



# North Texas Chapter of the National Railway Historical Society



## North Texas Zephyr

(Interim editor - Skip Waters)

**Grand Re-Opening of the CLEBURNE RAILROAD MUSEUM - January 13-15, 2022.**

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**JANUARY 13-15**  
**FOR AN OPENING CELEBRATION**  
 206 N MAIN, CLEBURNE, TX 76033

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<b>JANUARY 13</b> 12:30 - OFFICIAL OPENING FEATURING MAYOR SCOTT CAIN	<b>12PM - 8PM</b>
<b>JANUARY 14 &amp; 15</b>	<b>11AM - 4PM</b>

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## Chapter News

### January Chapter Meeting

**Monthly Meeting:** Tuesday, January 4, 2022

**Time:** 7:30 PM

**Location:** SOKOL Hall

7448 Greenville Ave, Dallas, TX 75231

**Program:** 2022 Chapter Election of Officers.

Member Railroadiana **'Show and Tell'** - Bring something you love and cherish and make us love and cherish it too, by discussing and showing it off!!!

# North Texas Chapter NRHS Membership Dues Renewal

Annual dues for North Texas Chapter Membership are due again by January 1, 2022.

**Please note that your Chapter Membership dues are paid directly to the North Texas Chapter.** National NRHS Membership dues are paid directly to the National and are in addition to your North Texas Chapter Membership dues. You should have already received National Membership renewal notice and payment information separately from the National NRHS. **Do not send your National NRHS Membership dues payment to the North Texas Chapter.**

**North Texas Chapter Membership dues are \$16 for either an individual Regular Chapter Membership or an individual Chapter-only Membership and \$18 for a Regular Chapter Family Membership.** All Chapter Members should be Members in good standing with the National NRHS. Chapter-only Members will be required to provide their NRHS Home Chapter in order to be a Chapter-only Member of the North Texas Chapter and cannot add Family Members to their membership. Payment may be made by check or paid online. Chapter membership includes all our Chapter activities and our chapter newsletter, the North Texas Zephyr.

**To pay by check**, make your check payable to “**North Texas Chapter NRHS**” for \$16 (individual) or \$18 (family) and mail it to the Chapter mailing address:

**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. Also, please include a list of any family member's names (if this has changed from 2021).

**To pay on-line by credit card or PayPal**, visit the Chapter's on-line store at:

<https://northtexaschapternrhs.ecwid.com/>

A small service charge (50 cents for individuals, 75 cents for families) is added to your dues payment to cover the processing fees for using a credit card.

**Cash payment for your dues can be made at any Chapter Meeting.** Please have the exact amount. To learn about the National Railway Historical Society including membership options, visit the National website at: [www.nrhs.com](http://www.nrhs.com)

If you have any other questions about membership, please contact me directly at [rckennedy48@verizon.net](mailto:rckennedy48@verizon.net) or 214-497-7745

Thanks very much.

Bob Kennedy, Treasurer  
North Texas Chapter, NRHS

# 2022 Chapter Election – Slate of Candidates

by Bill Long, Chair Nominations Committee

As chairman of the nominations committee, I announce the following slate of candidates to be voted upon at the January 2022 meeting of the North Texas Chapter.

President:	Wayne Smith
Vice President / Programs:	John Shea
Vice President / Trips and Events:	Skip Waters
Vice President / Communications:	OPEN (nominations welcome)
Secretary:	Jerry Nunn
Treasurer:	Bob Kennedy
National Representative:	Bill Long

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Members of the North Texas Chapter,

We continue to be in need of a Communications Officer/News Letter editor. We are looking for a “qualified” individual that has proven dependability/reliability and communication skills.

If interested, please contact me or make a nomination at the elections meeting.

Happy New Year!

Wayne Smith, President  
North Texas Chapter - NRHS

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## 1996 - 2021



# WHAT IS IT? Southern Pacific had 12 of these units.



**Photo from the Don Ross Collection**



**Photo by Steve Gartner from the Don Ross Collection**

## WHAT IS IT?

### **The Southern Pacific Railroad purchased twelve Baldwin Locomotives**

**Works Model DS-4-4-1200/1 (SC) numbered 1539-1550 as SP class DS-118 in 1953. This BLW Model was more commonly sold as an S-12 and had a 1200 HP Engine Type 606A riding on B- B trucks. This was last S-12 order placed by Southern Pacific but that was not what made this BLW Model unique. This model, SP Class DS-118, was called the “ultimate S-12 as they were the only Baldwin switchers with multiple unit connections complete with gangways and outside handrails”. This model also had oval exhaust stacks rather than round ones. In 1953 this model cost \$108,676. SP numbers 2150, 2154 & 2157 were retired in August 1974 ending the Baldwin era on the Southern Pacific.**

**SP #1548 (#2155) was scrapped in April 1970. SP #1547 (#2154) was initially sold to Metropolitan Stevedore Co as their #2 in 1974, then to Wills Brothers, then Johnston Terminal Muskogee and finally to SMS Lines as their #303 in 1995.**

**Baldwin actually built a total of 451 DS-4-4-1200 units. They were purchased by 15 major railroads and short lines (both first hand & second hand) including the MKT, Southern Pacific, and Wabash. The last Baldwin diesels were produced in 1956 with some of the DS-4-4-1200 units lasting into the early 2000’s.**

**Submitted by Bob Kennedy**

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### **Hear Ye! Hear Ye! Annual NRHS Slide-Show ANNOUNCEMENT!!!!**

The Dallas Area Train Show (Plano, TX) will be Jan. 15 & 16, 2022.  
It will be held at the Plano Centre. 2000 East Spring Creek Parkway.  
Go East from Central Expressway (Exit 31)  
Hours 10am-5pm Saturday, 10am-4pm Sunday.

More info at:  
<http://www.dfwtrainshows.com>

**THEN on Saturday Night, January 15th, 2022**  
The North Texas Chapter, National Railway Historical Society,  
will host the 16th Annual Dallas Area Media-Slide Show and  
NRHS Open House.

**SHOW LOCATION: - NEW LOCATION!!!!**

**Interurban Railway Museum**

901 East 15th Street

Plano, TX 75074

Show Time: **6:00pm until 9:00pm**

(the Train Show closes at 5:00pm).

**LIMITED TO THE FIRST 25 GUESTS!** (Sorry, Covid Rules)

Show Admission is free!

**RETURN of the PIZZA PARTY!!!**

We will pass the hat for PIZZA and have it delivered midway through the show!

If YOU would like to be a presenter, please reply directly to me,  
Skip Waters <wgcrush@swbell.net>, NOT to any email or facebook group,  
NO LATER THAN 12:00 noon CST on Sunday, January 9th, 2022.

If you know the subject of your presentation, please tell me  
(having a subject is not mandatory).

List type of media you plan to show:

1) Slides, 2) Digital photos, 3) Videotape or 4) DVD.

After all presenters have identified themselves, I'll let them know  
A.S.A.P. how much time each will have at the show. You can go ahead  
and start putting your material together now, but keep it adjustable so  
you can make it fit the time allotted when I announce it after January  
13th. You'll still have about one week to finalize it after I make that  
announcement.

One program note: Please limit Video or DVD to 15 minutes.

Slides will only be limited by the available time divided by the number of  
presenters.

Remember, the DEADLINE for getting your name on the PRESENTATION LIST  
is 12:00 noon CST on Sunday, January 9th.

Don't miss the train, let me know today!

Thanks for your interest!

Happy New Year to all!

Please pass this on to anyone that might be interested in this show.

Best regards,

Skip Waters

Show Chairman

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## Chapter Directory

North Texas Chapter Officers, 2021.

- 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).
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- National Representative, Bill Long.

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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>

### 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.

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