

MEETING NOTICE

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2011, 7:15 PM

NEW YORK DIVISION
ELECTRIC RAILROADERS' ASSOCIATION, INC.
P.O. BOX 3001 NEW YORK, N.Y. 10008

PRESENTING THIS MONTH:
ANDREW GRAHL

The November meeting of the New York Division, Electric Railroaders' Association will be held on Friday, November 18, 2011 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 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

The November show will be presented by Program Chairman Andrew Grahl. Andrew's slide show will cover many different topics as illustrated below:

- COMMUTER RAIL - New systems in Austin and Minneapolis will be covered. A update segment including views of MARC, VRE, METRA & MBTA will also be included
- LIGHT RAIL - Slides from the first week of the TIDE in Norfolk will be shown. Also views from Cleveland, New Orleans & Minneapolis
- SUBWAY - Slides from the recent Chicago ERA convention
- AMTRAK/RAIL - A tribute to Amtrak's 40th Anniversary, including pictures of specially painted locomotives. Also scenes of the Saratoga & North Creek Railroad, the newest tourist line in North America

Several other topics are planned as time permits. An update segment of rail around New York City will also be covered. Those who have attended Andrew's shows in the past know this is not one to be missed.

NEXT THREE MONTHS' PRESENTERS

- December – Marc Glucksman; January, 2012 – Jack May; February, 2012 – Eric Oszustowicz

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INFORMATION & UPDATES

If any members or potential members need additional information on New York Division, ERA activities (i.e., meetings, fantrips) or membership information, kindly contact ERA at (212) 986-4482 or e-mail nydiv@erausa.org. Also, for those of you who don't know, ERA has a website that contains information regarding both ERA and the New York Division. It is www.electricrailroaders.org.

REPORT ON RECENT TRIP

On Saturday, October 1, almost 40 participants (including a few from the Philadelphia area) were treated to an excellent tour of SEPTA'S 69th Street Shop in West Philadelphia. This Shop services the vehicles on the Market-Frankford Subway as well as former Red Arrow trolley routes 101 and 102. There were many excellent photo opportunities and our host was extremely informative. After a lunch stop near the SEPTA gift shop (where a 10% discount was available to our entire group), attendees either rail-fanned on their own in the afternoon or joined the tour leader for rides on the Market-Frankford subway, the #15 Girard trolley line, the Broad Street Subway and the #59 trolley bus. A sumptuous dinner at a Hometown Buffet was a fitting end to a very nice trip.

TRIP PLANS FOR 2011

Here is the latest information on trip plans for the rest of 2011:

(a) Saturday, November 5 – a visit to NYCT's Westchester Shop in the Bronx, which serves the ⑥ Pelham Line. If it is not yet November 5th and if you haven't signed but want to attend, please email Sid Keyles at sidkeyles@optonline.net immediately. Please look for a report on this trip in the December mailing.

(b) Saturday, December 10 – the annual Railroad Enthusiasts holiday trip to the Whippany Railway Museum, with lunch at Rod's Steak and Seafood Grille. A flyer is included with this November mailing.

Note: The Long Island Sunrise Chapter of the NRHS is running a trip on Saturday, November 19 to the NJ Transit RiverLine, including a shop tour. Any Division member who wants information about this trip should contact Elliot Courtney by email at: ecourtne@yahoo.com.

We will begin planning soon for trips in 2012. If you have any trip ideas, please email them to Sid Keyles at sidkeyles@optonline.net.

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 or subscriber of the New York Division, ERA can invite another person to attend or 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 New York Division of the Electric Railroaders' Association, Inc. ("NY Division") reserves the right to exclude from any and all meetings, trips and other activities sponsored by the NY Division, any person who has engaged in disruptive behavior at any previous meeting, trip or other activity sponsored by the NY Division. Also, the NY Division reserves the right to remove from any meeting, trip or other activity sponsored by the NYC Division, any person who engages in disruptive behavior at that meeting, trip or other activity.

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