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**NOTE: Closed To Public**

## SAFETY FIRST

For your safety, please treat the Museum as an active railroad yard, which it is! Please obey certain important safety rules:

- Never climb on any car or locomotive, unless it is clearly posted otherwise
- Children must be accompanied by an adult at all times.
- Never come in contact with the electrified trolley wire, or touch the trolley pole rope.
- Cross tracks where there is a walkway. Never step directly on the rail.
- Never stand on or near any railroad track. When crossing tracks, look in both directions for moving trains.
- Stay completely clear of railway equipment. Never crawl under the cars or walk between them. Cars can move without warning at any time.
- No Smoking / Vaping on railroad cars or in buildings.
- Service animals only – No Pets allowed

## HISTORIC BUILDINGS

**EAST UNION DEPOT:** Formerly located in nearby Marengo, the East Union Depot dates from 1851 making it one of the oldest railway stations west of the Allegheny Mountains. It was moved to the museum in 1966.

**TOWER:** Built in 1890, this Interlocking Tower was used to control train movements in Spaulding, IL (near Elgin) and still serves in that function at the Museum. It was moved to the museum in 1988.

**“L” STATION:** Built in 1910, this “L” Station served on the CTA Douglas Line (now pink line) at 50th Avenue in Cicero, IL. It was moved to the museum in 1978.

**DINER:** The modern diner annex building incorporates a typical pre- World War II roadside diner. Built in 1934, by the Jerry O'Mahony Dining Car Company, it was formerly located in Akron, Ohio and relocated to the museum in 1994.

**SCHROEDER MERCANTILE STORE:** Relocated from downtown Union to IRM in 1991, the building served as the village grocery and dry goods store until the 1930's. The store was extensively remodeled and resumed a tradition of selling merchandise at the museum in 2017.

## DISPLAY BARNs

### HIGHLIGHTS

- **BARN 3:** Pullman RR Passenger Car and Freight Train displays.
- **BARN 6:** Electric Interurban Cars.
- **BARN 7:** The oldest car at IRM, a horse drawn streetcar built in 1859 and the North Shore Electroliner from 1941.
- **BARN 8:** Streetcars and Rapid Transit Cars.
- **BARN 9:** Large Steam Locomotives and the Stainless Steel Streamlined Nebraska Zephyr trainset.

# WELCOME TO THE ILLINOIS RAILWAY MUSEUM!

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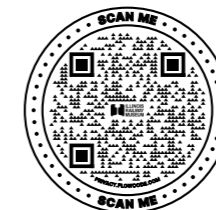
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