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## ELECTION RESULTS

The East Bay Model Engineers Annual Business Meeting was held Friday, December 2, 1988. The major order of business was the election of officers for the next year. The election was actually quite docile with almost every candidate running without opposition.

The results of the election follow:

President---Ed Slintak

Vice Pres.--Paul Soito

Secretary---John Morrison

Treasurer--Mike Coustier

Dir. 2 year--Tom Barrett

Dir. 1 year--Michael Coustier

Scale Leaders:

'N' Scale-Ray Deblieck, Trainmaster

'HO' Scale-Rick Blake, Trainmaster

'O' Scale-Ed Marshall, Trainmaster

Robin Graham, Ass't. Trainmaster

Good luck gentlemen !

## MAKING SAWDUST FLY

A great deal of progress has been made since mid-November in construction of the stud walls and the public walkway.

The warehouse has been a beehive of activity on Friday evenings. It really is great to see teams of members working on the projects which must be finished before we can move into the actual construction of layouts. Evidence of how team work can payoff, can readily be seen in how quickly things have come together in just about three Friday evenings of concerted effort by just a few willing hands.

Spread the word...We are "making sawdust fly" at EBMES...1989 will be great...

## TEMPUS FUGIT



Here we are at the end of 1988 and at the end of a long wait for the beginning of construction of our new layouts. We have managed to come through a long period of time pretty much intact. Membership is down slightly from the Halleck days, but the majority of members hail from those days past.

We are fortunate indeed to be looking forward to the construction of layouts using state of the art methods and materials in a building with a brand new roof. Remember the roof at Halleck Street ? Remember the floor ? How about the walls ? It is amazing how memories fade over time. Remember the winter storms of 1957 and 1964 ? We almost floated away. Remember the Visqueen parties ? Remember the frequently voiced: "I move we have donuts at seven-thirty." Remember the marathon meetings starting at 10:00 p.m. and winding up the next morning at 1:00 a.m. or later ? Remember the Board Meetings in the postage stamp size office? Remember the clouds of cigar, pipe and cigarette smoke ? Remember the Silver Bridge ? Remember the friendships developed over the years ? Remember the great feast after the "Big Show " ? Traditions, memories, friendships, that is what EBMES is all about. The glue that holds it all together of course is our common interest in model railroading, but the club is more than model railroading. It's working together, sharing ideas, dreaming, planning, building, holding on to the traditions of our past, moving forward together into the future. We have come a long way from the group that met in Graham Hardy's Bookstore over fifty-five years ago. I trust the charter members would be very pleased to see that EBMES is alive and well in 1988.

Gentlemen the future is bright. It is a pleasure to be associated with all of you. Happy holidays to you and your families.

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**DONUTS,  
DONUTS,  
DONUTS...**

Recently a new vendor for donuts moved into the area. Mr. Angelo 'Bananas' Bonano, International Donut Brokers, Detroit division was recently appointed west coast manager.

The International Donut Brokers out of Chicago suggested to the former vendor, Johnny "Grease" Graziano, that he relinquish his account with EBMES. Mr. Bonano made "Grease" an offer he couldn't refuse. Mr. Bonano (Angelo to family members) wants to know if the donuts have been satisfactory....If any of the members have complaints, Angelo will be glad to meet with you and discuss your problem. Mr. Bonano's office hours are between 1:00 a.m. and 3:00 a.m. most any evening, but you must make an appointment with his secretary, Pauli 'The Hatchet' Scalise. His number is 555-3453, don't call before noon.

**BADGES FOR SALE**

Do you need a club badge?  
See the Secretary to place your  
order. The badges cost \$ 6.00....

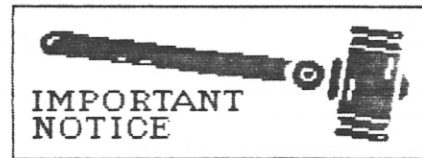
**GARDEN  
RAILWAYS**



A meeting was held in November by members of EBMES who are interested in Garden Railways.

Several different pieces of equipment were brought to the meeting by Rick Blake and Ed Marshall.

Rick's equipment was LGB and Ed's equipment was Bachman. The equipment operates on #1 gauge track. The LGB locomotive



**CHECK DUES**

Have you checked your dues status in EBMES and GSMRM lately? Remember the two organizations have slightly different rules in regard to voting rights.



**KEYS? WHO  
HAS KEYS ?**

Do you have a key to the club ?  
Would you like a key ?

Ken Harrison has turned the key keeping job over to Tom Barrett.

**Garden Railway (cont.)**

operates on variable track voltage. The Bachman equipment operates on radio control with onboard power provided by six D cells in the locomotive boiler. The Bachman also had a simple sound system in the Tender.

Several other members expressed an interest in establishing a "Garden Railway" group.

It was reported that the Fifth Annual Garden Railway Convention will be held in Concord, California in August 1989. It was thought by some that it would be nice to have a simple outdoor track to attract visitors from the convention. Further research will be done on how to best begin a group at the museum and establish a small track layout.

Anyone interested in the garden railway group contact Ed Marshall or Rick Blake.



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