

189th. Meeting of the YPHRS, October 16, 2009, at the Union Hall, Toledo, Oregon

Meeting called to order by President Bill Bain at 1742 hrs. Present were: Bill Bain, President, Tom Chandler, Conductor, Allan Preece, Treasurer, Mark Seibert, Secretary, Charter Members John and Jean Keefer, members at large Glenn Harris, Jim and Steve Fallon, The Woods family, Edna Abbott. **Norm Halsey** – former member and troubadour, provided entertainment for the evening by singing old R.R. songs, accompanied by playing his guitar. Very well received and enjoyable.

Minutes of the 188th. Meeting accepted as read on a motion from Bill, seconded by Allan. Passed unanimously.

President: Ultra sound for 1 Spot boiler in the works, several sources for machine quoted.

National Director: absent and excused, no report. **Vice President:** absent and excused, no report.

Treasurer report: after a lot of work, Tom and Allan found that we are a small amount over budget for July, August and September this year. Nothing to worry about. Motion made and seconded to accept treasurer's report. MSP.

Project Reports

1 Spot. Richard and Steve Beck making steady progress in making 1 Spot's wheels turn. Two angle plates need removing to facilitate this project. Ultra Sound of boiler in the works as reported by President Bain.

Cliff – tranny is here and needs to be installed. Tom and Mark to handle. (*Richard Cullison and Steve Beck did it*)

Library Dedication. 35-40 people attended and that was a good turnout. Good to have Millie and her son Allan here for the event. We have had thank you note from them. **One Spot Live Sound.** Seven dollars (in quarters) collected in the sound system coffers for 1 Spot semaphore signals and sound system, featuring a 1957 recording of our engine pulling a hill into town. The system is up, running and very popular!

New Business

Nominating committee of Greg Smith and Glenn Harris to report next month on nominees for the positions of President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and National Director. Appointees are made by Newly elected slate of officers.

Office coverage needed for this coming Sat. Allan & Glenn volunteered.

CC&BW Leonard Freidberg has had successful surgery on his jaw and is now back in Toledo after a short recovery period at the V.A. hospital in Portland.

Member 1 Spot discussion session: #91 engine photos postulated as a good guide for 1 Spot restoration. Apparently 1 Spot has a ladder on the engine that has a curious bend in it – which also shows up in pictures of the engine in operation.

The fact that the North Lincoln Historical Society closes it's doors December and January of each year brought up by Bill. They do this to lessen their financial outlay and for some unknown reason, this also increases membership. Discussion on whether we should follow suit. No decision pending further investigation.

Train Show at Christmas? Yes? No? How do you feel about this? Discussion brought out that it is good for engendering next generation participation. Pending more discussion and input from members.

Food Caboose. Roof is leaking yet again. On several occasions, door found to be unlocked, but nothing missing – that we can tell – from inside. Those with access please double check that this valuable asset has it's doors locked before leaving.

Our newest and very welcome member Edna Abbott provided refreshments in the form of milk and brownies at this meeting and they were very well received. **Business meeting adjourned 17.42.** Pizza prepared and presented by Kellen Wood.

Program

Member Steve Fallon then presented a VERY interesting and informative talk and slide show on the operation, maintenance and restoration of the rolling stock of the Nevada Northern Railway. This tour de force included pictures and narration of the rolling stock, repair and maintenance sheds, train routs, history and daily operation of what was a very busy railroad. Pony Express was just 40 miles away and in competition for a short time, as was the local stage coach line. This R.R. operated out of Eley Nevada and the nearest town was more than 250 miles away. Most of the engines, rolling stock and buildings are still there, restored and operational. I smell a field trip!