

The Feather River Rail Society

The Portola Railroad Museum

Preserving the Memory of

"The Feather River Route"

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Portola, California 96122
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The museum is open daily year round from 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM except Christmas Day. Entrance to the museum is free, however, we have a suggested donation of \$2.00.

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From the Desk of the President



So far, this year of 1996 has been one of dynamic progress and movement for the FRRS, and our summer season has yet to begin! The first of CMO Hank Stiles' maintenance clinics on April 6 & 7 was well-attended, and much work was accomplished (see Hank's report in this issue). The first crew training session on April 27 also drew an enthusiastic response, so much so that the rules exam had to be given in two shifts, due to not enough tests available!

Enclosed with this issue of the Train Sheet is the ballot for the 1996 election for five seats on the Board of Directors, and two bylaws change proposals. One of these proposals creates a Western Pacific Railroad Historical Society as a subsidiary of the FRRS, and also creates a new membership class, Historical. The Board of Directors strongly recommends approval of this proposal; we feel it adequately addresses a long-standing issue within the FRRS. We also recommend approval of the other bylaws change proposal, establishing 3-year terms on a 3/3/3 rotation for the nine elected Directors. Remember to return your ballot by June 22, 1996 or bring it with you to the FRRS annual meeting, which will be held that evening (Saturday, June 22, 1996) at the Museum. On behalf of the Board of Directors, I'd like to thank all of you for your continued support of the FRRS, and I hope to see you at the annual meeting.

Steve Habeck

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