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Celebrate Indian Summer at Long Island's Biggest Street and Waterfront Fair – The Oyster Fest!

LIRR Offers Added Service and a Special Package With Free Oysters!

With 23 food vendors on hand to satisfy any craving, legendary eating contests, 150 national caliber artisans, musical performances, tall ships, and many other attractions, the Oyster Festival is the East Coast's largest waterfront festival. More than 200,000 visitors flock each year from as far away as Japan to enjoy this Indian-summer weekend in downtown Oyster Bay.

With that many people gathering together, you might expect traffic congestion and parking hassles. But fortunately, the festival is just steps away from the Oyster Bay train station. Even better, the Long Island Rail Road is offering extra trains to get you there and a special package with free oysters!

Take the Oyster Bay Branch to Oyster Bay to walk right into the fair, or, take the Port Jefferson Branch to Syosset for a free shuttle bus to the fair. Either way, the LIRR special package includes reduced train fare, vouchers for three free oysters on the half-shell for the adults and free admission to "The Slide" for the children. Round-trip adult tickets are just \$18 from Penn Station or Atlantic Terminal, \$13 from Jamaica, \$6 from Nassau County stations and \$11 from Port Jefferson through Kings Park. Kids aged 5 to 11 ride for just \$2.50 round trip from any station.

"Each year the Oyster Festival grows and expands-providing area non-profits with operating funds all while showcasing the history and beauty of the Oyster Bay waterfront," said Cindy Smith, Oyster Festival spokesperson. "The LIRR excursion ticket offers Festival guests easy access to a fantastic free family event no matter where they are in Nassau, Suffolk, New York City or beyond."

To help people get to the festival, the LIRR is adding three extra trains in each direction to create hourly service each way on the Oyster Bay Branch. These trains are timed to get passengers and from to the festival throughout the afternoon and into the early evening.

Getting There

With the additional service, Oyster Bay-bound trains depart New York City every hour during the peak travel time. Trains to Syosset depart New York City every 30 minutes, and westbound trains toward Syosset depart Port Jefferson every 90 minutes (customers would need to change trains at Huntington). See branch timetables online or at stations for details, text a schedule query to CooCoo, or use any of the growing number of third-party LIRR schedule apps for handheld devices.

Oyster Bay Branch Service - October 16 & 17, 2010
Eastbound

	AM	AM	AM	PM	PM	PM	PM	PM	PM	PM
PENN STATION	J 8:24	J 10:25	11:25	J 12:25	1:25	J 2:25	3:25	J 4:25	J 5:25	J 6:25
Woodside	J 8:28	J 10:28	J 11:28	J 12:28	J 1:28	J 2:28	J 3:28	J 4:28	J 5:28	J 6:28
Forest Hills	J 8:26	J 10:26	J 11:26	J 12:26	J 1:26	J 2:26	J 3:26	J 4:26	J 5:26	J 6:26
Kew Gardens	J 8:28	J 10:28	J 11:28	J 12:28	J 1:28	J 2:28	J 3:28	J 4:28	J 5:28	J 6:28
ATLANTIC TERM.	J 8:12	J 10:12	J 11:12	J 12:12	J 1:12	J 2:12	J 3:12	J 4:12	J 5:12	J 6:12
Nostrand Avenue	J 8:19	J 10:19	J 11:19	J 12:19	J 1:19	J 2:19	J 3:19	J 4:19	J 5:19	J 6:19
East New York	J 8:24	J 10:24	J 11:24	J 12:24	J 1:24	J 2:24	J 3:24	J 4:24	J 5:24	J 6:24
JAMAICA (Arrive)	8:44	10:45	11:45	12:45	1:45	2:45	3:45	4:45	5:45	6:45
JAMAICA (Leave)	8:49	10:49	11:46	12:49	1:46	2:49	3:46	4:49	5:49	6:49
MINEOLA (Arrive)	...	...	12:00	...	2:00	...	4:00	...	...	...
MINEOLA (Leave)	9:03	11:03	T 12:10	1:03	T 2:10	3:03	T 4:10	5:03	6:03	7:03
East Williston	9:07	11:07	T 12:14	1:07	T 2:14	3:07	T 4:14	5:07	6:07	7:07
Albertson	9:10	11:10	T 12:17	1:10	T 2:17	3:10	T 4:17	5:10	6:10	7:10
Roslyn	9:13	11:13	T 12:20	1:13	T 2:20	3:13	T 4:20	5:13	6:13	7:13
Greenvale	9:17	11:17	T 12:24	1:17	T 2:24	3:17	T 4:24	5:17	6:17	7:17
Glen Head	9:20	11:20	T 12:27	1:20	T 2:27	3:20	T 4:27	5:20	6:20	7:20

	AM	AM	AM	PM	PM	PM	PM	PM	PM	PM
Sea Cliff	9:23	11:23	T 12:30	1:23	T 2:30	3:23	T 4:30	5:23	6:23	7:23
Glen Street	9:25	11:25	T 12:32	1:25	T 2:32	3:25	T 4:32	5:25	6:25	7:25
Glen Cove	9:28	11:28	T 12:35	1:28	T 2:35	3:28	T 4:35	5:28	6:28	7:28
Locust Valley	9:32	11:32	T 12:39	1:32	T 2:39	3:32	T 4:39	5:32	6:32	7:32
OYSTER BAY	9:43	11:43	T 12:50	1:43	T 2:50	3:43	T 4:50	5:43	6:43	7:43
	AM	AM	PM	PM	PM	PM	PM	PM	PM	PM

Shaded trains are specials for Saturday (10/16) and Sunday (10/17).

J = Change at Jamaica; T = Change at Mineola

Returning Home

Afternoon /evening trains depart from the Oyster Bay station approximately hourly from 12:20 p.m. to 8:20 p.m., with the last train leaving at 10:20 p.m. Westbound trains depart from Syosset every 30 minutes. Eastbound trains depart Syosset every 90 minutes for connection with Port Jefferson trains at Huntington.

Oyster Bay Branch Service - October 16 & 17, 2010

Westbound

	PM		PM		PM	PM	PM	PM	PM		PM		PM	PM	PM
OYSTER BAY	12:20	T 1:13	2:20	T 3:13	4:20	5:20	6:20	Train Runs Sunday (10/17) Only	T 7:13	Train Runs Saturday (10/16) Only	7:20	8:20	10:20
Locust Valley	12:30	T 1:23	2:30	T 3:23	4:30	5:30	6:30		T 7:23		7:30	8:30	10:30
Glen Cove	12:34	T 1:27	2:34	T 3:27	4:34	5:34	6:34		T 7:27		7:34	8:34	10:34
Glen Street	12:36	T 1:29	2:36	T 3:29	4:36	5:36	6:36		T 7:29		7:37	8:36	10:36
Sea Cliff	12:38	T 1:31	2:38	T 3:31	4:38	5:38	6:38		T 7:31		7:39	8:38	10:38
Glen Head	12:42	T 1:35	2:42	T 3:35	4:42	5:42	6:42		T 7:35		7:44	8:42	10:42
Greenvale	12:45	T 1:38	2:45	T 3:38	4:45	5:45	6:45		T 7:38		7:47	8:45	10:45
Roslyn	12:49	T 1:42	2:49	T 3:42	4:49	5:49	6:49		T 7:42		7:52	8:49	10:49
Albertson	12:52	T 1:45	2:52	T 3:45	4:52	5:52	6:52		T 7:45		7:55	8:52	10:52
East Williston	12:55	T 1:48	2:55	T 3:48	4:55	5:55	6:55		T 7:48		7:59	8:55	10:55
MINEOLA (Arrive)	...	T 1:53	...	T 3:53	...	...	...		T 7:53		...	...	...
MINEOLA (Leave)	1:00	2:03	3:00	4:03	5:00	6:00	7:00		8:03		8:06	9:00	11:00
JAMAICA (Arrive)	1:14	2:17	3:14	4:17	5:14	6:14	7:14		8:17		8:20	9:14	11:14
JAMAICA (Leave)	1:19	2:19	3:19	4:19	5:19	6:19	7:19		8:19		8:22	9:19	11:19
East New York	J 1:31	J 2:31	J 3:31	J 4:31	J 5:31	J 6:31	J 7:31		J 8:31		J 8:31	J 9:31	J 11:31
Nostrand Avenue	J 1:36	J 2:36	J 3:36	J 4:36	J 5:36	J 6:36	J 7:36		J 8:36		J 8:36	J 9:36	J 11:36
ATLANTIC TERM.	J 1:42	J 2:42	J 3:42	J 4:42	J 5:42	J 6:42	J 7:42		J 8:42		J 8:42	J 9:42	J 11:42
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For additional information, festival goers can contact the LIRR's Travel Information Center in Suffolk County at (631) 231-LIRR, or in Nassau County at (516) 822-LIRR or in New York City at (718) 217-LIRR.