

"The Tale of The Kite"

The Story of the Eastern Loop of the Santa Fe
Railroad's Famous Kite-Shaped Track Tourist Excursion



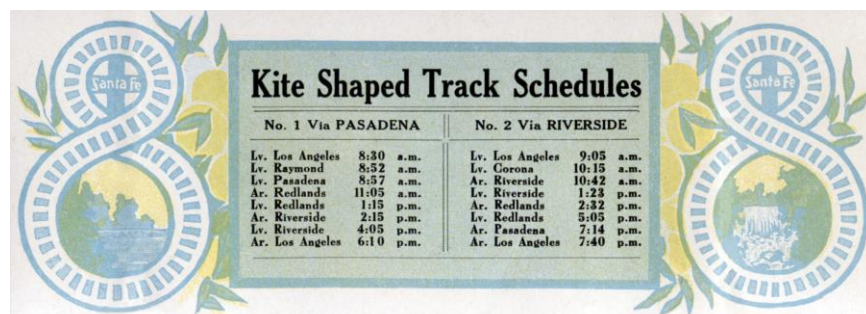
This program revisits the glory days of the Santa Fe Railroad's famous tourist excursion through Southern California from 1892 to 1917, focusing on the "eastern loop" of the tour through the San Bernardino Valley. The photo journey will take you back to simpler times when orange groves, farms and fledgling communities began filling Southern California's vast open spaces following the great land boom of the 1880's.

The Kite-Shaped Track excursion was named for a popular figure-eight or *kite-shaped* horse racing track that was popular during the era. The figure-eight shaped rail excursion laid horizontally across Southern California, with the smaller end of the "8" encircling the San Bernardino Valley.

The program will present historic photos from the era as well as advertisements and memorabilia used by Santa Fe to promote the route. The cities of San Bernardino, Redlands, Mentone, Highland, and Patton will be highlighted on the tour.

About The Presenter:

Mark Landis is a freelance correspondent for the San Bernardino County Sun newspaper who has been writing local history articles since 2001. He is a member of the San Bernardino Historical and Pioneer Society and an avid collector of local historic photos and memorabilia. Mark is a native Californian, and has lived in San Bernardino County since 1984.



| Kite Shaped Track Schedules | | | |
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| No. 1 Via PASADENA | | No. 2 Via RIVERSIDE | |
| Lv. Los Angeles | 8:30 a.m. | Lv. Los Angeles | 9:05 a.m. |
| Lv. Raymond | 8:52 a.m. | Lv. Corona | 10:15 a.m. |
| Lv. Pasadena | 8:57 a.m. | Ar. Riverside | 10:42 a.m. |
| Ar. Redlands | 11:05 a.m. | Lv. Riverside | 1:22 p.m. |
| Lv. Redlands | 1:15 p.m. | Ar. Redlands | 2:32 p.m. |
| Ar. Riverside | 2:15 p.m. | Lv. Redlands | 5:05 p.m. |
| Lv. Riverside | 4:05 p.m. | Ar. Pasadena | 7:14 p.m. |
| Ar. Los Angeles | 6:10 p.m. | Ar. Los Angeles | 7:40 p.m. |