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Chapter Meeting

Tuesday, October 8, 2019. Spring Creek Barbeque, Grapevine, Texas.

Time: 7 p.m. .

Location: Spring Creek Barbeque, 315 State Highway, 114W, Grapevine, Texas.

Program: Gulf, Texas and Western Railroad.

Special Features

Extant Roundhouse Survey Returns

by Richard Shulby

We need your help on a project of interest to the Society. We have resurrected the Extant Roundhouse Survey. It is updated to include additional properties and changes in status. Our goal is to expand this record of all the existing roundhouses remaining in the United States. This listing is possible only through the efforts of the members of this society.

How can you help? In every chapter there are members familiar with existing roundhouses. We are asking you, as chapters and as members, to compile and forward basic data for compilation, whether updates to existing listings, or new properties. The amount of data gathered varies from structure to structure, We ask for several levels of information in order to tailor each effort based on time available and the people gathering the data. The information requested consists of BASIC DATA (Level 1), INTERMEDIATE DATA (Level 2), and based upon interest and availability, DETAILED DATA (Level 3).

The Data Request Form and two versions of the HRSS Extant Roundhouse Survey are posted on the NRHS Administrative website (<https://admin.nrhs.com/>). The 17x11 version consolidates all the data on three sheets, and is simpler to use when scrolling on the computer. The 11x8.5 version is suitable for printing on letter-sized paper stock.

Completed request forms, corrections or additions to the survey, and questions can be directed to:

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Reminder - Fall Plano Train Show, October 12, 2019

The North Texas Council of Rail Clubs is happy to announce the fifth annual **Fall Plano Train Show** is being held at the Plano Event Center Saturday October 12th, 2019. Hours 9am-5pm Saturday. 2000 East Spring Creek Parkway. Go East from Central Expressway (Exit 31).

Admission \$10.00 per person Children 12 and under are FREE. Sorry, we can only accept cash at the door. There will be a full schedule of clinics. Many home layouts will be on tour. Have questions or if you would like your layout added to the fall tour, please contact Chris Atkins at chris@railroadmodelers.com.

Also, be sure to mark your 2020 calendars for the January 18-19, 2020 **Dallas Area Train Show**. A full 2 day event full of clinics, displays, vendors as well as the popular home layout tours.

Source: DFW Train Shows web site at <http://dfwtrainshows.com/>

NRHS Leadership Update, September 2019

by Al Weber, NRHS President

What is your chapter doing to get new members? In the last year, I have asked this at several chapter meetings and chapter events that I have attended. I get many answers, but the best seem to be 'we have an active outreach to the community and a membership committee that works with other local organizations'. Many chapters try to involve all current members to help get information to potential new members. National can supply your chapter with membership brochures, Bulletin back issues and other material. Submit your announcements and events for the NRHS Facebook page. These postings reach a broad audience through social media. Also, the Society has a new NRHS.com website. Use it to promote your chapter, events, activities and meetings. Is your chapter data up to date on the site? If not, please email the correct information to webmaster@nrhs.com. Potential new members need to be able to find out about your next meeting, date, location, time of meeting.

Has your membership committee put up a display at a local library or school? Most libraries, museums and grade schools are always looking for a display at their location. It does not have to be much, just enough to fill a display case. Most of us have enough "stuff" (books, timetables, artifacts, artwork or prints, etc.) on railroad history in our homes to fill more than one case. Get it organized, provide a professional looking sign, and add contact cards or flyers. Make the sign work to your chapter's and the NRHS' advantage – include the NRHS logo, the chapter's name, contact information and the location of your meetings.

When you meet new prospective members, give them a warm welcome them and inspire them to join in your love of railroad history and preservation. Best regards, Al Weber (aweber@nrhs.com) (Source: *NRHS Telegraph*, September 2019 issue.)

North Texas Chapter News

Bill Franz Recognized for 25 Years of NRHS Membership



At the September 2019 meeting, Bill Franz, member of the North Texas Chapter, celebrated his 25th anniversary of NRHS membership. It's good to have Bill with the NRHS all these years!

Left: Skip Waters, District 7 Representative, presents Bill with the celebratory NRHS certificate, accompanied by Wayne Smith, North Texas Chapter President.

[Photo credit: Sam Metzger]



Join the Team ! Fall Conference, Nov. 7-10, 2019

The North Texas Chapter of the NRHS will be hosting a National Board Meeting November 7-10, 2019. The meetings and the banquet will take place at the Magnolia Hotel Dallas Park Cities. The Chapter will host reception at SMU, as well as three rail tours. We are in need of volunteers to assist with these matters. How many? Right now in late August, we aren't sure exactly how many are needed. We are starting with a list of interested individuals who are members of North Texas Chapter. If the need for more arises, another volunteer call will be made. If you are a member of the Chapter and are interested, please contact one of the Chapter officers, and we will put you on the list.

What will volunteers do? Volunteers may help the conference with the below [and more] ...

- Set up the registration booth
- Assist with registration and give informational handouts to the participants.
- On-board guides / hosts for the excursion rail tours.
- Assist spouses, guests or other visitors who do not wish to participate in the meetings or rail related functions. Tell them about alternative activities and attractions, such location and distances to shopping, museums, local points of interest.

Thank you on behalf of all the chapter officers, Jerry M. Nunn. Secretary, North Texas Chapter, NRHS.

Zephyr News Board

Upcoming 2019 Zephyr deadlines are

- *November 2019 issue* - News deadline is Monday, October 21. NRHS Fall Conference meeting is Sat. Nov. 9, 2019.
- *December 2019 issue* - News deadline is Thursday, November 21. Meeting is Tuesday, December 3, 2019.
- *January 2020 issue* - News deadline is Friday, December 27. Meeting is Tuesday, January 7, 2019.
- *February 2020 issue* - News deadline is Thursday, January 23, 2020 . Meeting is Tuesday, February 4, 2019.

Chapter Meeting Minutes, September 10, 2019

NORTH TEXAS CHAPTER, NATIONAL RAILWAY HISTORICAL SOCIETY, MINUTES, DATE: September 10, 2019.

The September 2019 meeting of the North Texas Chapter of the NRHS was held on Tuesday, September 10 at the Spring Creek BBQ in Grapevine, TX. Nineteen (19) were in attendance.

Chapter President Wayne Smith called the meeting to order at 7:45 PM. He recognized several attendees, including Virginia, who celebrated her 90th birthday; Robert Haynes, formerly with the Plano Interurban Museum; and William (Bill) Franz.

VP Skip Waters, representing NRHS District 7, presented a 25-year NRHS Membership plaque and letter to Bill Franz, long-time member of the North Texas Chapter.

Wayne Smith recognized guests Robert Haynes and his friend Tony. Robert is now affiliated with the African American Museum located at the Texas State Fairgrounds in Dallas, TX. He is currently writing a book entitled African American Railroad Experiences, documenting the contributions the African American community made to the American railroads from its early construction to the present. Robert was encouraged to apply for a grant from the NRHS to help fund the project.

DISCUSSION

Fall 2019 NRHS Conference:

- Forms are available to sign up for the events. Those who wish to participate need to sign up with the form. Note that a registration fee of \$50 is required for participation in any event – WITH ONE EXCEPTION. A registration fee is NOT required for anyone wishing to only attend the Banquet on Saturday evening, November 10. Please use the Form to select your meal(s) and make the payment. For a list of the specific items with the meals, contact Secretary Jerry Nunn.
- A summary of the Conference activities can be found on the North Texas Zephyr newsletter, which is accessible from the Chapter website: www.ntxnrhs.org.
- Addendum to Sunday, November 11 schedule: The Lone Star Hi-Railers has a layout in a baggage car in the GVRP yard. They have agreed to open early on Sunday to allow the tour group to view their layout and tour the facilities, including Tower 16, the newly acquired FL9s, and the Opryland narrow gage locomotive.

President Wayne Smith:

- The Cleburne Railroad Museum will host a ceremony to be held from 2 PM – 4 PM on Saturday, October 19 in Cleburne, TX. Santa Fe steam engine Number 3417 on display in Cleburne will be presented with a historical plaque. Anyone who can come is encouraged to attend.

VP Skip Waters:

- The Chapter received a donation of 6-7 boxes of railroad publications, some dating back to the 1940s. These will be available at the October Plano Train Show.



Treasurer Bob Kennedy:

- The Plano Train Show has five open volunteer slots assigned to the Chapter. Bob passed around a sign-in sheet for volunteers to sign up.

VP Jon Shea:

- Jon passed around some postcards and booklets for review.
- The October meeting is the second Tuesday in October – October 8 – at the Spring Creek BBQ in Grapevine, TX.
- The November meeting is tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, November 5 at the Texas Western Model RR Club in Forest Hill, TX. There is some uncertainty about this meeting; stay tuned for updates.
- The December meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, December 3 at the Babe’s Chicken Dinner House in Frisco, TX.

Evening Program: Sam Metzger presented a video entitled “Tarantula Express”.

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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- **Vice President/Trips and Events**, Skip Waters, wgcrush@swbell.net.
- **Vice President/Communications, and NTZ editor**, Valli Hoski, ntx.news@yahoo.com.
- **Secretary**, Jerry Nunn.
- **Treasurer**, Bob Kennedy.

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

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

Chapter Calendar

Tues. Oct. 8, 2019	North Texas Chapter meeting. <i>Location:</i> Spring Creek Barbecue, 315 State Highway, 114W, Grapevine, Texas. <i>Program:</i> Gulf, Texas and Western Railroad.
Tues. Nov. 5, 2019	North Texas Chapter meeting – 7:30 p.m. <i>Program:</i> Annual Chapter Auction. <i>Location:</i> Forest Hill Civic Center t 6901 Wichita St., Forest Hill, TX 76140. . <i>Driving instructions:</i> Turn south off of I-20 East at Exit 440A towards Wichita Street. The Convention Center will be about .4 miles down Wichita Street on your left
Nov. 7-10, 2019	NRHS 2019 Fall Conference – <i>Location:</i> Magnolia Hotel, Dallas, Texas.
Dec. 3, 2019	North Texas Chapter holiday dinner – <i>Location:</i> Babe’s Chicken, 6475 Page Street, Frisco, Texas 75034 Tel. (214) 387-9500. http://www.babeschicken.com/our-kitchens/frisco/
Jan. 7, 2020	North Texas Chapter meeting. <i>Location tbd.</i> <i>Program:</i> Annual Chapter Election.
Feb. 4, 2020	North Texas Chapter meeting. <i>Location, Program tbd.</i>



2019 Fall NRHS Conference Registration



FALL 2019 NRHS CONFERENCE

November 7-10, 2019, Dallas, Texas
REGISTRATION FORM

(Return by October 1, 2019 to guarantee tickets)



Name _____ NRHS Member Number _____
 Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____
 Telephone (Home) _____ (Cell) _____ (Other) _____
 Email Address _____

NAME TAG INFORMATION (___ Additional Names on Reverse)

Name (as preferred) _____
 NRHS National or Chapter Office Title _____
 Chapter Name & City/State _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION

Name _____ Telephone _____

CONFERENCE EVENTS

	Qty	x Cost	= Total
Conference Registration (1 per household)	_____	x \$50	_____
Thursday, Nov 7 - SMU DeGolyer Library / NRHS National Archives	_____	x \$25	_____
Friday, Nov 8 - (Part A) Tour DFW Transit/Commuter Rail / Lunch OYO	_____	x \$12	_____
(Part B-1) Visit Museum of the American Railroad & TrainTopia	_____	x \$49	_____
(Part B-2) Continue DFW Transit/Commuter Rail Tour	_____	x \$0 (w/Part A pass)	_____
(Part B-3) Tour Downtown area venues, return on DART	_____	x \$0 (w/Part A pass)	_____
Saturday, Nov 9 - Banquet with Author/Speaker "Steve Allen Goen"	_____	x \$59	_____
Select meal: ___ Espresso-Rubbed Whole-Roasted Sirloin, ___ Lemon Basil Chicken Breast, ___ Grilled Coriander Salmon			
Sunday, Nov 10 - Grapevine Vintage Railroad trip to FTW Stockyards	_____	x \$50	_____

Mail your completed form to:

North Texas Chapter, NRHS
Attn: NRHS Fall 2019 Conference
P.O. Box 600304
Dallas, TX 75360

Total Enclosed = _____

Please make payments payable to:
North Texas Chapter, NRHS

PLEASE RETURN Conference Order by October 1st to guarantee tickets as some events are limited.



2019 Fall NRHS Conference Hotel

MAKE RESERVATIONS directly with Hotel by October 1st to ensure the conference room rate!

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

Make reservation requests by calling (888) 915-1110

Group room rate is \$149 per night, S/D. For 3 or 4 guests - add \$10 per person.

Mention the "National Railway Historical Society" when booking a room.

Hotel Booking Website: <https://book.passkey.com/e/49897156>

- List of Scheduled Events -

Thursday, November 7

Registration opens at 3pm. 6pm, attend a reception at the DeGolyer Library on the SMU Campus. This library holds the NRHS National archives. Learn about the collection and a chance to purchase duplicate books from their collection. Light food and beverages to be served. **Cost \$25.**

Friday, November 8

(Part A) Morning group tour of the DFW Transit/Commuter rail lines to include, DART, Trinity Railway Express, TEXRail, Dallas Streetcar. Lunch is OYO (on your own) in the historic Bishop Arts District via the Dallas Streetcar. **Afterwards, you will have 3 choices to enjoy your afternoon.**

(Part B-1) Tour the Museum of the American Railroad and TrainTopia Model Train Exhibit in Frisco, TX. Board a bus from Dallas Union Station (with a quick stop at Magnolia Hotel for extra passengers) and see BigBoy 4018 among other historic railroad passenger and freight equipment.

(Part B-2) Continue on the DFW Transit/Commuter rail tour via DART to ride Denton County Transit Authority's DMU cars, return via DART to hotel. **Use Part A DART pass to continue tour.**

(Part B-3) Stay downtown and see the local venues to include the PEROT Museum, JFK Sixth Floor Museum, Historic "OLD RED" Court House or ride the McKinney Avenue Trolley among other sights and sounds of downtown Dallas! **Use Part A DART pass to return to hotel.**

Upon return, we may have an evening program at the hotel and/or host the NRHS Fund meeting.

Cost: \$12 for DART pass for DFW Transit/Commuter Tour. **Additional \$49** for trip to Museum of the American Railroad and TrainTopia. To stay downtown is free, ride DART back to hotel when ready.

Saturday, November 9

Meeting Day for the Advisory Council and Board of Directors. Following the meetings will be a Banquet with an entertaining presentation by Author/Speaker "Steve Allen Goen" on Passenger Trains of Texas. You will not want to miss this! Cash Bar before meal. **Banquet cost: \$59.**

Sunday, November 10

Optional Day - Ride the Grapevine Vintage Railroad. Lunch OYO (on your own) in downtown Grapevine, then a Diesel trip from Grapevine to the Fort Worth Stockyards! Bus back to Dallas after a visit at the Stockyards. **Bus returns to Dallas about 5:15 pm. Cost: \$50**

Transportation to Dallas - 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. We have Uber and Lyft among other cab services available on demand. See link for Love Field access via DART light rail <https://www.dart.org/riding/lovefield.asp>

Driving a car? Parking at the hotel is complimentary. A multi-level garage is available in the back.

Need More info - Contact Skip Waters, Chairman at 214-987-2888 (leave message) or email at: northtexaschapternrhs@gmail.com. We welcome you to Dallas for a fun and successful Conference!