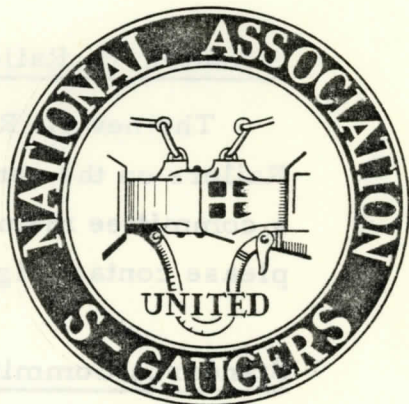


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There is a lot of movement in your organization now. Hopefully, you will be seeing some results of it this year. In January, the Board of Trustees elected Dick Cataldi to complete Ed Schumacher's term as President. That term expires in 1981. In March, the BOT elected Ben Wilbur to complete Dick Cataldi's term as Executive Vice President. Ben's term will end in 1979.

A number of new committees and directors have been appointed in the time since the Annual Report came out in December. The roster of officers and committee chairmen is shown on page 4.

### S Gauge Promotion

The best way to push the gauge, without spending a king's ransom in the big magazines, is to show it off at model railroad conventions. Ken Zieska is working on getting displays made up and organized for traveling to these shows. Individuals and clubs are needed to assemble the exhibits and to man them at the conventions. John Porter, of the new S Gauge Advertising, is arranging the manufacturer coordination for this effort. It will include products, construction and shipping materials, handouts, and perhaps some funds for shipping costs. NASG's Western Region V. P., Ed Loizeaux, is working on a pamphlet which describes S Gauge which will be handed out at the shows. If you are interested, as an individual or club, get in touch with Ken Zieska.

Attention Hi Railers!!!

The new Hi Rail committee needs active Hi Railers to get all Hi Railers on the same track. If you are interested in getting involved as a committee member, or just want to pass along your ideas for S Hi Rail, please contact Sig Fleischmann.

Standards Committee News

Tony Beaton is getting his feet wet as he takes hold of the NASG standards program. The NMRA is working on some Sn3 standards that affect standard S gauge. Sometime soon, NASG and NMRA hope to reach a compromise position on "scale" standards.

Now would be a good time to start up committees for Hi Rail and traction standards. If you are interested in either area, contact Tony.

You are invited to Silver Spring, Maryland on May 26 to 29, 1978

The national convention of the National Association of S Gaugers, Inc., will be held May 26 to 29, 1978, at the Sheraton Motor Hotel, 8727 Colesville Road, Silver Spring, Maryland 20910. The Annual Business Meeting will be held on Saturday night, May 27. The starting time and room number will be in the program schedule you'll get when you register. Registrations are being handled by Dave Guillaudeu, P. O. Box 287, Sterling, Virginia 22170.

As a member you are entitled to enter the model contest. Whether you want to compete, or just display your models, please do bring something! The host club, the PVS GA, will rebate \$1.00 from your registration if you display a model.

Tony Boyd of RMC will be the guest speaker. Our press coverage will also include Russ Larson of Model Railroader, Bob Longo of Prototype Modeler, plus Frank Titman of the 'Herald and Don Heimburger of the 'Gaugian. Now who says S Gauge is being ignored?

You past winners of contests—bring along some of your handiwork for display. 'Its a Model Affair'. See you there!

## Financial Report

Balance 1 July 1977	\$2965.56	
Income July-December		
Memberships	770.42	
Other Income	22.25	
Loan for Westside purchase	<u>2000.00</u>	
		\$5758.23
Expenses		
Supplies	\$ 379.38	
Postage	179.32	
Misc. Expenses	<u>+227.64</u>	
		- \$ 786.34
Balance 31 December 1977		<u>\$4971.89</u>

## Skills and interests questionnaire

You will find attached a questionnaire. It serves two purposes. Some of the information will be used to add interest to the membership roster in the Annual Reports. Most of the information will be used to find people to man projects. If you want to do more than just send in five bucks a year, fill it out and mail it to Martin Van Horn.

## Club Directory

We have a lot of uses for an up-to-date club directory. If you belong to a club (S or general), send Editor Bob Ristow the club name, locale, and address of the secretary. Tell him the type of club too. NASG will publish a club directory periodically. Might as well warn you that NASG will likely call on your club to participate in promotional activities.

## Contest Committee

After several years of neglect, we have a new Contest Committee Chairman, Jesse Bennett. A well-known veteran of the gauge, Jesse will be concentrating on judging procedures for a while. If you have had a model judged by others at any time, you probably have some thoughts on the subject. Don't keep them a secret.

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