

MEETING NOTICE

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2009, 7:15 PM

NEW YORK DIVISION
ELECTRIC RAILROADERS' ASSOCIATION, INC.
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PRESENTING THIS MONTH:
ANDREW GRAHL

The October meeting of the New York Division, Electric Railroaders' Association will be held on Friday, October 16, 2009 at the St. John's University Manhattan Campus (formerly the College of Insurance) building, at 101 Murray Street, between Greenwich and West Streets, in downtown Manhattan. The University is a three block walk [1-1/2 blocks south and 1-1/2 blocks west] from the Chambers Street station of the West Side IRT Subway. The doors open at 6:15 PM, and the meeting commences at 7:15 PM. Bring your 2009 membership card with you for admission. THE DOOR FEE FOR NON-MEMBERS IS \$10.00. PLEASE NOTE THE NEW FEE. *If you are not sure whether there will be a meeting (because of inclement weather, for example), please call the St. John's University toll-free hotline at (800) SJU-2499 on the scheduled meeting date.*

PROGRAM

The October program will be presented by New York Division Program Chairman Andrew Grahl. Andrew's show will consist of slides of the following subjects:

- Across Canada in 2009 - from British Columbia to Quebec. Rail subjects in Nelson, Calgary, Edmonton, Toronto and Montreal including NJ Transit equipment used north of the border
- Utah - Light rail and commuter rail around Salt Lake City
- New York Update - Metro-North, New Jersey Transit and New York subway 2009 update.

Other cities covered will include Boston, Buffalo and Philadelphia. Historical views will also be included. Those who know the quality of Andrew's work know this show is not to be missed!

NEXT MONTH'S PROGRAM

The November meeting is scheduled to be held on Friday, November 20, 2009. Glenn Smith will give the presentation.

TRIP REPORT

On Saturday, September 12, approximately 25 attendees participated in a fantastic tour of the NYC Transit Car Equipment Maintenance Shop at E. 180th Street in the Bronx. Our hosts were extremely hospitable and we had several treats, most notably a chance to photograph and go into four Low-Vs in the Shop. Several very nice handouts enhanced our visit, including an informative DVD. A great time was had by all.

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STATEN ISLAND TRIP UPDATE

Update on the twice-postponed Staten Island Railway charter: we will reschedule the trip for sometime in the Spring of 2010, assuming acceptance of the new BL20G replacement diesels for the Alco S-1s. You will be contacted individually if you previously signed up; others should watch for an announcement in the monthly mailing.

TRIP PLANS FOR 2009 AND 2010

Saturday, November 7 – A trip involving Hudson-Bergen Light Rail. The plan is to start with a ferry ride from W. 39th Street to Port Imperial (there is free bus service along W. 34th and W. 42nd Streets to the ferry terminal) and we intend to ride HBLR in its entirety, including a lunch break at the Newport Mall. We will view the construction progress from 22nd to 8th Streets in Bayonne. Tickets will be limited by the capacity of our charter coach. Please see the flyer with this mailing.

Planning for trips for 2010 will get underway shortly.

Please note that the date and destination may be subject to change. Future monthly mailings (and announcements at the monthly meetings) will apprise you of any changes.

When completing forms and sending in your money and self-addressed stamped envelope, please be sure to fill in your e-mail address and phone number.

MEETING ROOM REMINDER

If you carry a cell phone or beeper with you, we must ask that you not use it in the meeting room. This is very rude and inconsiderate to the speaker and everyone else in the room. **PLEASE KEEP IT OUTSIDE.**

INFORMATION & UPDATES

If any members or potential members need additional information on New York Division, ERA activities (i.e., meetings, fantrips) or membership information, kindly contact ERA at (212) 986-4482 or e-mail info@erausa.org. Also, for those of you who don't know, ERA has a website that contains information regarding both ERA and the New York Division. It is www.electricrailroaders.org.

REMINDER TO MEMBERSHIP

Any current member or subscriber of the New York Division, ERA can invite another person to attend or monthly meeting as their guest. First-time visitors are admitted without having to pay the \$5 door fee. Welcome aboard!

BUSINESS MEETING

At the October meeting, before the start of the program, we will have a short business session to discuss matters related to the New York Division, ERA. If you have anything you wish to bring up, this is the time to do so.

THE BOARD

RULES OF CONDUCT

The New York Division of the Electric Railroaders' Association, Inc. ("NY Division") reserves the right to exclude from any and all meetings, trips and other activities sponsored by the NY Division, any person who has engaged in disruptive behavior at any previous meeting, trip or other activity sponsored by the NY Division. Also, the NY Division reserves the right to remove from any meeting, trip or other activity sponsored by the NYC Division, any person who engages in disruptive behavior at that meeting, trip or other activity.

Disruptive behavior shall include but not be limited to the possession of alcoholic beverages, illegal drugs, illegal weapons or any other illegal substance or item.

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