MEETING NOTICE

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2010, 7:15 PM

NEW YORK DIVISION ELECTRIC RAILROADERS' ASSOCIATION, INC. P.O. BOX 3001 NEW YORK, N.Y. 10008

PRESENTING THIS MONTH: JOSH WEIS

The November meeting of the New York Division, Electric Railroaders' Association will be held on Friday, November 19, 2010 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 2010 membership card with you for admission. THE DOOR FEE FOR NON-MEMBERS IS \$5.00. *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 November show will be presented by Josh Weis, a lifelong railroad enthusiast and Chairman of the Urban Transit Club (UTC). Josh's slide show will focus on New York are rail topics, especially the operations (past and present) of what is today Metro-North, including the operations of tenant railroads like CSX, D&H (Canadian Pacific), and Providence & Worcester. Josh will also give us a look at the all-ALCo shortline – Western New York & Pennsylvania – on the former Erie Railroad Main Line between Olean, New York and Meadville, Pennsylvania.

Josh is a wonderful source of railroad information who will give us great insight and fantastic slides to see. Please join us for his first-ever New York Division show!

NEXT THREE MONTHS' PRESENTERS

- December Marc Glucksman
- January, 2011 Jack May
- February, 2011 Eric Oszustowicz

TRIP REPORT

The Saturday, October 16 trip involving a tour of the PATH Harrison facility had sold out several weeks beforehand, with a maximum of 40 permitted by PATH. The group boarded a WTC-bound train and exited at the "employees only" platform at the Harrison Shop, escorted by our friend and contact at PATH. Parked alongside the shops on the mainline track were two Metro-North MDCs, which could be photographed quite well from the group's location. Parked near the shop were recently delivered PA-5s, including car 5723, which was in the process of being checked over by workers (door interlocking, etc.). The group entered the shop, where our PATH host answered questions and plenty of photos could be taken. While most of the cars were PA-5s, there were a few of the PA-1 and 2 cars in the shop. After the tour, the group exited the shops and was escorted to a platform to enter the PA-5 train that was in the process of being tested and allowed to take pictures (car 5721). Then, the group boarded a WTC-bound train and exited at Journal Square. The group's host departed from the group at JSQ, but he went to the Control Center to advise the PA Police that we would be at the Harrison station to take photos. This worked out well and no problems were encountered. It appeared that all those in attendance had a great time. We were sorry we had to turn some people down, but due to the great response to this trip, we are hoping we can arrange a similar trip with PATH for early 2011.

ONE MORE TRIP IN 2010

On Saturday, December 11, we plan to co-sponsor another joint trip with the NY Railroad Enthusiasts in time for the Holiday season. The destination is the Shore Line Trolley Museum in Branford, CT. Please see the flyer with this mailing and take note of the November 24 deadline for sending your form in.

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 <u>nydiv@erausa.org</u>. 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 <u>www.electricrailroaders.org</u>.

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 \$10 door fee. Welcome aboard!

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.

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