

ILS 50th Annual Meet

Information Flyer

August 17-20, 2017

The *Illinois Live Steamers* will be celebrating 50 years of Live Steam and Model Railroading on August 17-20, 2017 in Northeast Illinois. For those planning to attend, please find below information to make your visit more enjoyable and safe.

Remember...**THINK SAFETY FIRST!**



PARKING: When entering the property, attendants will direct traffic to the parking area. Those needing to unload equipment/setup will be directed to the appropriate areas. Watch for trains before crossing tracks.

NAME TAGS / RIDING TICKETS: All meet attendees are required to wear name tags at all times. A riding ticket must also be read, signed and displayed when boarding trains. The tags/tickets are free. Parents and guardians are required to read and sign a riding ticket for each child.

TRACK: The ILS has 7-1/2", 4-3/4", 3-1/2" & 45mm gauge track.

EQUIPMENT LOAD/UNLOADING: Members will be available to assist with unloading/loading of equipment. The ILS has a hydraulic hoist that is capable of being raised or lowered as well as being able to rotate 360 degrees.

EQUIPMENT SAFETY: All live steam engines must show proof that they had a boiler inspection within the past 12 months. We can perform a hydro boiler test if necessary at the club. Safety chains are required on all rolling stock except for articulated cars and engine/tender draw bars. Safety straps will be provided for visitors in lieu of chains.

VENDOR AREA: We will be setting up space for vendors to display their goods. Anyone interested in setting up as a vendor should contact the meet chairmen (Dan) so we can make sure we have a spot for you.

TRAIN SAFETY: Some of our trains are steam driven and can get very hot. All trains, steam or other, cannot stop quickly. Cross tracks at designated locations looking both ways as trains can come from either direction. Filming is NOT ALLOWED in any form (i.e. smartphones, video, drones, etc.) when riding trains due to safety concerns.

CHILDREN: ...are not allowed to run or play on the train tracks. The ballast should not be picked up, thrown or played with. Remember YOU are responsible for the safety of your children.

PETS: ...are not allowed on ILS property during meets. Exception may be made for out-of-towners. Pets are not allowed to roam freely. They also need to be picked up after, if you get the drift.

WASHROOMS: ...will be located inside and outside the clubhouse. Garbage containers will be provided around the grounds for proper garbage disposal.

HOTEL/CAMPING INFO: Best bet for current information is to use the internet. Camping and motorhome parking are not allowed on club property.

SOUVENIRS: The ILS has various types of souvenirs available. These include T-Shirts, hats, coffee mugs, etc. These will be available for purchase at the "Information Booth".

RAFFLES/AUCTION: Raffles will be held throughout the event. We will also have a silent auction for live steam items. Auction details will be posted on the website when available.

GRILLS: Grilling/cooking on club property is not allowed during the annual meet. Please see food service below.

FOOD SERVICE: ...will be available on the club property at the following days/times. Meals may be paid for before or at meal time at the "Information Booth".
(Prices/food items subject to change)

[{Meal Reservations Requested - Please see below}](#)

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| - Morning (Thu-Sun)) | Danish, Juice, Coffee, Tea | Cost: Donation |
| - Lunch served 12:30-1:30 | Thu-Sun. | Cost: \$6 (unless noted below) |
| - Dinner served 5:30-6:30 | Thu-Sat. | Cost: \$11 (unless noted below) |
| - Thursday | Lunch | Burger or hot dog, chips, drink, dessert |
| | Dinner | Meatloaf, mashed potato, veg, bread, drink, dessert |
| - Friday | Lunch | Brats or chicken sandwich, chips, drink, dessert |
| | Dinner | Pulled pork or pulled beef, potato salad, chips, drink, dessert |
| - Saturday | Lunch | "<u>Founding Fathers Lunch</u>" Spaghetti, sausage or meatballs, bread, drink, dessert. Cost: \$10 |
| | Dinner | Chicken, mostaccioli, mash pot, pasta salad, 3-bean salad, bread, drink, dessert. Cost: \$12 |
| - Sunday | Lunch | Leftovers Cost: TBD |

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Illinois Live Steamers 50th Anniversary Meet MEAL Reservation Form

In order to better estimate the number of folks that we need to serve, let us know if you plan to join us at mealtime. Please send your reply to Dan (below)

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

of Thursday Lunch Tickets: _____ Dinner Tickets: _____

of Friday Lunch Tickets: _____ Dinner Tickets: _____

of Saturday Lunch Tickets: _____ Dinner Tickets: _____

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For questions, contact the meet chairman below or visit our website at www.illinoislivesteamers.com/50th

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