



2025 Calendar Captions

January

Rochester Transit Corporation • Car #66 (Cincinnati Car Company 1916, a former Utica & Mohawk Valley Railway car) shows “General Motors” in the destination sign above the windshield. A former Rochester Industrial and Rapid Transit Railway station and streetcar car-house were located here. It was next to the Rochester Products Division of GM in Rochester, NY. Opened in 1937 as a one-stop extension from the former terminus at Driving Park, it closed in 1956 along with the rest of the line. Photo date: 6/15/1956 - Norm Wahl/NFC Collection

February

New York Central Railroad • 4-8-2 class L2c Mohawk #2836 (American Locomotive Company, 1929) is near the signal bridge at Tower #47 in Buffalo, NY. The Linde Air Corporation facility (industrial gas) in the background is located at Broadway and Greene Street. Photo date: 1951 - Bob Andrycha Collection

March

Erie Railroad • A set of FA-1 locomotives (American Locomotive Company, 1947-1949) are leading a freight train about to cross Maple Avenue in Corry, PA. Photo date: April 1953 - Jim Van Brocklin/NFC Collection

April

Canadian National Railway • HR-412 #2587 (Bombardier, November 1981) is leading two other locomotives on an eastbound freight train on CN’s double track Dundas Subdivision passing Dundas, Ontario. The Grand Trunk Railway built the station around 1903 and it was used by CNR and VIA until it was severely damaged by fire in 1984. The building collapsed when an attempt to move it to a more suitable site for restoration and preservation. Only 11 of the HR-412 series of locomotives were built. They were supposed to be the replacement for the MLW M-420 series. Photo date April 21, 1984 - Jon Rothenmeyer

May

International Railway Company • Car #2002 (Kuhlman Car Company, 1916), a Niagara Falls High-Speed car, is on Elk Street, now South Park Avenue, at the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Terminal in Buffalo, NY. Photo date: August 1947 - John Woodbury/NFC Collection

June & Cover

CSX Transportation • ES44AH locomotives #911 and #1976 (General Electric, July 2008 & May 2012) are both wearing special paint schemes. Train symbol L032 (Buffalo to Niagara Falls turn) is eastbound at the Lockport Road bridge in Wheatfield, NY. Photo date: June 16, 2024 - Doug Kroll

July

Lehigh Valley Railroad • GP-9 #300 (Electro Motive Division, September 1959) is at the Tifft Street diesel locomotive service track in Buffalo, NY. The Lehigh Valley had two GP-9's that both survived into the Conrail era and were retired in 1985. Photo date: July 23, 1972 - Marty Mann

August

New York, Chicago & St. Louis Railroad • Nickel Plate 2-8-4 class S-3 Berkshire #776 (Lima Locomotive Works, May 1949) is taking on water at the coal dock in Pomfret, NY. Photo date: May 1958 - Jim Van Brocklin/NFC collection

September

Chessie System • Sperry Rail Service car #136 (J.G. Brill Company, 1928) was built for the New York Central RR as Doodlebug car M-11. It was sold to Sperry Rail Services in April 1948 and used for non-destructive testing of rail for defects. #136 is at the station in Orchard Park, NY. The automatic block signals had been removed in 1962 between Buffalo & Ashford, NY. The red placard is visible on the order board. Orchard Park and Springville still operated with manual block stations until 1977. Photo date: June 1977 - Terry Sprague

October

Consolidated Rail Corporation • U33-B #2909 (General Electric, September-1968 built for Penn Central) is westbound on train HB-1 with two other units at Sullivan Road in Alden, NY. This is the ex-Erie Railroad mainline. Photo date: April 30, 1978 - Bob Andrycha

November

Baltimore & Ohio Railroad • 2-8-0 class E-60 #3140 (Alco-Brooks Locomotive Works, 1908, ex-Buffalo & Susquehanna #166) is picking up freight at the depot at Westfield, PA. The line was originally built as the Addison and Pennsylvania Railroad in 1882 as a narrow-gauge line. Converted to standard gauge in 1893, it later became the Buffalo and Susquehanna, then the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad and finally the Wellsville, Addison & Galetton Railroad. Service on this line ended in 1976. Photo date: Unknown - Kevin Mugridge/NFC Collection

December

Arcade & Attica Railroad • 4-6-0 #14 (Baldwin Locomotive Works, February 1917) is passing the depot in Arcade, NY. It came from the Escanaba & Lake Superior Railroad in 1963. This was a Buffalo Chapter of the National Railway Historical Society trip. The A&A is a popular tourist line that also runs freight service. Photo date: November 6, 1965 - Norm Wahl/NFC Collection