# MEETING NOTICE

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2011, 7:15 PM

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

# PRESENTING THIS MONTH: NYD-ERA - RANDY GLUCKSMAN FOR BILL VIGRASS RRE - ALLAN ROBERTS

The September meeting of the New York Division, Electric Railroaders' Association will be held on Friday, September 23, 2011 at the St. John's University Manhattan Campus building, at 101 Murray Street, between Greenwich and West Streets, in downtown Manhattan. (Please note that this is the **fourth** Friday of the month.) 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 2011 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) STJ-2499 on the scheduled meeting date.

## **PROGRAM**

We welcome you to the joint meeting between the New York Division, ERA and the New York Railroad Enthusiasts. The program will be divided into two segments, one presented by each club.

The first half will be presented by the New York Division, ERA, which will consist of a digital presentation from noted rail icon Bill Vigrass. Bill is unable to attend, so his images will be presented by your NYD Bulletin's Commuter Notes editor, Randy Glucksman. The following subjects will be covered:

• PATCO's Search For New Cars; PATCO's Car Overhaul Program; Mt. Washington Railway

The second half of the show will be a 35mm slide presentation from the RRE's Allan Roberts. Allan is a noted author of several railroad books and will present a slide show called Keystone Memories. The following Pennsylvania Railroad subjects will be included:

• Sunnyside Yard; Penn Station; W.37<sup>th</sup> Street Yard; Bergen Hill Tunnels; Meadows Engine Facilities This show will cover many topics from two famous rail historians. Please come and join us as this is a show not to be missed!

# NEXT THREE MONTHS' PRESENTERS

• October –Raymond R. Berger; November – Andrew Grahl; December – Marc Glucksman

#### **BUSINESS MEETING**

At the September 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.

#### **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 <a href="mailto:nydiv@erausa.org">nydiv@erausa.org</a>. 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 <a href="https://www.electricrailroaders.org">www.electricrailroaders.org</a>.

# REPORT ON RECENT TRIP

Saturday, August 6 – Approximately 45 people joined us for a return visit to the LIRR Hillside and Morris Park facilities. The Hillside tour got off to a shaky start when the security procedure proved time-consuming, but our hosts, Andrea and Chris, made up for the delay in providing an efficient tour of the facility while providing us with great photograph opportunities at the end of the visit. Joe, our host at Morris Park, was extremely hospitable in showing us the various sections of the Morris Park facility while giving us ample time and latitude to take all the pictures we wanted, including a visit to the graveyard, which contained some interesting retired equipment. We thank the LIRR for a very enjoyable trip.

### TRIP PLANS FOR 2011

Here is the latest information on trip plans for the rest of 2011:

- (a) Saturday, October 1 a day trip to Philadelphia to visit the Fern Rock and  $69^{th}$  Street Shops. This trip will be cosponsored with our friends at the Railroad Enthusiasts. Look for the flyer with this mailing.
- (b) Saturday, November 5 a visit to NYCT's Westchester Shop in the Bronx, which serves the **6** Pelham Line. Look for a flyer with the October mailing.
- (c) Saturday, December 10 the annual Railroad Enthusiasts holiday trip to the Whippany Railway Museum, with lunch at Rod's Steak and Seafood Grille.

We will begin planning soon for trips in 2012. If you have any trip ideas, please email them to Sid Keyles at <a href="mailto:sidkeyles@optonline.net">sidkeyles@optonline.net</a>.

## 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.** 

#### 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!

#### THE BOARD

#### RULES OF CONDUCT

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