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### Take the LIRR to the 32nd Oyster Festival in Oyster Bay, L.I. on Saturday, October 17 and Sunday, October 18

#### *Extra Trains Scheduled; Discounted Travel Package Available*

MTA Long Island Rail Road is offering extra train service and a specially-priced travel package for seafood lovers heading to the 32nd Annual Oyster Festival in historic Oyster Bay, L.I. on Saturday, October 17 and Sunday, October 18. The festival is Long Island's largest waterfront event and its oyster-eating and oyster shucking contests are legendary. Culinary pros and volunteer chefs work side by side, cooking and serving dozens of unique oyster and clam dishes as well as other seafood treats. Plus, you will find traditional festival fare, a fun mixture of live entertainment, tall ships, top-notch artisans, pirate shows, midway rides, not to mention the world's largest rubber duck.

#### **Extra Train Service for the Oyster Festival**

In addition to its regularly scheduled weekend Oyster Bay Branch service, the Railroad is running extra eastbound trains departing Jamaica Station at 11:52 a.m., 1:52 p.m. and 3:52 p.m. and extra westbound departures from Oyster Bay at 1:19 p.m., 3:19 p.m. and 7:19 p.m. Also, shuttle buses will also be available from Syosset Station, making the event accessible from the east on the Port Jefferson Branch.

#### **Discounted Travel Package**

The LIRR's travel package includes discounted round-trip rail from Penn Station, vouchers for five free oysters on the half-shell for adults and free admission for kids to The Slide.

#### **For More Information:**

Pick up a copy of the Special Timetable for the Oyster Bay Branch over the weekend of October 17-18 or view it online at [www.mta.info/lirr](http://www.mta.info/lirr) or contact the LIRR's Customer Service Center by calling 511, the New York State Travel Information Line, and say: Long Island Rail Road. If you are deaf or hard of hearing, use your preferred service provider for the free 711 relay to reach the LIRR at 511... For a full schedule of Oyster Festival events, visit the festival website at [www.theoysterfestival.org](http://www.theoysterfestival.org) or call (516) 628-1625.