

CALENDAR

November 7 - 10, 2019

2019 NRHS Fall Conference
Dallas, TX
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March 26 - 29, 2020

2020 NRHS Spring Conference
West Chester, Ohio
(Cincinnati area)

June 9 - 13, 2020

2020 NRHS Convention
Fullerton, California

October 15 - 18, 2020

2020 NRHS Fall Conference
Johnson City, Tennessee

April 9 - 12, 2021

2021 NRHS Spring Conference
Raleigh, North Carolina

NRHS Leadership Update

Submitted by Al Weber, 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)

New President – NRHS Fund, Inc.

Submitted by Al Weber, President

Bob Ernst has stepped forward and volunteered to take on the job of President of the NRHS Fund, Inc. I want all members to thank him for taking on this job. Bob has been a member of the NRHS since 1985 and currently holds the positions of Global Director, NRHS Secretary and NRHS Fund, Inc. Secretary. Bob has been involved with the NRHS Fund since its inception, holding the position of the Fund's Secretary. (Continued on page 2.)

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A resident of Chicago, Bob is employed by a specialty chemical company, Nuance Solutions, as their Operations Manager. The NRHS Fund, Inc is one of the ways that the NRHS protects our funds and generates new funding for many programs. Bob is NRHS Secretary through 2019 Fall Conference.

NRHS Needs New Secretary, effective November 2019

The NRHS will need a new NRHS Secretary, effective mid-November 2019. The secretary takes minutes at the NRHS Board of Directors meetings, replies to letters and requests to the organization. Qualified members are invited to apply. Interested? Please email Al Weber (aweber@nrhs.com) .

New Chairman for NRHS Heritage Grant Committee

Charles Webb is the new chairman of the NRHS Heritage Grant Committee. Most of the committee is formed. One more volunteer is needed, preferably from the West Coast.

Extant Roundhouse Survey

Returns

Submitted by Richard Shulby

(Note: This article is for all NRHS Officers, Directors, and Chapter officers. Please include this in your next chapter newsletter.)

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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Want to be "in" NRHS Movies?

Submitted by Marlin R. Taylor , NRHS Film Archival & Library Committee

Most everyone loves Hollywood or dreams of being in 'the pictures'. Here's your chance to be famous, and maybe see your name up in the 'lights' of the mainline !

The NRHS has literally miles of rail-related film footage ready and waiting for a creative video editor. Do you watch old movies, looking for the railroad scenes and run-bys? Are most of your favorite rail travels done by armchair traveling? Are you an avid viewer of rail webcams near and far? Or perhaps you enjoy digital doodling, online rail simulations or restoring vintage rail photographs? Your NRHS Film Archival Committee welcomes your interest, skill and creativity ... if you are qualified and capable of helping ... we need you.

This "reely" big show of the NRHS includes an abundance of media, all related to railroads and railroading, such as

- Railroad promotional films (16mm sound produced in years past,
- Film footage from rail enthusiasts/hobbyists over the past 75 years, and
- Ongoing donations of 8mm and 16mm film footage.

As finances permit, films are being digitized for preservation, historical and educational application. However, video editing assistance is needed to increase the usability and value of the media collection.

This valuable work needs someone with an interest in digital and social media, and these skills

- Video editing experience, whether in school, as a hobby or career
- Have tools / technology for doing digital video editing
- Have a creative mind for taking raw footage and turning it into a finished, tightly edited presentation
- Are willing and interested in donating some of your services to benefit NRHS .

If you or someone you know has these skills, a creative mind, perhaps an interest "trains" and is willing to commit some of their time, we'd like to talk with them.

You or another member of your chapter may have a child or grandchild who has the capabilities of working with digital video + the "smarts" and some experience ... maybe/possibly one who creates YouTube videos that are posted on the Internet. Or possibly he or she is a college or high school student who could use such a project as part of their thesis or internship commitment.

What's actually involved here? Taking raw footage which has been digitized, reviewing the contents to determine what's good enough subject-wise and of sufficient quality visually, and then creating a finished production for either/or railfan/general public viewing.

If you are a person possessing the necessary skills and attributes and have a serious interest undertaking such a project . . . please let us hear from you by e-mailing Marlin R. Taylor <marlin@NRHS.com>. Thank you.

Click Here for Free Brochures!

Submitted by Jon Baake, Membership Chairman

A single click can connect your chapter with the latest in NRHS brochures! Please email Jon Baake <jbaake@outlook.com> to place your chapter's order.

NRHS Membership Brochures are available for distribution at any meeting, event, museum or railroad attraction where those attending might be interested in joining the NRHS. In your email order, please include your name, the name of the chapter or organization, the quantity requested, and the mailing address. The brochures will be sent out post paid.

NRHS Meeting Postings

NRHS Meeting notices, Bylaws, Policies, Meeting minutes, and Approved Financial Documents are at <https://admin.nrhs.com/> .

NRHS Bulletin Issues Available for Chapter PR

Submitted by Jeff Smith, NRHS Bulletin
Editor

We are offering boxes of 50 or 100 magazines to any NRHS Chapter that wants them for Chapter public relations and publicity. Each box will contain an assortment of issues. Boxes of 50 will contain at least two different issues (perhaps more) and each box of 100 will contain at least 4 different issues (perhaps more). The objective is to put these magazines to use marketing the society instead of sending them for recycling. Please reach out to Jeff Smith at bulletin@nrhs.com if you are interested in receiving one or more boxes of magazines. Please let him know where you want them shipped and how many magazines you desire. They will be provided free of charge. (National pays for shipping).

NRHS Telegraph Deadline

The *NRHS Telegraph* is published generally every two months. October 15, 2019 is the next deadline for the *November 2019* issue.

Submission deadline is the 15th of the month preceding the issue. Submissions should be text-only, and sent the month prior to the issue. Issues are distributed in PDF format. Files are available on the NRHS Admin website at <https://admin.nrhs.com/telegraph/>.

Please send questions, announcements and articles to Valli Hoski, Editor, *NRHS Telegraph* at TelegraphVal@gmail.com

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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 complementary. 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: northtexaschaptarnrhs@gmail.com. We welcome you to Dallas for a fun and successful Conference!