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TUES. OCTOBER 4, 2016 – GARLAND SANTA FE DEPOT.

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Chapter Meeting

Tues. October 4, 2016 – Garland Santa Fe Depot.

When7 pm meet 'n' greet. 7:30 pm meeting.WhereLocation: Garland Santa Fe Depot, 393 N. 6th Street,Garland, Texas. (972) 205-2996.Program: Union Pacific Streamliners (video).



More information: http://www.garlandtx.gov/gov/hk/heritage_crossing/landmark_museum.asp

Special Features & Announcements

Chapter Awards Leroy O. King Preservation Grant

In August, the North Texas Chapter awarded the Leroy O. King Preservation Grant to the Missouri Pacific Historical Society for a rail history project. Below is the text of the Chapter's Award Letter and delivery via the St. Louis carrier.



"After careful consideration of your application, the Board of Directors of the North Central Texas Chapter of the NRHS, is happy to announce that it was a unanimous decision to award the Missouri Pacific Historical Society/Gulf Coast Chapter NRHS/Texas Railroading Heritage Museum a grant in the amount of \$1,000.00 to be used toward the preservation and archiving of dispatcher sheets of train movements in Texas during the 1960's. "(Source: 9/18/16, emails from NTC President Wayne Smith, VP Skip Waters.)

(Left) Skip delivered the grant check to Steve Siegerist, (Chapter member in St. Louis) who completed delivery to the Missouri Pacific Historical Society.





Fall Plano Train Show, Oct. 1-2, 2016

The second annual **Fall Plano Train Show** is being held at the Plano Centre on October 1-2, 2016. Hours 10 a.m. - 5 p.m., Saturday, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., Sunday. 2000 East Spring Creek Parkway. Go East from Central Expressway (Exit 31). Admission \$8.00 per person Children 12 and under are FREE. For more information or to add your layout to the Dallas area tour, contact Chris Atkins at chris@railroadmodelers.com. There will be two full days of clinics, and home layouts will be on tour.

Train Clinics

Saturday, Sept 26, 2015

12:00-1:00	Don Murphey	Install switch machines almost anywhere
1:00-2:00	Hank Whyte	Decaling and Weathering
2:00-3:00	Tom Greco	Railroad Music
3:00-4:00	Duane Richardson	What it Takes to Make a Model Great
4:00-5:00	Duane Richardson	Modeling in the Computer Age
Sunday, Sept 27, 2015		
11:00-12:00	Dale Schmidtbleicher	Modeling Water
12:00-1:00	Chris Atkins	Photo Backdrops and Buildings using Free Software
1:00-2:00	Dale Schmidtbleicher	Furnace Filter Pine Trees
2:00-3:00	Jim Muller	101 ways to throw a turnout

Source: **Fall Plano Train Show** web site, last accessed September 18, 2016 at <u>http://www.dfwtrainshows.com/content/fall-plano-train-show-october-1-2-2016</u>

North Texas Chapter Presents TER History, Oct. 1, 2016, 5:30-7pm

Join the North Texas Chapter, NRHS for its post-train show traditional program, conveniently located east of the Plano Centre.

North Texas Chapter, NRHS presents "The History of the TEXAS ELECTRIC RAILWAY"

Saturday, October 1, 2016: 5:30 - 7:00pm

Oak Point Center, 6000 Jupiter Road, Plano, TX 75074 (Directly across Jupiter street to the east of Plano Centre. Enter main entrance. Room A/B is first door to the right.)

An encore showing of the new *TEXAS ELECTRIC RAILWAY* program by Steam Gauge Video featuring 31 minutes of color and 20 minutes of rare B&W movies from the collection of Johnnie J. Myers, produced by Steve Allen Goen. Followed by a short Q&A session with Mr. Myers and Goen.

The movies cover the years from 1937 to 1948 and feature the blue & white "Bluebonnet" cars, the red & cream cars, Class C freight motors, Box motors, streetcars on the Waco Transit, Katy steam at Hillsboro, West and Italy, and even a Rock Island freight behind a 2-8-2 at Red Oak. Classic street running at Waco, West, Hillsboro, Milford, Italy, Richardson and Sherman. Features scenes of the "up and over" bridge over the MKT and B-RI at Waxahachie, crossing the Brazos River in Waco, and activity at the Dallas Interurban Terminal off Wood Street. It's all here!





Railroad Symposium 2016 – Temple, Sat. Nov. 5, 2016

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The Fall Conference, previously held in Bryan-College Station, will be held at the Temple Public Library on Saturday, November 5. Registration (\$25) includes lunch and light morning refreshments.

To register, please send a check (payable to South Central States, RLHS) to South Central States, RLHS; Attn: Jeremy Krauss, PO Box 725, Little River-Academy, TX 7655.

This activity is supported by the South Central States Chapter, RLHS Fort Worth, Texas and the Railroad & Locomotive Historical Society. (Source: 9/6/16 personal email from Jeremy Kraus.)



Chapter News

Chapter Business Meeting Minutes, September 6, 2016.

NORTH TEXAS CHAPTER, NATIONAL RAILWAY HISTORICAL SOCIETY, MINUTES, DATE: September 6, 2016. The September 2016 meeting was held on Tuesday, September 6, 2016 at Sokol Hall in Dallas, TX. **President Wayne Smith** called the meeting to order at 7:43pm. There were eight in attendance.

President Wayne Smith brought an issue of *Railfan & Railroad* magazine. In included an article on downtown Dallas from March 1970, showing a picture of a MP train passing over a CRIP/D&FW train on the skewed bridge.

VP Programs Jon Shea reported the October meeting would be held at the Garland Historical Santa Fe Depot with the program not determined at this time. November's meeting will be held at the Grapevine Founder's Building and will feature the member's auction for the program. December's meeting will be held at Babe's Chicken House in Frisco with the annual Christmas party as the program.

Jon passed around several brochures on Irish railroads he collected while visiting there. There was a book on the 'Connemara Railway' and several other small tourist lines. He read a flyer from the Galveston museum which is hosting a fund-raising dinner with tickets at \$250 each, and showed a historical postcard article about Galveston, and a picture of the streetcar barn in New Orleans.

VP Trips/Events Skip Waters reported on the proposed GE loco plant tour. It is still in the working stages. Several other groups have gone already so he is unsure why we are still at an impasse. He will contact members of those groups that have already toured the facility and ask how they managed to get permission.

Skip presented the work schedule for the chapter at the fall Plano show. Several members signed up for the hours we need to work. Our extra credit project for the show will be a hosting of Steve Goen's films on the Dallas Interurban from the collection of Johnny Meyers. The program will start at 5:30pm on Saturday, Oct 1 after the train show and will run until 7:00pm. Location is the Oak Point Center, (community center), 6000 Jupiter Road, across the street from the Plano Centre in Room A-B. One color and one black and white film, each approximately 30-35 min duration.



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The Quartz Mountain Flyer railroad trip is ON again. Skip thought it had been sold out but found out the sellout included our 40 reserved tickets. Date is November 19, 2016 and cost is \$15/each person. Skip will send out more info shortly. Train trip is 2 to 2-1/2 hours long and leaves at 10am from a platform near Quartz Mountain Park in Oklahoma. Park is located at 43393 Scissortail Rd,, Lone Wolf, OK 73655 is due north of Altus, OK (see map attached at end of minutes). More information at quartzmountain.org or phone (580) 563-2238.

Skip reported that NRHS renewals will go online October 1, not September 1 as previously announced. Approximately 8000 recorded members at National currently with 4900 as regular members. A new NRHS Bulletin was released last week to good reviews.

Wayne announced the Leroy King grant award from our chapter to the Missouri Pacific Historical Society in the amount of \$1000 to help defray the cost of archiving a large group of dispatching records. MPHS sent a grant request to us which was approved by the board. Skip has the check and will meet with Steve Siegerist to pass along the check for presentation and pictures to David Huelsing, President of the MPHS. [*Editor's note:* see this issue's cover story on p.1]

Member Jeff Phelps brought a flyer for a Train Collector Association, Lone Star Division train show and meet, sponsored by the Museum of American Railroads on Sept 10 at the conference center of Collin College, 2200 W. University Drive in McKinney, 10:30-4:30pm.

Program was a videotape of UP #3985, on a Dallas to Ft. Worth and return run on June 17, 1995. Skip was executive producer of the video. Minutes submitted by Dave Gramm.

Chapter Directory

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North Texas Chapter History

Founded and chartered in 1996, the North Texas Chapter is a non-profit, 501(c)(3) educational organization incorporated under the laws of the state of Texas. Emphasis of the chapter is activity, history, and enjoyment of railroading past and present. Meetings are held 7:30-10:00 PM, first Tuesday of each month, usually (but not always) at the Grapevine "Founders Building" at Main St. and the FWWR railroad tracks. Visitors and newcomers are welcome. Chapter membership includes our monthly chapter newsletter, the *North Texas Zephyr*. As of October 2014, chapter dues (\$16, plus \$2 per additional family member) should be sent to the Chapter. Chapter mailing address: North Texas Chapter NRHS, P.O. Box 600304, Dallas, Texas 75360. Learn about the National Railway Historical Society at www.nrhs.com If you change your email address on file with the NRHS, please send the old and new email addresses to info@nrhs.com.



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North Texas Calendar

Sat. Oct. 1, 2016.	Fall Plano Train Show – Saturday, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. Sunday, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Location: Plano Centre, 2000		
Sun. Oct. 2, 2016.	East Spring Creek Parkway, Plano, Texas. Go East from Central Expressway (Exit 31).		
Sat. Oct. 1, 2016.	The History of the Texas Electric Railway, presented by the North Texas Chapter NRHS – Saturday, 5:30		
	p.m. – 7:00 p.m. Location: Oak Point Center, 6000 Jupiter Road, Plano, TX 75074. (Directly across Jupiter street		
	to the east of Plano Centre. Enter main entrance. Room A/B is first door to the right.)		
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	Texas. (972) 205-2996. Union Pacific Streamliners.		
Tues. Nov. 1, 2016.	North Texas Chapter meeting – 7:30 p.m. Location: Founders Building, Grapevine, Texas. Program: Annual		
	Chapter auction.		
Sat. Nov. 5, 2016.	Rail Symposium 2016 – 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Location: Temple Public Library (3 rd floor), Temple Public Library, 100		
	West Adams Avenue, Temple, Texas. Contact Jeremy Krauss at 254-773-4759 or jdkrauss@swbell.net		
Tues. Dec. 6, 2016.	 North Texas Chapter meeting – 7:30 p.m. Location: Babe's Chicken Dinner House Frisco. 6475 Page St. 		
	Frisco, Texas 75034. Program: Annual Holiday Dinner.		
Tues. Jan. 3, 2016.	North Texas Chapter meeting - 7:30 p.m. Location, Program: annual Chapter election.		
Tues. Feb. 7, 2017.	North Texas Chapter meeting – 7:30 p.m. Location, Program: to be confirmed.		
Tues. Mar. 7, 2017.	North Texas Chapter meeting – 7:30 p.m. Location, Program: to be confirmed.		

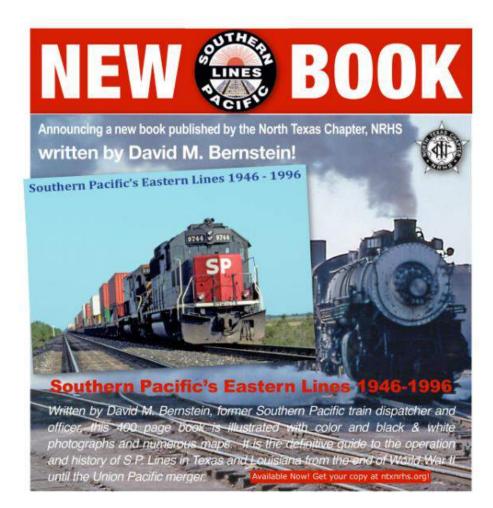
** Meeting starts at 7:30 p.m. Location is confirmed in newsletter issue(s) prior to meeting month.

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