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Railroad Museum Celebrates “Diesels & Dads” On Father’s Day Weekend - June 20 & 21 *Plus, First-Class Service Now Available Aboard VIP Lounge Car*

SACRAMENTO, Calif. – California State Parks and the California State Railroad Museum are gearing up to celebrate “Diesels and Dads” on Father’s Day weekend – June 20 & 21, 2015 -- by operating two visually-exciting and gracefully-styled diesel locomotives as part of the popular weekend excursion train rides on the Sacramento Southern Railroad. Departing hourly from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., the brightly painted diesels -- Western Pacific No. 913 and Southern Pacific “Daylight” No. 6051 -- will pull the excursion trains both Saturday and Sunday on Father’s Day weekend. The eye-catching and classic streamlined locomotives are representative of the so-called “First Generation” of diesel-electric locomotives which replaced steam engines all across America during the 1940s and 1950s.

Additionally, the California State Railroad Museum recently introduced first-class service for guests who choose a VIP experience aboard an air-conditioned vintage lounge car. The new service includes uniformed stewards in white jackets providing beverage and food services to guests in the manner and style of the “glory days” of railroading. This new first-class service takes place in an actual Southern Pacific observation/lounge car built in 1922 with leather seats and wood paneled walls, or a Southern Pacific lounge car from 1950 that served on its famed “Sunset Limited” service.

Excursion train ride tickets are available to book online in advance or can be purchased in-person starting at 10:30 a.m. the day of the train ride (based on availability) at the Sacramento Southern Railroad ticket office located on Front Street between J and K Streets. Regular excursion train tickets cost \$12 for adults, \$6 for youths (ages 6-17), and ages five and under ride free. For passengers desiring a ride aboard a first-class car, tickets are \$20 for adults, \$15 for youths and are free for children five and under (there is a per-ticket service fee when booking online). If summer temperatures reach 100 degrees or higher, trains may be cancelled for the remainder of that day. To purchase tickets, please visit www.csrmf.org or for more information please call 916-323-9280.

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