



# Alaska Railroad Corporation *News Release*

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## Alaska Railroad Corporation Hosts Annual Fairbanks Open House

ANCHORAGE, Alaska – The Alaska Railroad Corporation (ARRC) invites the public to an Open House Saturday May 12 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Alaska Railroad’s Fairbanks Depot (1745 Johansen Expressway).

“I can’t think of a better way to usher in the summer season than to take the family to the Alaska Railroad’s Open House” said Patrick Gamble, ARRC President and CEO. “Alaskans can come to the Depot, see the equipment, talk with Alaska Railroad employees and of course, take a free train ride. This is a chance for everyone to take a peek behind the curtain, sit in a locomotive and see what makes the Alaska Railroad tick. Besides, the kids love it!”

The annual open house is organized and supported by dozens of Alaska Railroad employee volunteers. Activities include:

- Free round trip train rides from the Railroad Depot through the railyard
- Railroad “giveaways” for railroad fans
- The Tanana Valley Model Railroad Club displaying their equipment
- Passenger, maintenance and other railroad equipment exhibits
- Popcorn, hot dogs and beverages sold by the Boy Scouts and the Lathrop Ski Club to raise funds for their organizations
- Live music from Ft. Wainwright’s Dixieland Band, “Jammin’ Salmon”
- Door prize drawings for complimentary rail trips to Denali or Anchorage on the Alaska Railroad and for a framed 2007 Alaska Railroad poster

ARRC is a self-sustaining, state-owned corporation that operates without state subsidy, serving rail belt communities from Seward to Fairbanks.

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