



Meeting Notice

Friday, June 19, 2015, 7:15 PM

Presenting this month:
Ron Yee

The June meeting of the Electric Railroaders' Association will be held on Friday, June 19, 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

Ron Yee, Co-editor of the ERA Bulletin's Commuter and Transit News column, presents a summary of the May, 2014 ERA Tram and Rail Transit tour of Japan. The extensive ERA tour covered all but two tram operations in that nation and included time to cover quite a number of commuter rail, subway and metro systems in the cities that were visited in this 21-day itinerary. Tram systems include Fukui, Hakodate, Hiroshima, Kagoshima, Kochi, Kumamoto, Kyoto, Matsuyama, Nagasaki, Okayama, Tateyama-Kurobe Alpine route near the Nagano Olympic site, Toyama, the Tokyo area, Sapporo, and Wackayama. The commuter railways around many of those cities were visited as were the subway systems of Tokyo, Kyoto, and Sapporo. To travel between cities, ERA scheduled many rides on intercity trains, including narrow-gauge routes as well as the famed Shinkansen "bullet" trains. Please join us in a grand tour of Japanese rail systems.

Next Three Presenters

September 18, 2015 – Nick DiBari (No meeting in July or August); October 16, 2015 – Ray Berger; November 20, 2015 – Gary Grahl

Information & Updates

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Message from ERA President Bob Newhouser

Reservations for our ERA 2015 Convention continue apace. Our Houston and Dallas heavily discounted hotel block have 51% and 60% of rooms booked as of May 17. Book now, don't delay or lose the chance for fabulous, centrally located hotels for our convention at reasonable rates! If you've booked your hotel rooms, don't forget to book your convention ticket as well! You need that ticket to participate in the planned ERA activities!

See you in the Lone Star State in September!

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Regional Trip Plans for 2015

Here's a list of our 2015 trips with tentative dates: (a) Sunday, August 30 – Connecticut Day Trip to the Danbury Railway Museum and the SONO Switch Tower Museum in South Norwalk; (b) Friday, September 18 – LIRR East Side Access Project Tour; (c) 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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Reminder to Membership

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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