# **Saturday, April 30, 2011** THE WORLD OF THE #7 TRAIN Walks and connecting rides 10am-5:30pm Tour leader: Jack Eichenbaum



## **BEFORE LUNCH**

- Assemble at the western end (Grand Central Station) of the #7 platform at the Grand Central stop of the #7.
- Overview of the tour and chronology of the #7 train. Transformation of the tunnel.
- Board # 7 for Vernon/Jackson. Loop walking tour of old center of LIC. (Focus: LIC makeover ca. 1910)
- Reboard #7 to Queensboro Plaza. Tour from platform.
- Reboard #7 to 46 St/Bliss (Sunnyside) Loop tour of Sunnyside (Focus: Elevated structure and Sunnyside Gardens)
- Reboard # 7 to Main St, Flushing.
- Loop tour of Central Flushing. (Focus: Asian Commerce and historical movement of Flushing's business district)
- Break for lunch. Join a group for Dim Sum or Korean barbecue or nosh, browse and shop on your own

## AFTER LUNCH

- Reassemble outside St George's Episcopal Church, 39 Ave/Main St by appointed time.
- Board # 7 to 103 St/Corona Plaza
- Walking tour of Corona from 103 Street (Corona Plaza) to Junction Blvd. (Focus: Old Corona & Latin American immigration)
- Reboard #7 to 52 St, Woodside. Walking tour of Woodside from 52 St to 61 St. (Focus: Housing innovations; #7 changes focus from LIRR to #7)
- Overlook and talk at 61 St platform. Reboard #7 to 82 St, Jackson Heights.
- Walking tour of Elmhurst and Jackson Heights. (Focus: differential street grid, Cooperative Garden apts, ethnic commerce.)
- Tour ends at 74 St/Roosevelt (Subways 7,E.F.G.R)

## Long Island City-Sunnyside-Woodside-Elmhurst-Jackson Hts-Corona-Flushing

**Your tour leader, Jack Eichenbaum**, maintains a storehouse of researched facts and biased memories of bygone eras. I hold a Ph.D in urban geography, teach Geography of NYC at CUNY and have been riding the #7 for six decades. My expertise lies in historical geography and ethnic and technological change. I focus on what the #7 train has done to and for the surrounding neighborhoods since it opened in 1914. The #7 has been designated a "National Millennium Trail" for its pioneering role in transporting people in what is probably the most demographically diverse cityscape in the world. More Info? Contact jaconet@aol.com or 718-961-8406

## Hunters Point-Dutch Kills-Trains Meadows-Newtown-West Flushing-Vlissingen

#### This tour requires registration and advance payment. Please fill coupon or facsimile

### Number of persons for the WORLD OF THE #7 TRAIN TOUR @\$39pp = \$

I enclose a check for total . (Subway fare is NOT included. Use an all-you-can-ride Metrocard!) I understand that this is an educational event and release Dr Eichenbaum from any liabilities due to environmental hazards.

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To register, fill coupon and return with check to: JACK EICHENBAUM 36-20 BOWNE ST. #6C FLUS

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**Tour is limited to 25 participants. Reserve early.** Those wishing to participate for a half-day tour (\$22) will be wait-listed. Tour given rain or shine. Acknowledgments and updates for registrants will be made by email where possible. Cell phone connections will be available for the day of the tour.