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## TIMETABLE

PLEASE POST THIS NOTICE BY YOUR CALENDAR

MONTHLY MEETING - Friday, November 20, 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 Jeri Juergenson and Rose Stefani. The program for the evening will be presented by YOU the S.V.L.S. Club Members. Please bring your projects that you are working on, engines, tenders, cars, trucks, etc. in any stage of construction. Everyone enjoys seeing the projects and it may help someone along with their own project. It seems that there is a lack of interest in the video, movie and slide programs of late. Perhaps this is because we have them too often. We are going to spread them out a little and instead have a longer Show and Tell. So, it is audience participation time. Help contribute to your club and bring in those Show and Tell items. 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 - Work days for the rest of 1987 will be on a "call as you are available" basis. Please call Warren Sharratt, John Ravenscroft, Amandus Drewes, or Bob Lovell if you have some free time and would be available to help them with a project for the Club. The work day for November has been cancelled so that those who wish, may attend the Super Power Run at G.G.L.S. See below for details.

RUN DAYS - Sunday, November 22, will be a run day, weather permitting.

BOARD MEETING - The Board Meeting for December will be a dual Board Meeting of the old Board of 1987 and the newly elected Board of 1988. It will be a dinner with a small business meeting. The meeting will be on Saturday, December 12, 1987, at 6:30 P.M. at the home of Warren Sharratt's sister. A map of directions will be given to you at the November General Meeting.

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FALL MEET 1987 - Your Fall Meet was a tremendous success in all aspects! Financially it was the best Meet that this club has ever had. Our passengers were more generous than usual, we gained several new members for the club, we were re-visited by some of our new friends

FALL MEET 1987 (CONTINUED)

from the State Fair, the Snack Bar did better than it had done in the past, we had many visitors with their locomotives and the weather was wonderful for us the entire weekend. All in all it was a wonderfully successful Meet. Thank you to everyone who worked so hard to make it so successful. Thanks also, to the generous share holders and our net profit from the State Fair your club now owns a Club Engine. See below for more details about the Club Engine.

CLUB ENGINE - As you read above your club now owns a Club Engine. As stated at the October General Meeting, each individual that wishes to engineer the Club Engine MUST take and pass a written test and be thoroughly knowledgeable of the workings, maintenance and up-keep of the engine before being allowed to run the locomotive. There are also some minor changes and adjustments, that have been approved by the Board, to make on the Club Engine. If you have any suggestions or comments, would like to be on the committee for the Club Engine, or would like to be tested, please contact the Committee Chairman, Milon Thorley. Some of you have purchased one or more shares in the Club Engine. As stated, prior to purchasing these Share Certificates, the money will be paid back annually from the money that has been made on any Run Day other than a regular Run Day. Some Share Holders have suggested that they might consider making the Share Certificate purchase a straight donation to the Club Engine Fund. If you would like to do just that, 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 again to those of you who purchased shares and also those who were able to help at the State Fair, the club will surely benefit from this major step forward.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE - The Nomination Committee had turned in the following list of nominations for the election at the November General Meeting:

President	Dennis Gramith
Vice President	Milon Thorley Warren Sharratt
Treasurer	Stan Hindsley
Secretary	Henry Stefani
Trainmaster	Don Juergenson
Superintendent	Jim Durham Erich Quiring

Although this list has been read and published, nominations can still

FOR SALE (CONTINUED)

Partially completed Little Engines - "American"	\$1,000.00
1½" scale Ohlenkamp Injector	125.00
Set of prints (approx. 50 sheets) 50 ton-2 truck and	
60 ton-3 truck Lima Shay	150.00

L. S. (Skip) Gleb  
P. O. Box 311 8201 Dorado Canyon Road  
Mt. Aukum, CA 95656 (209) 245-6869

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\*\*\*\*\* IN MEMORIAM \*\*\*\*\*

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We are very sorry to report that we have lost one of our best loved members. Loraine "Lori" Esselbach died of cancer at her home on Thursday, October 22, 1987. She was 67 years old. She was a 20-year Rancho Cordova resident. She was born in Chicago and lived in Alhambra, Los Angeles County, for 25 yrs. before moving to Northern California. Lori worked as a graphic designer, and typesetter for Crawford's Markets, a chain of speciality markets during the time she lived in Southern California. She still maintained a handset-type print shop at her home in Rancho Cordova at the time of her death. An avid handicrafter, Lori enjoyed watercolor painting and working on miniature railroad and circus layouts. For nearly all her years, in Rancho Cordova, Lori was an active member of the Sacramento Valley Live Steamers. She served as the club's secretary for approximately seven months before being forced to resign because of her illness. Over the years, Lori had edited the club newspaper and helped with membership duties. She was active in many, many aspects of the club. She was always someone you could depend on. She met.. and exceeded every challenge. She was loved by a great number of people. Lori was also a member of the Circus Model Builders International and the Yankee Robinson Ring of Northern California, two circus modeling clubs. She is survived by her husband, Dick, children, Robert Whitney of Canyon Country, Los Angeles County, Pat Lesh of LaVerne, Peggy Whitney of Concord, Richard Esselbach, Jr. of Hayward and Brian Esselbach of Ontario; 11 grandchildren, and a great-grandson. Although Lori will be greatly missed, we will always remember that "impish" little grin that she was famous for.

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We are planning to do an article about Lori for one of the railroad magazines. If you have any pictures, memories or thoughts, please send them to Dennis and Judy Gramith. We will put the article together as best we can and submit it to Dick Esselbach for final editing and approval.

HAVE A NICE THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY!

Dennis and Judy Gramith