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## Pacific Northwest Chapter Timetable #519

**Membership Meetings:** Oct 21, Nov 18, 7:30 PM, St. Mark's Lutheran Church, 5415 SE Powell Blvd.

**Board of Directors Meetings:** Oct 13, Nov 10, Room 208, Union Station, 7:30 PM

**Lending Library:** Oct 22 & 29, Nov 19 & 26, 1:30 to 4 pm, check-out subject to loan agreement.

**Programs at Upcoming Meetings:**

October 21 – Joe Walsh from TriMet, manager of the Washington County Commuter Rail project update.

November 18 – Chapter member Mark Reynolds, MAGLEV-ELECTRODYNAMIC SUSPENSION (LEDS) TRAIN SYSTEMS. We will have a video and other presentation materials.

December 16 – Annual Potluck and Chapter Elections

**If you know of any good program subjects for future call Ralph Johnson at 503-654-1930**

**Notable Non-Chapter Events:**

October 15<sup>th</sup>, Sumpter Valley Railway, *Fall Colors Photo Freight*, more info: 866.894.2268 or [svrydepotstaff@eoni.com](mailto:svrydepotstaff@eoni.com)

November 26 & 27, Rogue Valley Railroad Show, Medford Oregon Armory, more info: [www.rvmrc.railfan.net/show05.html](http://www.rvmrc.railfan.net/show05.html) or 541.535.7952

Additional Pacific Northwest Train Items: See page 2 for selected events.

### **Go By Train 2005 Convention Video**

The official *Go By Train 2005* Convention video produced by Chapter member Joe Harper is now completed and has been shipped out to 100+ pleased customers. This 100+ minute video provides excellent coverage of the main rail events of the 2005 NRHS Convention. This video is available in either VHS or DVD formats at \$19.95 each. Add \$3.95 postage and handling for the first copy to the same address and \$1.25 for each additional. Foreign orders add \$15.00 for first copy and \$4.00 for each additional. All profits from this project are going to the Pacific Northwest Chapter, NRHS. Make checks payable to Joe Harper, specify the format desired and send your order to: Joe Harper PO Box 1110 Centralia WA 98531 USA

### **Directory Published**

The September 2005 **Information & Membership Directory** has now been published and distributed to Chapter members.

Please take a moment to check your published information and if any needed corrections, send them to Diana Mack, PNWC Membership Services, PO Box 2384, Portland OR 97208-2384. Also take special note of the revised By-Laws. These By-Laws received a significant modification and clean-up last winter and now more closely reflect the operations of your Chapter.

Additional directories are available to Chapter members by sending \$3 to PNWC Membership Services.

### **Another Thanks for Convention**

I have been meaning to extend you a hearty word of thanks for organizing and carrying out such a well planned and executed convention. You are to be congratulated for doing an excellent job. I was particularly impressed with the courtesy, friendliness and hospitality shown at all times by your members. You did a super job in having your folks well identified and organized. This is my sixth NRHS convention. Many of the others were fun but go by train 2005 is by far the best organized that I have attended.

Again thanks

R. Paul Baumgartner, Telford, PA

## Northwest Railroad Events

The following timetable of events was sent to us by Arlen Sheldrake, though the list is actually maintained elsewhere. To add your activities to the Timetable contact Hugh Mackenzie at, (208) 777-8024, [hcmac@adelphia.net](mailto:hcmac@adelphia.net). For more up to date information check [www.nmra.org](http://www.nmra.org). Go to Regions and Divisions and to the PNR home page.

### EVENT TIMETABLE – 2005

- SEP 9-18, SPOKANE WA, Inland Empire Railway Historical Society, operating telegraph display, operation lifesaver display, train rides, museum train open, in conjunction with the Spokane Interstate Fair. Broadway Ave & Havana St. Info: - [ierhs@yahoo.com](mailto:ierhs@yahoo.com), [www.ierhs.50megs.com](http://www.ierhs.50megs.com).
- SEP 10-11, AUBURN WA, White River Valley Museum Operating Model Train Show, Les Grove Park, 918 H St. S.E. 10am-4pm. Info: - Karen Haas (253) 288-7433, [khaas@auburnwa.gov](mailto:khaas@auburnwa.gov), [www.wrvmuseum.org](http://www.wrvmuseum.org). SEP 11, (SUN), SURREY BC, CN Rail Open House/ Family Days. Thornton Yard Shops, 13477 116th Ave, Noon-4pm. Info: -
- SEP 16-17, (FRI-SAT), SALMON ARM BC, Salmon Arm Model Railroaders 2005 Corn Roast and Campout. Pierre's Point Campground, adjacent to CP main line. Info: - Bob Gardner, (250) 832-9883, [rvongard@jetstream.net](mailto:rvongard@jetstream.net).
- SEP 17-18, EDMONTON AB, 2004 Great Edmonton Train Show, Mayfield Inn Trade Centre, 16615 - 109th Ave. 10am-5pm. Info: - (780) 430-7595, [www.mmrf.ab.ca](http://www.mmrf.ab.ca).
- SEP 17, (SAT), FOREST GROVE WA, West Side Train & Swap Meet, National Guard Armory, 2950 Taylor Way, 10am-4pm. Info: - Ken Jackson, [jacksonkj@comcast.net](mailto:jacksonkj@comcast.net).
- SEP 18, (SUN), MISSOULA MT, 26th Missoula Model Railroad Club Show and Swap Meet. Big Sky High School, South Ave. 10am-4pm. Info: Mike or Elaine Brown, MMRC Show, 622 West Artemos, Missoula MT 59803, (406) 543-6123.
- SEP 25, (SUN), VICTORIA BC, NMRA, PNR, 7th Div, Vancouver Island Subdivision, 15th Annual Victoria Model Railway Show, Cedar Hill Recreation Centre, 3220 Cedar Hill Rd. 10am-4pm. Info: - Ted Alexis, (250) 595-4070.
- OCT 1-2. 8-9, 15-16, 22-23, IONE WA, North Pend Oreille Valley Lions Autumn Colors Train Rides to Metaline Falls & return, 11am, 1pm, 3pm. Info: - (509) 442-5466, [www.povn.com/byway](http://www.povn.com/byway).
- OCT 7-9, ESSEX MT, 24th Annual Alta/Mont Weekend, Izaak Walton Inn. Info: - (406) 888-5700, [stay@izaakwaltoninn.com](mailto:stay@izaakwaltoninn.com), [www.izaakwaltoninn.com](http://www.izaakwaltoninn.com). OCT 8-9, BEND OR, Eastern Cascades Model Railroad Club & Central Oregon Area Live Steamers Open House, 21520 Modoc Ln. 10am-4pm. Info: - (541) 317-1545, [www.ecmrr.org](http://www.ecmrr.org).
- OCT 8-9, CARLSBORG WA, North Olympic Peninsula Railroaders Train Show & Swap Meet, Greywolf Elementary School, 171 Carlsborg Rd. 10am-4pm. Info: - Lauren Scrafford, (360) 379-3280, [e78milrd@waypt.com](mailto:e78milrd@waypt.com), [www.geocities.com/noprclub/](http://www.geocities.com/noprclub/).
- OCT 8, (SAT), CORVALLIS OR, Corvallis Model Railroad Swap Meet, Benton County Fairgrounds, 10am-5pm. Info:- Patrick Sroma, (541) 760-5245, [p.sloma@comcast.net](mailto:p.sloma@comcast.net), [www.csme1959.org](http://www.csme1959.org).
- OCT 8-9, FIRCREST WA, 16th Annual N-Track Northwest N Scale Show & Swap Meet, Fircrest Recreation Center, 555 Contra Costa, Sat 10am-5-pm, Sun 11am-4pm. Info: - Walt Huston, 1210 141st St E. Tacoma 98445, (253) 535-8787, [hustonws@plu.edu](mailto:hustonws@plu.edu).
- OCT 8, (SAT), PEACHLAND BC, 4th Annual Peachland Model Train Show, 10am-2pm. Info: -
- OCT 15-16, CHILLIWACK BC, Mount Cheam Lions Club Model Railway & Hobby Show, Heritage Park, 44140 Luckakuck Way. Sat. 10am-6pm. Sun 10am-4pm. Info: James Hill, (604) 824-1757, [qdee@telus.net](mailto:qdee@telus.net).
- OCT 15-16, EDMONTON AB, Edmonton Model Railroad Association Open House, at the Freight Shed, Fort Edmonton Park, 10am-5pm. Info: - [www.emraonline.ca](http://www.emraonline.ca).
- OCT 15, (SAT), PASCO WA, Swap Meet, County Christian Center, 5300 W Sagemore Rd., (Turn west from 395 about 10 miles north of Pasco.), 10am-4pm. Info: - Sharon Prantle, (509) 266-4384, [prantletrains@hotmail.com](mailto:prantletrains@hotmail.com).

- OCT 15-16, RAVENSDALE WA, 8th Annual Maple Valley Model Train Show, 10am-5pm. Grace Hansen Community Center, 27132 Ravensdale Way. Info: - Henry Hollwedel, (425) 432-7900, [henhollwedel@juno.com](mailto:henhollwedel@juno.com), , [www.mytowncommunity.com/community/trainshow](http://www.mytowncommunity.com/community/trainshow).
- OCT 15-16, REGINA SK, Regina Model Railroad Show sponsored by the Regina Model Railroad Club, Cochran High School, 1069 14th Ave E. Sat 10am-5pm, Sun 10am-4pm. Info: - Grant Halkyard, (306) 522-3004, [G.Halkyard@accesscomm.ca](mailto:G.Halkyard@accesscomm.ca).
- OCT 16, (SUN), SPOKANE WA, Spokane Railroad Show. Spokane Community College, Lair Student Activities Building, Mission & Greene St. 10am-4pm. Info: - IERHS/Train Show, P.O. Box 5334, Spokane WA 99205-0334, (509) 535-7186 [ierhs@yahoo.com](mailto:ierhs@yahoo.com), [www.ierhs.50megs.com](http://www.ierhs.50megs.com).
- OCT 29, (SAT), RITZVILLE WA, Great Northwest Train Show, American Legion Club Hall, 538 W. Broadway, 10am-4pm. Info: - Ritzville Chamber of Commerce, (509) 659-1936
- OCT 29-30, SALEM OR, Great Western Train Show, Oregon State Fairgrounds, 2330 17th St NE, 10am-4pm. Info: - [www.gats.com](http://www.gats.com).
- NOV 11-14, BURNABY BC, TRAINS 2005, 23rd Annual 7th Div Fall Meet, Cameron Recreation Center, 9523 Cameron St. Info: - Kathy Dixon, (Registrar), P.O. Box 52224, N. Vancouver BC V7J 3V5, (604) 987-4237, [Trains-2004-meet-reg@telus.net](mailto:Trains-2004-meet-reg@telus.net), [www.bctrains.org](http://www.bctrains.org).
- NOV 12-13, (SUN), BURNABY BC, TRAINS 2005, 23rd Annual Public Show, Cameron Recreation Center, 9523 Cameron St. 9am-4pm. Info: - Bill Dixon, (Registrar), P.O. Box 52224, North Vancouver BC V7J 3V5, (604) 987-4237, [trains-show-registrar@telus.net](mailto:trains-show-registrar@telus.net). [www.bctrains.org](http://www.bctrains.org).
- NOV 12, (SAT), KENT WA, 26th Boeing Employees' Model Railroad Club Annual Swap Meet, Kent Commons, 525 4th Ave. N, (corner w/ James), 9:30am-4pm. Info: - [swapmeet@bemrrc.com](mailto:swapmeet@bemrrc.com) [www.bemrrc.com](http://www.bemrrc.com).
- NOV 12-13, VANCOUVER WA, Great American Train Show, Clark County Fair Grounds 17402 NE Delfal Rd. 11am-5pm. Info: - [www.gats.com](http://www.gats.com).
- NOV 26-27, DEC 3-4, ADAIR VILLAGE OR, Corvallis Society of Model Engineers Open House, Adair Village Clubhouse, 7155 Vandenburg Ave, 10am-5pm. Info: - Patrick Sloma, (541) 760-5245, [p.sloma@comcast.net](mailto:p.sloma@comcast.net), [www.csme1959.org](http://www.csme1959.org).
- NOV 26-27, MEDFORD OR, 28th Annual Rogue Valley Railroad Show, Medford Armory, 1701 S. Pacific Hwy. Sat 10am-5pm, Sun 11am-4pm. Info: - Brad Fawcett, (541) 535-7952, [bfawcett@mind.net](mailto:bfawcett@mind.net), [www.rvmrc.railfan.net](http://www.rvmrc.railfan.net).

## EVENT TIMETABLE - 2006

- JAN 15-17, SEATTLE WA, 32nd Pacific Science Center Model Railroad Show sponsored by NMRA/PNR/4th Div, corner of Denny & Broad, 10am-6pm. Info: - Frank Dekker, (425) 425-6964, [rekkedrails@juno.com](mailto:rekkedrails@juno.com), [www.pacsci.org](http://www.pacsci.org), [www.4dpnr.org](http://www.4dpnr.org).
- MAR 19, (SUN), PULLMAN WA, 10th Annual Palouse Empire Railroad Show & Swap Meet. Beasley Performing Arts Coliseum, WSU Campus, 10am-3pm. Info: - Ken Vogel 400 E. Main St, Pullman WA 99163, (509) 332-0505, (M-F 9:30-6:00, Sat 9:30-5:30), or Noel Randall, 805 Panorama, Moscow ID 83843, (208) 882-3773.
- JUL 2-9, PHILADELPHIA PA, Independence Junction 2006. NMRA National Convention, Sponsored by the Mid-Eastern Region. Pennsylvania Convention Center, 1101 Arch St. Info: - [www.ij2006.org](http://www.ij2006.org).
- AUG 3-6, WILSONVILLE OR, Willamette Valley Express. PNR 2006 Convention, Holiday Inn, 25425 SW 95th Ave. Info: - [www.pnr2006.com](http://www.pnr2006.com), Registrar, John Sparrows, (503) 631-7793.

# BUCKEYE RAILS

The 2006 Annual Convention of the  
National Railway Historical Society  
July 18-23, 2006, New Philadelphia, Ohio  
Come to the Country - Come to beautiful Ohio!



## Events may include:

Steam and diesel trips on the Ohio Central Railroad  
Diesel trips on the Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad  
Tours of the Ohio Central Shops, of the Dennison Railroad  
Depot Museum, and of the Warther Carvings Museum  
Night Photo Session  
Seminars by noted railroad authors  
Non railroad activities: Visit to Homer Laughlin China and  
tours of the Amish country

For more information see [www.buckeyerails2006.org](http://www.buckeyerails2006.org)

**The Headquarters Hotel** will be the Holiday Inn, located in  
a cluster of hotels, all within easy walking distance. The rates  
will be approximately \$79.00 a night

## Mail the bottom portion of this page to:

**Buckeye Rails 2006**  
**2025 Zumbuhl Rd.**  
**PMB 80**  
**St. Charles, MO 63303**

## Footnotes

- Those who sign up for Advance Mailing will be sent the registration package at least 15 days before anyone else.
- The Advance Mailing Fee is \$10.00 for an NRHS member, a spouse, children and other family members living at the same address.
- The \$10.00, which is non-refundable, will be applied to the \$30.00 registration fee.
- The Advance Mailing Fee entitles the member's household to one registration package.
- Advance Mailing Requests must be post-marked by February 28, 2006.
- Members receiving an Advance Mailing may only purchase tickets for those persons listed on their Advance Mailing Request.
- Hotel information with discounted rates will be mailed with the registration packages.
- Convention events are not yet finalized and are subject to change
- A \$35 penalty charge will be made for returned checks or credit card non-payment.



## Advance Mailing Request - Please Print

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Phone Day \_\_\_\_\_ Evening: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
NRHS Membership Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
Payment:  Enclosed is a \$10.00 check payable to Buckeye Rails  
 Charge \$10.00 to my Visa / MasterCard  
Credit Card No.: \_\_\_\_\_  
CV Number: \_\_\_\_\_ (3 numbers on signature strip on back of credit card)  
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If you were to come to the convention on July 18th and leave on  
July 23rd, would you prefer to have transportation provided for a  
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I don't want Advance Mailing.  
Please mail me the registration  
package when it is available.

For this option:

- Registration packages will be mailed no less than 15 days after being mailed to Advance Mailing users.
- Tickets orders will not be filled until 30 days after Advance Mailing users.
- The full \$30.00 registration fee will be required with order.

## Thank You UPRR

By Arlen L. Sheldrake

The 2,800-mile, six-state *Pacific Northwest Heritage Tour 2005* by Union Pacific Railroad's Challenger # 3985 and consist is now history. For the thousands of rail fans and members of the general public who lined the rails during this tour, I think it is appropriate to thank Union Pacific Railroad for maintaining this magnificent 62-year old piece of railroad history.

It was quite apparent that this Tour was much more than a shipper and VIP public relations exercise. The Union Pacific Web site listed the entire tour schedule giving approximate departure and arrival times. The absolutely wonderful GPS locator map Web site gave the location of the locomotive as it moved across the West. For those with a computer laptop and wireless connection, the move could be tracked while chasing the train. While we could have hoped for more media attention here in Portland, many of the other communities visited by the 3985 showed their appreciation and gave the Tour some excellent coverage.

The 12-day stay at the Portland UP Albina Yard was also very public oriented, parking and access was easy and welcoming. Channeling visitors to and from the locomotive through the concessions car was brilliant.

The bottom line is that all rail fans and rail historians owe a big **THANK YOU** to Union Pacific Railroad and Steve Lee and his crew for maintaining this locomotive as well as bringing this history to all the communities along the Tour route. Even Mother Nature appreciated the visit by providing an excellent weather day on September 22<sup>nd</sup> for the 3985's trip up the Gorge.

Some of the communities visited include: Ogden UT, Portola CA, Roseville CA, Eugene OR, Portland OR, Boise ID, Pocatello ID, Kemmerer WY, and Rawlins WY. Brief stops in the Columbia Gorge included Multnomah Falls and Hood River.

## Indian Railway System to Improve

According to an article brought to our attention by Randy Rock, the Indian Railway has been ordered by the government to make a general clean-up of the entire system.

From killing cockroaches to cleaning toilets, India's government last Friday ordered an ambitious revamp of cleanliness and service on its monolithic British-era railway service, one of the world's largest networks and the country's transport lifeline, according to a story in the New Delhi EconomicTimes. Indian Railways is one of the world's largest employers, with a staff of 1.6 million. It has more than 40,000 route-miles and 7,000 stations, and operates more than 11,000 trains daily. Indian Railways supports the livelihoods of some 80 million people.

But, the newspaper says, its trains and stations are notorious for accidents, delays, overcrowding, poor sanitation, and lazy employees. Bathrooms stink, security is poor, and rats and stray dogs roam many stations.

Last Friday, the Railway Ministry issued orders to its regional officers across the country to personally handle a series of problems, and gave them until October to report back progress, said a statement from the government's Press Information Bureau. The directives include ensuring that the air-conditioned coaches are free of cockroaches and rats; cleaning and renovating toilets; providing better bedding and lighting; and giving stations a general facelift. Managers were also told to crack down on harassment of passengers by railway employees and to make sure all cleaning is done with liberal amounts of disinfectant.

The statement said the aim was "to make Indian Railways more aesthetic, comfortable, and passenger-friendly with good quality of lighting, water supply, cleanliness and ... help every customer in need."

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## **PNWC-NRHS, Membership meeting minutes August 19, 2005**

Chapter President Ron McCoy called the meeting to order at 7:33 pm, and led the Pledge of Allegiance. The members in attendance welcomed Gerald and Olive Schuler's guests Louise Denbrook and Andy Allen. Ron expressed the Chapter's sadness at the passing of Chapter member Clarence "Cal" Cronk. Cal was a former SP&S and BN employee, a long-time member since 1977, and attended membership meetings regularly.

Ron thanked Arlen Sheldrake for editing and publishing another excellent membership directory, which contains the newly revised by-laws approved by the membership in December of 2004, and also lists many new members who have joined the Chapter since the last directory was printed.

The minutes of the August membership meeting were approved as published in the September Trainmaster on a motion by Carolyn McCoy and seconded by Ted Ahlberg.

Jim Long reported on the Chapter activity to Train Mountain in Chiloquin, Oregon. A total of 47 Chapter members and guests enjoyed a tour of some of Train Mountain's station and shop facilities, and spent the rest of the day riding one-eighth scale live steam, gas-hydraulic and electric trains on Train Mountain's 25-mile layout.

All proceeds from the trip will benefit the Chapter. Ron encouraged members with other ideas for Chapter activities to present a proposal to Activities Chair Darel Mack.

Go By Train 2005 Committee Chair Arlen Sheldrake said that a "Thank-You" party for all convention volunteers is scheduled for late October, organized by Jean Hickok. Treasurer George Hickok reported that substantial progress is being made in reconciling attendee accounts and wrapping up other loose ends. He hopes to close the books on the convention by the end of the calendar year.

Chapter Treasurer Ken Peters said that the checking account remains in good shape, thanks again to the strong concessions sales of Al Hall. Ron said that the budgeted rolling stock expenditure amounts for 2005 have proven to be too low, primarily due to extensive work performed in preparation for the 2005 Convention. Additionally, George Hickok outlined a unique opportunity which has arisen which would allow the Chapter to purchase wheelsets to replace badly worn rim-stamped wheelsets on the Mt. Hood with modern non-field-lubricated wheelsets. Price has already been negotiated for the wheelsets, which are located in Pennsylvania. George continues to work on negotiating the best possible freight rate for transporting them to Portland. With a quorum of voting members in attendance, a motion jointly made by Karl Wescott and Ed Ackerman was seconded by Darel Mack proposed to add an additional \$25,000.00 to the 2005 Rolling Stock

expenditures budget. The motion passed. Similar budget situations in Concessions expenditures and Activities expenditures were also addressed. Darel Mack moved to revise the 2005 Concessions expense budget to \$2500.00. Arlen Sheldrake seconded, and the motion passed.

Arlen also made a motion to increase the Activities budget to \$10,000.00, primarily to allow for expenditures related to the Train Mountain activity, which is expected to realize a small profit. Karl Wescott seconded, and the motion passed.

Ron said that Rolling Stock Committee member and Chief Mechanical Office Pete Rodabaugh is investigating a possible lead for space to relocate the Chapter's historic Portland Terminal Railroad S-2 diesel switchers. Keith Fleschner and Ron said that Saturday's work party would be in Beaverton, featuring donuts and a chance to continue work on improving the condition of the 3300. This coach-baggage car will provide additional revenue space for future Chapter excursions, and helping to clean and repair the interior is a great way to earn bragging rights that you helped to contribute to its restoration to service. Contact Keith at 503-516-9272 to join the fun at the next work party.

Ron said that Museum Committee Chair Glenn Laubaugh has invited all members and family to attend a joint work party and social function with the Western Steam Fiends on October 8 at the APMA grounds in Brooks. This will be more fun than work, but expect to see folks sprucing up the landscaping and other items related to the display track which holds the Chapter's Jordan spreader and the Fiends' steam crane.

Ron announced that the Chapter's "Queen of Hospitality," Cora Jackson, has decided to retire after the September meeting. Cora received a lengthy round of applause in appreciation for many years of providing refreshments for membership meetings. Ed Ackerman's suggestion of starting a sign-up calendar for refreshments was well received, and Darel Mack volunteered his wife Diana to cover for the October meeting.

Ron presented the "Unsung Hero" award for September 2005 to Chapter member Joe Harper, who is also the driving force behind production and sales of the Go By Train 2005 official convention video. Joe was recognized for his frequent unsolicited financial donations, exemplary volunteer spirit, and the countless hours that went into filming, producing and marketing the convention video.

Library Chair Irv Ewing said that he will be staffing the Room 1 lending library on September 17th from 1:30 to 4:00. John Willworth had another excellent selection of videos available at the meeting.

Library privileges are free for members who have a signed library agreement on file.

In other news, the Union Pacific 3985 Challenger was in town at meeting time, and the last runs of the Lewis and Clark Explorer were fast approaching. Arlen Sheldrake said that the 4449 appearance at Union Station in conjunction with a historic preservationists convention has been canceled due to low convention attendee interest.

Ralph Johnson said the evening's program would be a video on the waning years of the Milwaukee Road electric and diesel operations in and around Avery, Idaho. Ron reminded everyone to sign in, and to donate generously to defray Cora Jackson's expense in preparing refreshments. He adjourned the meeting at approximately 9:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jim Long

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**Membership in our Organization is available to anyone with an interest in railroad history. Rates are: \$35 total - \$15 for Chapter, \$20 for National**

**Please be sure to inform the membership chair at Membership Services, PNWC-NRHS, P.O. Box 2384, Portland, OR 97208-2384 of any changes in the status of your address.**

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