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All Aboard for Story Time with Sacramento River Cats Mascot “Dinger” & His Partner “Mike on the Mic” On Monday, May 2

SACRAMENTO, Calif. – To the delight of children, rail fans and baseball enthusiasts of all ages, it’s all aboard for a special story time with the popular Sacramento River Cats Mascot “Dinger” and his partner “Mike on the Mic” on Monday, May 2, 2016. Beginning at 11 a.m., Mike on the Mic will read the illustrated children’s book *Players in Pigtails* by Shana Corey and *Zachary’s Ball* by Matt Tavares while Dinger listens in attentively along with the children. Afterward, the duo will pose for pictures and greet *Story Time* participants. Through this interactive and fun program, parents are encouraged to let trains and railroading introduce and foster the love of reading with their imaginative young children ages two to five.

The *All Aboard for Story Time!* reading program -- first introduced in 2014 by California State Parks and the California State Railroad Museum & Foundation – has expanded to a weekly offering every Monday morning at 11 a.m. year-round. Different railroad-related books are showcased each month during *Story Time!* after which children and parents are encouraged to enjoy exploring the Museum. Whether it’s toy trains or big locomotives, there is something to discover in the Museum – North America’s most popular railroad museum -- that will thrill children (and adults) of all ages.

The *All Aboard for Story Time!* program 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, please call 916-323-9280 or visit www.csrmf.org

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