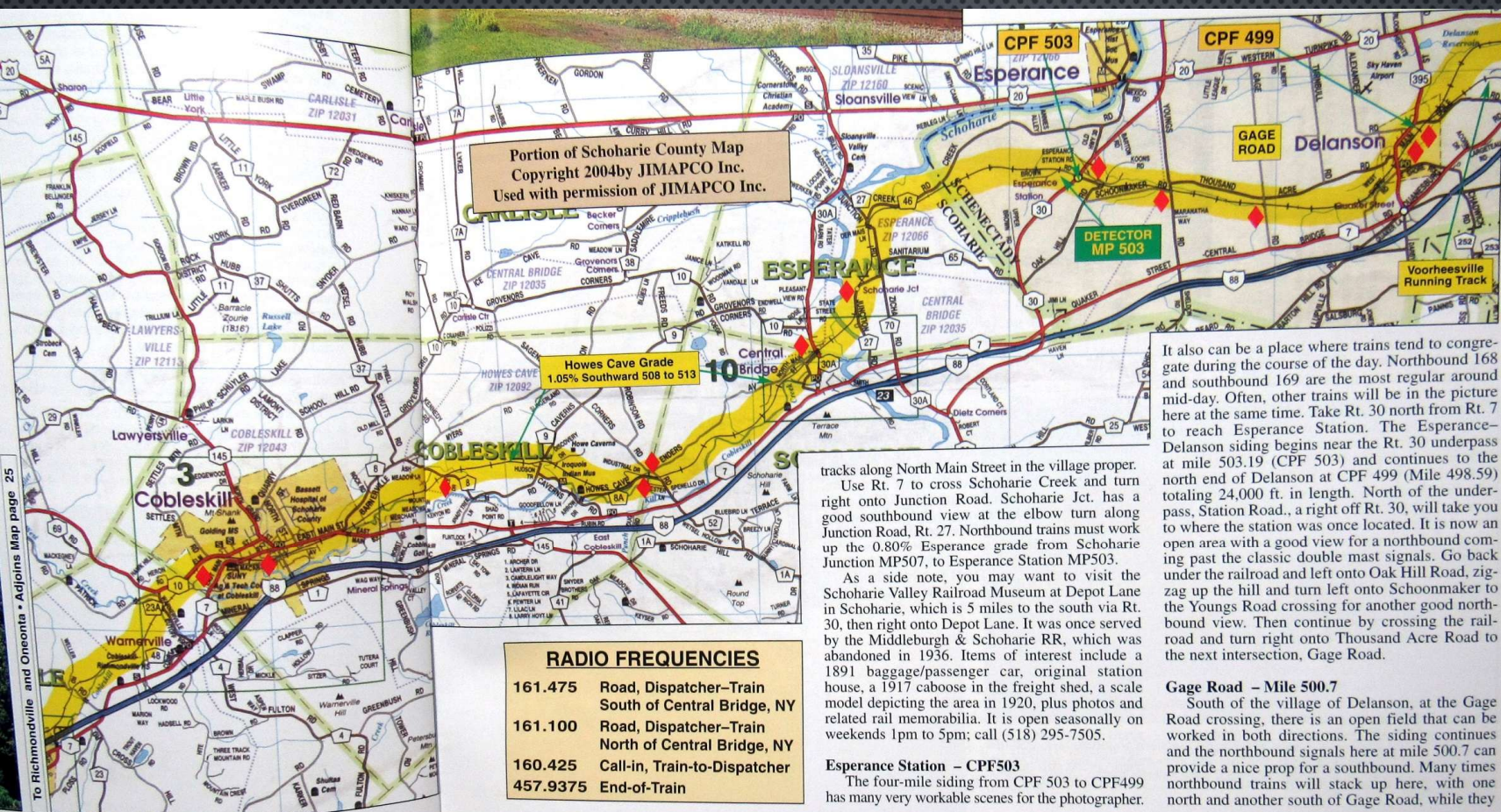


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HOW WE BUILT A FULLY OPERATIONAL AND PARTIALLY SCENICED MODEL
RAILROAD IN UNDER 10 MONTHS.

BY KEN KARLEWICZ AND DON BUESING



tracks along North Main Street in the village proper.

Use Rt. 7 to cross Schoharie Creek and turn right onto Junction Road. Schoharie Jct. has a good southbound view at the elbow turn along Junction Road, Rt. 27. Northbound trains must work up the 0.80% Esperance grade from Schoharie Junction MP507, to Esperance Station MP503.

As a side note, you may want to visit the Schoharie Valley Railroad Museum at Depot Lane in Schoharie, which is 5 miles to the south via Rt. 30, then right onto Depot Lane. It was once served by the Middleburgh & Schoharie RR, which was abandoned in 1936. Items of interest include a 1891 baggage/passenger car, original station house, a 1917 caboose in the freight shed, a scale model depicting the area in 1920, plus photos and related rail memorabilia. It is open seasonally on weekends 1pm to 5pm; call (518) 295-7505.

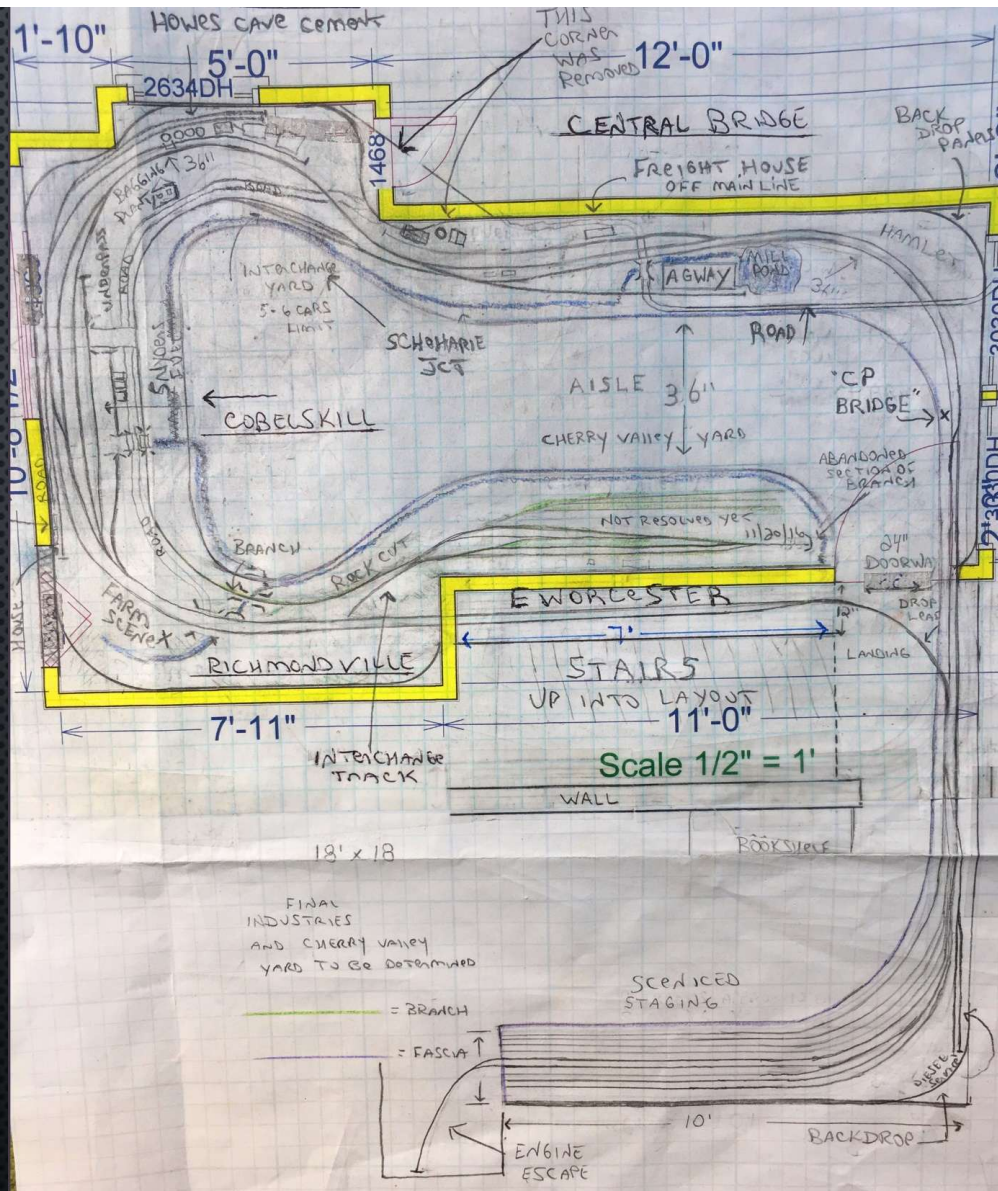
Esperance Station - CPF503

The four-mile siding from CPF 503 to CPF499 has many very workable scenes for the photographer.

It also can be a place where trains tend to congregate during the course of the day. Northbound 168 and southbound 169 are the most regular around mid-day. Often, other trains will be in the picture here at the same time. Take Rt. 30 north from Rt. 7 to reach Esperance Station. The Esperance-Delanson siding begins near the Rt. 30 underpass at mile 503.19 (CPF 503) and continues to the north end of Delanson at CPF 499 (Mile 498.59) totaling 24,000 ft. in length. North of the underpass, Station Road, a right off Rt. 30, will take you to where the station was once located. It is now an open area with a good view for a northbound coming past the classic double mast signals. Go back under the railroad and left onto Oak Hill Road, zig-zag up the hill and turn left onto Schoonmaker to the Youngs Road crossing for another good northbound view. Then continue by crossing the railroad and turn right onto Thousand Acre Road to the next intersection, Gage Road.

Gage Road - Mile 500.7

South of the village of Delanson, at the Gage Road crossing, there is an open field that can be worked in both directions. The siding continues and the northbound signals here at mile 500.7 can provide a nice prop for a southbound. Many times northbound trains will stack up here, with one north and another south of Gage Road, while they



FIVE NYS&W
YELLOWJACKETS



STOMPING
NORTH AT
RICHMONDVILLE





**DAY ONE
JULY 26 2016**

**DON ARRIVES
WITH A
TRUCKLOAD OF
L-GIRDERS**

















DAY 2

SPACKLE BACKDROP
SEAMS

BUILD CHERRY
VALLEY

AND

CENTRAL BRIDGE
BENCHWORK





DAY 3

MORE
SPACKLE ON
SEAMS

COBELSKILL

L GIRDERS

CONFIGURE

CENTRAL
BRIDGE











DAY 4
FINALIZE CENTRAL
BRIDGE TRACK
PLAN
FINISH CHERRY
VALLEY
WORKBENCH











CENTRAL
BRIDGE
BENCHWORK
GOES HOME
WITH DON

EXTRA CREDIT
ASSIGNMENT!!!





DAY 5

CENTRAL BRIDGE
REINSTALLED WITH
TRACKWORK
COMPLETE AND
WIRED

BEGIN
BENCHWORK FOR
STAGING



























DON AND KEN TAKE A VERY SHORT BREAK

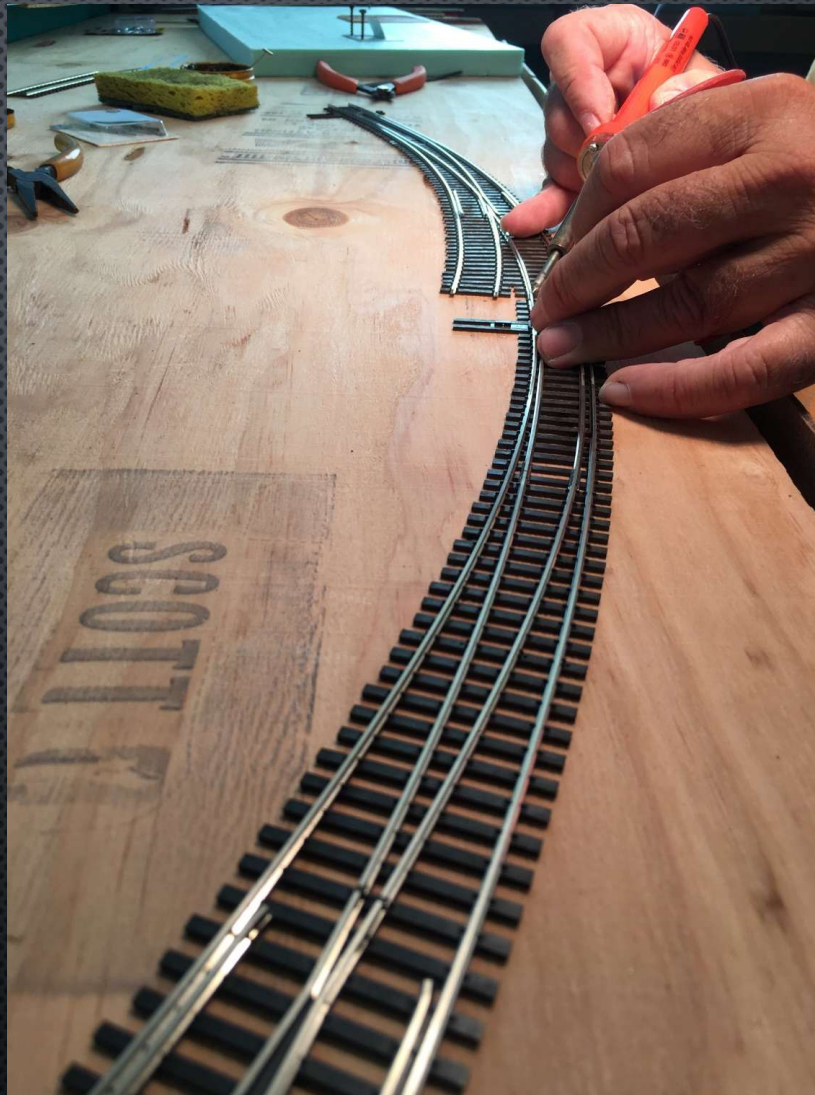






DAY 6

BUILD
CURVED
STAGING SWITCH
LADDER







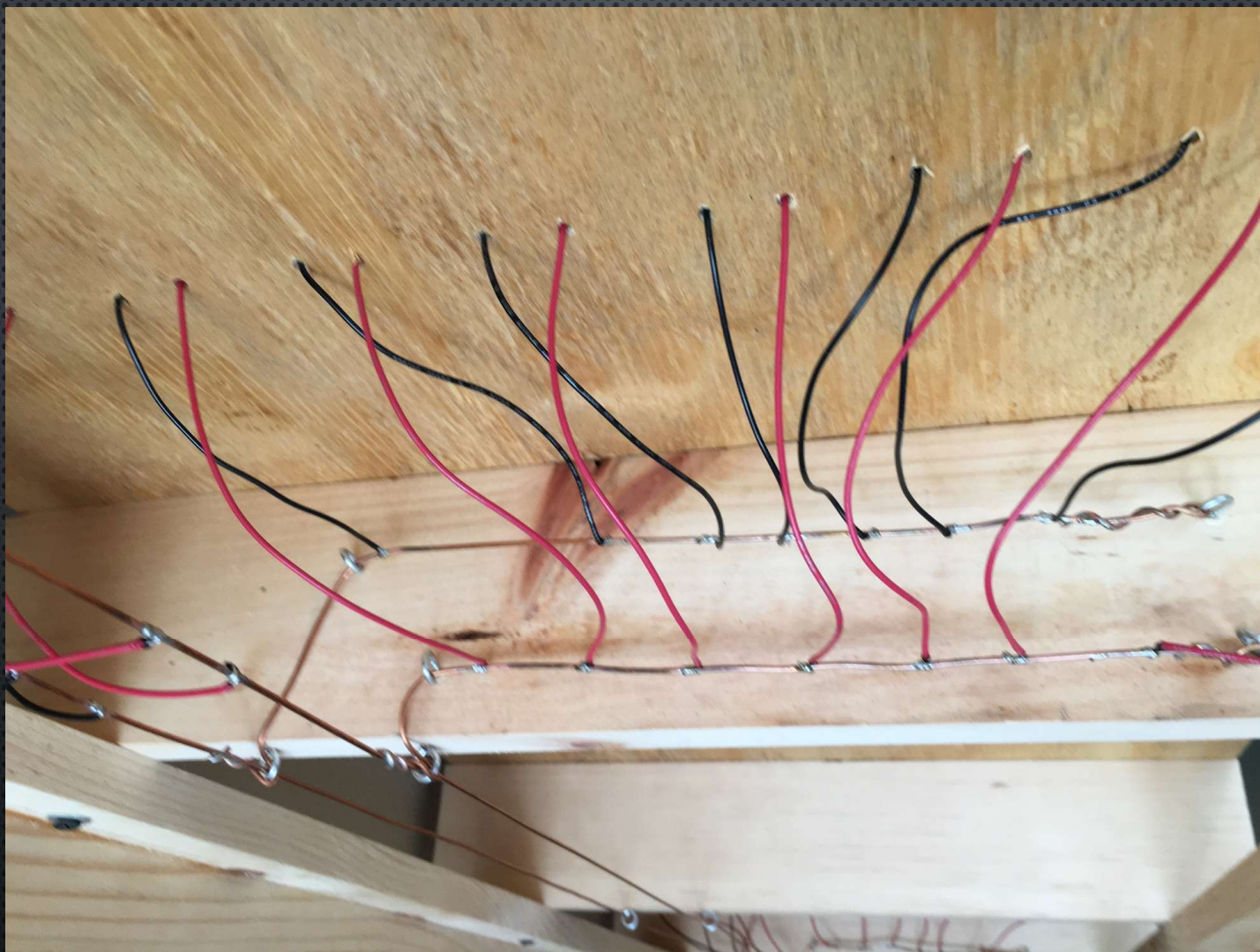




DAY 7

DON RETURNS WITH
WIRED STAGING
YARD











DAY 8 10:30 PM
FIRST TRAIN RUNS TO
CENTRAL BRIDGE

DAY 11
WE ARRIVE AT COBELSKILL
NOW WHAT!!!





COBELSKILL

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FIELD TRIP TO COBELSKILL
AND HOWES CAVE
OCTOBER 30

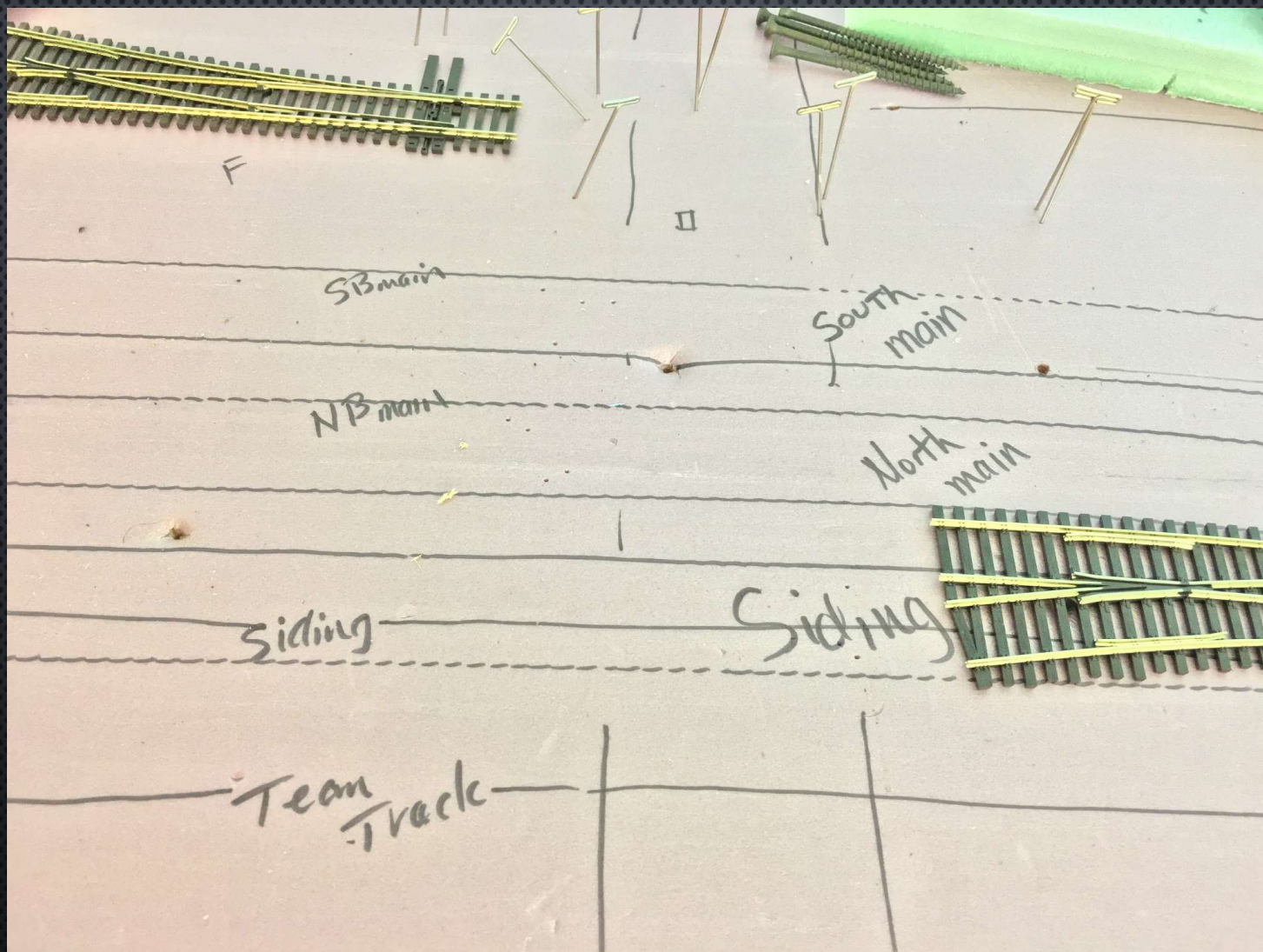




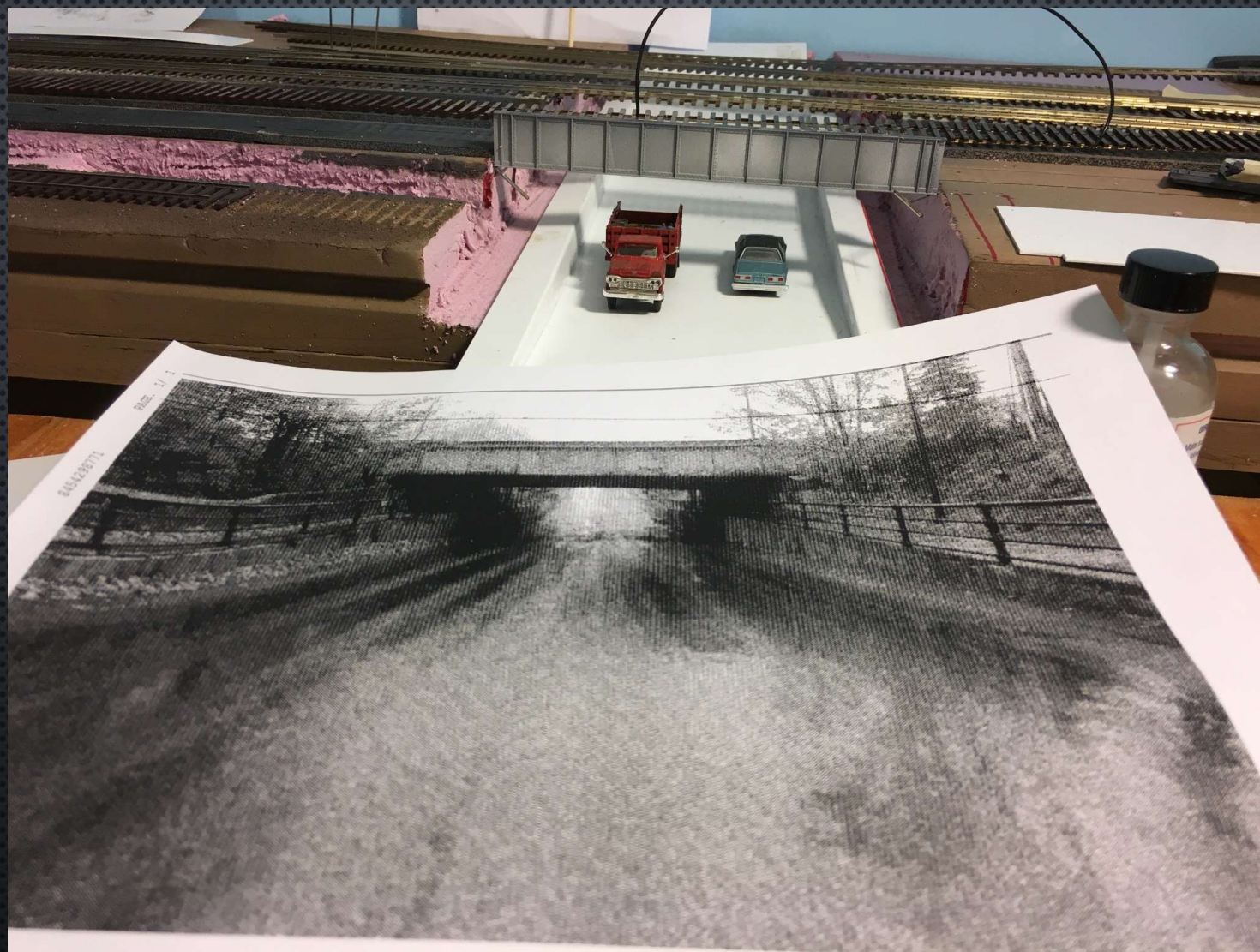














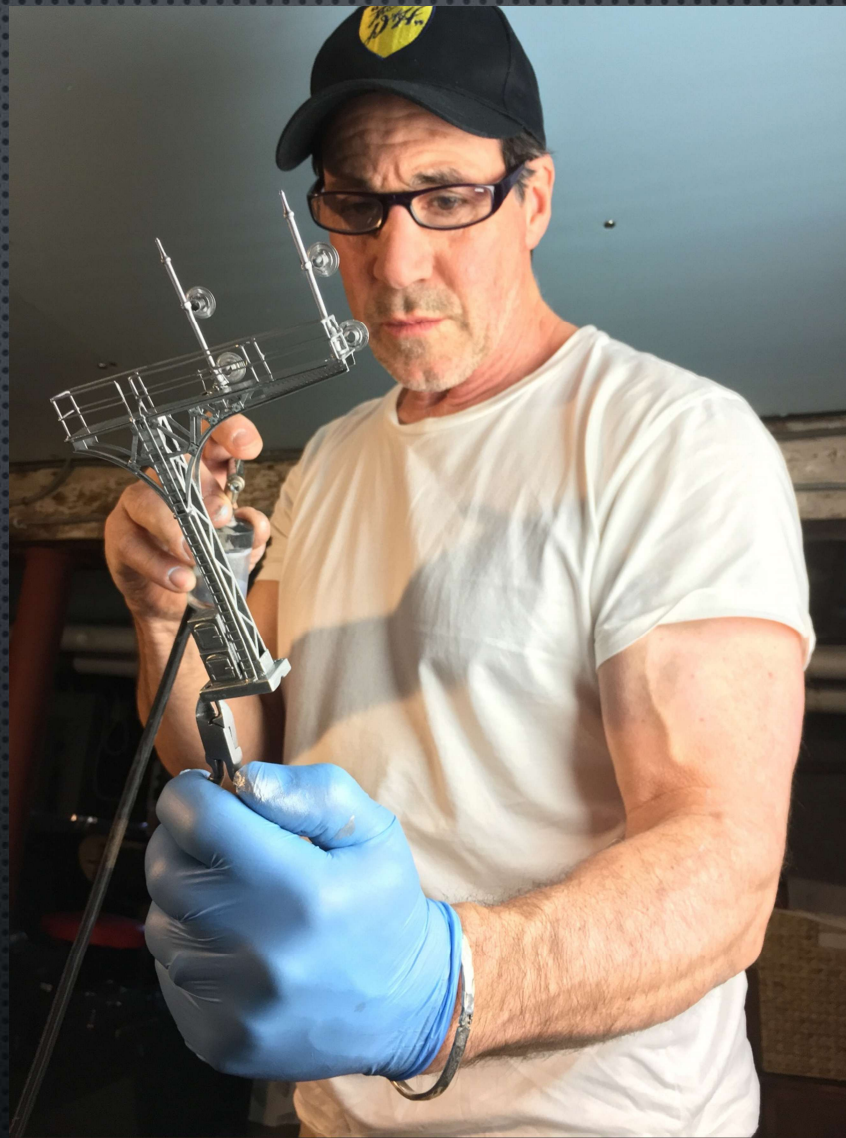


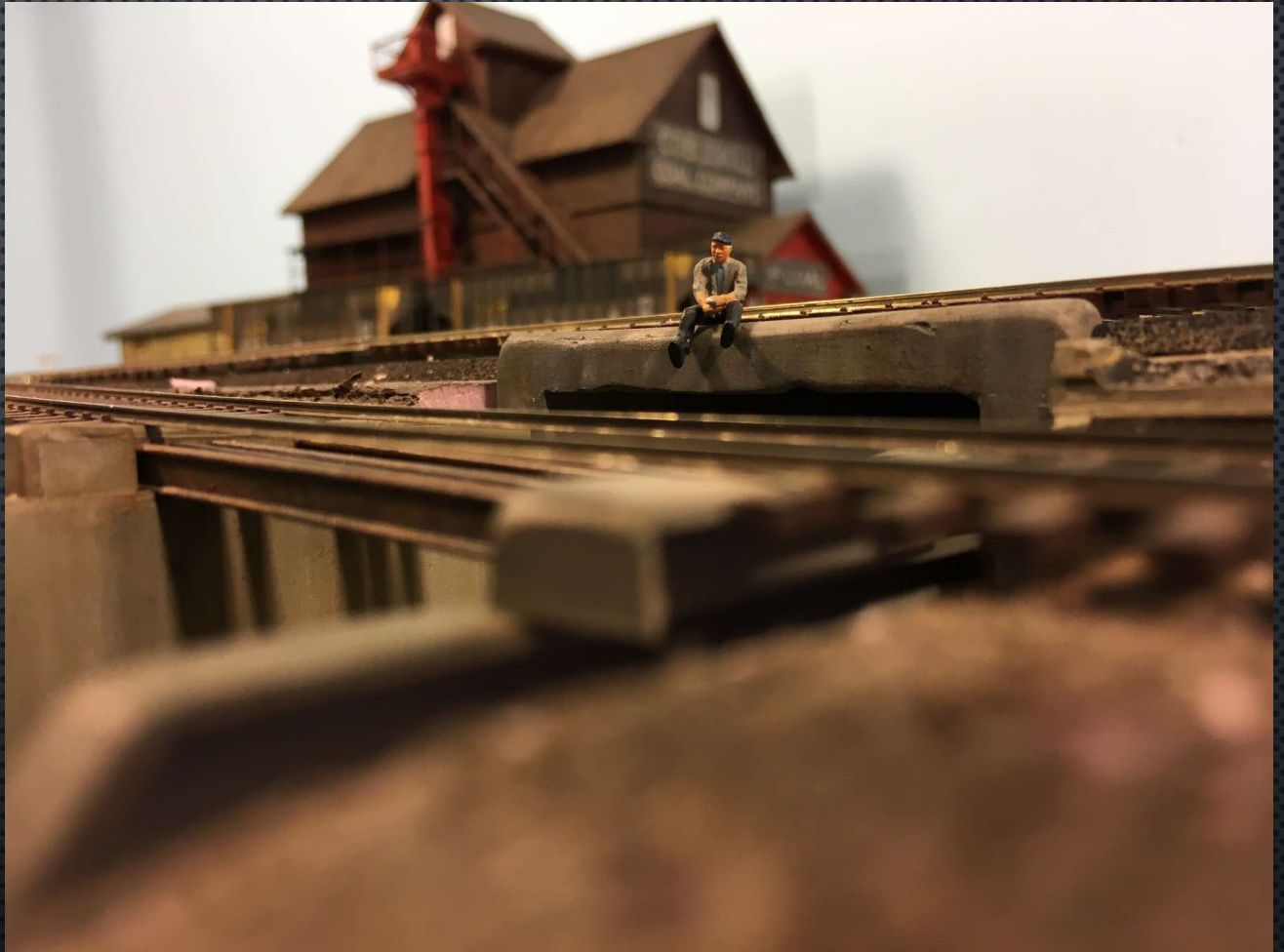






































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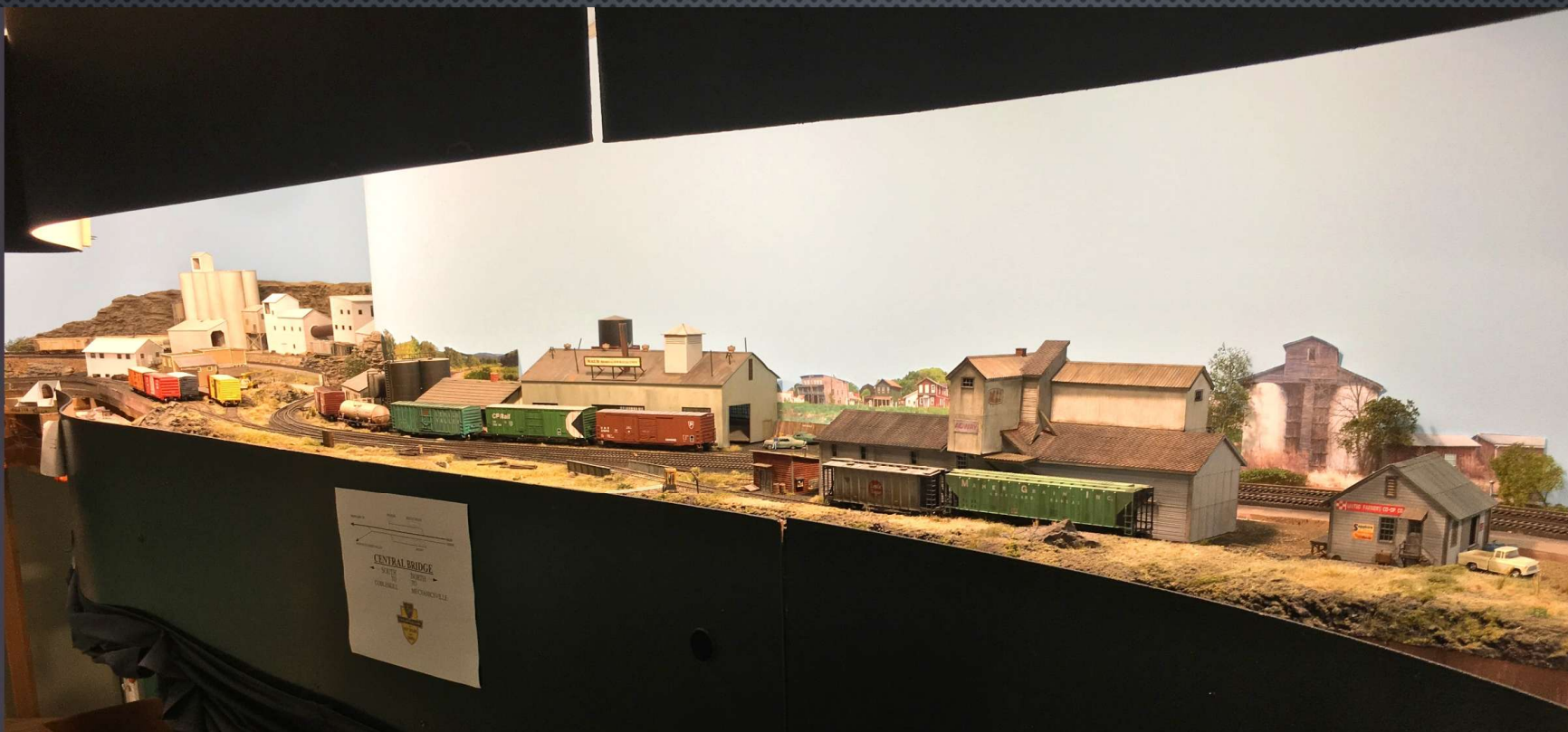
CENTRAL BRIDGE

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SCHOHARIE JUNCTION















OPERATING SESSIONS

FORM 1030 ①

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THE DELAWARE AND HUDSON RAILWAY CO.

CAR LIST

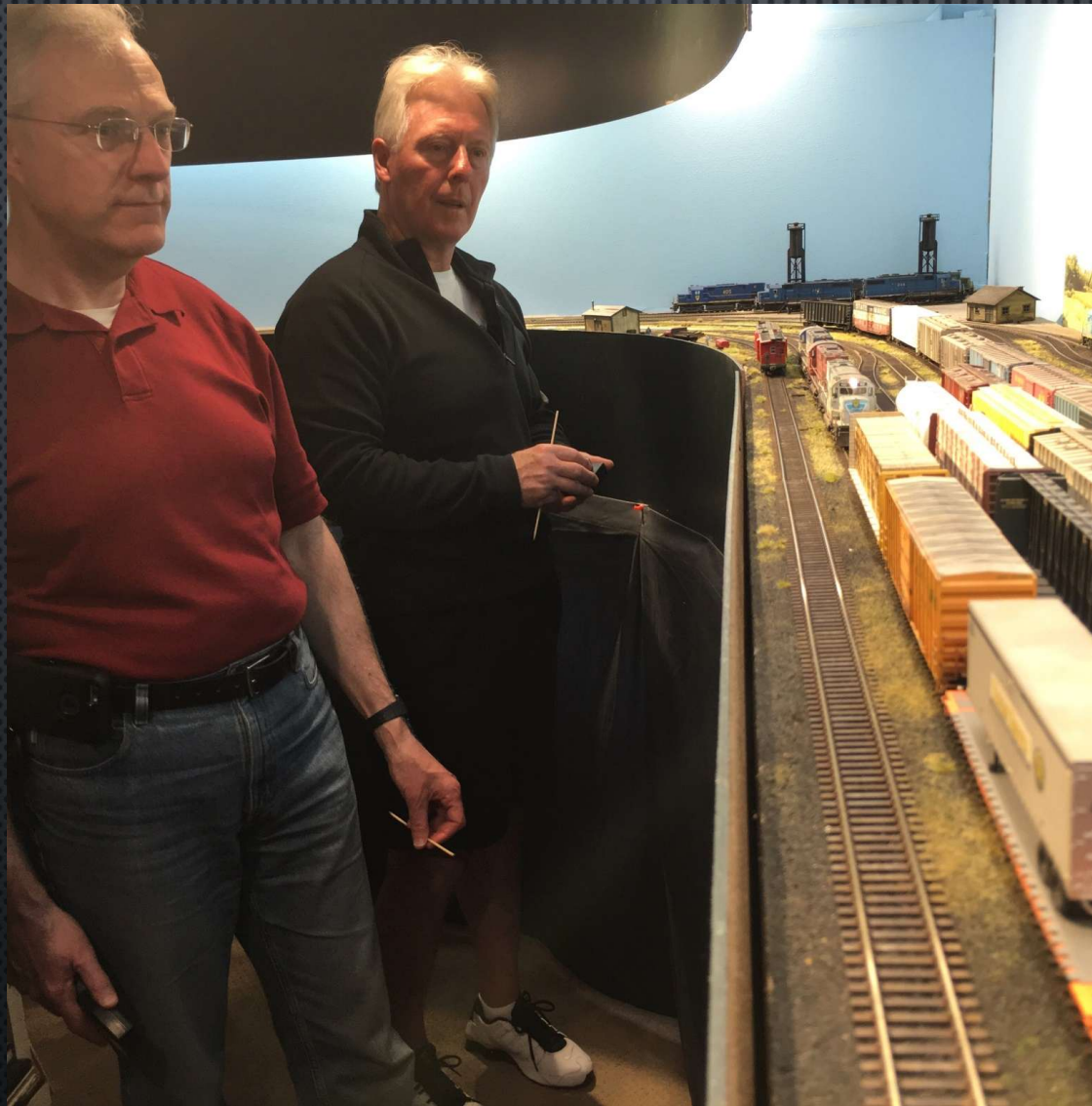
Train SU-9 Conductor B. J. [Signature]
 From ONEONTA To CORLESKILL ☒ RETURN
 Date 4/23/17 Time 4 M.
 Track No. 7 Location 7

INITIALS	NUMBER	WHERE PLACED OR SEALS		LADING	Weight (Tons)	TIME PLACED OR DESTINATION
		EAST	WEST			
DH	5005		From			TO
	5002					
B	5540		TRK 7	ONEONTA		CEMENT CLIFF
CN	3004					I
SLSF	6					FRT HSE
TTIS	251					I
DH	9731					FRT COAL
DH	9502					
PLEE	3241					
PLE	3232					
CAGY	19116					
CP	34035					
SDV	140912					
DH	35793					
PC	715804		OUTER			
UTLX	66020		TEAM			
DH	9000		SUNDERAL			
DH	29183		GB. COAL			
LV	50701		FRT HSE			
NW	76560		CLIFF			
NW	71328					
PC	898074					
CN	351001					
BAR	839					
DH	9316		COAL			
DH	9276					

IS THIS
WHERE THEY
ARE
RUNNING
THE
TRAINS??







NOVEMBER 15
FIRST OP SESSION

JOHN TERRY AND
ME

THE BIGGEST KID
JUST GOT
BIGGER



HOWES CAVE

PHOTO GARDINER CROSS











































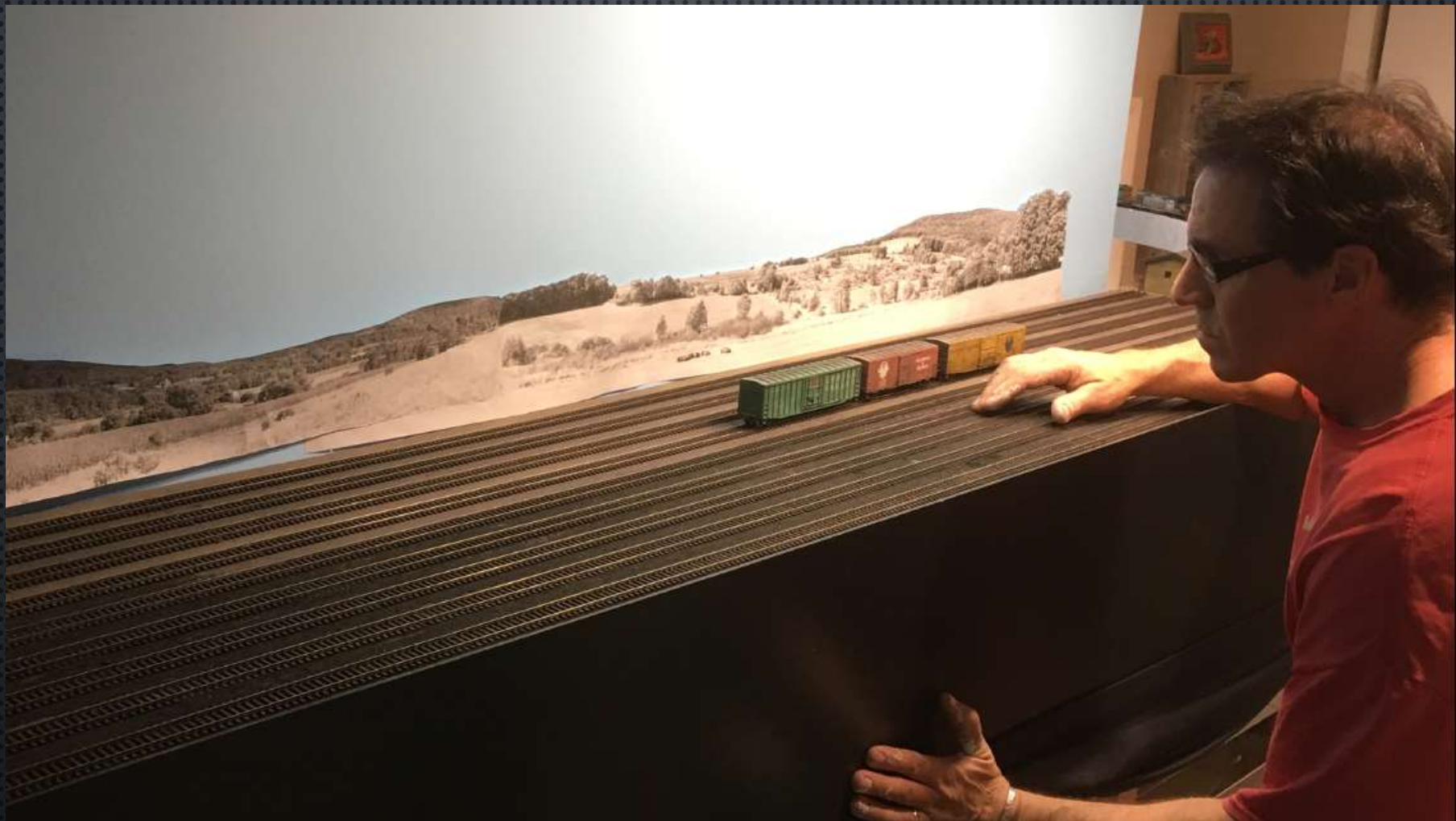




NOVEMBER 8
FIRST TRAIN ROLLS
NORTH ON
"THE BRANCH"

PLAYING WITH BACKDROPS















FROG HOLLOW













THANKS TO ALL MY
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OFFERED SUPPORT,
GUIDANCE AND
INSPIRATION ALONG THIS
WONDERFUL JOURNEY

AND THANK
YOU ALL

FOR
ATTENDING!!

