

Meeting Notice

Friday, April 17, 2015, 7:15 PM

Presenting this month: Peter Ehrlich

The April meeting of the Electric Railroaders' Association will be held on Friday, April 17, 2015 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. The doors open at 6:30 PM, and the meeting commences at 7:15 PM.

Program

The April show will be presented by Peter Ehrlich. Peter will give a digital slide presentation of San Francisco's F Line, tracing its entire history from PCC and vintage car operations up to 1982; the Trolley Festival years; construction; operations from the beginning in September, 1995 through the opening to Fisherman's Wharf in March, 2000 up to the latest Heritage Weekend in November, 2014; and future

The F Line is America's most successful new historic streetcar line, bar none, and Peter documents how the interesting, colorful, and varied historic fleet of PCCs, Milan Peter Witts, and vintage trolleys from San Francisco and around the world was accumulated by Muni, making for most interesting operations! (There will even be some cable car shots thrown in.)

Peter will also show digital slides of Milan, Italy trams, including its interurbans, and especially its Peter Witts, eleven of which also operate on Muni today.

Peter was a Motorman at Muni for 26 years, the last ten on the F Line. He retired from Muni in 2005. He wrote the book "San Francisco's F Line," a must-read book!

Please join us for a wonderful and informative presentation!

Next Three Presenters

May 15, 2015 – Paul Gawkowski; June 19, 2015 – Ron Yee; September 18, 2015 – Nick DiBari (No meeting in July or August)

Information & Updates

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Regional Trip Plans for 2015

Here's a list of our 2015 trips with tentative dates: (a) Saturday, April 11 – Our 33rd Annual Grand Central Terminal Tour (see flyer that came with the March, 2015 mailing); (b) Saturday, June 13 – Coney Island Shop Tour (see flyer in this mailing); (c) Sunday, August 30 – Connecticut Day Trip to the Danbury Railway Museum and the SONO Switch Tower Museum in South Norwalk; (d) Friday, September 18 – LIRR East Side Access Project Tour; (e) Saturday, October 24–25 – Pennsylvania Weekend with visits to the Railroad Museum of Pennsylvania in Strasburg, Steamtown in Scranton, and the Electric City Trolley Museum in Scranton.

As always, please refer to the ERA website for the most up-to-date information on these trips and all other ERA related topics.

Meeting Room Reminder

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Any current member of the Electric Railroaders' Association can invite another person to attend our monthly meeting as their guest. Welcome aboard! – THE BOARD

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