



# Feather River Rail Society

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Portola Railroad  
Museum

Preserving

*"The Feather River Route"*

P.O. Box 608  
Portola, California 96122  
(916) 832-4131

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



By the time this gets to you, the members, the Board of Directors of the FRRS should have already approved an updated FRRS Organizational Chart. The emphasis of this reorganization is to better define the positions assigned, and to shift the FRRS' focus from acquisition of equipment to restoration and preservation of the equipment we have. This does not mean we won't acquire additional pieces for the collection, but it does mean we intend to assign and staff the necessary positions for restoration and preservation, with more emphasis in these areas. The collection deserves nothing less.

One thing that won't change, however, is that the people who are named on the organizational chart will still rely almost exclusively on volunteer help from the membership to accomplish their projects. I encourage everyone to try and make it to Portola this year and get involved; to those of you who regularly come up, you have my heartfelt thanks, and I hope you are impressed by what you see.

On behalf of the Board of Directors, I sincerely hope everyone had a happy and safe holiday season. We thank you for your support, and look forward to seeing you in Portola in 1995.

-- Steve Habeck

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## Note from Headlight Publisher John Ryczkowski

This is just a quick note to let everyone know that The "Headlight" is still alive and well.

Because of professional commitments, I have been deprived of the time needed to devote to The "Headlight." We expect to get back on track in 1995.

Soon we will be upgrading our computer equipment in order to bring you an expanded and upgraded "Headlight." We also will be using a new printer who is located LOCALLY and who will give us much faster service than before.

We still very much encourage and solicit contributions in the way of ideas, photos, modeling articles, and historical articles.

Thank you for your patience.

## Further note

The Train Sheet and The Headlight are mailed by bulk mail which can be unreliable. We could not afford to mail publications by more expensive means. Being bulk mail, it is possible that a publication is mailed to you and never reaches you. Headlight issue #10 is the most current issue. If you feel you have missed a publication, contact the museum.