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Chapter

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# Dues Due!

Enclosed with this month's newsletter is your 1998 membership renewal form. This year the Chapter will handle the duties of receiving the dues and forwarding the portion belonging to the National R&LHS. We will also enroll you in any other R&LHS Chapter which you wish to join.

We would appreciate you taking a moment, RIGHT NOW, to fill out the membership form and return it to our Treasurer, Jim Wilk, in the enclosed envelope. Please note that once again a special premium is being offered for renewal at the "Contributing" level or above. This year the R&LHS is offering a special publication titled: "OUR FIRST LOCOMOTIVES." This is a survey of all steam locomotives in the US in 1838 and 1839, by long time R&LHS member, Corny Hauck ( see back page).

Your participation as a member of the Southeast Chapter is appreciated and we hope you will continue your membership.

**Tickets  
please!**



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# IMPORTANT NOTICE

The address Box 215, East Irvine, California 92650 should no longer be used for any correspondence relating to the national organization of the Railway & Locomotive Historical Society, Inc. This includes, but is not limited to, matters concerning membership renewal or new applications for membership. In addition, orders for, or inquiries about publications of the Society should NOT be sent to the Box 215, East Irvine, California address.

If you are currently a member of the national R&LHS and also maintain a membership affiliation with one or more Chapters of the Society the 1998 dues renewal process will be handled through your Chapter.

For current members of the national R&LHS who are not affiliated with a Chapter of the Society, the 1998 dues renewal process will be handled by William H. Lugg, Jr. using a 1998 Membership Renewal Form which will appear in the next issue of the Society's "Newsletter".

Future inquiries about national Society membership matters should be addressed to Mr. William H. Lugg, Jr. at "R&LHS Membership", P.O. Box 292927, Sacramento, California 95829-2927.

Anyone who has written to the national's Membership Secretary (Robert E. Kredel) at Box 215, East Irvine, California, and who has not received a response, should readdress their inquiry to William F. Howes, Jr., President-R&LHS, 3454 Cormorant Cove Drive, Jacksonville, Florida 32223.



William F. Howes, Jr  
President

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**SOUTHEAST CHAPTER OFFICERS:**

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Frank H. Dewey	Secretary
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## **Minutes of the Southeast Chapter, Railway & Locomotive Historical Society**

The February meeting of the Southeast Chapter of the Railway and Locomotive Historical Society was held in the 13th Floor Conference Room of the CSXT GOB on Thursday, February 12, 1998 at 6:00 P.M. A quorum was present. Chapter Vice President Bill Howes chaired the meeting. The Treasurer reported \$1169.37 in the two Coastline Federal Credit Union accounts with \$230.75 in checking and \$938.62 in savings.

### Old business:

Jim Smith has E-mailed George Frebert of Dover Press about reprinting the R&LHS Bulletins on Railroads of Florida. They are currently discussing pricing. Ed Mueller said he would take a copy of the Bulletin to his printer in Tallahassee to get a quote from them. The membership agreed that nothing less than 1000 copies should be printed.

### New Business:

Bill Howes gave an update on the annual meeting planned for May 21-24.

### Committee Reports:

There were no committee reports.

### Announcements:

The Jacksonville train show will be on February 21.

The program was given by Ron Dettmer on work equipment of CSXT and its predecessor companies. The March 12 meeting will have a program by Art Towson with Jim Wilk bringing the goodies. Mark Bennett and Frank Dewey will give a program on Indiana interurbans for the April 9 meeting. Mark will be bringing the food also.

Respectfully submitted,



## **Minutes of the Southeast Chapter, Railway & Locomotive Historical Society**

The March meeting of the Southeast Chapter of the Railway and Locomotive Historical Society was held in the 13th Floor Conference Room of the CSXT GOB on Thursday, March 12, 1998 at 6:00 P.M. A quorum was present. Chapter President Jim Smith chaired the meeting. Minutes of the Feb. 12, 1998 meeting were approved with a minor change. There was no Treasurers report.

### Old Business:

Book reprint of FL Bulletins #86 & #88. Ed Mueller advised that Painter Printing Co. Deland, FL, can give a 30 day quote on reprinting the R&LHS Bulletins. Approval given to proceed with printing plans. A five member committee, consisting of Jim Smith, Jim Wilk, Cliff Vander Yacht, Bill Howes and Ed Mueller, will proceed further.

### Committee Reports:

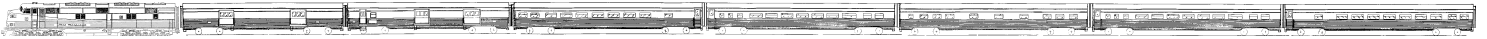
Cliff Vander Yacht is in need of articles for upcoming issues of the Southeast Limited.

New Business:

A donation will be given to the Orange Park United Methodist Church in memory of Mack Mitchell.

Art Towson gave a slide presentation on early 1970's steam excursion activities on the WM at Hagerstown, Md. Featuring RDG loco T-1 2102, WM FA- 2 and the ex DH Alco PA's. April 9th Meeting: Mark Bennett and Frank Dewey will have an Interurban Memories program. May 14 th Meeting: Ed Mueller will have a program on steam launches. Submitted by Art Towson in absence of Frank Dewey. 3/13/98

Respectfully submitted,  
Art Towson



## **SPECIAL NOTICE!**

A limited-edition collector's item and an important reference publication for Railway & Locomotive Historical Society members ... for all who renew at the Contributing rate and above —

### **“OUR FIRST LOCOMOTIVES”**

A Survey of all Steam Locomotives in the United States in 1838-1839 - by Charles E. Fisher

Reprinted from Mr. Fisher's study first published in 1943 in R&LHS *Bulletin No. 62*, and augmented by an extensive array of illustrations of a wide representation of the locomotives covered in the study. Fisher's survey drew from three sources of the period: [1] the detailed study of U.S. railroads made in 1839 by Franz Anton Ritter von Gerstner, and recently published in the English translation by Stanford and our Society; [2] a report on every known boiler in the U.S. in 1838 compiled by agents of the U.S. Treasury Department, and [3] a report listing all English-built locomotives exported to America, originally published in R&LHS *Bulletin No. 20*.

A fascinating accounting of the steam locomotives of the first decade of American railroading, and the most detailed and authoritative record of these historic machines that known data can produce. Introduction and addenda provide additional insight.

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