

MEETING NOTICE

FRIDAY, APRIL 20, 2012, 7:15 PM

ELECTRIC RAILROADERS' ASSOCIATION, INC.
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PRESENTING THIS MONTH:
HARRY PINSKER

The April meeting of the Electric Railroaders' Association will be held on Friday, April 20, 2012 at the St. John's University Manhattan Campus 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 2011 or 2012 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

Harry's show will focus on the 1950s to present: NYC area rapid transit, commuter railroads, and miscellaneous systems, i.e. Fort Collins, CO; New Orleans; Philadelphia; St. Louis; and possibly others.

NEXT THREE MONTHS' PRESENTERS

- May 18, 2012 – Eric Oszustowicz (New York 1960s-present); June 15, 2012 – Joshua Goldwitz; July 20, 2012 – Marc Glucksman

BUSINESS MEETING

At the April meeting, before the start of the program, we will have a short business session to discuss matters related to ERA. If you have anything you wish to bring up, this is the time to do so. Please note that while the New York Division, ERA held business meetings in March and September, ERA's business meetings will be in April and October.

INFORMATION & UPDATES

If any members or potential members need additional information on 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. It is www.erausa.org.

TRIP PLANS FOR 2012

As previously announced, our first trip in 2012 will be on Saturday, April 14 -- a visit to the NJ Transit Meadows Shop. We had received the green light from NJ Transit for this visit some time back, but the details were difficult to finalize because we were limited to use only those few trains that are actually scheduled to stop at the MMC Employee Stop. Travel plans have now been worked out and the flyer is included with this April mailing. It is also posted on our website.

Here are some of the other trips we are seriously considering for the remainder of 2012 and some tentative dates: (a) Saturday, June 2 -- We are co-sponsoring a trip to be run by the New York Railroad Enthusiasts to the Valley Railroad in Essex, Connecticut. Please watch for a flyer with the May mailing; (b) Saturday, June 23 -- A ride on the Hudson Line of Metro North to Poughkeepsie and then a walk over the Walkway Over the Hudson in Poughkeepsie (cosponsored with the NY Railroad Enthusiasts); (c) Saturday, July 28 -- Our annual Grand Central Terminal tour; (d) Sunday, September 23 -- A ride on the Metro-North New Haven Line to the Danbury Railroad Museum (cosponsored with the NY Railroad Enthusiasts); (e) Saturday, November 3 -- A visit to the MTA NYC Transit Coney Island Shops.

There will be at least one additional trip run by our friends from the NY Railroad Enthusiasts which we will cosponsor. Dates and destinations will be announced several months before each such trip.

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 of the Electric Railroaders' Association can invite another person to attend our 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

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

The provisions of these ERA Rules of Conduct shall apply to ERA members and non-members alike.