



NMRA/PCR/FRRS Annual Convention 2023

- Kerry Cochran

From the last article in the *Train Sheet* asking for presentations and presenters, we have a list of members who have stepped up and answered the call.

We have approximately 8 presenters on several topics for the Western Pacific and Sacramento Northern Railroads. Some of these presentations includes SN Diesels, Proto-freelanced WP Power, Jim Leaks photos of the WP in the 1960's, WP's First Generation of Passenger Cars and more. (Subject to change)

There will also be several clinics (presentations) that the PCR will scheduled. The convention committee is working on getting the first draft of the convention timetable worked out so we can get a better idea of how many shows we will have.

Something new to the WP conventions is, Virtual Clinics. This is something that the PCR has been doing since the pandemic and they wanted to try it again at this convention, so there will be some of the presentations both live and virtual. (Most all of the FRRS/WPRM presentations will be in person right now – subject to change as one of our presenters may not be able to attend in person)

The convention will be held in Sacramento, California at the Courtyard by Marriott Sacramento Cal Expo, 1782 Tribute Rd, Sacramento, CA 95815. April 26 – April 30, 2023.

Please reach out to Eugene Vicknair or Kerry Cochran (both can be emailed at convention@wplives.org) and let us know if you can give us a hand with the 2023 convention.

As always the convention committee is looking for help with the museum store and general help in making the convention a great experience for our members. So if you can give a hand, please let us know.

The convention website is www.pcrnmra.org/conv2023.



Photo by Don Nelson

Departure: Claude John Palmer 1925-2022

“Jack” was born in Billings, MT on November 19, 1925. A graduate of Balboa High School, June 1943, he proudly served in the Navy on the USS AJAX in the Pacific during WWII and retired after 32 years with the U.S. Postal Service, San Francisco, CA. He was married to his bride, Elsie Palmer (recently deceased) for 77 years. Jack is survived by a son, Paul, daughters Carol and Cynthia and grandsons Benjamin and Jeremy. A charter member of Feather River Rail Society, Portola, CA, and modeled Western Pacific Railroad equipment. He enjoyed railroading, philately, fishing, and photography. A Past Master, Hiram Awardee, officers coach 32 years, secretary 26 years And 71 year member of Crocker Lodge #212, F&AM, Daly City. Past President of the 336th Masonic District Officers Assn., Member of California Commandery #1, York Rite, S.F. Bodies Scottish Rite, and Asiya Temple of the Shrine.