



THE DEPOT TELEGRAPH

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Depot grand opening schedule, Saturday September 24th:

- Noon Mini train rides on California Street - Freight House art show - artist Jason Brown signing prints of his work - old cars on display on California Street
- 1 pm Entries accepted for Apple Pie Contest - Historic re-enactment in Waiting Room and Office - Valley Oak bluegrass band in concert on the Freight Dock stage – mini train rides on California Street
- 2 pm Apple Pie Contest judging: categories for Taste, Crust, Appearance, and Best in Show - historic re-enactment in Waiting Room and Office – Valley Oak Band in concert on the Freight Dock stage – mini train rides on California Street
- 3 pm Historic re-enactment in Waiting Room and Office – mini train rides on California Street
- 3:45 pm Prelude music and National Anthem – KHS Jazz Band
- 4–5 pm Formal Program – Emcee Mayor Pro-Tem Michelle Roman - recognition of donors, volunteers, community participants, Mayor, County Supervisor, State Assembly Member, Congressional Representative – speeches by winners of elementary school Depot Essay Contest – winners of Apple Pie Contest - ribbon cutting ceremony officially opening Depot
- 5–6 pm KHS Jazz Band performing on the Freight Dock stage – apple pie served
- 6–8 pm After Dinner Mints swing band performing on the Freight Dock stage

SETUP AND CLEANUP

Volunteers are needed to help with setup and cleanup of the Grand Opening Event. Please call 559-341-1978 if you can help. Setup will begin at 8am, cleanup 8pm.



ART TILES SUPPORT THE DEPOT

Beautiful handcrafted commemorative art tiles will be available at the grand opening. Each one is unique and done by a local artist. Special sale: \$25.00 each; \$10 of each sale supports the Friends of the Kingsburg Depot. Info: Call Tim at 559-897-8070 (*For the Birds Garden Gifts*)

CALIFORNIA STREET RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT COMPLETE!



The City of Kingsburg has finished reconstruction of California Street, and the result is beautiful. Besides the new curbs and pavement, a bus pullout area was installed just south of the Freight Dock, a decorative sidewalk was installed in front of the Depot, and eight trees were planted with cast iron grilles to protect the trees and the safety of visitors. This project adds much to the beauty of the Depot and the downtown area.

FREIGHT DOCK IMPROVEMENTS AND DISPLAY TRAIN PROJECT



The Freight Dock is currently being improved with historic displays employing custom-made shipping crates by member Steven Britton. In this photo Steven is preparing lumber for the crates. The leased railroad property south of the Freight Dock has been cleared of poles and is now ready for installation of a train display track, a street ramp extension of the Freight Dock, and a trash dumpster containment structure. Donations are being sought to pay for these improvements. The train display area will be fenced, lighted and landscaped. Each car on the train will be a learning station for students participating in the Leon S. Peters Learning Center educational activities.

RE-ENACTORS NEEDED

Re-enactors are needed to play roles at the Depot at the Grand Opening and later this year. It's a lot of fun to dress up and play a role, and it's satisfying to see kids learning through the process. Some roles take as little as 10 minutes to play. If interested, call 559-859-4441.

THE VALUE OF PERSISTENCE

"Energy and persistence conquer all things." --**Benjamin Franklin**

CALENDAR

September 12, Monday	September board meeting 5:30pm in the Freight House
September 24, Saturday	KINGSBURG DEPOT GRAND OPENING
October 10, Monday	October board meeting 5:30pm in the Freight House

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