





## "Railroading in Texas"

# November 22, 2008 at the

# George Bush Presidential Library and Museum

The Texas Eagle Chapter of the National Railway Historical Society (NRHS), the Railway & Locomotive Historical Society (R&LHS) and the George Bush Presidential Library are pleased to invite you to a program on Texas railroads. The program will include talks, slide shows and Power Point presentations by four authors and photographers. All presentations will take place in the newly remodeled theater at the George Bush Presidential Library on the campus of Texas A&M University. A catered barbeque lunch is included in the conference fee. Reservations are not required but are strongly encouraged. Payment (cash or check) will be accepted on the day of the event.

#### PROGRAM DETAILS

When: Saturday, November 22nd

**Where:** George Bush Presidential Library, College Station, Texas

**Time:** 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. (doors open at 9:30)

**Cost:** \$15.00 per person (payable by cash or check on the date of the event)

**Parking:** Free at the Bush Library

**Reservations:** Please call Robert Holzweiss at (979) 691-4074 or Tracy Johnson at (979) 691-4014 to

make reservations. You can also make reservations by emailing Robert at

Robert.Holzweiss@nara.gov

#### **SPEAKERS**

#### Steve Goen

Mr. Steve A. Goen will present a slide show entitled "The Katy Railroad – Our State's Original Trans-Texas Corridor." Mr. Goen is the author of seven railroad books on Texas railroads including *Texas & New Orleans Color Pictorial: Southern Pacific's Texas & Louisiana Lines; Down South on the Rock Island: A Color Pictorial 1940-1969; Cotton Belt Color Pictorial; Santa Fe in the Lone Star State Color Pictorial, Volume One, 1949-1969; Kansas City Southern Color Pictorial; Fort Worth & Denver Color Pictorial;* and *Texas & Pacific Color Pictorial*.

Ken Fitzgerald Ken Fitzgerald took his first railroad photograph at age 12 in 1967, and is still going strong. His work has appeared in many railroad magazines, books and calendars over the years. He has also been a winner in many photo contests, including three times in Trains Magazine. Ken is currently a contractor to the BNSF, Union Pacific and the Fort Worth & Western as a photographer covering special events and providing photos for company publications.

For two weeks this past summer, Ken was the Union Pacific's photographer covering their Heritage Fleet train's visit to the Democratic National Convention in Denver and the Republican National Convention in St. Paul. The work involved long hours of photographing convention delegates visiting the train and UP employees working hard to keep things running smoothly. A particular highlight was riding the 29-car train from Denver to St. Paul in 26 hours. Ken will share photos and anecdotes from the experience.

Bruce Blalock Bruce Blalock, an active Union Pacific engineer will speak about the history of the Missouri-Kansas-Texas (MKT) in and around the San Antonio area. Additionally, he will talk about Union Pacific contemporary use of the Katy lines in central Texas. Mr. Blalock will also have several MKT artifacts on display.

### FOR THE FAMILY

On November 10, 2007, the George Bush Library opened a multi-million dollar renovation of the main exhibit gallery which features the latest interactive technology and hundreds of never-before-seem exhibit items. Please consider a tour of the library while your friend or family member is enjoying the railroad program. The museum is open from 9:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

#### AFTER THE EVENT

The event will conclude in mid-afternoon allowing guests time to tour five area model railroad layouts in the Bryan/College Station area that will be open during the afternoon and evening as part of National Model Railroad Month. Directions to the layouts will be available at the Bush Library.

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HO Scale	Fred Holland	10630 Forest Dr.	(10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.)					
HO Scale	Carl Lester	4902 Bay Oaks Ct.	(1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.)					