

Offerings and Activities

Dinner Trains, Sunday Brunch Trains and Burger Trains with Online Ticketing

The museum now uses eTix to sell online tickets for the Dinner Trains, Brunch Trains and Special Event Trains, such as our annual Christmas Trains and Bunny Trains. This speeds the ticketing process, allows reservations months in advance, and allowed for safer ticketing during the COVID-19 pandemic.

https://www.easttroyrr.org/dinner-trains

https://www.easttroyrr.org/family-picnic-train.html

https://www.easttroyrr.org/sunday-brunch-trains.html

Special Events - 2023 Calendar

Bunny Trains - April 1, 2 and 8 (Easter Bunny Theme for kids and families)

Railfest/Railfan Day - June 24 (All equipment on display and fun, family-friendly activities)

Chicago Day - July 15 (Featuring Chicago South Shore Cars & National Park Rangers)

Milwaukee Day - August 5 (Featuring cars and equipment that ran in Milwaukee)

Beer Tasting Train - September 16 (Beer tasting held in conjunction with Black Point Estate)

Harvest Fest Trains - September 9 - October 22 (Purchase tickets for these popular trains)

Trick-or-Treat Trains - October 6, 13, 20 and 27 (Train ride & trick-or-treat event in the park)

Christmas Trains - November 24-25-26, December 1-2-3; 8-9-10; 15,16-17

Website with Online Ticket Purchasing for Special Event Trains

The museum's website features schedules, news, dinner and specialty train ticketing, information for visitors and media, and links to multiple videos featuring the railroad. The updated website also improves mobile device viewing. Learn more at: https://www.easttroyrr.org

See Us at Titletown and the Mad City Model Railroad Show

We will have an informational table at the <u>Mad City Model Railroad Show</u> in February. This year we will also be at the Titletown Model Railroad Show in Green Bay.

Memberships

We have over 300 members and donors who help support the railroad and museum. An individual membership is \$50 per year, a couples membership is \$75, and a family membership is \$120. The family membership level now includes a National Association of Reciprocal Museums (NARM) membership, providing free or reduced-price access to over 1,100 museums in North America. Member benefits also include free rides on regularly scheduled trains all year, a regular newsletter, invitations to special events and a 10% discount in the gift shop. You can sign up to be a member on our website using this link: https://www.easttroyrr.org/membership.html



Regular Schedules - 2023

Fridays, Sundays and Holidays

June 2 to September 3

Eastbound, Departs from the East Troy Depot:

10:00 a.m.

12:00 p.m.

2:00 p.m.

Westbound, Departs from Indianhead Park in Mukwonago:

10:40 a.m.

12:40 p.m. (last round trip)

2:40 p.m.

Westbound, Departs from the Elegant Farmer Depot:

11:00 a.m.

1:00 p.m. (last round trip)

3:00 p.m.

Saturdays

April 15 to September 3

Eastbound, Departs from the East Troy Depot:

10:00 a.m. 1:00 p.m. 1:00 p.m. 2:00 p.m. 12:00 p.m. 3:00 p.m.

Westbound, Departs from Indianhead Park in Mukwonago:

10:40 a.m. 1:40 p.m. (last round trip)

11:40 a.m. 2:40 p.m. 12:40 p.m. 3:40 p.m.

Westbound, Departs from the Elegant Farmer Depot:

11:00 a.m. 2:00 p.m. (last round trip)

12:00 p.m. 3:00 p.m. 1:00 p.m. 4:00 p.m.

Reservations **are required** for special event trains, like the Dinner Trains, Beer Tasting Trains, Bunny Trains and Christmas Trains and Harvest-Fest Trains.

^{**} Note that tickets may be exchanged all day for unlimited rides, subject to availability of seating -- we do not sell one-way tickets**



Statistics and Improvements

2022 Ridership Statistics

- 11,365 regular fare tickets were sold
- 1,766 meals were served on Dinner Trains, Picnic Trains and Sunday Brunch Trains
- 1,735 people rode our Bunny Trains
- 5,281 people rode our Christmas Trains
- Overall ridership was 22,181

Track Maintenance and Improvements

- The ETRM owns and maintains 7.5 miles of track between East Troy and Mukwonago
- The Church Street crossing in East Troy was completely replaced
- The Main Street (Highway ES) crossing in East Troy was completely replaced
- Brush was cut along the line to improve views for riders and to offer better visibility

Restorations Completed and Underway

- We completed the restoration of *Chicago North Shore & Milwaukee Car 761* and dedicated the car in June of 2021.
- We completed the restoration work on *Chicago Elevated Car 4439* and dedicated the car in July of 2022.
- We are working to complete the restoration of *Chicago North Shore & Milwaukee Merchandise Dispatch Car* 228 in 2023.
- We have started work on *Chicago South Shore & South Bend Car 107*, which will become a mobile classroom.

New Acquisitions: La Crosse Car 56 and Chicago North Shore Car 162

- We acquired La Crosse Car 56 (Mississippi Valley Public Service) and moved it to the East Troy Railroad in April 2022.
- We acquired Chicago North Shore & Milwaukee Car 162 and moved it to the railroad in the summer of 2022.
- We refurbished multiple South Shore wheel sets, which will allow us to continue working to restore South Shore Car 6.
- If you would like to make a donation to support efforts to restore these cars -- or to support to operational expenses of the museum -- you may do so by sending a check to the East Troy Railroad Museum, P.O. Box 943, East Troy, WI 53120.
- Donations are also accepted on our website:
- You may also donate to the railroad's endowment through the Community Foundation of Southern Wisconsin.
- The East Troy Railroad Museum is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization.