

Our next Zoom Meeting is on Friday, November 19, 2021, 7:30 p.m.

Presenting This Month: Andrew Grahl

The presenter of our November show is ERA Program Chairman and transit professional Andrew Grahl. Andrew's show will consist of the following:

- Charlotte: The opening of Phase II of the Gold Line in August 2021
- Traction News: Recent visits to Boston, Philadelphia, St. Paul and Washington, D.C.
- Under Construction: Views of both Baltimore's Green Line Extension and Maryland's Purple Line will be shown
- NYC Rail Update: Views of commuter rail, subways and freight railroads around the area
- From the Scanner: Classic Kodachrome images of historic traction and rail subjects from around the country

A few railroad images from a recent road trip to see the South Shore and Metra in Chicago as well as railroads in Wisconsin and Minnesota will close out the presentation.

How to Join Our Zoom Meeting

A "Zoom Login" button will be posted on our homepage about five days before Andrew's presentation. Please go to ERA's website at www.erausa.org to join. You can sign in at 7:15 p.m., and the show begins at 7:30 p.m. If you have any problems, email Sasha Ivanoff at aivanoff@growtrains.org, or even better, on the night of the meeting text or call Sasha at 845-798-9662. Bob Newhouser is out of town for this meeting and will return to moderate the December meeting.

Important Announcements: President Bob Newhouser

ERA Trips Are Back! ERA annual conventions have returned. Our 2022 convention, based in San Diego from July 7-10, will be headquartered at the Best Western Plus Hacienda Hotel Old Town in San Diego's historic Old Town district. We have planned several exciting trips throughout Southern California. Check the ERA website soon and watch for our convention flyer in the December mailing for more details.

ERA international tours also return in 2022 with an exciting trip to Greece, starting and ending in Athens from September 8-17 (leaving the U.S. on September 7). We will travel on high-speed railways, a narrow-gauge steam train, and a luxury tour coach. Check the ERA website soon and watch for our tour flyer in the January mailing when "Transit and Tourism in Athens and Thessaloniki (Salonica)" will be covered in detail.

Save the Date! Our next Zoom meeting will be on Friday, December 17, 2021, at 7:30 pm. Our presenter will be David Wilson. His program consists of the fascinating illustrated story of Trans-Hudson railroad crossings between New York City and New Jersey from the 19th century to current times.

It is that time of year for **renewing your ERA membership for 2022** and **voting for the 2022 board of directors.** We have mailed each of you a printed form for your renewal. OR, if you prefer, renew quickly online as well as vote for your 2022 directors on the following pages of the ERA website:

- 2022 membership renewal can be found at: www.erausa.org/renew/
- 2022 membership e-card can be found at: www.erausa.org/card/
- 2022 candidate bios for board of directors can be found at: www.erausa.org/bios/
- 2022 voting page can be found at: www.tinyurl.com/5ev7ejn9

ERA greatly appreciates your prompt membership renewals and your donations. It's our primary source of income and makes possible the monthly programming, *Bulletin* issues and the *Headlights* magazine that we all count on and enjoy!