

- FRRS Membership -

<i>Yearly Dues</i>		<i>Single Life Membership</i>		<i>Family Life Membership</i>	
Associate	\$20.00	Birth-17 years of age	\$1200.00	Birth-17 years of age	\$1800.00
Active	\$40.00	Age 18-39	\$900.00	Age 18-39	\$1350.00
Family	\$60.00	Age 40-61	\$600.00	Age 40-61	\$900.00
Sustaining	\$100.00	Age 62 and above	\$300.00	Age 62 and above	\$450.00

These are the dues for the duration of one year, with Life and Family Life being a one-time payment. Five year payment plans are available for life memberships.

Associate memberships do not have a vote, receive The Train Sheet but not the Headlight and are for one person only.

Active memberships receive both The Train Sheet and the Headlight, have voting rights and are for one person only.

Family memberships receive both The Train Sheet and the Headlight, have one vote and include all members of ones immediate family.

Sustaining memberships receive both The Train Sheet and the Headlight, are for a maximum of two persons with one vote each.

Life memberships receive both The Train Sheet and the Headlight, have voting rights and are for one person only for life.

Family Life memberships receive both The Train Sheet and the Headlight, are for a maximum of two people and have two votes (one per member) for life.

Send all applications, renewals and address changes to:

**Feather River Rail Society
Membership Dept.
P.O. Box 608
Portola, CA 96122-0608**

Address changes may also be sent to memberships@wplives.com

The Wheel Report, A Message From the FRRS President

By Rod McClure

Wintertime is here and things at the Museum are quiet. We have had lots of snow in the last month and have been busy plowing snow and keeping the shop from flooding. The Santa Trains were a big hit with the local community. Big thanks to all who helped out in the not so friendly weather.

In my last report to you, I mentioned the need for us to focus on moving forward and finishing up outstanding projects. Here is an update on some of those issues.

Magnolia Tower: Amtrak is working with us to make the move finally happen with little of no cost to us. We found a way around the red tape and are confident that Maggie will be in Portola soon. We have been in contact with the Contractor who will be doing the work and they are going to do everything possible to help us.

Membership Problems: The outstanding problems with membership cards, renewal notices, and address changes appear to have been resolved. Turnaround time for these are 30 days or less. Thanks to Susan Scarlett and Frank Brehm, and for making this happen.

Security: We purchased the necessary material to fence off the balance of the Museum grounds as well as the Hospital site. Thanks to Eugene Vicknair, we were able to obtain the materials at below cost and we are working on finding a fencing contractor to erect it for us in the spring. This will go a long way to limiting access to our property and our liability. New security lighting is being installed around the Shop and other areas as well.

Fundraising: The support we have received from the

Membership in the first two mailings has been fantastic. We will continue to move forward with expanding our fundraising efforts this year. Any financial donation you can make helps us to expand our preservation efforts of the Western Pacific, and of course, is tax deductible to the fullest extent of the law.

Advertising: We are in need of a volunteer to handle the advertising needs of the FRRS. We need to expand our visibility and refine where we spend our limited dollars. If you feel you have the time and enthusiasm to take on this project, please let me know. You can contact me at: ram794@alpine.net or 775-677-9617.

Plans for 2003 include a new and improved Railfan Photographer's Day, a Volunteer Appreciation Day, and a higher level of participation in Portola Railroad Days. Watch The Train Sheet for updates on these and other activities.

In my alternate capacity as Roadmaster, I have to say that your help will be needed again this year for track work. As we are just about finished with the Balloon Track repairs, it is time to begin building new track. Included in these plans are the completion of Dodgepole Siding, followed by the build out of the Parking Lot Display Track this year. We have the materials—all we need is the muscle. Hank Stiles, CMO, always needs help working on and servicing the fleet, let him know if you can help out. We hope to restore a couple pieces of equipment this year. Steve Habeck, Restoration Manager, has some plans we should see shortly. Lastly, I want to thank Kerry Cochran and the Ops department for a injury/accident free 2002.

Thanks to all of you for supporting YOUR Society!