

All Aboard the Train Thru Time!



on the RARITAN VALLEY LINE

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Long before the Raritan Valley Line, there was the Central Railroad of New Jersey. From stations across Union County, from Elizabeth to Plainfield, it was possible to board a train to Chicago, or at Jersey City, to board a ferry to New York City. While the CNJ is long gone, historic sites along the route remain, and you can ride the train to visit some of them. Details about these sites are at ucnj.org/4C. Most sites are staffed by volunteers, so call in advance to ensure a site is open.

Plainfield

Drake House
602 W Front St
From the station, walk west to Park Avenue and turn north towards downtown. Walk several blocks to Front Street and turn left. The walk to Drake House is 7/10 mile.



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Fanwood

Historic Fanwood Train Station
230 North Ave.
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Reeve House

314 Mountain Ave. home of the Westfield Historical Society. Then to:

Miller-Cory House Museum

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Crane-Phillips House

Crane-Phillips House
124 North Union Ave.

This American Civil War veteran's cottage stands next to the Rahway River, a short walk northeast from the train station.

Roselle Park

Roselle Park Museum

9 West Grant Ave. Walk south on Chestnut St. to the borough's downtown, to find the Museum.

A little further, on Westfield Ave., was the Charles E. Stone store, the first store in the world illuminated by Edison's incandescent lamp.



Union

Liberty Hall Museum

1003 Morris Ave. The train stops at Kean University. Walk across Morris Ave. to Liberty Hall, built on the eve of the American Revolution and home to William Livingston, a signer of the Constitution.



Liberty Hall

For more information

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