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**Chapter Meeting**

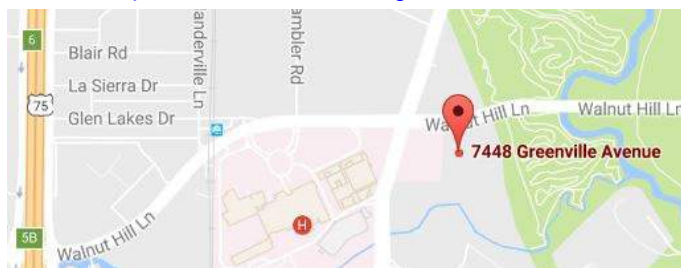
**Tues. January 3, 2017 – SOKOL Hall, Dallas, Texas.**

**Program: ANNUAL CHAPTER ELECTION.**

**When** 7 pm meet 'n' greet. 7:30 pm meeting.

**Where** SOKOL Hall, 7448 Greenville Avenue, Dallas, Texas 75231. 214-368-5608.

**Details:** <http://www.sokoldallas.org/contact/>



**Special Features & Announcements**

**Candidates for 2017 Chapter Officer Elections**

*by Jerry Nunn, Nominations Chair*

As of Dec. 11, 2016, here is the current slate of candidates for 2017:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>President</b> – Wayne Smith</li> <li>• <b>VP Programs</b> – Jon Shea</li> <li>• <b>VP Trips &amp; Events</b> – NO CANDIDATES</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>VP Communications</b> – Valli Hoski</li> <li>• <b>Treasurer</b> – Jim King</li> <li>• <b>Secretary</b> – Jerry Nunn</li> </ul> |
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Dave Gramm wishes to vacate the post as Secretary in 2017. I have volunteered to serve in his place. Skip Waters is unable to serve as VP Trips & Events; no-one has expressed an interest in taking over. Perhaps the duties will be fulfilled on an ad hoc basis for the time being.

**DFW Railroading – Fall 2016**

*by Jerry Nunn (all photo credit)*

Recent photographic adventures in Fort Worth. These were taken on November 18 and December 2, 2016. Enjoy!



*Left:* BNSF 9698 leads a SB coal train. One does not see many green/cream colored units anymore, especially in lead.



*Right:* BNSF 732, still in classic warbonnet colors.



Left: Graffiti "GEIST" on a rail box car.



Right: "ACET" logo on a reefer.



Left: "Freight Hopper". This must have taken days to complete. It also showcases a talented (but misguided) artist.



Right: A not too flattering depiction of a police officer. Graffiti artists do not like police officers.

## Chapter News & Views

### Reminder: 2017 Chapter Dues Update

by Jim King, Chapter Treasurer

First let me apologize to anyone receiving this email who is not a member of the North Texas Chapter, National Railway Historical Society (NRHS) and/or who does not wish to be a member of the chapter. I'm working from our chapter email list (mostly but not exclusively used for the chapter newsletter), and some of the names on that list are not appropriate for chapter dues solicitation. For example, some names are there for newsletter exchange purposes with other chapters, groups and libraries. If this applies to you, please accept my apology (but you are welcome to join our chapter!)

Last year was a transition year for the national dues payment system.

Some people paid national and local dues in one combined payment through our chapter, while others paid national dues directly to NRHS. Some of the individuals in this latter category also paid chapter dues separately while others failed to do so. At this point, I do not know whether such failure was an oversight or an intentional decision, and as a result, I did not prune our chapter email list last spring when 2016 dues collection ended. For the most part, anyone who paid chapter dues in 2015 but not in 2016 remained on our list as an active address.

So, with that introduction, for those of you who wish to remain (or become) members of the North Texas Chapter NRHS for 2017, the instructions for paying chapter dues are below. For anyone else receiving this email, I will remove you from our chapter email list in mid-January unless I get a response to this email indicating that you are an exchange or complimentary recipient and that you wish to remain on our list.

### 2017 Chapter Dues and Payment Options

For 2017, North Texas Chapter will only be accepting payments for "Chapter Dues". We will not be accepting national dues payments. NRHS has created a system for soliciting national dues and accepting payments, and chapter members should use that system. For more information, see the link on the NRHS website at nrhs.com.

The 2017 chapter dues amount is unchanged from 2016: Individual dues are \$16; family dues are \$18. There are two options for payment.



*Option 1: On-Line Payment by Credit Card*

Go to <https://northtexaschapternrhs.ecwid.com/> and follow the link for paying "Membership Dues". This process will require entering your full name and a suitable email address, and that information will be provided to me when payment is made. To cover the fee that the credit card processing company charges us, the individual and family dues are slightly higher, by 50 cents and 75 cents, respectively.

*Option 2: Pay by Check*

If you wish to pay by check, make it payable to "North Texas Chapter NRHS" and mail it to:

North Texas Chapter NRHS, PO Box 600304, Dallas TX 75360

Please be sure to include your email address on your check or on a note with the check so that I can update our email list.

If you have any questions, please email me at [northtexaschapternrhs@gmail.com](mailto:northtexaschapternrhs@gmail.com) and I will answer your question, or find someone who can! Thank you for supporting the North Texas Chapter! Jim King, Treasurer.

Source: 11/7/2016. Personal email from **NTX Chapter NRHS** <[northtexaschapternrhs@gmail.com](mailto:northtexaschapternrhs@gmail.com)>

**Chapter Directory**

**North Texas Chapter Officers, 2016.**

- **President, Wayne Smith**, 940-300-4407.
- **Vice President/Programs, Jon Shea**, 972-948-2413.
- **Vice President/Trips and Events, Skip Waters**, [wgcrush@swbell.net](mailto:wgcrush@swbell.net).
- **Vice President/Communications, and NTZ editor**, Valli Hoski, [ntx.news@yahoo.com](mailto:ntx.news@yahoo.com)
- **Secretary, Dave Gramm**, [dgramm@sbcglobal.net](mailto:dgramm@sbcglobal.net)
- **Treasurer, Jim King**, [jgking@swbell.net](mailto:jgking@swbell.net)

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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. Jan. 3, 2016.	<b>North Texas Chapter meeting – 7:30 p.m.</b> Location, Sokol Dallas, 7448 Greenville Ave, Dallas, Texas 75231. 214-368-5608. Program: Annual election of Chapter Officers.
Tues. Feb. 7, 2017.	<b>North Texas Chapter meeting – 7:30 p.m.</b> Location: Place: Garland Santa Fe Depot. Program: to be confirmed.
Tues. Mar. 7, 2017.	<b>North Texas Chapter meeting – 7:30 p.m.</b> Location, Program: to be confirmed.
Tues. April 4, 2016.	<b>North Texas Chapter meeting – 7:30 p.m.</b> Location, Program: to be confirmed.
Tues. May 2, 2017.	<b>North Texas Chapter meeting – 7:30 p.m.</b> Location, Program: to be confirmed.
Tues. June 6, 2017.	<b>North Texas Chapter meeting – 7:30 p.m.</b> 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. To order, contact the North Texas Chapter at [northtexaschapternrhs@gmail.com](mailto:northtexaschapternrhs@gmail.com) or see North Texas Chapter store (<http://ntxnrhs.org/store/>)

# NEW BOOK

Announcing a new book published by the North Texas Chapter, NRHS written by David M. Bernstein!

**Southern Pacific's Eastern Lines 1946 - 1996**

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*Written by David M. Bernstein, former Southern Pacific train dispatcher and officer, this 400 page book is illustrated with color and black & white photographs and numerous maps. It is the definitive guide to the operation and history of S.P. Lines in Texas and Louisiana from the end of World War II until the Union Pacific merger.*

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