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Chapter Meeting

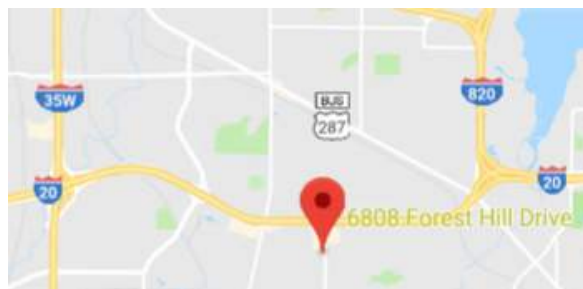
Tuesday, April 2, 2019. Texas Western Model Railroad Club.

Time: 7:30 p.m.

Location: Texas Western Model Railroad Club, 6808 Forest Hill Dr, Forest Hill, TX 76140. Phone (682) 587-2092.

Details: <https://www.twmrc.org/>

Parking: on location, free.



Map:

Announcements & Special Features

Fall 2019 NRHS Conference, Dallas – November 7-10, 2019

by Skip Waters, VP Trips/Events

The North Texas Chapter is proud to invite the NRHS officers, directors, and members to Texas for the Fall 2019 Conference of the NRHS Board of Directors and Advisory Council on November 7-10, 2019.

WELCOME BACK, ONE AND ALL!



**North Texas Chapter of the
 National Railway Historical Society**

Invite you to attend

**the Fall 2019 Conference of the
 NRHS Board of Directors and Advisory Council**



NRHS
 National Railway Historical Society

**November 7, 8, 9 & 10, 2019
 Dallas, Texas**

Host hotel is the **Magnolia Dallas Park Cities**
 6070 N Central Expressway, Dallas, TX 75206

Remember those fun-filled days of the 2008 Texas Quana Zephyr and 2008 National Convention in Dallas and Fort Worth? Get ready for our Texas- sized hospitality, rail excitement and events, one more time. See issue's back page for the exciting details.



14th Annual '24 Hours @ Saginaw' – Coming Around the Bend

IT'S TIME TO WATCH SOME TRAINS!!!

Friday, May 25 and Saturday, May 25, 2019 ~ this year's exciting planned dates

Mark your calendar, get your lawn chairs & sleeping bags, cameras, video gear, water and snacks.

It will soon be "SAGINAW TIME!!!" It will be here before you know it!!!

Watch for details in the May 2019 issue of the North Texas Zephyr.

NRHS News

The President's Corner, March 2019

by Al Weber, NRHS President <aweber@nrhs.com>

The NRHS National now receives forty two printed newsletters along with about the same number of electronic ones. I try to read each and every one and get a feel for what the chapters are doing. Most have chapter events, some have chapter meeting minutes and some reprint other news articles. They may publish monthly, bi-monthly, quarterly or semi-annually but, they all provide insights into NRHS chapters and a good history of what our members and chapters are doing. Please keep them coming.

Changes for the current NRHS Bylaws have been suggested. The Bylaws Committee will distribute them; please read them when they come out. Your chapter representative to the advisory council and/or your district director will need your comments. Please voice your concerns or praise sooner rather than later. The NRHS board will discuss the proposed changes at the next meeting in Birmingham. I want the board to hear your comments before the meeting. After the board's discussion, the changes will be submitted to the general membership for a vote at the NRHS convention's membership meeting.

The NRHS convention in Salt Lake is coming up. Lots of volunteer time has gone into this event and I know that it will be a great event to attend. If you have not registered, please do so quickly. Some events are still available, but many are already sold out.

Some chapters have accepted NRHS renewals from their chapter members. Please send those in monthly. Do not wait, as delays cause members to have confusion and concern about their membership renewal. Then I have to research what went on and try to calm the member down. Hugh Harris can run each chapter's membership chair a list of renewed chapter members. Please email Hugh at membership@nrhs.com for the list.

Source: 3/25/2019. NRHS Telegraph, March 2019 at <https://admin.nrhs.com/>

North Texas Chapter Views & News

Feb. 2019 NTC Meeting Hits the Rails

Written by Valli Hoski, North Texas Zephyr. All photo credit: Skip Waters

In February, the North Texas Chapter met at a unique location that best reflects our membership's 'Get Up, Get Out, Get On the Rails' spirit of adventure.

Officers 'procured' a trolley car for a membership gathering that was constantly on the move. Started with the traditional 'meet & greet' at the Uptown Station, then the group hopped on board the first outbound train around 7:30pm, Tuesday, February 5, 2019.



Chapter business and discussion ensued, pausing only for Skip's occasional photo opps along the way.



The true spirit and letter of the North Texas Chapter meeting were fulfilled that evening, along the rails.



Zephyr News Board

Upcoming 2019 Zephyr deadlines are

- *May 2019 issue* - News deadline is Tues. April 23. Meeting is **Tuesday, May 14, 2019** [second Tues. of May.]
- *June 2019 issue* - News deadline is Thurs. May 23. Meeting is Tuesday, June 4, 2019.
- *July 2019 issue* - News deadline is Thurs. June 20. Meeting is Tuesday, July 2, 2019.
- *August 2019 issue* - News deadline is Thurs. July 25. Meeting is Tuesday, August 6, 2019.

Chapter Dues Are Due – A Timely Reminder

by Bob Kennedy, Chapter Treasurer

Read the Zephyr newsletter? Enjoy riding rails or talking about rails with Chapter members? Then please pay your dues!

If you have not already done so, please pay your 2019 Chapter dues now. Chapter dues are Individual \$16.00 or Family \$18.00 and can be paid by sending a check to:

2019.North Texas Chapter, NRHS
P.O. Box 600304
Dallas, Texas 75360

You can pay your dues on-line on our Chapter website at www.ntxnrhs.org/store/ but we do add an additional amount to help cover the PayPal fee. Chapter dues using PayPal are Individual \$16.50 or Family \$18.75.

The National NRHS does not collect local Chapter Dues. If you have paid your National Dues, thanks very much but please remember to pay your local North Texas Chapter Dues. If you have any questions, please contact us at northtexaschapternrhs@gmail.com

Chapter Meeting Minutes, March 5, 2019

NORTH TEXAS CHAPTER, NATIONAL RAILWAY HISTORICAL SOCIETY, MINUTES, DATE: March 5, 2019.

The March 2019 meeting of the North Texas Chapter, NRHS was held on Tuesday, March 5 at the DeGoyler Library on the SMU campus in Dallas, TX. There were ten attendees at the meeting. The meeting kicked off with a tour of an exhibit of documents related to the planning and construction of the transcontinental railroad. Attendees viewed a collection of vintage photographs and maps of the area around the railroad.

Following a tour of the exhibits, the group went into a conference room, where Russell Martin, the Director of the DeGoyler Library, discussed the history of the library, its primary benefactors, and its collections of various artifacts, including copies of various NRHS Chapter newsletters. The library is currently cataloging the Middleton and Steinheimer photographic collections.

VP Skip Waters reported on activities being planned. The 24 Hours at Saginaw program, is scheduled for May 24-25, 2019, is going to take place at the same time the Texas State Railroad has a steam event. Hopefully the two events won't severely impact each other.

The Chapter continues preparation for National Board Meeting. It will take place at the Magnolia Hotel, which has been chosen because of its proximity to light rail lines, museums, the Bush Library, and other attractions. The meeting takes place Thursday, November 7 through Saturday, November 9. In addition to the Board meeting, the event will feature a reception, a tour of commuter rail operations in the DFW area, and a banquet. Hotel rooms are \$149 per night. Cost of the banquet has not yet been determined.

Hotel rooms, banquet, Heber Valley Railroad excursion, and Golden Spike ceremony for the 2019 National Convention in Ogden UT are now sold out. Projections are still for an extremely large crowd to attend.

The 2020 NRHS National Convention will take place in southern California. Additional details will be forthcoming.

The April meeting will take place at the Texas Western Model RR Club in Forest Hill. Directions will be published in future messages. The May meeting will take place May 7. Following the meeting, attendees were given the opportunity to browse the stacks and purchase books. Several attendees purchased books. The meeting adjourned at 9:30 PM. Jerry M. Nunn, Secretary, North Texas Chapter NRHS



Chapter Directory

North Texas Chapter Officers, 2019.

- **President**, Wayne Smith, 940-300-4407.
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- **Treasurer**, Bob Kennedy.

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North Texas Zephyr (current issues): <https://ntxnrhs.org/>

North Texas Zephyr, newsletter archive

<https://ntxnrhs.org/>

<http://www.gogeocaching.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. Visitors and newcomers are welcome. Chapter membership includes our monthly chapter newsletter, the *North Texas Zephyr*.

Currently, chapter dues are \$16, plus \$2 per additional family member. Payment may be made by check or paid online. By check - Mail a check payable to "North Texas Chapter NRHS" for \$16 (individual) or \$18 (family) and mail it to North Texas Chapter NRHS, PO Box 600304, Dallas TX, 75360. If your check does not clearly indicate who the member is, please add a note with the member's name. Online - Visit the chapter's on-line store at <https://northtexaschapternrhs.ecwid.com/> to pay by credit card or PayPal. A small service charge (50 cents for individuals, 75 cents for families) is added to your dues payment to cover processing fees. 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

North Texas Calendar

Tues. April 2, 2019	North Texas Chapter meeting – 7:30 p.m. <i>Location:</i> Texas Western Model Railroad Club, 6808 Forest Hill Dr, Forest Hill, TX 76140.
Tues. May 7 , 2019	North Texas Chapter meeting – 7:30 p.m. <i>Location:</i> to be confirmed. <i>Program:</i> to be confirmed.
Fri. May 24 – Sat. May 25, 2019	14TH Annual 24 Hour @ Saginaw, sponsored by North Texas Chapter NRHS. IT'S TIME TO WATCH SOME TRAINS!!! It will be here before you know it!!!
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Tues. July 2, 2019	North Texas Chapter meeting – 7:30 p.m. <i>Location:</i> to be confirmed. <i>Program:</i> to be confirmed.
Tues. Aug. 6, 2019	North Texas Chapter meeting – 7:30 p.m. <i>Location:</i> to be confirmed. <i>Program:</i> to be confirmed.
Tues. Sept. 3, 2019	North Texas Chapter meeting – 7:30 p.m. <i>Location:</i> to be confirmed. <i>Program:</i> to be confirmed.
Tues. Oct. 2, 2019	North Texas Chapter meeting – 7:30 p.m. <i>Location:</i> to be confirmed. <i>Program:</i> to be confirmed.
Tues. Nov. 7-10, 2019	NRHS 2019 Fall Conference – 7:30 p.m. <i>Location:</i> Magnolia Hotel, Dallas, Texas.. <i>Program:</i> excursions, NRHS meetings [Advisory Council, Board of Directors, etc.], Banquet.

** Meeting starts at 7:30 pm. Location is usually confirmed prior to meeting month.



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Mention the “**National Railway Historical Society**” when booking a room.

To book a reservation, call (888) 915-1110 or book online at

<https://book.passkey.com/e/49897156>

Scheduled Events

Thursday, November 7

Guests arrive, First event is an evening reception at the DeGolyer Library and Special Collections on the SMU Campus. This library holds the NRHS National Archives which we will learn about the collection and the future plans for it. Cost pending.

Friday, November 8

A group tour of the DFW transit rail lines to include, DART, Dallas Streetcar, TRE, TEXRail and DCTA. It will be a full day of riding the rails. Depending when we return, we may have an evening program at the hotel and/or host the NRHS Fund meeting. Cost pending.

Saturday, November 9

Meetings of the Advisory Council and Board of Directors. In the evening, the Banquet features an entertaining speaker/presentation. Banquet cost is \$59.

Sunday, November 10

Optional field trip to Museum of the American Railroad, Train Topia Model Railroad Exhibit or other entertaining venue. Details to be confirmed. Cost pending.

Transportation - Dallas is served by two major airports, DFW International and Love Field. Both have access to DART light rail to the hotel. Amtrak’s Texas Eagle arrives daily and also can transfer to DART light rail to the hotel. Unless you plan to venture out on your own, you will not need personal transportation should you arrive by air or rail. We also have Uber and Lyft among other cab services available on demand.

Registration for the conference is \$50.