Elrond Lawrence - NRHS PR/Media Activity Report February 2014

Activity Milestones		
Date	Activity	
Across month	2014 Arkansas Convention Rewrote press release for convention to emphasize A&M, local and public events including Amtrak exhibit train. Revised draft per edits from Bart. Sent to reporters at Arkansas newspapers and Arkansas Tourism staff.	
	Responded to media query about convention from Jill Rohrbach, travel writer for the Arkansas Department of Parks and Tourism. Confirmed details with Bart and sent her locally-focused press release and photos. She planned to write a story about our convention; haven't seen story, so will circle back to her with updated details.	
	Worked with Tom Duggan at Arkansas-Boston Mtns. Chapter with his local publicity efforts at the 2/22 Train Show as well as ongoing convention PR with local press.	
	Misc emails w/Bart and Greg. Reviewed details of Vermont 2015 convention. (*5 hours dedicated to Convention work.)	
Across month	RAILCAMP Reached out to City of Tacoma PR contacts with pitch for RailCamp Northwest. Located Chris Gleason in PR office and pitched him the latest RailCamp release to promote.	
	Promoted Bill & Bud's appearance on Let's Talk Trains (FB & Twitter)	
	Agreed to create flyer for Winterail that would spotlight RailCamp & convention, plus grant programs. Began writing copy (*designed in March).	
2/12	Chapter Relations Work w/ Tom Duggan (see above)	
	Responded to call for help from Ken Rattenne of Central Coast chapter. Helping Ken write a piece for <i>NRHS News</i> about past & future trips; will help them promote their upcoming Yosemite Mtn RR and <i>Virginia & Truckee Explorer</i> trips.	

2/24-25	Proofread stories in April <i>NRHS News</i> layout. Gathered new convention photos for Charles.
Across month	Continued managing and posting to NRHS Twitter account. Since mid- February we've climbed from 437 to 490 followers (as of 3/21). Assisted with Facebook posts as needed.
Across month	- Misc emails - Reviewed NRHS Google news alerts - Monitored daily HARO query service for media opportunities - Produced January report & media recap.

March 2014 Activities

- RailCamp continue promotional campaign
- Increase PR campaign on Arkansas convention, esp. public trips
- Designed NRHS Winterail flyer
- Resumed work for 2014 Most At-Risk list