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Entertainment Calendar • May – August, 2025

We continue to hold our monthly meetings virtually using the online Zoom platform. We start admitting people from the waiting room shortly before 7:30 PM Eastern Time. **Links to our Zoom meetings are posted on our website at www.thebsra.org/meetings on the day of the meeting.** Go to that website and click on the link to join the meeting.

We are looking for presenters for upcoming months. If you have a show that you could give at one of our meetings, please contact the BSRA at info@thebsra.org.

- May 3, 2025** **CLARK FRAZIER'S. PENNSYLVANIA TROLLEY TOUR.** The show will include vintage 1958– to 1962–era color slides of Pittsburgh, Johnstown, and Philadelphia, with some more recent Pittsburgh light rail and Philadelphia slides, and some views of the Pennsylvania Trolley Museum (Arden). The Pittsburgh slides will focus on the West End lines, closed in 1959, and on other lines closed between 1958 and 1962, as well as views at other important locations around the vast system. The Johnstown views are from three visits including two charters before the system closed in 1960. Philadelphia will include views of the remaining 12-line streetcar system, extensive coverage of the remaining three suburban lines and the third-rail Norristown Line and a visit to the isolated Penn's Landing trolley that ran between 1982 and 1995.
- June 7, 2025** **LESSER TROLLEY SYSTEMS OF MASSACHUSETTS AND NEW ENGLAND.** Leo Sullivan will present a potpourri of small street railways, in a journey traveling across New England. The places visited in this journey will be a surprise!
- July 12, 2025** **DOUGLAS KYDD'S TRANSIT TOUR.** Retired railroad engineer Douglas Kydd presents a variety of public transportation. First will be Boston transit scenes in the 1970s, including such rare shots as Opening Day of the Quincy extension of the Red Line and the 0900s fan trip. He will also show Amtrak's Rainbow Era, when Amtrak was still running an eclectic collection of hand-me-down equipment from the passenger operations of the private railroads. Next will be a trip around the world, railfanning aboard the *Queen Elizabeth 2*. After this will be more Boston-area photos: Commuter Rail, then, now, and in between. Douglas will wind up the show with a tour of electric transit around the USA. *This meeting will be on the second Saturday to avoid conflict with the July 4 holiday.*
- August 2, 2025** **CLARK FRAZIER'S CALIFORNIA TOUR.** A California Interurbans color slide show featuring the Key System suburban lines in Oakland; Sacramento Northern electric operations in Oakland, Contra Costa County, and Yuba City–Marysville; plus remaining Pacific Electric lines from Los Angeles to Watts, Bellflower, Long Beach, and San Pedro. Streetcar systems in San Francisco (Muni) and Los Angeles will also be shown. Finally, there will be a few black-and-white views of Oakland and Sacramento streetcars, plus Sacramento Northern, Northwestern Pacific, Interurban Electric, Napa Valley passenger operations, and Central California Traction streetcars and freight box motors.

Upcoming 2025 meetings: September 6, October 4, November 1, December 6.

The business meeting begins at 7:30 PM and includes a discussion of current news on the MBTA and other transit systems. The entertainment program begins about 8:00 PM and generally lasts about 1½–2 hours. Meetings are held on the first Saturday of the month. If the first Saturday falls on a holiday weekend, then the meeting will be postponed to the second Saturday. **For last-minute changes or additional info about our upcoming meetings and other events, please visit our website www.thebsra.org.**

The BSRA does not permit any video, still, or sound recording of the entertainment programs at our in-person, live meetings, or at our Internet-based Zoom meetings. This is out of respect for the rights of our presenters and out of consideration for all members of our audience, and to ensure that we are in compliance with copyright and intellectual property law. If individual members want recordings of entertainment programs provided at our meetings, we suggest that you contact the presenter and make arrangements directly with the presenter for the material you want. It is up to the individual presenter to determine to what extent they are willing to do so. We appreciate your co-operation. Thank you.