2.00
J.H. Waggoner, Jr. (Claremont, Ca.)	5.00
J. T. Wark (San Francisco, Ca.)	25.00
C. N. Schlatter (Ardsley, N.Y.)	25.00
J. Thompson (Houston, Tex.)	5.00
W. A. Griffiths (Utica, N.Y.)	5.00
A. A. Gomez (member)	5.00
Anon.	1.00

NATIONAL PUBLICITY - A COUPLE OF GOOD REPORTS ON PSRMA PROJECTS

"Liberation Mikado," by the magazine staff based on materials and photos supplied by PSRMA member Chop Kerr is a feature story of eight pages in the July 1973 issue of MODEL RAILROADER. Over one thousand words of text plus 20 photos and a fold-out model builder's drawing give a short history of the Liberations and include a plug about PSRMA's donated 141R-1199 and our financial needs to move her to San Diego.

Hopefully this one will be a good spark for our national campaign of fund raising efforts.

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PSRMA's annual Puerto Penasco excursion is highlighted in "Ride the Baja Train," by Ed Stauss, a feature story in the August 1973 issue of RAIL CLASSICS magazine.

The article covers passenger train service on the Ferrocarril Sonora - Baja California. Eight pages, including nine black-and-white and five color photos, give good coverage of Amtrak rejected passenger cars that have found homes in service south of the border.

Several of the photos, and a good portion of the text, are about PSRMA's 1972 Puerto Penasco excursion train.

DEAD...OUR ELDEST MEMBER
H. Chalmers Kerr, Jr.

On Friday, May 18, 1973, Mr. Charles T. Briar died 85 years young. Mr. Briar had been a member several years and regularly attended PSRMA dinners and General Meetings. His constant support of PSRMA and the achievement of our goals will be sorely missed. Charles contributed to the Liberation Mikado project and he also donated to PSRMA several of his personal mementos of the visit of the Flying Scotsman to the U.S.A. in 1969. He had received these rare items from the Scotsman's owner, Sir Alan Pegler.

The loss of a member and friend such as Mr. Briar can never be forgotten.

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