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Last month's meeting was held on the steam tug Portland berthed in downtown Portland. Thanks go to **Jim Oliver** (at right in the picture at right talking to **Pat Wicker**) for hosting the meeting. A heavy turnout by club members plus many individuals from the general public created packed decks. Unfortunately the crowds precluded discussions by the members who brought their models for display.



The **March Meeting** is planned for the **Brooklyn Roundhouse** thanks to the efforts of **Carl Petterson** and **Al Pohlpetter**. See directions in the meeting box below.



March Meeting

Saturday, March 12, 2005, 1:00 pm

Brooklyn Roundhouse. Here is your chance to see three historic steam locomotives in an authentic Southern Pacific Railroad roundhouse. There are also four diesel locomotives, assorted passenger cars and a real turntable. PME Member Albert Pohlpetter, a member of the SP 4449 restoration crew will be our host.

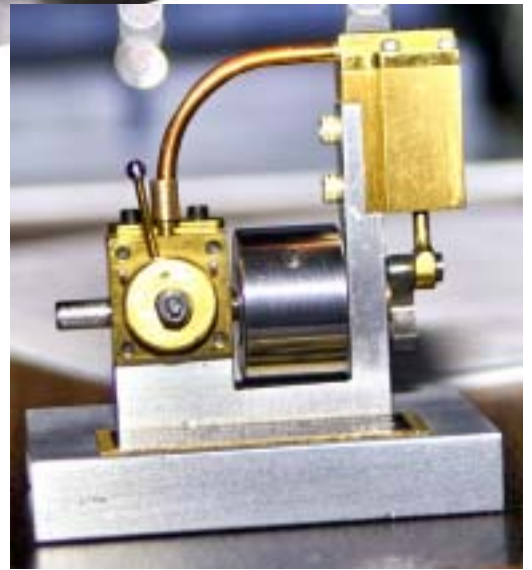
Directions to site: Turn east from SE 17th St. on SE Center St. Drive across railroad tracks, continue until you can look right along rows of parked trailers, turn right and drive until you can see the roundhouse on your left, turn left and park by the roundhouse. Parking is limited so car-pool if possible. Don't park beyond the roundhouse as the UPRR has working trains there and your car might be crunched if it is in the way.

Future Meetings:

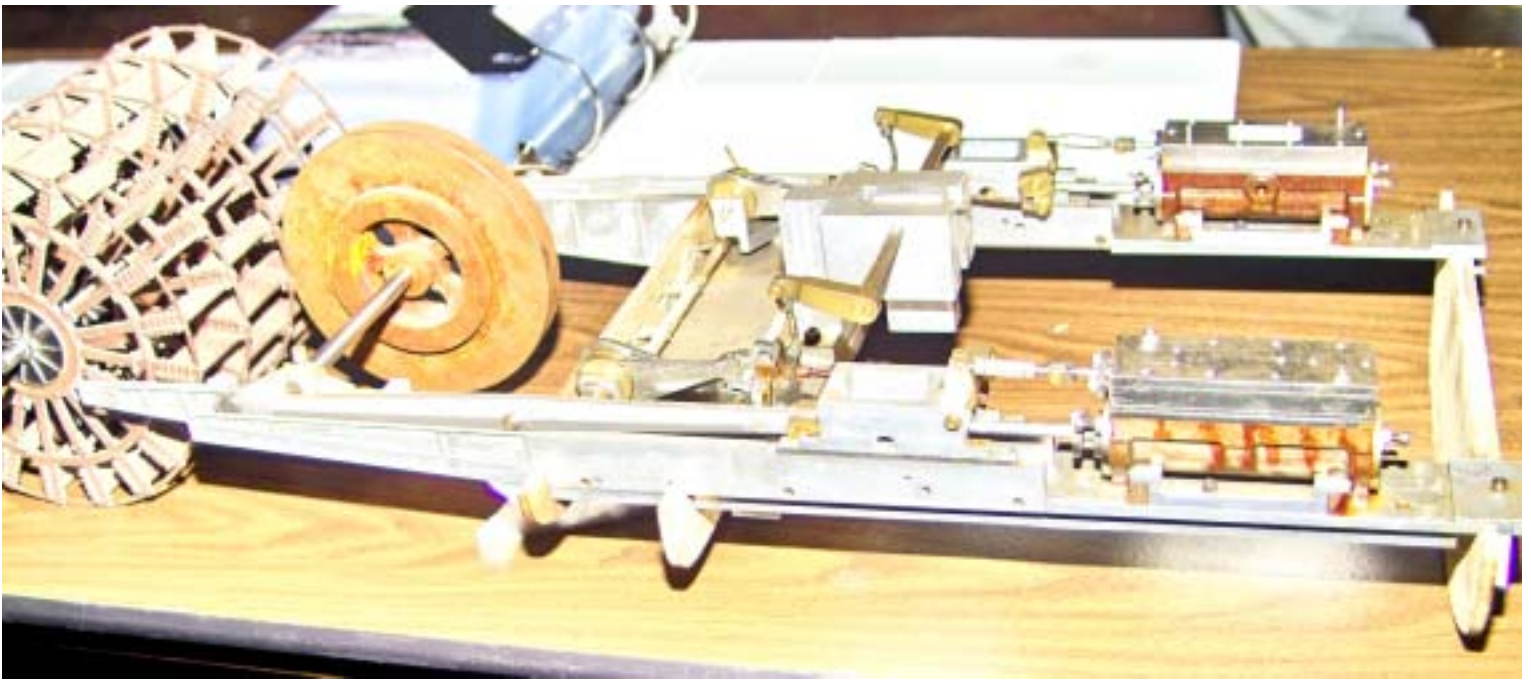
- None for April yet.
- May 14, Tom Miller's small railroad in Scholls
- June 11, John Pohlpetter's Musicodian Museum in Oregon City
- July 9, Club Picnic at Bud Statton's place, Banks.
- August, Steamup at Brooks
- September 24, 25, GEARS Show, Portland



Bob Eaton brought two of his current projects - a forward/reverse transmission coupled to a boat propeller (above) and a two cylinder engine (left). He also displayed an earlier steam engine project (right). Unfortunately the large crowd precluded Bob and the other presenters from describing their projects.



And what can be said of this gem of a model? **Henry Casson** said he bought it on ebay and I'll bet he paid a pretty penny for it because it looks like most if not all the functions actually work. Lets hope Henry brings it to another meeting where he can describe it's features.



This page shows partly built models and castings from members unknown to the editor who hopes to have that information available in the next issue of the newsletter. A closeup of the stern wheel shows greater detail below.





The stern of the tugboat Portland is shown above under the slightest of power. (Barely visible is steam emanating from the power pistons). Confirming the power up status is the pressure meter at left showing 200 psi. If power fails, the crew rigs the Mercury outboard shown at right. The tugboat contains many exceptional models of ships one of which is the German ship **Peter Kerr** shown below.

