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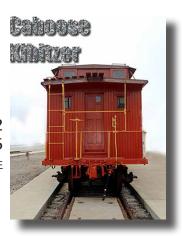
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Atchison, Topeka, & Santa Fe Railway Co., Locomotive 3768 was capable of pulling a train at 90 MPH was manufactured by Baldwin Locomotive Works in 1938. It is on display at the Great Plains Transportation Museum located in Old Town Wichita, KS. Photograph taken March 10, 2016 by Alan A. Aagaard.

### **Back Cover**

Frisco wooden Caboose #876 dated 1904, is being renovated by the Great Plains Transportation Museum located in Old Town Wichita, KS. Photograph taken March 12, 2016 by Alan A. Aagaard.

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# HEAD END Notes from President Hank Kraichely

Tell, spring has sprung, the birds are chirping, the flowers are starting to bloom and the grass has started to grow. What a beautiful time of the year for the garden railway modelers.

Hold it, what about those of us who have indoor layouts. We can model railroad 12 months of the year. Maybe we have a little less time during the warm months, now we are cutting the grass, weeding the flower beds and the never ending watering.



Hank Kraichely
President
Mid-Continent Region

Well, all that is true but our houses are air conditioned so my basement feels much better than the 95-100 degrees with high humidity during July and August. So I will still model railroading just a little less.

There has been a change in the Caboose Kibitzer Editor. I want to thank Ted Tschirhart and Louis Seibel (assistant and sales manager) for their dedication to bringing a quality publication to the Region. I am happy to announce that Alan Aagaard, from Wichita, Kansas has taken over the reins as our new Editor. Alan has been the Editor of the Chisholm Trails Division publication ("<u>Trails, Rails, & Tales</u>"). I have been able to read that publication for 18 months and found Alan's approach refreshing, with new graphics and a nice mix of feature articles and Division news, all dealing with model railroading. I am hopeful that Alan will incorporate this new approach in future issues of the Caboose Kibitzer (CK).

Please think of the CK when you are on vacation and visiting a tourist railroad or a railroad museum. The photos and a short article can be the basis for a very interesting article. What about that structure you want to kitbash? Take a few progress photos at the different stages and add some description and send the article to Alan. A few months later several members read your article and they are inspired to create their one of a kind building. If you are working toward becoming a MMR, your articles can help you earn your Author Certificate.

Here is a great way to kick off the summer, head to Nebraska and attend the "Road To Omaha 2016" Region convention. The Western Heritage Division has a great event planned. We all have seen the UP Heritage Fleet cars, how would you like to have a guided tour of these beautiful cars for just \$10.00 (covers the transportation)? Have you ever wondered how an immense railroad like UP can control the movement of the trains traversing its railroad? You can satisfy your imagination while you are in Nebraska by going to the Harriman Dispatch Center. The price of admission is only \$10.00 for the bus ride. The Union Pacific has converted an old freight house into a state of the art dispatching facility.

See the dispatchers route trains, setting up meets and keep his/her piece of the railroad moving safely. Their office has telephones, computer screens, and access to radio communications allowing them to talk with train crews and maintenance forces. These people do a wonderful job while dealing with a very stressful position. The Western Heritage Division has done a tremendous job of selling UP on the quality of our members and their prior experience visiting Railroad sites.

The highlight of the annual banquet will be a retired UP employee who will show how he has taken his work experience and converted it into a realistic and good operational layout. It is simple to register for the convention. First download the registration form, study the form and make your picks.

There will also be outstanding clinics, and a contest that will feature judged and popular voting, plus a special for members entering their first model in the Region contest. Omaha is also blessed with three hobby shops to visit. Oh, don't forget the train show hosted by the Nebraska-Iowa Railroad Historical & Museum Society. There will be 25,000 square feet of dealers plus some great modular layouts. Please register ASAP because the UP has placed a limit on the number of visitors they will accept.

Well, I think I have several projects downstairs that need my attention. I am looking forward to seeing you in Omaha June  $2^{nd}$  to  $5^{th}$ .

Hank Kraichely President Mid-Continent Region of NMRA

### Notes from the Editor's Desk

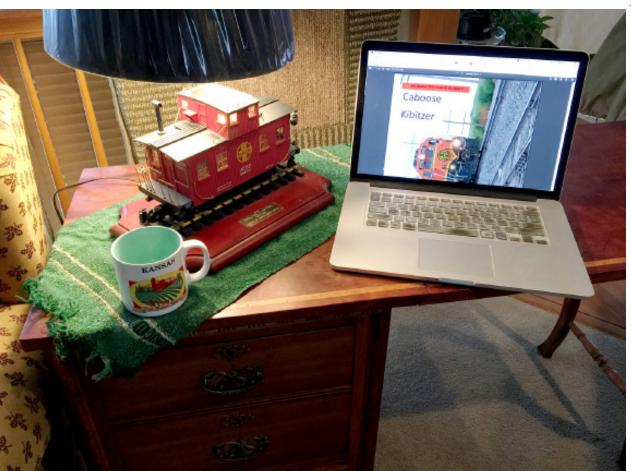
...allow me to introduce myself via a bit of humor: I was born and "toe tagged" Baby Aagaard in Glendale, CA Then, I was named Alan Arthur after Chester Alan Arthur, an American attorney and politician who served as the 21st President of the United States; he succeeded James A. Garfield upon the latter's assassination. As Alan Arthur Aagaard, I always sat in front corner of every classroom (K-12) as teachers made out seating charts in alphabetical order. Upon graduating from college, I became a public school teacher known as Mr. Aagaard. The first time a student called me "Mr. Aagaard" I actually turned and looked toward the door expecting to see my father...honestly! I began my teaching career with a Master's degree at Marina High School in Huntington Beach, CA Several years later, after completing my doctoral program in Colorado I was referred to as Dr. Alan A. Aagaard. If you leave out



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the punctuation I became a living palindrome Draagaar D (as was pointed out to me by a dyslexic student). Well, Alan retired 3 years ago, after 45 years of teaching (K-12 and University levels — California, Colorado, Central America, Europe, Wyoming, and Kansas). I have always been interested in trains, and like many of us our first train was a "wind-up" train – after showing I could respect and play properly, my first electric train was a Lionel in the very early Fifties (and yes, I still have them both). I have built layouts in O; N; and am currently building one in "On30". I joined NMRA 3+ years ago, after retiring, and am currently the Editor of "Trails, Rails, & Tales" newsletter for the Chisholm Trail Division of NMRA.

The attached photo, is my attempt to pay tribute to the previous Editors of this publication. I am extremely honored, to have been asked to become the next Editor of "Caboose Kibitzer" and will do my utmost not to disappoint you.



Allow me to further explain the photo...an "F scale" table lamp is sitting atop a place mat woven by my Grandparents back in the "fifties". My laptop is well cared for (the spots on my keyboard show the wear on my Moshi keyboard protective cover (not dirt) as it is my "work-horse" and, of course, the coffee cup indicating my state of residence. All resting upon a hand-made walnut desk.

...alan

# It's Our Convention ...visit our site...

The "image" you see below this paragraph is a "static screen shot" and will NOT work when you attempt to click on it, but try clicking on this "Hot-Link" and it will take you directly there for your convenience:

http://www.whd.mcor-nmra.org/convention/



You are cordially invited to find your way to the Mid-Continent Regional Convention in Omaha, Nebraska and Council Bluffs, Iowa, to be held June 2-5, 2016. From the headquarters hotel, the Hilton Garden Inn, just off I-29 and I-80 in Council Bluffs you will be able to enjoy railroad history, railroad modeling and prototype railroading as well as a large variety of family-oriented adventures within easy reach in the two cities.

#### Registration is now open!

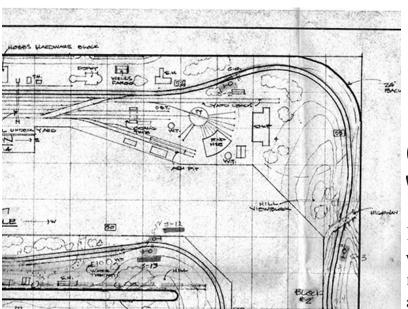
Our hotel offers free shuttle-service within a five-mile radius of the hotel, and that incorporates AMTRAK, the Eppley Airfield, Omaha's Old Market, as well as Henry Doorly Zoo, and Lauritzen Gardens – both of which have strong railroad attractions. In Council Bluffs, the Union Pacific Museum and the General Dodge House are within the radius served by the shuttle.

Organized activities are still in the planning stages, but we are actively working on <u>bus tours to visit the attractions listed</u> above plus <u>prototype railroad activities</u> and sites of historic importance to railroading in the area. Clinics on modeling and rail history will be offered at the hotel, where the <u>modeling, switching and photo contests</u> will also be held.

The area is also home to a number of well-developed model railroads which will be open for tours and a limited number of operating sessions. Speaking of models, several brick and mortar hobby shops are thriving in the area for your shopping convenience. Layouts and dealers will be on hand at the Ralston, Nebraska Arena during the Nebraska-lowa Railroaders annual train show and swap meet to be held at the same time as our convention, and is within the metropolitan area, in easy driving distance.

The banquet on Saturday night by popular request will feature the Hilton Garden's famous "Whisky Steak" – and will also feature contest winners and an after-dinner speaker on the theme of railroading in the Omaha-Council Bluffs area.

## Railroad Layout to Raton



John Kraft Chisholm Trail Division, NMRA



ome years ago I received a phone call telling me to check out a model railroad being sold at an estate sale near Andover, Kansas.

I did so and found the widow of David Haines was selling his N-scale Santa Fe equipment and models. David Haines was a well known builder of a layout set in the 1950's detailing the Raton Pass.

The original layout was published in model railroad magazines<sup>1</sup> and was well done, but David felt he could improve on this layout and dismantled much of it with the idea of improving a second version. Sadly, he passed away before this could be accomplished.

I walked into the basement of the estate sale and found a section of the remaining layout that represented the rail yard at Raton and a portion of the town of Raton. The backdrop was painted by local artist Hugh Greer. This was a very





well done section of modeling that needed to be preserved.

I don't model in N-scale, or the 1950's, or the Santa Fe railroad, but nevertheless purchased the layout and eventually was able to dismantle it, and with the help of a good friend moved it from the basement and into our home. My intent was to find a museum that would be appropriate for displaying the layout.

The layout sat for several years

until I approached the historical museum at Raton, New Mexico and suggested it would be a nice addition to their museum to show the history of the Santa Fe railroad. They reviewed various magazine articles<sup>1</sup> and photographs of the layout and agreed it would make a nice centerpiece for their transportation exhibit.

In late February, 2016, we loaded the layout into an enclosed trailer and made the trip to Raton, CO to donate it to the museum for others to enjoy.

They will develop a display for the layout and have a formal opening for the exhibit later this year. I'm pleased David's work of art is being preserved.

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Whit Johnson has touched many (if not most) of us.
Our condolences on the loss of
your Father

## Richard D. Johnson

who passed away on March 19, 2016.

We all extend our heartfelt feelings to you and your loved ones.



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opefully, by this point in our Newsletter, you'll understand that I'm fairly

"techno-savvy" (bordering on actually being called a "Techno-Nerd"). I am a very strong
user of eMail, instant messinging/texting, video-chatting (Skype<sup>TM</sup>, FaceTime<sup>TM</sup>, etc.), the Microsoft Suite of Word<sup>TM</sup>, Excel<sup>TM</sup>, and PowerPoint<sup>TM</sup> (and of course, the Apple equivalents of Pages<sup>TM</sup>,
Numbers<sup>TM</sup>, and Keynote<sup>TM</sup>) like many of you. Also, this old guy has learned in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century there is only one space bar following punctuation marks. LOL. Allow me to go on by including my usage of the Adobe Creative Suite: Illustrator<sup>TM</sup>, PhotoShop<sup>TM</sup>, and InDesign<sup>TM</sup> (which is the "page-layout" software of my choice [and also the industry standard]).

ENOUGH Name Dropping you say, well, I'm not done yet! This short article was actually prompted by my re-reading Stephen M. Priest's "Editor's Notebook" the April issue of Railroad Model Craftsman, where he mentioned: "...sketching, doodling, and CAD drawing layouts..." plus his "pull-quote" labeled "Under the Garage" where he continued to state: "I have been working diligently, churning out different designs for the space and have finally settled on a design that meets my criteria. I will draw the plan in Illustrator<sup>TM</sup> next."

Well, I, too, have traveled that road for my own Layout designing, and have even previewed various CAD software packages, but here is where this article takes a turn. We have been following the many authors in our various periodicals (both the traditional paper and in the new eZines formats) all which have been saying things about the "graying" of our hobby members and how we must entice the younger crowd. So that brings up the use of "social media" (FaceBook<sup>TM</sup> [I admit I must have the least number of friends of anyone {at last count there are eight}], then there's Twitter<sup>TM</sup>, tumblr<sup>TM</sup>, Instagram<sup>TM</sup>, Flickr<sup>TM</sup>, and Pinterest<sup>TM</sup>, just to mention a few which are out there), and oh, yeah, let's not forget about YouTube<sup>TM</sup>. Then, added upon that list there are various "Forums" and "Discussion Groups" that many of us refer to using our computers and/or smartPhones.

Recently, I was called upon to assist a very strong model railroader within my Chishlom Creek Division who is closing in on achieving his "MMR" status. This good friend recently purchased a "smart television" and has discovered the world of model railroading as presented through **YouTube**<sup>TM</sup>. (...can you see there this is going...)

Recently, when Larry shared his rationale for an upcoming "presentation" to our Monthly NMRA meeting, it became not only clear, but the only logical solution. We brainstormed over several luncheons, and our journey began. I was next presented with an overwhelming number of short video snippets which he had recorded in the solitude of his basement, and I then went about converting them into a "videoClinic". So, I became reAquainted with my copy of iMovie<sup>TM</sup> and off I went: assembling, editing, titling, etc.

...wait for it...

...wait for it...

...wait for it...oh, okay, turn to page 11 to see



On the left you will see the opening scene of the iMovie<sup>TM</sup> which will be presented to our NMRA meeting on April 5, 2016. (...wish us good luck)

Another "new trick" this old dog learned was a feature of iMovie<sup>TM</sup> was the making of a movie trailer.

Well, here is the "title" of the one minute tweeve second "trailer"

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only to be "topped off" by the "credits"...

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Switch List - Second Quarter 2016

The Switch List contains all known Mid-Continent Region, NMRA, train shows and Division meetings. It also lists all known club shows and swap meets in the Mid-Continent Region (IA, IL, MO, AR, NE, KS, and OK). To list your event

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• Even numbered months:

VFW Hall----- O'Fallon, IL

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Indian Nations Division———(Tulsa, OK)

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(just east of Memorial Road in Tulsa, OK.

The library opens at 9:00am and the meetings start at 9:30am

Information found on our web page:

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Kate Shelley Division (Rippey, IA)

Meets the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of every month

(except November which we meet the 3rd week and

Decembingo have

at The Library

515 Douglas Avenue

- Business meeting starts at 6:00pm and
- Social gathering at 7:00pm (anything railroad goes)

Contact Kate Shelley Division through the NMRA web site

Oklahoma Heartland Division——— (OKC, OK)

Meets in the even numbered months in the Oklahoma City area. All who are interested in Model Railroading are welcome.

Information:

www.okcnmra.org

Platte Valley Division—(Hastings, Grand Island, & Kearney, NE)

Meets quarterly in members' homes on a rotating basis or at sites of interest.

New members are always welcome.

Information: Todd L. Petersen, Division Director

Telephone: (308) 832-2200 or

eMail: todd@gtmc.net

Turkey Creek Division (Shawnee, KS)

Meets 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of every month at 7:00pm at Hocker Grove Middle School

10400 Johnson Drive, Shawnee, KS 66203-2895

Information check the Division Timetable: http://www.tc-nmra.org/TC-Calendar.html

Contact: Louis Seibel

Telephone: (913) 393-3495 or (913) 927-6850

eMail: L-seibel@comcast.net

Western Heritage Division --- (Omaha, NE/Council Bluffs, IA)

Meets on the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday (<u>except</u> June and December) at 9:00am at the Sump Library

2<sup>nd</sup> & Washington Streets in Papillion (across from Runza).

Information visit the division web page:

http://www.whd.mcor-nmra.org

for more information and a map

Western Kansas Division (Garden City, KS)

Meets every Tuesday evening ———6:30pm to 9:00pm

4091/2 North Main Street

(second floor above "Stage" department store, rear

entrance from parking lot)

6 layouts on display (1-O27, 2-HO, 3-N)

Operating sessions available

Contact: Robert Simmons, Division Director

Telephone: (620) 521-3591 (C) or (620) 272-0444 (H)

eMail: trainman55@hotmail.com

Facebook<sup>TM</sup> page "Western Kansas Division"

Information: Western Kansas Division website:

http://www.wkd-nmra.org

### MONTHLY NEWS AT A GLANCE:

Saturday, April 30, 2016

Quad Chapter Meeting———(Wichita hosting)

More information at a later date

### MODEL RAILROAD CLUBS:

Wichita Toy Train Club (Wichita, KS)	N
130 South Laura Street	
Saturday 10:00am - 5:00pm	
Sunday 1:00pm - 5:00pm	
\$5.00 adult, children up to 12 free	
Weekend N'gineers(Olathe, KS)	
16624 West 126th Street	
Every Sunday 1:00pm	
Information: Ken Clark	
eMail: hap-heart@swbell.net	
Mid Kansas Model Railroaders,	G
(McPherson, KS)	
1130 West Kansas Avenue	
Every Monday 2:00pm - 5:00pm	
Information: John Snell	
eMail: jSnell@cox.net	
Garden City Model Train-	
(Garden City, KS)	
408 North Main Street (back entrance)	K
Every Tuesday————6:30pm	Ŋ
Information: Robert Simmons	
eMail: trainman55@hotmail.com	
Civian. tranimanysenotman.com	
Ozarks Model Railroad Association	
(Springfield, MO)	N
424 West Commercial Street	ŀ
Every Tuesday 7:00pm	1
Information: Ron Williams	
eMail: rwilliams3129@gmail.com	
Civian, I wimamis 1127@gman.com	

### Mexico Train Works Model RR Club

(Mexico MO)

8 West Jackson Street

Meets every Wednesday (except at major holidays)

at 7:00pm

Information:

www.mexicotrains.com Contact: John Johnson, President eMail: info@mexicotrains.com

Telephone: (573) 581-8013

### Greater Kansas City Model Railroad Club

(Kansas City, MO)

6060 NW Waukomis Drive

Meets every other Wednesday at 7:00pm Information: J. D. Spicher

eMail: jdspicher@aol.com

or

W. L. Ohrnell

eMail: wohrnell@sbcglobal.net

### Kansas City Society of Model Engineers

(Kansas City, )

Meets every Wednesday ------- 7:00pm - 9:00pm Information: Steven Boeck,

eMail: sjboeck@att.net

#### North East Kansas Model Railroaders

HO gauge (

Meets every Saturday at 7:00pm

Information: Otto Wick Telephone: (913) 367-7536

or

Steve Schaefer

Telephone: (913) 367-6202

#### Boot Hill Model Railroad

(Dodge City, KS)

104 - 1/2 Gunsmoke Street

Meets the second Saturday evening of Month

Information: Mark Fisher

eMail: markFish@ucom.net

Telephone: (620) 260-5560 - cell

### Heartland N-Trak of Greater Kansas City

(Liberty, MO)

131 South Water Street

Meets every Saturday-----11:00am - 3:00pm

Information: Dick Cooper eMail: nscale05@gmail.com

### North East Kansas Model Railroaders

12" scale

(Atchiso

1440 North 6th Street

Meets every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>

Saturday -----10:00am - 4:00pm

Sunday ------12:00pm - 4:00pm

Information: Otto Wick

Telephone: (913) 367-7536

or

Steve Schaefer

Telephone: (913) 367-6202

### Cherry Valley Model Railroad Club

(Cherryvale, KS)

Leatherock Hotel Center

420 North Depot Street

Meets at 1:00pm

Information: John Dhooghe

eMail: john@cvmrc.com

and visit our website

www.cvmrc.com

Dates of our Sunday meetings on our main page

### GARDEN RAILROAD CLUBS

Tulsa Garden Railroad Club----- (Tulsa, OK)
Freewill Baptist Church
1190 North Mingo Road

Information:

info@TulsaRailroadClub.org

Northeast Kansas——(at member's layout)
Contact: Tedy Bellos

Contact: Tedy Bellos petedy@everestkc.net

## Shows and Conventions 2016

April 16th

OMRA moved its 2016 Spring Train Show Springfield Expo Center 635 East St. Louis Street Springfield, MO



June 2 - 5, 2016 (Council Bluffs, IA)

2016 Mid-Continent Regional Convention
Headquarters hotel will be
Hilton Garden Inn
Train show Ralston Nebraska Arena
The Nebraska-Iowa Railroaders
Annual Train Show and Swap Meet
details available on the Western Heritage Division website:
http://whd.mcor-nmra.org
Henry Nipper, Convention Chairman



May  $27^{\text{th}}$  -  $29^{\text{th}}$ , 2016 -----(Fargo, ND)

Thousand Lakes Region Convention Information:

http://www.thousandlakesregion.org/#!tlrfargo16/cdd3



June 22 - 25th, 2016 ---- (Arlington, TX)

Daylight Express 2016

Super Regional Convention Lone Star Region of NMRA Information:

http://www.DaylightExpress.com





June 21st - 26th, 2016 ---- (Wichita, KS)

Santa Fe Railway Historical & Modeling Society - 2016 Convention

Marriott East Motel

9100 Corporate Hills Dr.(US-54 & I-35)

Registration for members

\$150 before May 1 • \$165 after; non-members

\$165 before May 1 • \$180 after Schedule:

Wednesday - Excursion behind steam Locomotive #3415, to Abilene, and tour of Eisenhower Museum;

Thursday - excursion on former BNSF Railway, now SKOL, from Winfield to Moline, tour Great Plains Transportation Museum in Wichita with BBQ lunch.

Amtrak comes as close as Newton, KS Numerous Santa Fe depots in area and steam locomotives on display; special spouses activities by trolley on Friday.

Information:

www.atsfrr.net



June  $29^{th}$  - July  $3^{rd}$ , 2016

24<sup>th</sup> National N Scale Convention hosted by the N-Scale Enthusiast

The official convention start date is Wednesday, June 29, 2016, but as in the past we are working on pre-convention events so plan to be in Kansas City by Tuesday morning, June 28th

Convention registration will start the 1<sup>st</sup> week of December 2015.

Sheraton Overland Park Hotel at the Convention Center Telephone: (913), 234,2100

Telephone: (913) 234-2100 6100 College Boulevard

Overland Park, Kansas, 66211



So, what will you submit for future inclusions into the Caboose Kibitzer?

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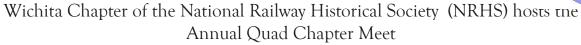
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Deadlines are stated on page 2 in the tinted box on the left.

### HISTORICAL CLUBS

### Save the Date

### Saturday, April 30, 2016



Lunch at the Larkspur: 904 East Douglas Avenue

**Program: Mr. James Mason** presents on the "Wichita Street Railways and on the Arkansas Valley Interurban Railway" Short business meeting <u>and</u> drawings for door prizes

11:00am - 11:30am • 11:30am • 12:15pm • • • • • • • • • • • •	Registration begins at the Great Plaise Registration continues at the Larkspanes Lunch (buffet: fruit, salad, meat, cheese Program and Presentation Tour of Union Station, 904 East Do	our, 904 East Douglas Avenue eese, bread, & dessert)
Reservations:		
Early Bird, until April 04 (postmark d	ate): \$25 per person, NRHS or GPTM members \$48 per couple (only one person needs to be	
Non-NRHS members:	\$27 per person; sorry, no couple rate	c all INICIDE OF THE INCIDENT
Post-Early Bird:	\$28 per person, \$55 per couple, NRHS r (must be received by the April 16 c	
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WICHITA



Plan on joining us this coming summer in Wichita, Kansas, for the 36th annual global convention of the Santa Fe Railway Historical & Modeling Society. It will be the first time that any city on the former Atchison, Topeka, & Santa Fe Railway system has hosted the convention a fourth time. Prior Wichita conventions include the organization's first in 1981, followed by 1993 and 2004. Our theme is the Wichita Express which served the Great Plains between Kansas City and Wichita in the early days of the Santa Fe Railway system and many of our activities and presentations will focus on this, the Wheat Belt of the United States.

Our convention headquarters will be the recently remodeled Wichita Marriott East (where U.S. 54 intersects Interstate 35), 7 minutes east of downtown. Call 316-651-0333 and reserve now. We have secured a rate of \$93 per night. Or reserve on line using the reservation code "Santa Fe Railway." The hotel provides complimentary parking as well as complimentary airport shuttle service, on request. We will provide transportation for those arriving on Amtrak at Newton.

Full registration is \$150 for members before May 1, increasing to \$165 after that date. Non members may register for \$165 before May 1, increasing to \$180 after that date. Full Registration includes all activities in the hotel, clinics, banquet and breakfast. The outside trips are extra fare as listed on the registration form. Extra banquet and breakfast tickets will be available, but we must know your intentions no later than June 10, 2016, to ensure an available seat and meal.

### Vendor Information

We will have our traditional large room available for vendors. Six-foot vendor tables are \$60.00 (\$30/day per table). Vendors need to clear the ballroom at 3:00 p.m. on Saturday. For state sales tax purposes, all vendors must contact the special events assistance center in Wichita at 316-337-6167 or by email at Kdor.special.events@kdor.ks.gov. If you have questions, please contact Vendor Chairman Matt Martin at mmartin104@gmail.com.

### Extra Fare Trips

For those that can come early, in addition to the usual convention activities, we are featuring two train rides of significance to Santa Fe fans.

Wednesday, June 22, 2016: An excursion out of Abilene, Kansas, behind the Abilene & Smoky Valley Railroad's former Santa Fe steam locomotive 3415 (a 1919 Baldwin 4-6-2 Pacific rebuilt by Santa Fe's Topeka shops in 1942) will include tour of the Eisenhower Presidential Library. Ike rode Santa Fe frequently as his wife Mamie preferred rail travel to flying. This trip is \$60, lunch included. The trip is limited to 224 persons.

Thursday, June 23, 2016: We will have an opportunity to ride a passenger train 34 miles between Winfield and Moline, Kansas, on former Santa Fe track now operated by the South Kansas & Oklahoma Railway. This trip is \$75, lunch included and is limited to 224 persons.

Friday, June 24, 2016: Spouses' day out. Our air conditioned trolley tour will take us to the historical areas of Wichita, plus a tour of the Frank Lloyd Wright/Allen-Lambe House in historic College Hill. The trip then continues to newly renovated "Old Town Wichita" for lunch and shopping. Buses will leave around 8:45 a.m. and return around 2:45 p.m. Fares include transportation and two tours. This trip is \$35 but does not include lunch. Limited to the first 28 persons.

### Speakers & Activities

Adding to the schedule of trips and tours convention attendees will tour the Great Plains Transportation Museum in downtown Wichita where Santa Fe steam and diesel-electric locomotives call home, and where a Kansas barbecue feast will satisfy the appetites of those attending. The transportation museum is located adjacent to Wichita Union Station, which is currently undergoing a \$50+ million restoration for use as offices, retail and restaurant space. All this and an impressive line up of convention clinics on a variety of topics related to Santa Fe Railway history, equipment, facilities and operations. There will be model railroad and photo contests, model railroad layouts, vendor room and special programs as well as the annual awards banquet and annual business meeting breakfast.

Bob Walz Middle Division in Wichita
Keith Jordan Modelling the Redlands Loop

Eric Goodman Modern Santa Fe Locomotive Modeling
Steve Priest How to Develop Prototype Models

Michael Gross Weathering Structures
Peter Aue & Kevin Loof Manufacturing Detail Parts

Cinthia Priest Publication Process

Keel Middleton 50 Years of Changes on the ATSF/BNSF

Sam Andrews Flour Mills in Kansas

Scott Krause Santa Fe in Wichita (This is different than Bob Walz clinic)
Lance Garrels Santa Fe in and around Emporia and the Flint Hills

Tom Casey Scratch build a heavyweight passenger car, or, what are you nuts?

Dick Spain Train Dispatching Telephone System-pole lines

### Further Explorations...

Railroad activities in the area include the busy BNSF Railway mainline, Union Pacific and Kansas & Oklahoma Railroad, with Amtrak serving nearby Newton. Numerous Santa Fe depots remain for photography and viewing, including Kingman, Pratt, Newton, Halstead, Hutchinson, Florence, Strong City, Augusta, Mulvane, Arkansas City, Winfield (Main Street), Cassoday (in town), Cherryvale, Chanute, Harper, Marion, McPherson and Topeka. Several retired Santa Fe steam locomotives are on display in towns such as Wellington, Newton, Topeka, Arkansas City, Wichita, Kinsley, Atchison, Chanute, Lindsborg, Lawrence, Coffeyville, Independence, Dodge City, Great Bend, and Emporia.

See you all in Wichita this coming June! Harlan Boyce and Steve Corp -Convention Co-Chairmen

# SFRH&MS 2016 "Wichita Express" CONVENTION REGISTRATION June 21, 2016 to June 26, 2016

(Please Print Clearly)

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Extra Bar-B-Que Ticket (for other than full registrants)	\$25.00		
Extra Banquet Ticket (for other than full registrants)	\$35.00		
Extra Breakfast Ticket (for other than full registrants)	\$30.00		
Special dietary requirements:			
Extra Fare Trips:			
Wednesday: Steam Train Ride & Eisenhower Museum	(limit 224) includes lunch \$60.00	·	
Thursday: SKOL Train Trip (Winfield-Moline) (limit 224	4) includes lunch \$75.00	)	T
Friday: Spouses' day out (limit 28) (does not include lu	unch) \$35.00	,	

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Convention polo shirt, short sleeve, cream (circle size) S M L XL XXL XXXL \$45.00	#	
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For additional vendor question please contact Matt Martin at: MMartin104@gmail.com		
Amount enclosed (make check payable to SFRH&MS 2016 Convention)	¢	

**Unless otherwise noted, no refunds after May 27, 2016.** For pre-registration this form and payment must be <u>RECEIVED</u> by the registrar <u>NO LATER</u> than <u>June 10, 2016</u>. Register on-line or mail this form with your check or money order to the Registrar at the following address:

SFRH&MS 2016 Convention 615 N. Plum Wellington, KS 67152

Hotel reservations should be made directly with: Wichita Marriott 9100 Corporate Hills Drive Wichita, KS 67207 Phone: 316.651.0333

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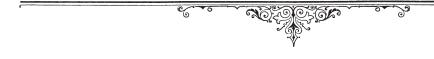
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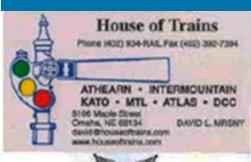
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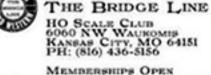
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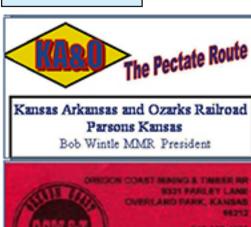
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