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Engine 3985 visits Inver Grove June 2002. Will this engine attend our National Convention in 2004?

photo by G. Holmberg

North Star Chapter Membership Information

HELP sign-up new members; please invite them to attend a meeting. Current dues are \$32 per year for an individual, or \$34 per year for a family, and this includes national dues.

Please send dues payments to Joe Fishbein, Treasurer Northstar Chapter, 1092 Humboldt Av, West St. Paul MN 55118.

April Meeting Notice

The April meeting will be--ONE WEEK EARLIER--Saturday, April 12th. The location will be as usual, the St. Paul Fire Training Center, two blocks West of Snelling Avenue on Energy Park Drive.

Russ Isbrandt will show slides of railroads in **Milwaukee, Wisc., Lexington and Louisville Kentucky** from 1965 thru the early '70s.

MEETING MINUTES FOR MARCH 15, 2003

The meeting was called to order by President, Dan Meyer, at 7:04 pm with 25 members and friends in attendance.

A call to approve the February meeting minutes printed in the recent North Star News were approved on a voice vote.

No Treasurer's report was available due to the absence of same. Dan Meyer reported a phone conversation with Joe Fishbein, stating about 63 members had renewed as of that date.

Martin Swan gave his monthly Director's report. He mentioned he would be going to the spring board meeting in Richmond, Virginia in early April. He asked if anyone had anything they would like him to bring-up at this meeting.

John Goodman gave his Trip Director's report. He stated the steam locomotive #261 will be operating in early May of this year, and John will have more information at the April meeting about the destinations, etc. John suggested our group consider going to existing museum sites, such as North Freedom, Wisc., as special train operations are virtually out of the question now, due to high insurance costs.

President Meyer spoke about the upcoming 50th birthday anniversary of the Iowa Chapter of the NRHS, to take place on May 3, 2003. Dan plans to attend this event.

Dan gave next an overview of the plans being formulated for the 2004 National Convention the North Star Chapter will be hosting.

Dan gave a report about the upcoming 2003 convention in Baltimore, Maryland. Several of our convention committee members are planning to attend. He also reported the plans for the festival at the B&O Museum have been cancelled due to the roof collapse on February 16 & 17, 2003.

Dan addressed next the problems with the North Star News and its distribution and production. Loren Maiden is no longer doing the editorship and she is no longer living in the area. Dan is still requesting someone to step forward to become our new editor. For the time being, Glen Holmberg is handling the production of the newsletter.

Dan reported next we have some legal matters needing to be cleaned up regarding the legal status of our chapter. The lawyer we have hired to advise the convention committee has reviewed our by-laws, and the language contained there-in regarding the legal status of the "North Star Chapter." The by-laws must correctly name our group as the "North Star Railway Historical Society, **Inc.**" dba "North Star Chapter of the NRHS." The by-laws will be changed to state this clearly. Our web site will be corrected after the by-laws change becomes effective. A one week notice must be sent by mail to members, informing them this vote will take place at the next chapter meeting.

It was noted the April meeting would normally be on Saturday, April 19. Easter weekend occurs at the same time, providing a possible conflict. President Meyer directed this meeting be moved to the second Saturday (12th). The North Star News will come out at least 7 days prior to the 12th, as it will give notice of both the new date for April only, and a by-laws change will be voted upon.

The chapter picnic for July was suggested to be held at Osceola, Wisc. @ the MTM depot site. President Meyer will investigate the details. We will decide at the April meeting about this year's picnic.

Nest, President Meyer and Director Swan brought up the possible request by absent member Bill Herzog for a \$2,500.00 grant for repairs and painting to be done to the GTW steam engine 8327, now at Bandana Square in St. Paul, Minn. Our group has already done much work on this engine.

A motion by Russ Isbrandt, with a 2nd by Cy Svobodny to support sending-in the grant request was ultimately retracted by both parties.

Martin Swan moved the North Star Chapter support the grant application by Bill Herzog, with matching funds for same. Cy Svobodny provided the 2nd. The motion passed by a voice vote.

NEW BUSINESS: President Meyer reported he hopes to make available a membership roster by May of this year. Any member not wanting address or phone or email listed may request its deletion.

Member Chuck LaValle donated some items for the door prize drawing at the April meeting.

John Goodman reported a message from Clark Johnson stating the weak heart of Richard Prosser will not allow him to travel. It is unlikely Dick will be here in May to give his show of slides.

A discussion of program possibilities for April, May, and June was held. Russ Isbrandt volunteered to provide the April program. June is to be a picnic. May is undecided.

The meeting adjourned at 7:43 pm by a motion from John Jones with a 2nd from Martin Swan.

Respectfully Submitted, John Goodman, Acting Secretary.

Spot the Container

Ever wonder who owns all those containers rolling by? Origins of the shipper names on railroad containers (Author, Donovan A Shilling; reprinted from Tampa Bay Chapter's Newsletter "The Orderboard")

COSCO: China Ocean Shipping Company. Founded in Beijing, China in 1965; began service to ISA in 1982

EVERGREEN LINE: Founded in Taipei, Taiwan 1975. Also owns UNIGLORY MARINE UGMW.

HANJIN SHIPPING COMPANY: Based in Seoul, South Korea. Founded in 1977, includes Korean Air and has an 80 percent interest in Germany's DSR-Senator line.

HAPAG-LLOYD: Created in 1970 through a merger between Amerikanische Packetfahrt Gesellschaft and Norddeutscher Lloyd. HAPAG was established in 1847 in Hamburg, Norddeutscher Lloyd in Bremen in 1857. Today the firm is based in Hamburg, Germany.

HYUNDAI MERCHANT MARINE: Formed in 1983 from Asia Merchant Marine Co. Now part of the Seoul-based Hyundai group including the Hyundai Motor Company and Heavy Industry Company.

KAWASAKI KISEN KAISHA (K-LINE): Founded in 1919 in Toyko, Japan. Began service to USA in 1968.

MAERSK LINE: A subsidiary of the A.P.Moller Co. founded in 1904 by Peter Moller. Present name adopted in 1928. Based in Copenhagen, Denmark. Also owns Maersk Air Lines.

MITSUMI O.K. LINES: Formed in 1964 from a merger between Misui Steamship Company founded in 1876 and Osaka Shosen Kaisha founded in 1884. Based in Toyko. Began service to USA in 1968.

NIPPON YSEN KAISHA (NYK): Established in 1885 in Toyko. Began service to USA in 1967. In 1991, acquired Nippon Liner System (NLS)

NOUAPL: Formed in 1997 as a merger between Singapore's Neptune Orient Lines (NOL). Began container operation in 1970's. APL stands for American President Lines formed in 1938.

ORIENT OVERSEAS CONTAINER LINE (OOCL): Based in Hong Kong

P&O-NEDLLOYD: Merger of Great Britain's P&O Containers with Netherlands Royal Interocean Lines and Nedlloyd lines.

SEA-LAND SERVICE: Malcom McLean, (original?) owner. Purchased by CSX in 1986, based in Elizabeth, NJ.

YANG MING LINE: Based in Taipei, Taiwan. Began service to USA in 1980.

From the Gulf Coast Chapter's newsletter, "Gulf Coast Railroading"

As seen in "Sparks and Cinders", March 2003, Wisconsin Chapter NRHS Newsletter.

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

At the April membership meeting the chapter will need a motion that addresses three things, possibly in one long motion. First, the motion needs to state all members and officers of the Northstar Chapter, NRHS become members and officers of the Northstar Railway Historical Society, Inc. (The Northstar Railway Historical Society, Inc is the corporate umbrella we have been operating under for years.) Second, the motion needs to state the Northstar Railway Historical Society, Inc officially adopt the by-laws we have been operating under for a number of years. Third, the motion needs to state the Northstar Railway Historical Society becomes and operates as the Northstar Chapter, National Railway Historical Society. This motion, if adopted, makes it clear the Northstar Chapter, National Railway Historical Society is the same as the Northstar Railway Historical Society, Inc. In other words, these motions make it clear the two are in fact the same organization.

Once this happens, we also need to change our by-laws to make it clear the Northstar Chapter, NRHS is the same organization as the Northstar Railway Historical Society, Inc. The only changes needed are in Section 1 of the chapter's by-laws. Once the change is approved, Section 1 will read "The name of this Corporation is the Northstar Railway Historical Society, Inc. operating as the Northstar Chapter of the National Railway Historical Society, and referred to in these By-laws as the 'Chapter'." If you do not have a current copy of the chapter by-laws available, you can read both the current and proposed documents on-line at <http://www.northstar-nrhs.org/bylaws/>

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