

## Our Next Zoom Meeting is on Friday, March 19, 2021 at 7:30 pm

## Presenting This Month: Jeffrey Erlitz

The presenter of our March show is **Jeff Erlitz** (ERA #3997), editor-in-chief of *The Bulletin* since February 2018. Jeff's program will take us on a three-week trip through England, Belgium, Germany and Austria. We will visit:

- London London Underground, London Trams, Docklands Light Railway, South Western Railway, Thameslink
- Brussels Trams, SNCB suburban, Belgian National Railway Museum
- Antwerp Trams
- Berlin Trams, subway, S-Bahn
- Vienna Trams, S-Bahn

Jeff has been an active member of the ERA since 1970. He has held various positions on the board of directors over the following decades, including his current position as director. Together with the late Jimmy Mattina, he manually typed every membership application ever received to create the first membership database way back when on the club's first IBM PC. That Excel file has been continually updated and is still used to this very day.

Jeff was a schedule manager in the NYC Transit Subway Schedules unit of Operations Planning until April 2018, capping a successful 36-year career in planning and schedule positions at both MTA and NYC Transit. He started his transportation career at the Tri-State Regional Planning Commission in 1979. Jeff, as well as his father and uncle previously, have all contributed significant time as volunteers at the New York Transit Museum. Jeff's work — between his ERA board and editorial positions and outstanding annual ERA presentations, as well as at NYC Transit, MTA and the Transit Museum — has been steeped in the local transit scene! Do not miss this presentation!

## How to Join Our Zoom Meeting

Please go to ERA's website at <a href="www.erausa.org">www.erausa.org</a> for the Zoom link to join. The home page with the evening's program will have the "Zoom Login" button for joining the Zoom meeting posted about five days before the meeting. The Zoom meeting becomes available for signing on at 7:15 PM. The show begins at 7:30 PM.

If you have any problems getting in, email Bob Newhouser at <a href="mailto:bnnyc1955@aol.com">bnnyc1955@aol.com</a>, or even better, on the night of the meeting text or call Bob at 917-482-4235.

## Other Important Announcements: President Bob Newhouser

**2021 Meetings** — Our monthly meetings will remain virtual on Zoom until further notice. With the speaker's approval, all meetings are recorded and posted on ERA's website, <a href="www.erausa.org">www.erausa.org</a>.

It's Easy to Join the ERA! Members, feel free to share this flyer with your friends. If they enjoy our Zoom programs, they should feel free to join at <a href="www.erausa.org/join">www.erausa.org/join</a>. E-mail membership to the monthly <a href="mailto:bulletin">Bulletin</a> is \$60, with print membership at \$110 per year. If you're no older than 30 years old, e-mail membership is only \$30! All three memberships include either an annual print copy of the color <a href="#mailto:Headlights">Headlights</a> magazine or a book every two years.

It's Easy to Donate! — Thank you very much to those of you who have already made generous contributions to support our programs in 2020 and early 2021! The membership's response to our fund drive has been outstanding! If you have not already done so, please consider a donation this year to help ERA continue its 87-year record of traction education and entertainment. Our new online donation form makes it much easier to contribute!

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