

# From the Freighthouse

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## TRACKS 101

### SATURDAYS, SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER

Do you want to know about the nuts and bolts of trains, or at least the tracks and other facilities they use? Starting on



September 2 and continuing through October 28 (with a break for Central Coast Railroad Festival on October 14), the Museum will offer a series of presentations on the civil engineering aspects of railroads, past, present, and future. Each session will begin at 3:00 p.m. and last about an hour, and will be free with museum admission. The content will be an abbreviated version of a class to be offered next year in Cal Poly's Civil Engineering program. Attendees are not required to do calculations, but they can if they want to just for fun.

## WINE TRAIN EXCURSIONS

### FRIDAY, AUGUST 4TH / FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6TH

#### WAITING LISTS ONLY

Plan an evening of train riding, wine tasting, and entertainment. Ride the Coast Starlight from SLO over the beautiful Cuesta Grade to Paso Robles where you will be transported to Pomar Junction Winery. Taste their AVA wines, bring a picnic or buy a barbecue dinner and enjoy an evening of entertainment under the stars. You will be returned to the SLO Amtrak station about 9 pm. Contact [media@slorrm.com](mailto:media@slorrm.com) to buy tickets. Cost is \$75 per person round trip (wine tasting and entertainment included). [Details and photos.](#)

## BOY SCOUT RAILROADING MERIT BADGE

### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2017

Join the next group of Boy Scouts to earn their Railroading Merit Badge at the Museum on Sunday afternoon, October 22, 2017. Sign up early to get your model railroad kit (included in \$30 fee) and have plenty of time to complete it before the class. For more information, click on our website below or contact Diane at [media@slorrm.com](mailto:media@slorrm.com) or 805-548-1894. [Details.](#)



## CENTRAL COAST RAILROAD FESTIVAL

### OCTOBER 13-15, 2017



Our annual railroading event is coming up. Hear speakers, shop the swap meet, go on a tour of local model trains, visit with other train enthusiasts, taste Pomar Junction wine, see our newest exhibit on the Santa Maria Valley Railroad, and so much more. Watch here or on our website for coming details. For questions, or to reserve a selling space on the platform, contact [media@slorrm](mailto:media@slorrm) or call 805-548-1894. [CCRRF website.](#)

**SANTA ON THE SURFLINER**  
**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2ND, 1 PM**

Bring your little ones to the SLO Amtrak Station, where they can see Santa step off the Surfliner on December 2nd at 1 pm. From there, he will make his way to the private car at the SLO Railroad Museum and spend the afternoon listening to the wishes and dreams of any and all children. This event is free to the public. Admission to the Museum itself is \$3 - Adults, \$2 - 4 to 15 yrs old, and free to members and children 3 and under.



**BECOME A MEMBER**

Annual memberships are just \$36 a year for individuals and \$60 for families. Help support SLORRM and our ongoing efforts to keep railroad history alive. And, if you include an additional donation of \$20 or more to the Museum, you can request a copy of "CALIFORNIA'S CAPITOL CORRIDOR", graciously offered by the author. See the SLORRM website for more information about becoming a member and how to obtain a copy of this beautiful book. Remember to request a copy with your donation. Thank you!

**MEMBERS:** Do you like railroad history? Join us as a volunteer. We will help you find a way to do good for the Museum and have fun while you do it. Contact [media@slorrm.com](mailto:media@slorrm.com).

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