

MEETING NOTICE

FRIDAY, JANUARY 17, 2014, 7:15 PM

ELECTRIC RAILROADERS' ASSOCIATION, INC.

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PRESENTING THIS MONTH:
JACK MAY

The January meeting of the Electric Railroaders' Association will be held on Friday, January 17, 2014 on the second floor (Vanderbilt Suite) of the Roosevelt Hotel, 45 E. 45th Street (at Madison Avenue) in Manhattan. The Hotel is convenient to the 42nd Street stations of the Lexington Avenue and Sixth Avenue Subways, the Grand Central station of the Flushing Subway, and Metro-North's Grand Central Terminal. **Please note the new location.** The doors open at 6:30 PM (**please note the new time**), and the meeting commences at 7:15 PM. Bring your 2013 or 2014 membership card with you for admission. THE DOOR FEE FOR NON-MEMBERS IS \$5.00.

PROGRAM

The first meeting of the new year and the first ERA meeting in the Roosevelt Hotel will be a slide show by Jack May. In 2013 Jack May made two trips to Europe. For this month's entertainment, he will share many of his new slides with us. Almost all of the places he visited, in Portugal, Spain, France, and Italy, have either installed new light rail systems or have extended the reach of their existing tramway networks. Some of these cities have even begun wireless operations, including Reims, Angers, Tours, and Orleans. And many have new, extra colorful rolling stock. Paris is still Paris of course, but now with many more miles of streetcar track. These modern systems, plus the ancient Brill-type cars in Lisbon, Porto, Sintra, and Soller, will be featured in January's program. So come and join us for a spectacular winter slide show!

NEXT THREE MONTHS' PRESENTERS

February 21, 2014 – Eric Oszustowicz; March 21, 2014 – Bill Armstrong Collection; April 18, 2014 – Ronald Yee

NOTE: There will be ten presentations scheduled this year. There will be no meetings scheduled in July or August.

MESSAGE FROM ERA'S PRESIDENT

December 7, 2014 marked the historic relocation of the ERA's Sprague Library out of Grand Central Terminal's 4th Floor. This move was necessitated by termination of the lease with Grand Central Terminal. Photos, negatives, and other digital images as well as research and corporate records have been relocated to newly renovated and ultra-modern climate controlled facilities in Inwood. The balance of the 8,000+ volume Sprague Library collection will ultimately relocate to the Shore Line Trolley Museum in East Haven, CT, whose vision includes launch of a new catalogued research library, with the ERA Sprague Library as its foundation. This library promises more public access and usage and staff attention than has been possible than at Grand Central.

Please note that our phone number has been discontinued. We may be contacted by e-mail (see below).

INFORMATION & UPDATES

If any members or potential members need additional information on ERA activities (i.e., meetings, fantrips) or membership information, kindly e-mail info@erausa.org. Also, for those of you who don't know, ERA has a website. It is www.erausa.org.

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TRIP PLANS FOR 2014

We are currently working on our slate of 2014 trips. Watch this space for details.

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

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