

THE 7TH ANNUAL COTTON BELT RAILROAD SYMPOSIUM



Friday, October 5, 2012 | 5:00pm - 8:00pm — Mixer & Documentary Screening
Saturday, October 6, 2012 | 8:45am - 3:30pm — Symposium
 TAMU-Commerce | Sam Rayburn Student Center | Conference Room 213

A free, public event celebrating railroad heritage and the legacy of the
ST. LOUIS SOUTHWESTERN RAILWAY
 and other railroads of the Northeast-Texas and Ark-La-Tex-oma region.

Featuring artifact displays, presentations, luncheon*, live music, panel discussion of railroad crafts and organizations, discussion of the operations of the StLSW Steam Locomotive #819, screening of the documentary film “Weekend Railroaders,” and a Railroad Partners Inc./ North American Railcar Operators Association Motorcar run and display.



The 2012 Symposium is dedicated to the memory of Dr. Otha C. Spencer, April 27, 1920 - June 1, 2012.

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Presented by the TAMU-Commerce College of Science, Engineering, & Agriculture; the Department of Engineering & Technology; the James G. Gee Library, and the Commerce Public Library.

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*Luncheon meal REQUIRES RSVP by October 1 via website or contact: Jason.Davis@tamuc.edu, 903-886-8066.



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