

# The

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# Trainmaster

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## Chapter Timetable:

*If you arrive after 7:30 you will need to  
enter the building using the basement  
door on the West side of the building.*

**Monthly Membership Meetings:** February 15, March 15  
St Mark's Lutheran Church, 5415 S.E. Powell Blvd. 7:30 pm

**Monthly Board of Directors Meetings:** February 7, March 7---7:30 pm  
Room 208, Union Station

**Chapter Library:** Open February 16 & 23 from 1:30 pm to 4 pm.

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## **February Meeting Program**

**Tony Roberts, former aircraft technician in Britian's Royal Air Force will speak on about the Royal Air Force Railroad. Please come and enjoy this interesting program.**

### President's Update

From Arlen L. Sheldrake, Chapter President

Enclosed with your member's copy of *The Trainmaster* is the **2001 Board Annual Report to the Membership**. This information was also delivered to those attending our January 18<sup>th</sup> meeting. The Board has tried to include all the highlights of our 2001-year.

Many thanks to all who have sent in your membership renewals and a special thanks to all that also included a Chapter or National donation!

Our friends at the Pacific Railroad Preservation Association (PRPA) have for sale a **2002 calendar** with pictures of the ex-SP&S 700 by Dale Birkholz. Cost is \$15.00 per calendar with regular mail shipping for 1-2 calendars of \$2.50 or 3-6 calendars at \$3.50. Make checks out to PRPA and mail your order to: PRPA Concessions, 23440 NW Pubols Road, Hillsboro OR 97124-9349.

On page 27 of the February 2002 issue of Railfan & Railroad magazine is a picture titled *Rare Mileage in Oregon*. While not very rare with all the recent excursion runs, what is rare is what is pictured clearly right behind the POTB locomotives and in front of the ex-Amtrak dome/lounge. Its none other than the **Pete Rodabaugh/George Hickok** developed "*power car*" consisting of a flat car and a chain downed rented generator which supplied the much-needed dome power for Sunset Coast Excursions.

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While riding a cruise ship through the Panama Canal is quite the experience, another method is now available from the **Panama Canal Railway Company**. PCRC is owned 50% by Kansas City Southern and 50% Mi-Jack Products, a port equipment manufacturer. The 47.6-mile route paralleling the canal takes about an hour and costs \$35.00 round trip or \$20 one-way. Anyone ridden this route? More information should be available from your travel agent. PCRC was awarded a 25-year concession on June 19, 1998. Approximately \$75 million has or will be invested to rehabilitate the railway, construct terminals and purchase terminal equipment. Construction began in early 2000 and was very evident as our ship was guided through the locks by the "mules" in January 2001 since most of the railway is visible from the canal.

Those folk that built those beautiful new dome cars for the cruise business on the Alaska Railroad are also building new DMU (diesel multiple unit) units. **Colorado Railcar Manufacturing** in Ft. Lupton Colorado is marketing single level and bi-level DMUs with seating of 98 or 185 in cab cars, seating of 102 or 190 in trailer cars. Either configuration is available as a trailer or cab and they comply with CFR Part 238 as well as being ADA compliant. Maximum operating speed is 90 MPH. Check out their nice web site: [www.coloradorailcar.com](http://www.coloradorailcar.com). Could we be so lucky to have some of these plying the Wilsonville-Beaverton Commuter Rail service in 2004?

#### **Flanger SPMW #328:**

Built for the Southern Pacific in the 1940s, donated by SP to the Chapter October 1981. May be the last wooden-body flanger in existence. Modified to be operated remotely. Roof and interior are in good shape. Exterior sides and running gear are in poor shape. Flangers were used for removal of snow and ice from track flange ways moving at relatively high speeds. Flangers have two steel blades that are lowered between the rails. One blade throws snow to one side of the track, while the other blade does just the opposite. The springs have been removed from the trucks to prevent the Flanger from moving up and down while the blades are lowered. If the Flanger did have springs, the blades could drop deep enough to damage the track structure or derail the Flanger. Some pictures and info: [www.spcascades.railfan.net/flanger](http://www.spcascades.railfan.net/flanger). The SP Flangers are not bi-directional so they need to be turned on either a wye or turntable. Friction bearing and non-functional, LTWT 44000. The lack of suspension inhibits movement, de-rails have happened during short movements. The Pentrex Southern Pacific Film Archives Volume II, *Flangers, Spreaders & Steam Rotary Snowplows* has excellent footage of a Flanger in action behind both steam and diesel. Arlen, maybe others, has a copy of this video. SP donation may have stipulated that the Flanger never be used in service. Heading to WAPI for display in 2002. Installment #2 of this continuing description of our rolling stock.

According to a press release on the **Montana Rockies Rail Tours** web site, the **ex-SP&S 700** will pull a special tour October 12-14 Sandpoint to Billings with overnight stops in Missoula and Bozeman as well as October 18-20 Billings to Sandpoint. Route will be over former Northern Pacific mainline now operated by Montana Rail Link. Watch [www.montanarailtours.com](http://www.montanarailtours.com) for additional information and pricing.

Many thanks to Jim Wadsworth, Director of the Bureau of Licenses, City of Portland for getting implemented a solution to the taxi "zoo" (mess) at **Portland's Union Station**. Surplus taxis now have a queuing line just south of the main entrance on NW Irving just 1 month following my letter to Jim prompted by an Oregonian article published December 3<sup>rd</sup>. First class evidence that Portland is "*The City That Works*".

**Bruce Carswell**, formerly of Portland & Western Railroad (PNWR) is now Chief Mechanical Officer for the Australian Railroad Group/Australia Western Railroad (AWR), partially owned by Genesee & Wyoming Inc who also owns PNWR.

Many thanks to **Beaverton Police Officers** Alara Charbonneau and Marc Hevern for their quick response January 13<sup>th</sup> to a non-emergency call to check out evidence of someone "camping out" under our baggage car #55.

Our first car lease for 2002 is to **Morse Brothers Inc.** for their February 2<sup>nd</sup> business excursion on PNWR. Coach 6200 got the honors. Morse Brothers is a volume user of PNWR with their push-pull unit "rock trains".

**CTO: 7:45 p.m. by President Arlen Sheldrake**

**Pledge of Allegiance:** Arlen led the Chapter in the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

**Welcome members and guests:** Please sign in on the register. Welcome to Rich and Ron Carlson's brother, Roger visiting from Detroit. Welcome to new member, Jim Long.

**Officer's Reports:**

**Secretary:** There were no additions or corrections to the minutes as published in the Trainmaster. Ed Ackerman moved and Joe Wright seconded that the minutes be approved. The motion passed.

**Treasurer:** No treasurer's report was given because the treasurer was absent.

**President:** Arlen greeted the membership and thanked all who had donated money to the Chapter when they renewed their membership. The Annual Report to the Membership was distributed and it highlights the Chapter's accomplishments and activities for the year 2001. Arlen asked the membership for help in putting together a history of the Chapter. If you would like to help out on this project, please volunteer! Thank you to Judy Hall for producing the Trainmaster during editor Glenn Laubaugh's absence. Glenn is in Brazil.

**From the Board of Directors meeting:** The Chapter has asked for an extension regarding the delivery of the Twin Grove to Plummer, ID, from Jan. 22 to May 22, 2002. George Hickok is checking the 1500 ticket transactions from the Homecoming Excursion and will report the results. The Board is revising the Members Interest Survey. This will be distributed to the membership and included with new member applications. The Chapter has signed an agreement with the Oregon Electric Railway Historical Society for the Maintenance of Way Exhibit at Western Antique Powerland. The Chapter's flanger and Jordan spreader will be placed on exhibit there. The Chapter has agreed to do cosmetic restoration and develop an informative exhibit for these pieces of equipment. Membership help is needed on this project.

**New Business:** Darel Mack has proposed a fund raising project for the Chapter. He has researched putting together a recipe book. The cost for printing and binding 100 books would be \$2.54 to \$3.00 each. The membership agreed that this would be a good project. Darel asked everyone to think of family or original recipes to include.

**Committees Reporting:**

**Concessions:** The Chapter is looking for someone to chair the Concessions Committee.

**Membership:** Maxine Rodabaugh said that 127 members and 41 family members have renewed their membership. About half of these members have donated additional funds to the Chapter in the amount of \$2286. Maxine thanked the membership for the donations and for getting their renewals in to her a timely manner.

**Rolling Stock:** Arlen reported that a homeless person was living under one of the Chapter's rail cars. It has been reported to the police. The Taste of Beaverton rail trips will not operate this year. An article in Rail Fan magazine about the Sunset Coast Excursion on the POTB mentioned George Hickok and Pete Rodabaugh for helping arrange a power generator for the ex-Amtrak dome car so that the riders could enjoy a heated car on a cold day.

**Excursion:** Al Hall asked the members to mark down **Sat., Sept. 14** on the calendar for the Chapter's **one-day excursion** over the **POTB railroad**. More information to come.

**Activities:** Ron McCoy announced that the Chapter's March banquet may need to be rescheduled due to the SP 4449 trips planned in March. The members agreed that the first Saturday in April would be O.K. The tentative plan is to have it at the Crossing Restaurant in Vancouver or downtown at the Mallory and to have a buffet dinner.

**Library: Lending:** Ralph Johnson has resigned as chairman. Arlen thanked Ralph for his good work as chairman. The new chairman will be Irv Ewen. Irv announced that there would be a library meeting at 9:00 am, Room 1 on Feb. 2. Everyone is invited.

**Archive:** Chuck McGaffey said he and Bill Hyde are making progress in cleaning up the archive. There are many surplus model railroad magazines, 1940s-1999. They will be offered to the Chapter membership for 50 cents each and the surplus offered to model railroad organizations. Chuck brought "back issues" of the Trainmaster for members to take.

**For the Good of the Order:** Arlen said that the PRPA is selling 2002 railroad calendars. The SP 4449 trips to Sacramento have been canceled. They may schedule trips to Bend, instead. Samtrak is for sale for \$225,000. The Latah Trail Foundation in Idaho is trying to preserve a former OR&N railbed and keep it open to the public. The Montana Rockies Rail Tour is planning trips from Sand Point to Billings on Oct. 12-14 and Oct. 19-20. Visit their website for details.

**Programs:** Due an illness in his family, **Bob McCoy was not able to present his program about the Ilwaco Railroad**. It will be rescheduled at a later date. Instead the Dave Goodheart film about the SP&S 700 Homecoming Excursion was shown and Irv Ewen brought his album of excellent photos taken during the excursion. In February, Tony Roberts will talk about the RAF (Royal Air Force) Railroad. The March program will be from member, Tom Smith about "Alco Diesel Survivors."

**Motion to adjourn:** Adjourned at 8:45. *Respectfully submitted by Judy Hall, Secretary*

## **2001 Annual Report to the Membership**

Pacific Northwest Chapter – National Railway Historical Society

Pursuant to the Chapter By-Laws this report is presented to the membership on January 18, 2002 and included in the member copy of the February issue of *The Trainmaster*. This report represents the highlights of our year as developed by the President and edited by the Board and Committee Chairs.

**Activities:** Members and guests enjoyed three major activities during the year. The **Chapter Banquet** was held on March 18<sup>th</sup>. 25-year NRHS membership pins were awarded to James Schmidt, Gary Zenk, and Richard Gray. The Jack Holst Memorial Member of the Year Award was presented to Richard Carlson for his outstanding contributions since 1981. The **Chapter Picnic** was held August 25<sup>th</sup> at the Pacific Northwest Live Steamers facility at Shady Dell near Molalla. September 15<sup>th</sup> found about 40 members and guests boarding a bus for a day enjoying the **Mt. Rainier Scenic Railroad** and the **Chehalis-Centralia Railroad**. The year was closed by a good turnout for our wonderful **potluck** and pictures from our September 15<sup>th</sup> trip for the final membership meeting on December 21<sup>st</sup>. Activities Chair **Ron McCoy** coordinated these fun times.

**Archives:** With the leadership of Chair **Chuck McGaffey** our Archives Committee is beginning to build on the wonderful work done by Bob Weaver and his committee in the early 90s. Thanks to some generous donors we now have a new flatbed photocopier. Surplus Timetables and Trip Guides have been culled from our collection and the Chapter Board has agreed that we will no longer archive model train magazines. Thanks to donations and the effort/expertise of **Rick Banton**, we now have a current technology computer system in room 1. Temperature control in room 1A which houses the archive collection is not possible until the air conditioner is repaired by the Chapter.

**Concessions:** After three successful years running our Concessions effort **Jean Hickok** has decided to "retire". Jean and other Chapter members staffed a good-looking booth this summer during the two weekends of Steam-Up 2001 at Western Antique Powerland. Early in the year 10 newly discovered SP 4449 static models believed originally purchased in 1984 as part of the Louisiana Worlds Fair trip were sold netting \$634.20. New Committee members are needed.

**Board of Directors:** Chapter Board meetings are held in room 208 of Portland's Union Station the Thursday of the week preceding the membership meeting. They are open to any member and start promptly at 7:30 p.m. Tentative agendas are distributed to Committee Chairs and Board members approximately 1 week prior to the meeting. Effective January 1, 2001 the Chapter now maintains "Employee Dishonesty" insurance in compliance with the By-Laws.

**Excursions:** Our major excursion effort for the year was in support of the Pacific Railroad Preservation Association (PRPA) April 20-23 **Homecoming Excursion** to Pasco/Spokane. The planning effort preceded the excursion by 7 months with lots and lots of Chapter members making major time contributions. The ticket resolution process due to the 4<sup>th</sup> day cancellation lasted another 7 months. Under contract to PRPA, the Chapter was responsible for all passenger functions before and on-board the 18-car train. Approximately 55 Chapter members worked, many doing multiple functions, to make this excursion a success. It has become apparent that we can no longer rely on a single short line operator for our excursions so our Excursion Committee, co-chaired by **Al Hall** and **Janet Larson** are looking for other opportunities.

**Car Hosts:** After a couple years of inactivity, our Car Host procedures were dusted off by new Manager **Darel Mack** and implemented for the *Homecoming Excursion*. All 30 Car Hosts completed Medic/CPR training.

**Chapter Offices:** Since 1968 the Chapter offices have been located in historic Union Station. In September 1973 we moved into the Union Station Annex and we currently are under a two-year lease with the City of Portland that expires December 31, 2002. We still await the delayed annex metal roof replacement; leaks in room 1A are a worry. During the spring of 2002 the 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue extension project will begin that will re-design the parking and entry area in front of Union Station. 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue will continue North under the Lovejoy Ramp and connect to Marshall providing access to the new development at the old Portland Police horse barn. The Portland Development Commission continues to develop all vacant land around Union Station.

**Finances:** The Chapter continues to struggle to increase income and limit expenses. The 2001 budget was built and approved knowing that we needed excursion income. With our excursion income falling short of the budgeted amount, the Board was forced to dip into our savings. Our expenses have been limited to items necessary to operate the Chapter and these expenses continue to increase while Chapter membership dues have not increased in many years. As noted in the Rolling Stock section, we were also hit with some large, unanticipated track rental costs. Financially, 2001 was not a good year. On the positive side, a 2000 Chapter Audit was performed by **Al Hall** and **Chuck McGaffey** finding no problems. **Rick Banton**, Treasurer, mailed letters of appreciation to all financial donors during the year.

**Elections:** Our 2002 Elections were held in accordance with the By-Laws with balloting completed at the December 21<sup>st</sup> membership meeting. Thanks to our Elections Chair **Rich Carlson** and his helpers **Janet Larson**, **Maxine Rodabaugh**, and **Ron Carlson**. We struggled to get member interest to serve on the Nominations Committee so **Al Hall** stepped up and got nominations for each vacancy.

**Future Planning:** Early in the year the membership completed a Board sponsored *21<sup>st</sup> Century Vision Survey*. The results, adopted by the Board and Membership, are: 1) increase the number of member activities, 2) work with partnerships to develop a museum/repair/storage facility, 3) continue membership meetings at current location, 4) continue but be selective in acquiring materials for the library/archive, 5) continue current *Trainmaster* format including more local/regional railroad activities. Conversations and planning are underway to implement #2 at Western Antique Powerland as approved by the Membership. The Chapter's point group consists of **Al Hall**, **George Hickok**, and **Arlen Sheldrake**. Expect major progress during 2002 toward the Chapter vision of having a railroad museum, repair, storage, and library facility! The Chapter has also been an active participant with the newly organized Oregon Steam Heritage Foundation. OSHF is working to find a permanent home for the City of Portland's three steam locomotives currently housed in the Brooklyn yard maintenance facility (sometimes called a roundhouse). The Chapter has one of the nine positions on the OSHF Board along with the Friends of 4449, Pacific Railroad Preservation Association, OR&N 197, Northwest Rail Museum, City of Portland Parks/Recreation, Brooklyn Neighborhood, and 2 community at large members. Currently **Arlen Sheldrake** represents the Chapter on the OSHF Board.

**Lending Library:** During the year this Committee Chaired by **Ralph Johnson** has been working to inventory holdings, catalog new donations, and develop updated procedures. Committee member **John Willworth** brought selected books and videos to membership meetings for checkout. Committee member **Wayne Halling** regularly published in *The Trainmaster* an informative and fun article highlighting an underused item in the library. Committee members staffed at least one library opening day each month.

**Meeting Programs:** As noted earlier, the membership is pleased with having our meetings at St. Mark's Lutheran Church, which are facilitated by **Ralph Johnson**. During each meeting the members also enjoyed snacks provided by **Cora Jackson**. As approved early this year, all meetings begin with the Pledge of Allegiance. Our programs by month: *January* = The Santa Ynez Restoration by owner Jim Davis and Ron Peterson; *February* = Strasburg Railroad video from the Darel Mack collection; *March* = Model Trains by Ted Ahlberg; *April* = meeting canceled (*Homecoming Excursion*); *May* = NRHS office slides by Gerald Schuler and George Town Loop Railroad video from the Darel Mack collection; *June* = State of Oregon Legislation and Operation Lifesaver by Everett Cutter, Oregon Railroad Association; *July* = two videos: Flangers, Spreaders & Steam Rotary Snowplows from the Arlen Sheldrake collection and Steam to Spokane. SP&S 700 from the Al/Judy Hall collection; *August* = Operation Lifesaver by Judy Hall; *September* = Milwaukee Road Electrics by Don Hunter; *October* = Wheels for the Westside, a video on commuter rail by the Washington County Land Use Council; *November* = The Brooklyn Hauler, a video on the PNWR rail job; *December* = video and photos of our September 15<sup>th</sup> visit to Mt. Rainier Scenic Railroad and Chehalis-Centralia Railroad by Ron McCoy and Mike Hilsenberg. Vice President **Al Hall** arranged for these programs.

**Membership:** During August the *Information & Membership Directory* was again published and distributed to members by the team of **Janet Larson**, **Maxine Rodabaugh**, and **Arlen Sheldrake**. E-mail addresses were optionally included for the first time. Distribution of membership renewals for 2002 began by Chair **Maxine Rodabaugh** at the November 16<sup>th</sup> meeting. Memos accompanied the renewal notices from the President and from Past President and current Board member **George Hickok**. **Rick Banton** continues work on developing a new Chapter database that would combine our separate mailing and membership data files and provide other needed information.

**Memorial Funds:** A new committee established in February by the President to monitor the receipt and expenditure of donated Memorial Funds. **Gerald Schuler** agreed to Chair this new committee.

**Museum:** Chair **Glenn Laubaugh** published an excellent front-page article in the September *Trainmaster* asking for help. Responses so far have been disappointing. With the Flanger moving soon to WAPI, the Jordan Spreader close behind, and WAPI development discussions beginning, the Chapter must get members involved in this Committee and the Committee activated.

**National Director:** **Gerald Schuler**, Chapter National Director, attended and represented the Chapter at both 2001 NRHS Board of Directors meetings. The first one, April 22, was in Philadelphia and the second, October 21, in Chambersburg Pennsylvania. Gerald provided extensive and informative meeting summaries for publication in *The Trainmaster* and brief updates at membership meetings. Gerald encouraged members to attend the next NRHS convention August 19-26, 2002 in Williams Arizona ([www.canyonrails2002.com](http://www.canyonrails2002.com)). Gerald also provided an excellent summary of the 2000 Chapter year that was published in the NRHS Society Activities Annual.

**Public Relations:** Multiple activities were undertaken which provided good PR for the Chapter. **Pete Rodabaugh** rented a heated power washer and helped the Friends of OR&N197 cleanup decades of oil/grease buildup at the Brooklyn Roundhouse prior to the UPHS visit in August. **George Hickok, Pete Rodabaugh, and Roger White** installed and de-installed a generator on a flatcar so that a Sunset Coast Excursions (SCE) could use a leased full-length dome on their November 3-4 excursion. Letters of appreciation were sent to others helping with the "HEP" installation. Jody Moore, SCE Vice President, made sure that all excursion passengers knew about the Chapter's efforts. A letter from Chapter President **Arlen Sheldrake** praising The Northwest Examiner's efforts to stop graffiti vandalism was published in their October issue. Signs in our rolling stock indicating ownership and how to contact the Chapter are being updated as the cars are leased. Also, see Web Presence section.

**Rolling Stock:** In April the membership approved a Rolling Stock Committee recommended and Board approved Mission Statement and Goals for our rolling stock. **Mission:** To own and maintain high quality excursion equipment and museum rolling stock which is significant to the Pacific Northwest for use in excursion operations and museum exhibits. **Goals:** To own and maintain rolling stock: that is sustainable with Chapter resources; native to the Pacific Northwest; which is usable in excursions; equipment for museum exhibition purposes; and to have a facility to store, maintain, and exhibit our rolling stock.

**Equipment leases:** Jordan Spreader to Portland & Western RR; Mt. Hood to Jim Davis; Mt. Hood to PRPA; 6200 & 6800 to Sunset Coast Excursions; 6200 to Port of Tillamook Bay RR; Mt. Hood to Friends of 4449; Mt. Hood to Northwest Rail Museum.

A March 23<sup>rd</sup> letter from Portland & Western Railroad (PNWR) notified all parties storing rail cars on their track that the increase in business was forcing them to change the storage rate from \$1.50 to \$10.00 per day per car effective June 1<sup>st</sup>. **Pete Rodabaugh**, Chief Mechanical Officer, scrambled and was eventually able to find new locations for all the 8 Chapter cars except 1 stored on PNWR. Early in 2002 the Twin Grove that was sold to the Avery (Idaho) Citizens Committee will depart PNWR rails for Plummer Idaho on the way to Avery.

A new spur that required major track work was leased from Schnitzer Investment Corporation in August. Due to the installation of a building fire escape, the track had to be moved to allow proper clearance.

In October electric heat was installed in the 6200 & 6800 coaches making them 4 season rail cars.

A written agreement was reached with the Oregon Electric Railway Historical Society to locate the Chapter's Flanger and, when available, Jordan Spreader with the already sited steam crane at Western Antique Powerland. Additional track was laid and the Flanger will be moved in 2002. Part of the agreement with OERHS includes the Chapter developing public interpretive information and cosmetic maintenance for both pieces of Chapter Maintenance of Way equipment.

**Safety:** On April 12, 2001 the Board of Directors adopted the following: "**Vision: Every accident or injury is preventable.** This vision can be achieved by implementing the following:

A **culture** that makes safety our highest priority and provides continuous self-examination as to the effectiveness of our safety process and performance.

A **work environment**, including resources and tools, that is safe and accident-free where all known hazards will be eliminated or safeguarded.

**Work practices and training** for all members that make safety essential to the tasks we perform.

An **empowered work force**, including all members, that take responsibility for personal safety, the safety of fellow members, and the communities in which we reside." The Board further directed that the Rolling Stock Committee implement the **BNSF Job Safety Briefing** procedure and content.

Our office halon fire extinguishers are now receiving needed yearly maintenance thanks to the Union Station Building Superintendent. Emergency information is now stored in a red binder above the desk in room 1. The Treasurer and Secretary maintain this information.

**Trainmaster:** With the expert guidance and effort of our Editor **Glenn Laubaugh** 13 issues of *The Trainmaster* were published during the year. Yes, this is a monthly publication but a special issue was developed and distributed during the *Homecoming Excursion*. During Glenn's absence **Judy Hall** got an issue formatted and printed. **Chuck Storz** maintains our mailing lists. The team of **Maxine Rodabaugh, Janet Larson, and Darel Mack** handles mailing and distribution. *Trainmasters* are mailed first class to local area members; other members and exchange copies with other Chapters are bulk mailed to save postage costs. We have appreciated and enjoyed an increase in member submitted articles during the year. Our Secretary **Judy Hall** has done an excellent job of providing membership-meeting minutes for *The Trainmaster* under very tight time constraints.

**Web Presence:** Our Web Master **Glenn Laubaugh** completed a major transition to our new web location [www.pnwc-nrhs.org](http://www.pnwc-nrhs.org). In addition to the move Glenn has made some major improvements to both the content and format of our web site. Additionally the Chapter has a new email address: [pnwc@pnwc-nrhs.org](mailto:pnwc@pnwc-nrhs.org). Mail messages are now forwarded to the Secretary for further processing. As time permits articles from our complete archive collection of *Trainmasters*, representing a rich history and resource, are being added to our Web site.

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**Regular: \$35/year, Joint: \$44/year**

Membership prices include National Membership as well as membership in the local chapter. For more information, please contact the membership chair at the above address or phone number.

**Trainmaster Contributions:**

Contributions for the Trainmaster are most welcome. Deadline for each issue is the 20th of the previous month. , ,  
Typed or word-processed material is preferred for legibility.

**If you have any programs or program suggestions that you feel would be of interest to the Chapter, please contact the Chapter Vice President, David Van Sickle**

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**Member Naomi Gray**

Naomi is still convalescing and would enjoy receiving cards or visits at the Milwaukie Convalescent Home. 12045 SE Stanley Ave. Milwaukie, OR 97222. Phone: 503-659-2323

## Calling All Cooks!

Our Chapter has decided to publish a recipe book as a fund-raiser. We need recipes from Chapter members, friends, relatives or anyone else who would like to contribute. Sorry, copyrighted recipes cannot be accepted. Send recipes, comments or questions to Darel Mack, % Chapter office or email to [dhmdlm@aol.com](mailto:dhmdlm@aol.com)

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Has the *Trainmaster* been easier for you to read? This is because the kind people over at Northwest Rail Electric (a local company that manufactures electrical equipment for the railroad industry) have donated access to a laser printer for the printing of the original copy before the process of making the printing press plates is done. Since our printing press plates are made using a photographic process, the better the original looks, the better the results look when you receive them.

This *Trainmaster* was prepared by Judy Hall. Please direct any comments or corrections to Judy. 503-699-5042

### Columbia Gorge Model Railroad Club Swap Meet

**Date & Time:** Saturday, March 9, 2002, 10:00 am to 4:00 pm

**Cost:** General admission: \$3 (age 12 to adult), children under 12, free with adult.

**Location:** Collectors Market (formerly Pay-N-Pak) 8900 N. Vancouver Ave. Delta Park (Take exit 307 off I-5 and go south on MLK Blvd. to Vancouver Ave.

**For information & table rent:** Doug Auburg, 503-288-7246 anytime or email, [dauburg@vintagead.com](mailto:dauburg@vintagead.com)

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