



Welcome to the 33<sup>nd</sup> Annual North Texas Council of Railroad Clubs Train show season.

Thank you all for your continued support of our shows in the DFW Metroplex. We were very happy with last year's change to have two shows in the Plano Centre and will continue to do so for the foreseeable future.

The dates of the second annual Fall Plano Train show are September 30 – October 1, 2017 at the Plano Centre, 2000 E. Spring Creek Parkway, Plano, Texas. The Dallas Area Train Show is returning to the Plano Centre January 20-21, 2018.

Unfortunately, the Plano Centre has raised prices. The hall rent for 2017 remains the same, but our obligation to concessions has doubled. For the fall show we are keeping tables and admissions the same at \$60 and \$8 respectively, but the \$5 meal coupon is being eliminated.

The big surprise since the January 2017 show is that in 2018 the Plano Centre is increasing the rent by 30% and again doubling the concessions obligation. We believe we can overcome this with a \$5 increase in tables and setting the admission price to \$10.

Parking at the Plano Centre is still free!

We negotiated a couple more hours of setup time on Friday evening for vendors that are coming in late. Setup times for the Fall Plano show are Friday Sept. 29<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 AM – **9:00 PM** and Saturday from 7:00 – 10:00 AM. Similarly, setup times for the Dallas Area show are Friday Jan. 19<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 AM – **9:00 PM** Saturday from 7:00 – 10:00 AM.

We will continue to have a couple of people assisting the direction of traffic in front of the roll-up door. Unloading is limited to **45 minutes**, so please be efficient so that the next vendor can back up to the door. This has been abused in the past with some people leaving their trailer or van in front of the door for over 2 hours.

The North Texas Council of Railroad Clubs welcomes your participation in the 2017/18 Show season. We appreciate your past support and look forward to a successful season.

Best Regards,

Chris Atkins  
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