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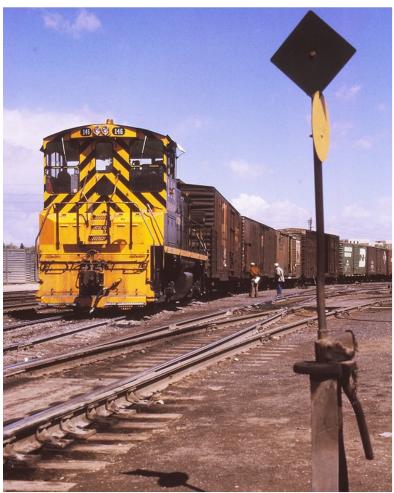
**Western Kansas Division** 



On The Cover: Phase 1 of the detail upgrades on the Robinson Oil scene is complete, details inside...

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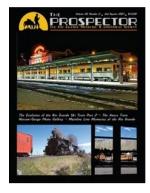
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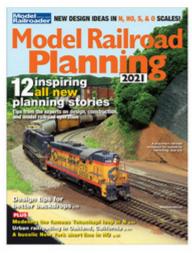
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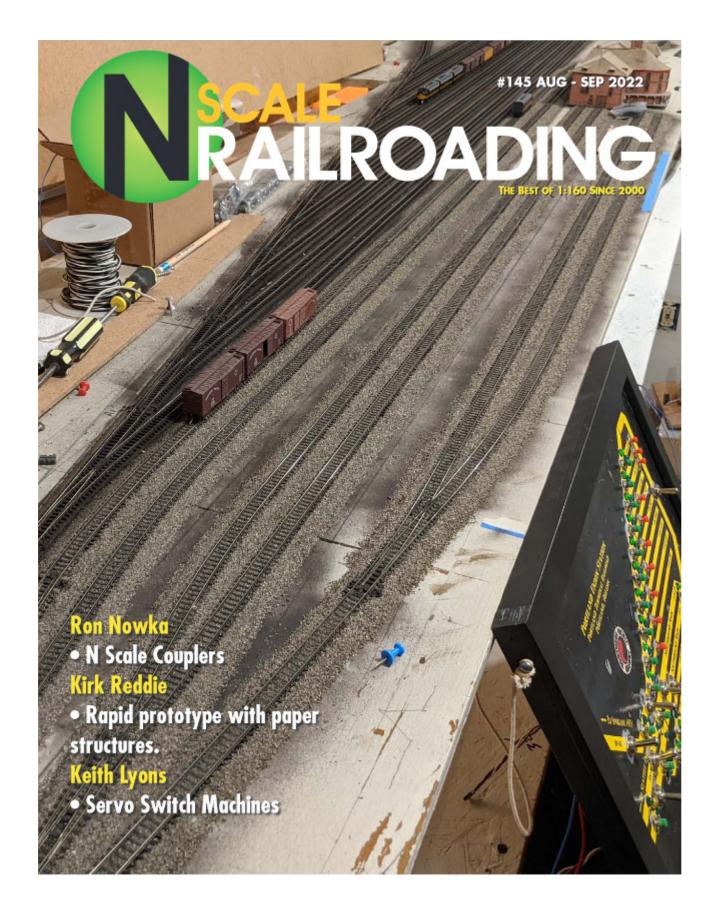
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# Real Deal



RAILWAY

DODGE CITY, KANSAS YARD

(Above) BNSF has been busy making upgrades to the Dodge City, Kansas yard. This view is South of the Depot (on the left) looking East. It appears there are now two new storage tracks. On the right is a huge pile of new and used ties.

(Below) On the East side of the yard, several months ago, they cut in a switch leading to the ADM grain mill, and recently there have been cars spotted there.



# Real Deal



(Left) Also on the East end of the DC yard, BNSF has added new tracks for the expanded Cattle Feed producer, which has added a significant increase of tank car traffic.



Jerry Bruce Photo

(Above) Siding near Alexander, Ks. EB 100 hoppers, loads heading towards terminal east of Great Bend...He will be met by WB empties coming from Rush Center this sunny day of September 8th, 2023, here on The Scott City Sub on K&O Line....Jerry Bruce of McPherson, KS.

(Below) WB K&O locals at McPherson handling propane empties Near Conway Underground Storage Facility...Fuels are stored year around there in preparation for Old Man Winters return! Many hundreds of semi tankers haul out of there each year, to be distributed to bulk propane facilities around the country...JB

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Note From Clarence Matthews of Lees Summit, Mo.

#### Robert

This afternoon the 10th empty unit tank train will show up in Dodge City headed for the Seaboard Farms Biodiesel plant in Hugoton. 107 to 109 cars. This has become a steady Unit train making the trip about every 10 days. It runs from Hugoton, KS to Trigo, California. The ingredients for the biodiesel come from the non-edible fat generated by the slaughterhouses, both cattle and swine, in the area.

Seaboard Farms bought the defunct Abengoa Ethanol plant in Hugoton and converted it to a biodiesel plant.

More traffic for the CVR sub.. Clarence Matthews



WICHITA, Kan. (KWCH) - Wichita's **Great Plains Transportation Museum** (GPTM) is kicking off a fundraising effort to perform a full cosmetic restoration of historic Santa Fe Railway diesel-electric locomotive No. 93.

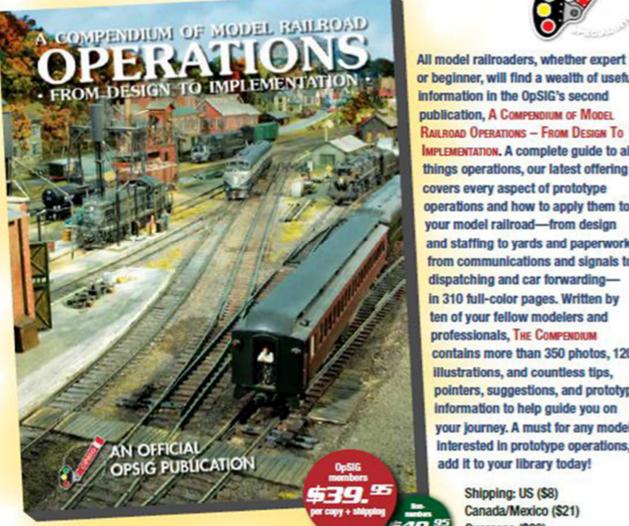
Built by the Electro-Motive Division (EMD) of General Motors Corporation at La Grange, Ill., in late 1967, 93 was donated to the museum by BNSF Railway in June 1999. The 93 pulled Santa Fe passenger trains between Chicago and California or Texas and freight trains for Santa Fe and successor BNSF Railway throughout those railroad systems, rolling up millions of miles.

"Actor and Santa Fe Railway enthusiast **Michael Gross**, best known for playing Steven Keaton on *Family Ties* and Burt Gummer in the *Tremors* movie franchise, will be the face and voice of our efforts to restore 93 to its former glory," GPTM president John Deck said.

GPTM's locomotive 93 fundraising goal is \$193,000, which will cover mechanical work required to move the locomotive round trip from Wichita to Kansas City, transportation costs, restoration work and visitor access staircases for display once the locomotive returns to Wichita.

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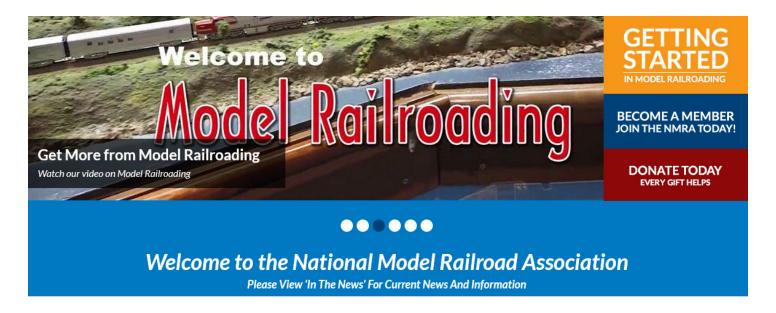
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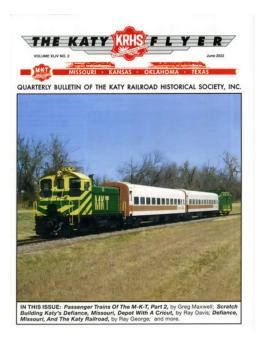
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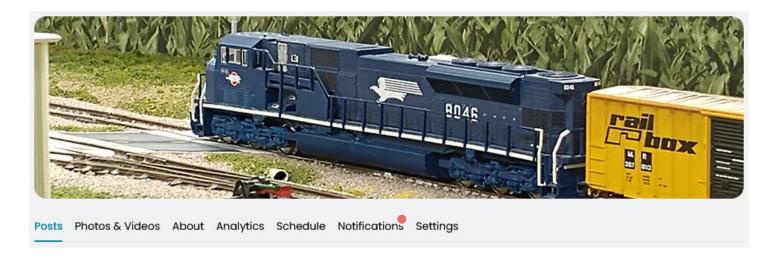
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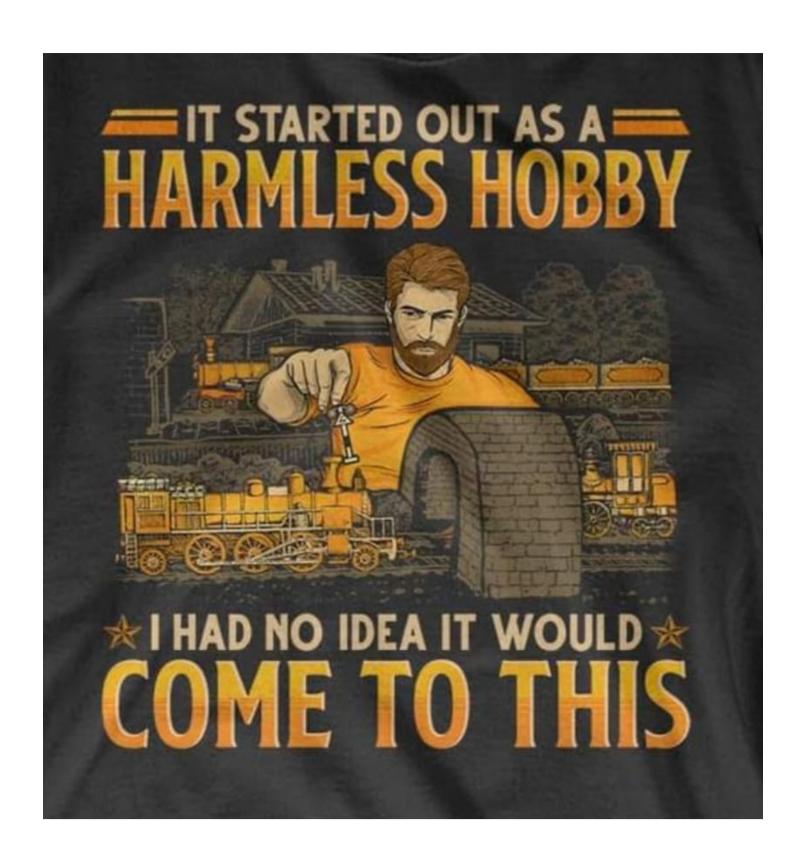
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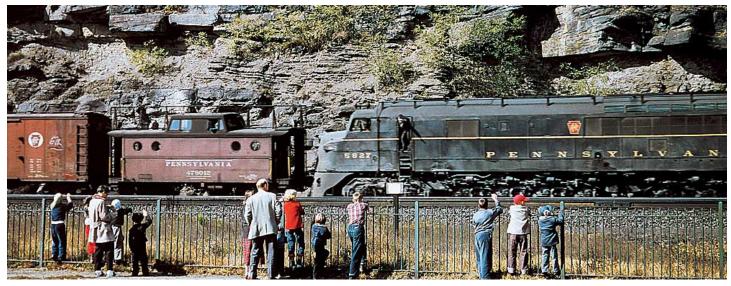




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### **Baldwin Centipede**



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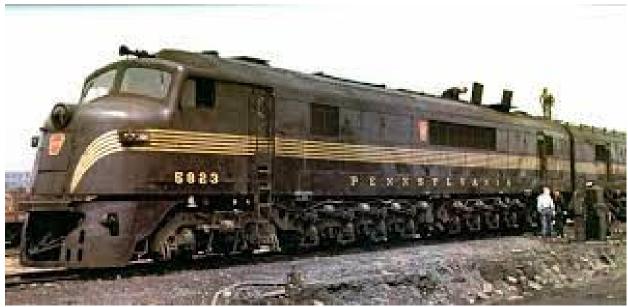
The **Baldwin DR-12-8-1500/2** (nicknamed the *Centipede*) was the Baldwin Locomotive Works' first serious attempt at a production road diesel locomotive. The Baldwin type designation was '*DR-12-8-1500/2*,' meaning **D**iesel **R**oad locomotive, with **12** axles (**8** of which were driven), and **two** engines of **1,500 horsepower** each. The trucks were configured in a 2-D+D-2 wheel arrangement. The nickname came from the numerous axles set in a nearly unbroken line, much like the legs of a centipede.





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Built between December 1945 and July 1948, the "Babyface" design reflected Baldwin steam and electric locomotive practice. The carbody rode on two massive articulated cast steel half-frames cast by General Steel Castings, linked at the middle with a hinged joint. Unpowered four-wheel trucks at each end guided the locomotive through curves for stability at speed. Internal wiring was passed through metal conduits exactly like those used on a steam locomotive, which proved troublesome in practice.

The prototype 2-unit set was built in 1945 and toured American railroads. Orders followed from the Pennsylvania Railroad, the Seaboard Air Line Railroad, and the National Railways of Mexico (NdeM). The two demonstrators (originally ordered by Union Pacific Railroad as #998 and #999) were never sold and were eventually scrapped. The "Centipedes" were essentially obsolete during production, unable to compete with the more advanced locomotive design and technology offered by EMD. Reliability was an ongoing problem, and as they were built one at a time (like steam locomotives) each one was a bit different in the placement of wiring and equipment, which complicated even routine maintenance. The PRR units were eventually derated and relegated to helper service. Most PRR and SAL units were scrapped by the early 1960s, while NdeM units lasted slightly longer and were in service until the late 1960s. No Centipedes have been preserved.

The models manufactured for Ferrocarriles Nacionales de México (NdeM) were sent back to Baldwin shops to receive the MU receptacles to work in a trailing position with other locomotives. Those Mexican Centipedes end their days as Helper Service in División San Luis, for the "Carneros" hill.



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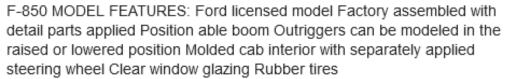
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#### Ho Scale Athearn Roundhouse 40' Pulpwood Flat

Specialized load handling equipment has long been used to secure loads in railroad freight service. One of the most common forms used on flatcars is the addition of bulkheads to the ends of the car. Bulkhead ends not only make it easy to load pulpwood, but also keep regular items like lumber, building materials and pipe loads from shifting in transit.







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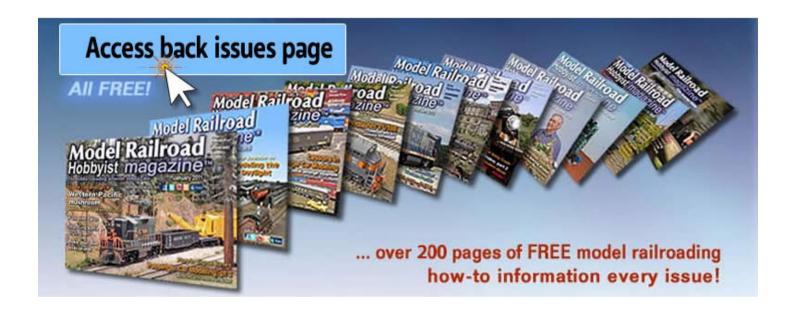
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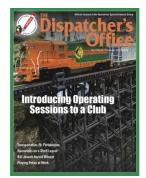
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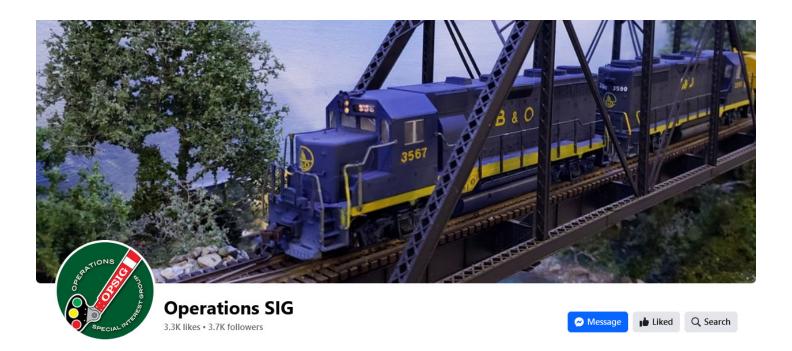
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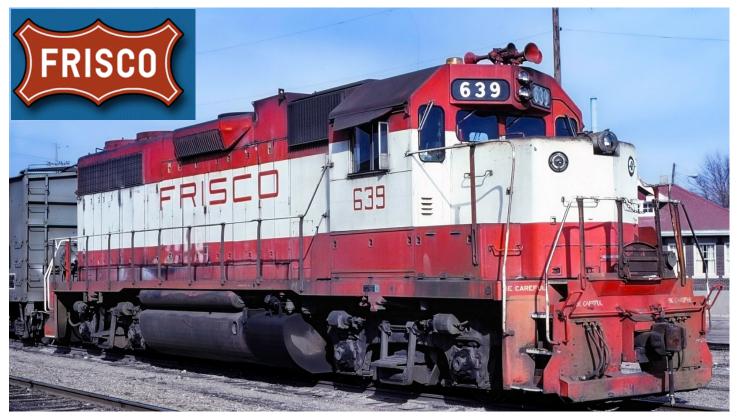


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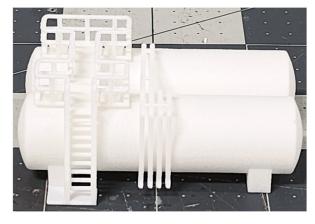
(Left) On Section 10, the Robinson Oil scene, the Scenery Crew started with the oil tank farm.

A containment pit was constructed, then a false floor was added so the tank farm can be removed for transport.

The floor was weathered, and the basic tank shapes were added, and that's where we moved on.

Lately, we decided the scene was too plain, and needed some detail upgrades.

(Right) One of the first steps was to scan the industrial pages of **Shapeways** (<a href="http://www.shapeways.com">http://www.shapeways.com</a>). We found a pair of 3-D printed horizontal tanks with pipes and access ladders. It was easy to paint the set white, then add detail paints to the handrails and the pipes. This was a good option to fill the "hole" in the middle of the tank farm.



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(Left) For simple colors, such as white or black, we prefer Krylon paints.

For the tanks, we used flat white. The Krylon paints cover well and does not eat plastic.

(Right) The main reason we like Krylon Is the spray nozzle. Model spray paints put out a fan of small droplets, while the Krylon nozzle emits a fine mist of paint for better control.



paints.

# WKR Layou

(Right) After planning out the pipe runs on paper, holes were drilled in the top of the tanks and brass rod was shaped, piece by piece.

Sheet styrene was cut into thin strips, then cut into individual pipe anchors. Smaller pieces were glued to the sides of the tanks, while the others were glued to the floor.

Note, the original horizontal tank was moved to provide room for the new tanks.





(left) Once the pipes were all shaped, they were individually painted with Model Master "Aluminum" paint.



(Right) Starting to work on the right-side piping.



(Left) The right-side piping painted and installed.

# WKR Layout Update



(Left) The piping on the left side is installed.

(Right) After posting some photos on Facebook, a kind person noticed a couple of errors, one of which is no vents on the top of the tanks. This was easily remedied with the use of two sizes of styrene tubing we had on hand.





(left) We have added a filling hose on the end of the horizontal tank, and a collection bin (red top) to contain materials in the event of a spill.

(Right) After painting the tank set white, then detail painting the piping and handrails, the new horizontal tank set is also installed.





(Left) An overhead view of the completed tank farm insert. We have added the final details, the cross-over stairs and the control panel.

# WKR Layout Update



(Left) The upgraded tank farm installed in the containment pit.

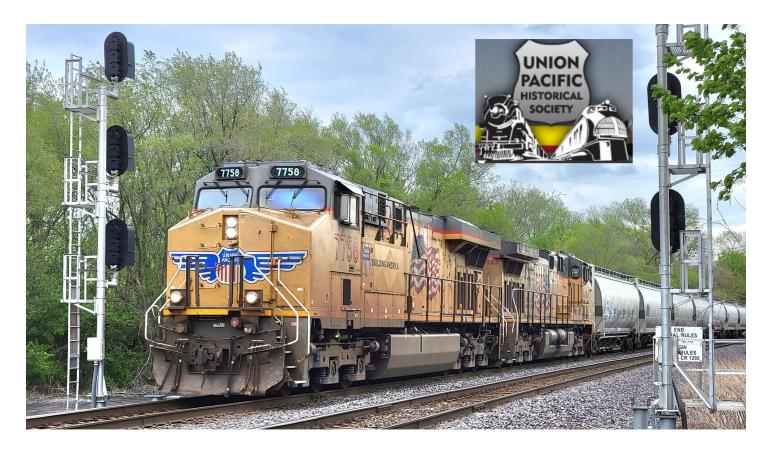
(Right) **Phase 1** of the scene upgrade is now complete. This is the Operator's view from inside the layout.





(Left) The completed scene from the Spectator's view from outside the layout.

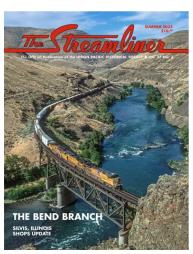
The Scenery Crew is already hard at work on **Phase 2** of the upgrade, and the photos and details will appear in next month's issue...



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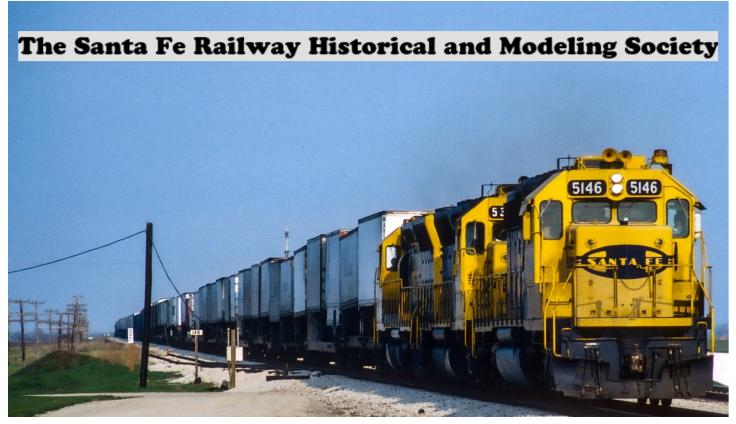


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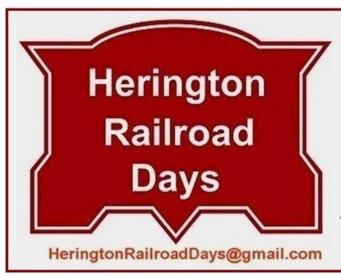
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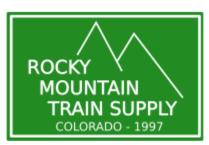
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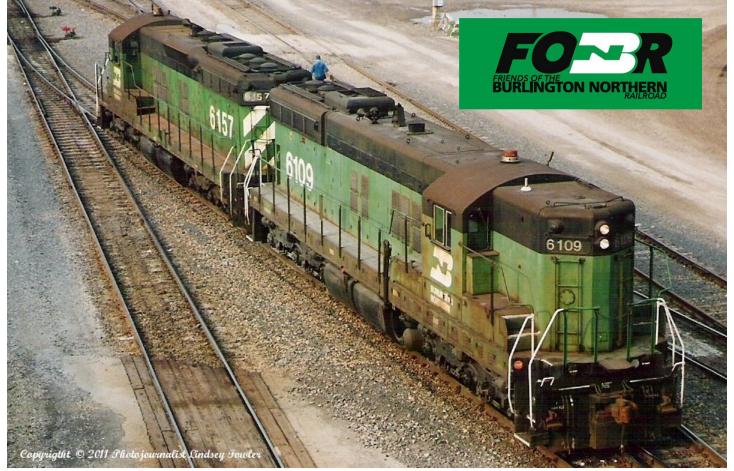


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Sat. Columbia Senior Activity Center

14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> Great Train Show Kansas City, KS.

Sat & Sun <a href="https://www.trainshow.com/">https://www.trainshow.com/</a>

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### November 2023

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Sat & Sun <a href="https://oklahomarailwaymuseum.org/okc-train-show/">https://oklahomarailwaymuseum.org/okc-train-show/</a>

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January 2024

McPherson Train Show McPherson, KS

## February 2024

3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Wichita Train Show & Swap Meet Wichita, KS.

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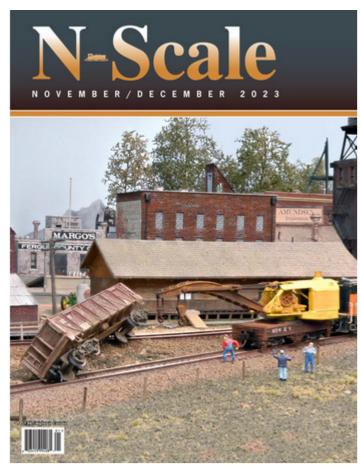
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### The Main fine

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