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All Aboard for Story Time with Celebrity Reader & Popular Weathercaster Dave Bender on Monday, April 20

SACRAMENTO, Calif. – To the delight of children of all ages, it's all aboard for a special story time with popular KOVR weathercaster Dave Bender on Monday, April 20, 2015. With the help of Dave Bender reading the children's book *The Rain Train* at 11 a.m. and 11:30 a.m., parents are encouraged to let trains and railroading introduce and foster the love of reading with young children.

This ongoing *All Aboard for Story Time!* reading program, introduced in 2014 by California State Parks and the California State Railroad Museum, is offered on the first and third Monday of each month. The interactive and fun program is designed for imaginative young children ages two to five. A different railroad-related book is showcased each month -- with four opportunities for little ones to hear the monthly story, then enjoy the Museum with their parents. Whether it's toy trains or big locomotives, there is something to discover in the Museum – North America's most popular rail museum -- that will thrill children (and adults) of all ages.

The special *All Aboard for Story Time!* activity is included with Museum admission: \$10 adults; \$5 youths ages 6-17; free for children ages 5 and under. For more information about the reading program or the Railroad Museum in general, call 916-323-9280 or visit www.csrmf.org

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