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**Chapter Meeting**

**Tues. November 1, 2016 – Founders Building, Grapevine, Texas.**

*When* 7 pm meet 'n' greet. 7:30 pm meeting.  
*Where* Location: Founders Building, 701 S. Main St. Grapevine, Texas.  
*Program:* Annual chapter auction.



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**Special Features & Announcements**

**Chapter Outing - Quartz Mountain Flyer, Sat. 11/5/2016**

Come ride the Quartz Mountain train on November 19, 2016, with the North Texas Chapter!

Two-hour narrated round trip will depart from Lone Wolf, Oklahoma. Lone Wolf Station is located on Trimble Ave, Lone Wolf, OK 73655 . We have 40 reserved tickets; cost is only \$15/person. Reserve your ticket by November 1<sup>st</sup>, and pay by November 10<sup>th</sup>, 2016. Cost is for train ride only, travel to and from Lone Wolf, Oklahoma is on your own. For tickets and payment details, train trip times, etc. see brochure on p. 2.

The park is located at 43393 Scissortail Rd, Lone Wolf, Oklahoma 73655. For more information, see quartzmountain.org or call (580) 563-2238. The location is due north of Altus, Oklahoma; see map on p.3.

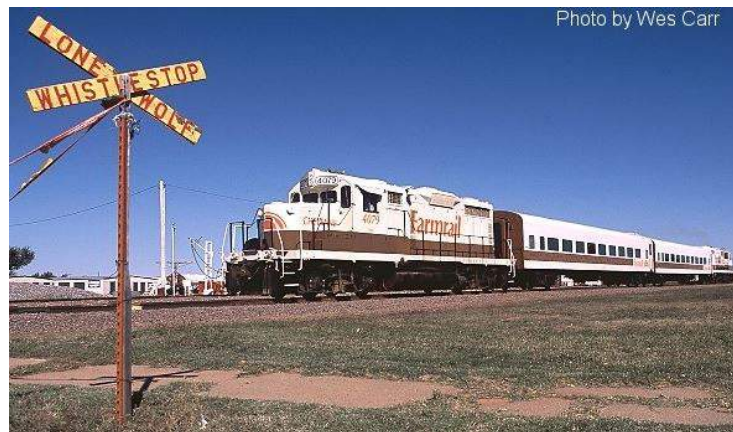


Photo by Wes Carr

Left: Quartz Mountain Flyer departs Lone Wolfe, Oklahoma.

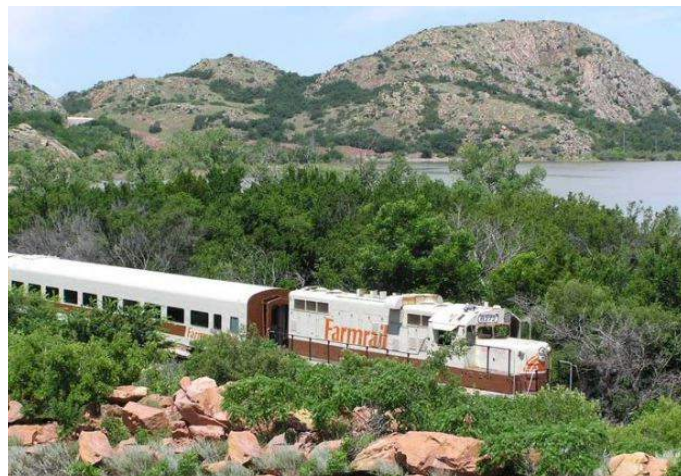
Image credit: Wes Carr

Source: <http://www.trainweb.org/southwestshorts/fmrc-crossbuck.html>

Right: Farmrail Corporation EMD GP-10 #8272 Sauk & Fox (rebuilt by Illinois Central Gulf from Detroit Toledo & Ironton Railroad GP-9 #992) with the Quartz Mountain Flyer excursion train passing Lake Altus.”

Image credit: Farmrail System Inc.

Source: <https://sinfin.net/railways/world/usa/touristus/tuok.html>





Join members of the North Texas Chapter, NRHS  
 on a trip to Quartz Mountain in scenic western Oklahoma to ride the  
**“Quartz Mountain Flyer”**

**When:**  
 Saturday, November 19, 2016

**Time:**  
 The 2 hour train trip begins boarding at 9:30am and departs at 10:00 a.m.  
 Returns approx. 12:15 pm

**Our Trip:**  
 An excursion train owned & operated by FarmRail Inc, that runs between  
 Lone Wolf, Oklahoma and Quartz Mountain Nature Park.

For the Nov. run the naturalist will again be on board to narrate and Mr. and Mrs. Claus will be  
 special guests. Seasonal treats will be distributed as well.

The gift shop, The Whistle Stop, will be open and selling train-related memorabilia and local  
 items. They accept cash only at this time. .

So come ride the Quartz Mountain Flyer with fellow Railfriends on Saturday, November 19,  
 2016. Afterward, plan to follow Mr. Steve Allen Goen on one of his famous Depot Tours of the  
 area. End your day by joining the group for some good food at Bills Catfish, located 5 miles  
 southwest of Waurika on HWY 79 before heading back to DFW..

**Limited to only 40 people!**

**Activities Include:**  
 Two-hour narrated round trip will depart from Lone Wolf, Oklahoma.  
 Lone Wolf Staton is located on Trimble Ave, Lone Wolf, OK 73655

**Cost:**  
**\$15.00** per person for Train trip.  
 Must give commitment by November 1st and Pay by November 10th, 2016.  
 Cost is for train ride only, travel to and from Lone Wolf, Oklahoma is on your own.

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**Questions and to confirm your seat?**  
 Contact Skip Waters  
 email: wgcrush@swbell.net  
 Ph. 214-987-2888 leave message



**Then send your full name and payment to:**  
 North Texas Chapter, NRHS  
 P.O. Box 600304  
 Dallas, TX 75360-0304

**Y'all Come Ride and Have Fun Now!**

### Who is the Farmrail System Inc.?



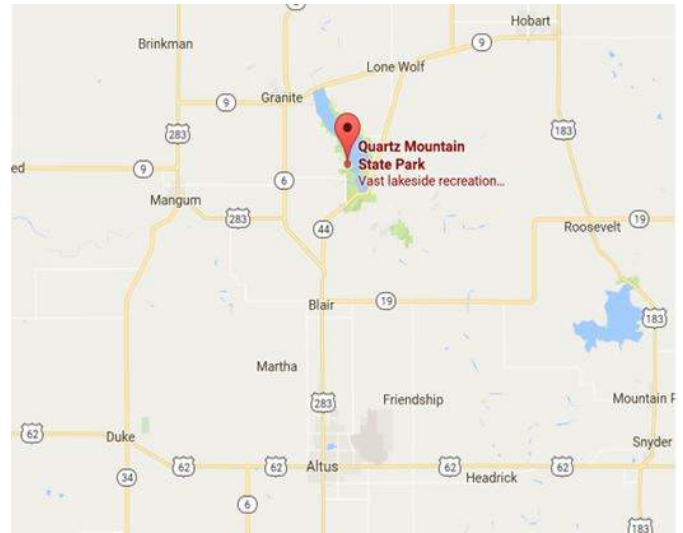
"Farmrail System, Inc. is an employee-owned holding company for two Class III common-carrier railroads comprising "Western Oklahoma's Regional Railroad."

Farmrail Corporation (FMRC) has acted since 1981 as a lessee-operator for Oklahoma Department of Transportation, managing an 82-mile east-west line between Weatherford and Erick. An additional 89 miles, Westhom-Elmer, was purchased from the state in 2013 after 20 years of operation under lease.

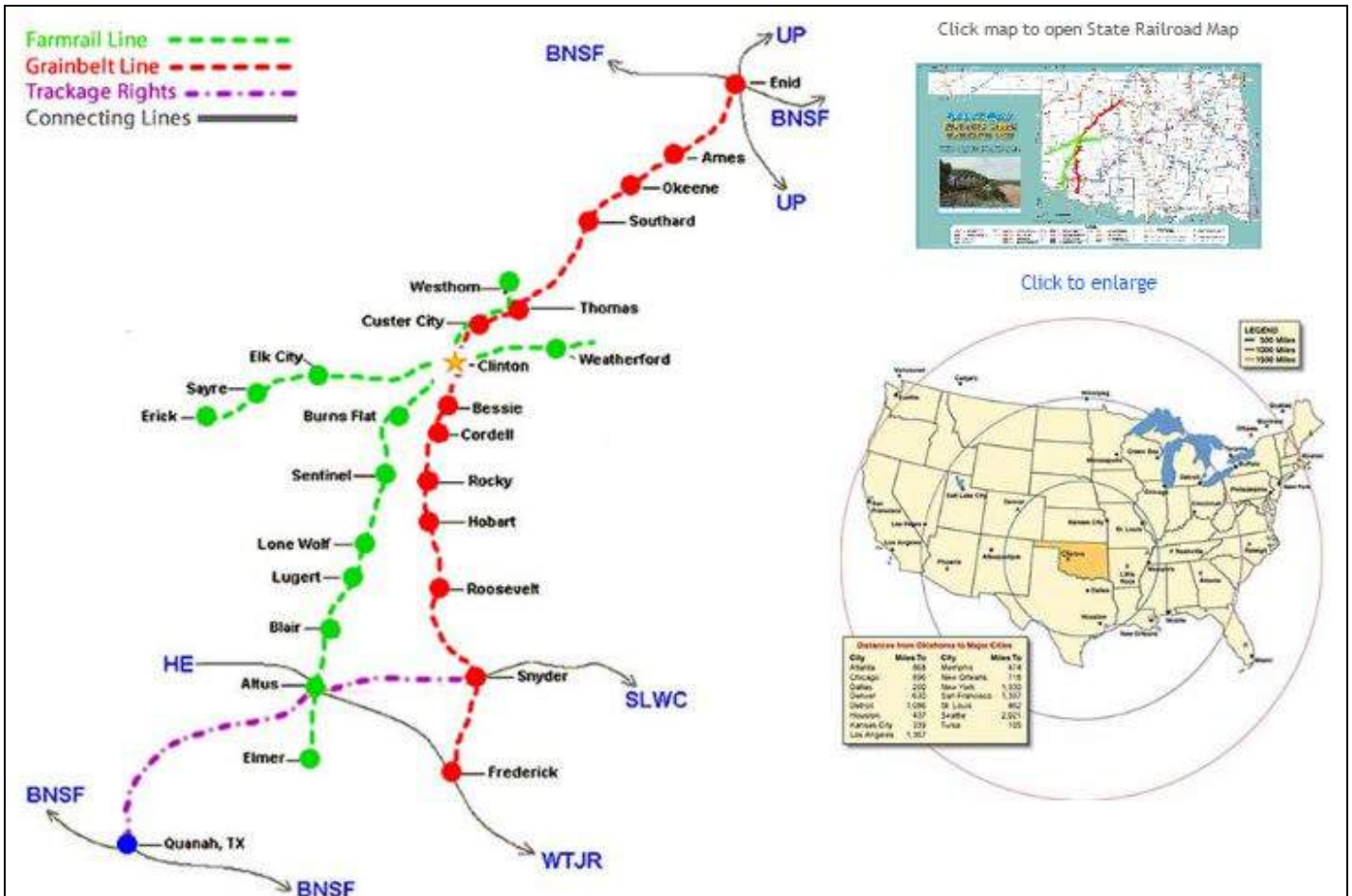
Another wholly owned affiliate, Grainbelt Corporation (GNBC), was formed in 1987 to purchase from Burlington Northern Railroad Company 178 miles of line linking Enid and Frederick. The parent company also has a joint-venture interest in New York's Finger Lakes Railway Corp. (FGLK)."

Source: 10/20/2016, Farmrail System Inc. web site at <http://www.farmrail.com/index.html>

### Where is the Quartz Mountain Flyer?



Source: 11/20/16, David Gramm personal email.



Source: 10/20/2016, Farmrail System Inc. web site at [http://www.farmrail.com/system\\_map.html](http://www.farmrail.com/system_map.html)

### **Fort Worth Rail – Out and About, Sept. 29-30, 2016 (pt. 1)**

*by Jerry Nunn (all photo credit: Jerry Nunn)*

My Fellow Ferroequinologists, I have finally successfully posted some photos taken at the Amtrak station in Ft. Worth on September 29 and 30. It includes photos of the Amtrak Exhibit Train and a couple of Patrick Henry cars.





**Reminder: Railroad Symposium 2016 – Temple, Sat. 11/5/2016**

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.)

**Rail Symposium 2016**

Make Tracks to Temple for. . .

**Rail Symposium 2016**

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2016 (10 AM– 4 PM)

3rd Floor, Temple Public Library, 100 West Adams Avenue, Temple, TX

*Bush Presidential Library annual event in College Station has moved to Temple this year.*

Get the Latest from the Experts:

- Fort Worth and Western by Ken Fitzgerald
- Union Pacific Update by Dan Harbeck
- BNSF in Temple by BNSF Representative
- Amtrak Update by Jesse Padilla
- US Army, Ft. Hood by Dick Davis



Photos courtesy of Ken Fitzgerald



Registration: \$25 (\$20 for members of the RLHS)

price includes catered lunch.

(Make all checks payable to South Central States, RLHS)

**REGISTRATION AND CANCELLATION DEADLINE: OCTOBER 22**

(NO REFUNDS WILL BE GIVEN AFTER OCTOBER 22)

For more information, please call Jeremy at 254-773-4759

or e-mail him at [jd krauss@swbell.net](mailto:jd krauss@swbell.net)

Mail registration form and payment to:

South Central States, RLHS; Attn: Jeremy Krauss, PO Box 725, Little River-Academy, TX 7655

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Registration Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
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 First and Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**Chapter News**

**Chapter Business Meeting Minutes, October 4, 2016.**

**NORTH TEXAS CHAPTER, NATIONAL RAILWAY HISTORICAL SOCIETY, MINUTES, DATE: October 4, 2016.**

The October 2016 meeting was held on Tuesday, October 4, 2016 at the Garland Historical Museum in Garland, TX. President Wayne Smith was not able to attend, so Vice-President Jon Shea called the meeting to order at 7:45pm. There were seven in attendance.

**VP Jon [Shea]** reminded everyone that the Texas Western Train Show was coming up on October 8-9 and if any members were attending, could they please help out at our book selling table there. Address is 6901 Wichita St. in Forest Hill and hours are 10-5 sat and 10-4 Sunday.

The next few meeting locations were discussed with the November 1 meeting to be held in Grapevine at the Founder's Building with the member auction as the program. December's meeting will be our annual Christmas party on December 6 at Babe's Chicken House in Frisco, TX. January's meeting location is TBD but will feature the annual officer elections. Member Jerry Nunn is the Nominations chair and he is seeking members to serve as an officer for the coming year. Contact Jerry if you are interested in helping our chapter as an officer.

The construction at the DeGolyer library is complete and we will schedule a trip to visit it in the near future.

Jon brought the latest edition of the 'KATY Flyer' which contained an article on the 1936 TX Centennial and the train service the KATY railroad provided at that time.

He also brought a book titled 'Dallas Then & Now' that he found at ½ Price Books depicting scenes in Dallas as they were in the 19th century and as they are now. He finished with a book titled 'Loco Profiles' containing an article on the 4-8-4 American steam engine with a center article on the 'Sunbeam' which was a 4-8-4.

**Secretary Dave Gramm** reminded everyone about the upcoming Quartz Mountain train ride on November 19, 2016. We have 40 reserved tickets on hold and the cost is only \$15/person. The train trip is 2 to 2-1/2 hours long and leaves at 10am from a platform near Quartz Mountain Park in western Oklahoma. Park is located at 43393 Scissortail Rd, Lone Wolf, OK 73655 URL [quartzmountain.org](http://quartzmountain.org) Ph.(580) 563-2238 and is due north of Altus, OK (see map attached at end of minutes). He also gave an update on the past weekend's train show in Plano. Early figures show attendance was above last year. Several vendors had conflict with San Antonio show and couldn't attend.

**VP Skip Waters** reported that NRHS renewals will go online mid-October, not Oct. 1 as previously announced. He reported that the \$1000 grant award for the Leroy O. King grant had been presented by Steve Siegerist to David Huelsing, President of the MPHS and pictures were forthcoming.



Lastly, due to his business commitments, he will not run in January for the VP-Trips & Events position he has held for several years. He will still be our regional Director on the National Board but felt he couldn't devote the time necessary to the VP position.

Program was a videotape on UP Streamliners from 1930-1970, showing the evolution of motive power used for the trains during that time period, from the M10000 through the E-units and F-units. Dave Gramm, Secretary

## Chapter Directory

### North Texas Chapter Officers, 2016.

- **President, Wayne Smith**, 940-300-4407.
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### Chapter Business Address

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**Webmaster:** Kim Hays

**North Texas Chapter site:** [ntxnrhs.org](http://ntxnrhs.org)

**Facebook Page:** <http://www.facebook.com/groups/409467244127/>

**North Texas Zephyr** (current issues): [ntxnrhs.org](http://ntxnrhs.org)

**North Texas Zephyr, newsletter Archive**

<http://www.gogeoaching.com/gorailfanning/Home/northtexaszephyr.html>

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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](http://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](mailto:info@nrhs.com).

## North Texas Calendar


Tues. Nov. 1, 2016.	<b>North Texas Chapter meeting</b> – 7:30 p.m. Location: Founders Building, Grapevine, Texas. Program: Annual Chapter auction.
Sat. Nov. 5, 2016.	<b>Rail Symposium 2016</b> – 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Location: Temple Public Library (3 <sup>rd</sup> floor), Temple Public Library, 100 West Adams Avenue, Temple, Texas. Contact Jeremy Krauss at 254-773-4759 or <a href="mailto:jdkrauss@swbell.net">jdkrauss@swbell.net</a>
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Tues. Dec. 6, 2016.	<b>North Texas Chapter meeting</b> – 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.	<b>North Texas Chapter meeting</b> – 7:30 p.m. Location, Program: annual Chapter election.
Tues. Feb. 7, 2017.	<b>North Texas Chapter meeting</b> – 7:30 p.m. Location, Program: to be confirmed.
Tues. Mar. 7, 2017.	<b>North Texas Chapter meeting</b> – 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.



**New Southern Pacific Book – Sponsored by North Texas Chapter!**

The North Texas Chapter is proud to sponsor David Bernstein's new work on the Southern Pacific's Eastern Lines.  
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 or see North Texas Chapter store (<http://ntxnrhs.org/store/>)

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