



CENTRAL ELECTRIC RAILFANS' ASSOCIATION

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CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY ~~RAPI~~D TRANSIT EXCURSION Sunday, April 14, 1957 (CERA Trip No. 70)

Good Morning! The Central Electric Railfans' Association is pleased to have you with us today. We want you to have an enjoyable time on our tour today, and don't like to burden you with rules and regulations, but there are a few we would like to bring to your attention. They will serve as a refresher to our old-time fans, and as valuable information to any first-timers with our party today.

1. This trip will be conducted exclusively over third-rail trackage. Under no circumstances will anyone alight from cars, except at car-level platforms. No passenger will enter upon any tracks in this third-rail system.
2. Since this trip is operated over routes which carry frequent, rigidly scheduled traffic, we must abide by our time schedule. Please re-board the train as soon as signal is given.
3. Only crew members will give signals, operated gate controls, pull bell cords, etc. The Motorman must not be distracted by unnecessary conversation.
4. Help keep the right-of-way and cars clean.
5. At photo stops, be careful not to step into the field of vision of someone else's camera. Sufficient time will be allowed for all to get good photographs.

For the information of any persons with us today, who may not be familiar with CERA, we would like to remind you that our association is composed of people of all ages, occupations and professions, who have a common interest in electric railways. The association meets on the fourth Friday of each month, September through June inclusive, at 7:30 PM, in the 7th floor auditorium of the Western Society of Engineers, 84 E. Randolph St. Programs feature slides and motion pictures and speakers on electric railroads and associated subjects, covering systems in the United States and foreign countries.

Any of the CERA directors will be happy to answer your questions about the organization and its activities, or you may write directly to the club at the address shown above. Your comments and suggestions are always welcome; they will help us plan and improve our future trips.

We want to express our thanks for your support of this transit tour and hope that you will have an enjoyable day, and will be able to be with us on our next CERA trip - Sunday, May 19th. This will be a rare type of excursion on the Chicago Aurora and Elgin, using freight locomotives, open gondolas and cabooses. (The management of CA&E has promised us this trip will be allowed to run, even if passenger service does end.)