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GOLDEN SPIKE NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE ANNOUNCES 32nd ANNUAL RAILROADER'S FESTIVAL

Golden Spike National Historic Site will celebrate the 32nd Annual Railroader's Festival on Saturday, August 09, 2007. The visitor center will be open from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., with activities and games scheduled throughout the day.

Replica steam locomotives *Jupiter* and *No. 119* will be fired up for photo runs. Tours of each cab will be conducted throughout the day by volunteers and park personnel. Re-enactments of the Last Spike Ceremony will occur at 11:00 am and 1:00 pm. Visitors can test their skill at a variety of activities such as the buffalo chip throwing, egg toss, egg & spoon race, amateur spike driving, boiler stoking contests and much more. Musical entertainment will start in the afternoon with Glenn Brandt at 2:00 p.m. and The West Desert Trio at 4:00 p.m.

A restored, 1950s era, rail motorcar will be returning by popular demand. The motorcar, also known as a "speeder," replaced manually operated handcars as a means of transporting railroad maintenance staff along the rails. For those who enjoy a more leisurely pace, traditional handcar rides will be available again this year.

No entrance fee is charged on this special day and all games, activities, and entertainment are free. Food will be available to purchase or bring your own picnic. Come join us for a day of fun and games! Obtain additional information by calling the visitor center at 435-471-2209, ext. 29 or by checking the park's website at www.nps.gov/gosp.

Golden Spike National Historic Site is located 32 miles west of Brigham City via State Highway 13 and 83. Take exit 365 off Interstate 15.