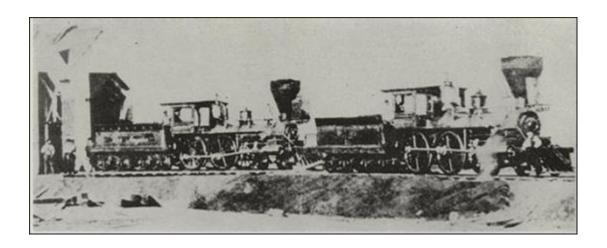


The WESTERNERS Los Angeles Corral Roundup Wednesday, April 10, 2024,

Almansor Court - 700 South Almansor St, Alhambra, CA 91801 Social Hour at 5:00 PM, Dinner at 6:00 PM

Jim Shneer will present "A History of Railroads in the Greater Los Angeles Area"



Jim is a retired engineering manager who spent 55 years in the aerospace industry, including a stint as Chief Engineer of the Air Force Satellite Control Network and Spacelift Ranges. He specialized in the design, development, and deployment of satellite ground systems and automated systems for public safety applications. Since retiring, he has lectured on the whaling industry, military history, and Middle Eastern history. He has published a dozen books, six on military and naval history.

Los Angeles was home to the first railroad in Southern California and was, at one time, the terminus of three transcontinental railroad lines operated by three major railroads. Between 1869 and 1939, downtown Los Angeles had ten rail stations. Also, it had multiple extensive suburban and commuter railways. This talk will explore a complete history of Los Angeles area railroads from their beginnings to the present.

Jim Olds, Deputy Sheriff, has arranged a great talk for the May Round Up. We will hear a spell-binding presentation by Daniella Ruiz on the Port of Los Angeles in San Pedro. She is the Cargo Marketing Manager, so bring all your questions along to ask her. The harbor is a major economic engine for the U.S., so this promises to be a great talk. Get the date on your calendar now.

Hear a Good Talk Lately? Suggestions for future programs are always welcome. Contact Jim Olds at (310) 489-0462 (cell) or jolds2@icloud.com with your ideas and program topics.

Dinner Fees, Reservations & Meal Choices

The Roundup Dinner Fee is \$45. Almansor Court has ample, convenient and free parking.

For April: The dinner choices for the Roundup are Atlantic Salmon, Chicken Marsala, or Pasta Primavera with Pesto Sauce. Salad and dessert are included.

Please choose your entrée and make out your check for \$45 to "Westerners, Los Angeles Corral," or submit your payment online as EARLY AS YOU CAN but no later than one week before the Roundup date. Almansor Court needs the meal count no later than one week before the Roundup. Just visit our website (www.lawesterners.org) and go to the *Members Only* tab.

Click on the *Roundup Store* option and follow the instructions. The password is <u>oldjoe</u>. Walk-ins can be served, but entrée choices will be limited to what is on hand. The "late price" is now \$50.00.

If you are paying by check, mail it to Michele Clark, Registrar of Marks and Brands at 226 ½ Beacon Ave South Pasadena, CA 91030-1702. Late reservations or questions may be addressed to Michele via Email at mclark216@earthlink.net or by telephone (626) 822-1522.

Branding Iron No. 313

If you missed the March meeting, please see Brian to pick up your free Branding Iron 313. Come on down!

Brand Book No. 26, by Frank Brito

Brand Book 26 has been published, and will be available for sale at the Round Up. *Cost is only \$25.00*, *cash or check*.

Travel Assistance to Our Fellow Members

Please keep in mind that some of our members can no longer drive or are uncomfortable driving on the freeways at night. If such members live in your area, please get in touch to see if they would come with you to the Roundups. Call Michele Clark, our Sunshine Wrangler, at (626) 822-1522 if you need a ride.