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Oyster Festival is Choice MTA LIRR Destination Weekend of October 18-19. Discount Package Includes Transportation and Oysters

The MTA Long Island Rail Road's discount package to one of Long Island's premier fall events is a "pearl" of a bargain. This year's Oyster Festival on the weekend of October 18 and 19 offers 150 arts and crafts booths, 23 food vendors and legendary oyster eating contests along with a variety of musical performances and a waterfront tall ships exhibit.

The LIRR will be offering additional train service to the event in addition to a great discount package that includes round-trip rail fare to and from the Oyster Bay Station, vouchers for three free oysters on the half-shell for adults and free admission to the Slide for children. Everything is within easy walking distance of the train station. For a schedule of events, visit www.theoysterfestival.org. Festival hours are 11 AM to 6 PM. Take any train to/from Oyster Bay Station. The cost of the special non-escorted package is \$15 for adults, \$2.50 for children 5-11.

Oyster Bay Branch Eastbound Service (going to the Festival)

Eastbound service is available departing Mineola at 10:59 AM, 11:55 AM, 12:59 PM, 1:55 PM, 2:59 PM and 3:55 PM. Connecting service to Mineola is available at Penn Station, Woodside, Forest Hills, Kew Gardens, Flatbush Avenue, Nostrand Avenue, East New York and Jamaica. Oyster Bay Branch trains serve the following stations: Mineola, East Williston, Albertson, Roslyn, Greenvale, Glen Head, Sea Cliff, Glen Street, Glen Cove, Locust Valley and Oyster Bay.

Oyster Bay Branch Westbound Service (returning from the Festival)

Westbound service is available departing Oyster Bay at 12:15 PM, 1:10 PM, 2:15 PM, 3:10 PM, 4:15 PM, 5:15 PM, 6:15 PM, 7:10 PM and 8:15 PM.

Port Jefferson Branch Service Via Syosset Station

Those attending the Festival can also take the LIRR Port Jefferson Branch service to Syosset Station, and transfer to a shuttle bus operated by the Oyster Festival to and from the event. Festival-goers using the Port Jefferson Branch will pay the regular off-peak LIRR fare. LIRR package tickets to the Oyster Festival are only valid on Oyster Bay Branch trains.

Customers should pick up a copy of the special Oyster Bay Branch timetable, effective October 18 and 19. For additional information, customers can also contact the LIRR's 24-hour Travel Information Center in Nassau County at 516-822-LIRR, in Suffolk County at 631-231-LIRR or in New York City at 718-217-LIRR. Customers can also consult the LIRR's website at www.mta.info.