

# **MTTV News Loop**

# September/October 2012

#### Museum of Transportation Trolley Volunteers

# **Safety First**

The rubber switch still has some issues. It still needs some more fixing.

I want to continue the mandatory stop on the Eastbound run. We only have a few more weeks of operation until we can take the switch apart and take care of the problem.

So until the end of October, let's maintain the mandatory stop.

It is the safe thing to do.

It does not impact operations.

It assures that no one will be speeding thru there.

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# **Update on Track Switches**

The first turnout West of the Roberts platform was nearly impossible to throw. Normally we don't use that switch, but Thursday afternoon it had been left against the trolley line.

We cleaned a bunch of ballast from around the throw bars and lubricated the switch. It is still tough to operate but much easier than it had been. If this switch needs to be thrown and man and beast cannot move it, get a pry bar from the tool crib and use it as a handle extender on the switch.

The other switch that we lubricated and evaluated was the rubber switch. We watched several trips thru it with the #10. The switch threw back and forth a number of times without incident. We then told the crews to run the whole route, making the mandatory stop on the Eastbound run and to proceed slowly thru the switch.

We did identify an adjustment to make to the switch to reduce some binding. Hopefully Bob Leight and Carl Horn will be able to make this adjustment and improve its performance.



Take a look at the guest next to Car 1743 before it went to San Francisco in 1993.

Does he look familiar?

Yes, it's Vince Love when he was 19 years younger!

Vince, you'll look good at its controls on some future date!

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#### **PCC 1743**

### The restoration team is making lots of progress on car 1743!









#### Note to all trolley operators:

Our last day of regular trolley operations will be Sunday, October 28th.

#### Your Input Will Be Appreciated

Do you have news, pictures or other information of interest to your fellow trolley volunteers? Please let me know by e-mail, U.S. Mail or phone.

Thanks,

Charlie Jones

#### MTTV CREW SCHEDULING

To **Schedule** or **Change**, contact Charlie Jones Home: 636-391-8258 Cell: 314-277-2748 or, **charlie.jones@charter.net** 

### **Trolley Operations Scheduling**

Watch for the email updates, or, give me a call to discuss your preferences.

With your help, we can avoid cancellations.

See the Run Board at: <a href="http://www.mot-trolleyline.org/schedule/schedule.html">http://www.mot-trolleyline.org/schedule/schedule.html</a>

