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Ride Historic Chicago, South Shore & South Bend Railroad Cars on July 7th

EAST TROY: The East Troy Railroad Museum and The National Park Service are hosting a joint interpretative program featuring historic South Shore Railroad Car #33 on Saturday, July 7th, during the museum's annual "Chicago Day" event.

Car #33 is one of 19 historic South Shore Railroad Cars which were conveyed to the National Park Service in 1984 after they were decommissioned by the Chicago, South Shore, & South Bend Railroad. The National Park Service at Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore worked with numerous organizations in an effort to preserve the historic cars. They succeeded in 2010 by transferring the cars to railroad museums specializing in telling the stories of our nation's transportation history. The East Troy Railroad Museum has eight of the 19 historic cars.

Car 33 and other historic South Shore Railroad Cars will depart the Museum hourly from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. CDT. National Park Service Rangers will be at the Museum, and volunteers will ride in each car to answer questions about the National Park Service, Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore, and the history of the South Shore Railroad.

Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore is part of the National Park Service. More than 20,000 National Park Service employees care for America's 417 national parks and work with communities across the nation to help preserve local history and create close-to-home recreational opportunities. Learn more at www.nps.gov.

The East Troy Railroad Museum is a living history museum that lets people see and experience what it was like to ride an electric trolley or interurban car 90 to 100 years ago. With more than 30 historic railroad cars, including 15 that currently operate, the railroad features Chicago, South Shore & South Bend interurban cars, a Sheboygan interurban car, and streetcars from Milwaukee and Minneapolis. The museum is 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization run entirely by volunteers. For more information, visit www.easttroyrr.org.

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