

MEETING NOTICE

FRIDAY, APRIL 18, 2014, 7:15 PM

ELECTRIC RAILROADERS' ASSOCIATION, INC.

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PRESENTING THIS MONTH:
RONALD YEE

The April meeting of the Electric Railroaders' Association will be held on Friday, April 18, 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. The doors open at 6:30 PM, and the meeting commences at 7:15 PM. Bring your 2014 membership card with you for admission.

PROGRAM

Join us for a ride 30-35 years back in electric traction history! Ron Yee photo-documented much of the 88-mile route of the Chicago South Shore and South Bend Railroad from Randolph Street Terminal in downtown Chicago to the Bendix Terminal at South Bend, Indiana featuring the 1920s-vintage MUs from the late 1970s until their retirement in 1983. He also captured the famous "Little Joe" electric locomotives on this railroad prior to their replacement by diesel locomotives. In 1983, he photographed the transition of "The Little Railroad that Could" from the Insull-era MUs to the current fleet of Nippon-Sharyo MUs. On the subject of vintage MU electrics, Ron also recorded scenes at most stations along the Morristown Line during the final years of the "Thomas Edison" 1930s Lackawanna MUs as they wound their way from Hoboken Terminal to Dover and Gladstone, New Jersey. Time permitting, he may also show some other late 1970s thru 1980s views of electric action on the Northeast Corridor.

NEXT THREE PRESENTERS

May 16, 2013 – Harry Pinsker; June 20, 2014 – Jeffrey Erlitz; September 19, 2014 – Paul Gawkowski

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

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.

TRIP PLANS FOR 2014

Here are our planned trips for 2014: (a) May 4-24: Japan Trip; (b) Saturday, June 7: Corona Yard Tour featuring new R-188 cars; (c) Saturday, August 2: Ride on two of three tourist railroads (Kingston City Shuttle, Catskill Mountain Railway, Delaware & Ulster Railroad); (d) August 30-September 2: Minneapolis-St. Paul Convention (see note on other side); (e) Sunday, September 28: Metro-North New Haven Shop and Shore Line Trolley Museum; (f) Saturday, November 8 (changed from November 1): Ride on NJ Transit/Metro-North to Port Jervis.

UPDATE ON ERA'S ANNUAL CONVENTION IN MINNEAPOLIS-ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA, AUGUST 30-SEPTEMBER 2, 2014

Our members know a great trip and value when they see one. After just two months of promotion in trip notices and on our web site, ERA's Hotel Minneapolis room block for this outstanding event is over 50% sold! Don't wait till August to book! Be sure to block out this weekend on your calendar now and plan to be with us for another memorable convention!

Note: Once the room block sells out, ERA will continue to sell trip/tour packages, and members can book hotel accommodations at other more expensive Downtown Minneapolis hotels.

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!

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