

Take The Train was introduced at our recent SDR with a flyer, announcement by Governor Elect Sarah, and lots of word of mouth.

In a nutshell, the 46th SIA Convention will be held in Bellevue WA this coming summer (July 22-25, 2020). If you'll recall, last summer it was held in Yokohama Japan. As Bellevue is right in our backyard, I would love to see as many of us as possible attend; who knows when we'll have this sort of opportunity again as it obviously moves around the world. That being said, our SNR members from Nevada can take the California Zephyr train to Sacramento, where many of our CA members will board. The Coast Starlight train, dubbed the Grand West Coast Train Adventure will continue up to it's stop in Chico, then Redding, and finally Dunsmuir on Tuesday July 21st and we'll arrive in Seattle that evening at 7:45pm. On board, we'll have some fun activities for our SNR members (suggestions are welcome), enjoy the dining, lounge and other vista cars together. We are suggesting booking a room at the venue, what this flyer is suggesting. Passengers will purchase their own tickets through Amtrak.com as there are a variety of seating options/costs. It's super affordable and it's going to be downright fun. Tickets from Amtrak.com are available for sale NOW as they sell tickets 11 months out. As the year progresses, we'll discuss it more, but as it stands, it's about as firm as it's going to be; only the on board activities need to take shape.

Please share the attached updated flyer with your Eblast/Newsletter editor, or other communications with your club. Mention it at your clubs' retreats, meetings occasionally, and whenever it seems appropriate, to allow members time to budget and plan. Official SIA Convention registration begins in October.

Let me know if you have any questions.

Best wishes to you all,

Lisa Fitzgerald
District 1 Director