

# NY&LE Offers Whodunit Outing For Mystery Fans

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GOWANDA — Are you an amateur sleuth? Do you like to predict the ending of a murder mystery? If so, the New York Lake Erie Railroad has a "whodunit excursion" for you.

The NY&LE line, based at 50 Commercial St., Gowanda, is offering a special Murder Mystery Dinner Train excursion, July 30, featuring a theatrical company from East Hampton, Conn.

The mock murder on The NY&LE is entitled "Curtain Coming Down," and is set aboard a train in the summer of 1939 following a disastrous tryout of a new play bound for a Broadway opening. The performance is by the Murder by Invitation Theatrical Company.

Passengers are invited to dress in costume of the period and will be able to mingle with the cast of characters.

During the six-hour train ride, they will be asked to match wits to solve the three Ms of mystery detection: mur-

derer, motive and method by organizing clues, interrogating suspects and formulating theories about the crime.

Fear not! The criminal will not escape punishment because one of the (cast) passengers is the famed detective Ellery Queen.

The train departs from the Gowanda Station at 4:30 p.m. with the estimated return time at 10:30 p.m. Tickets for this event will include the train ride, dinner and the special murder mystery extravaganza. Cost of a ticket depends on the meal chosen and ranges from \$34 to \$50.

The full course meal will be catered by Creekside Inn Restaurant of Gowanda and will be served in the two air-conditioned dining cars.

Reservations for this special excursion are required by July 27 and seating is limited to 96 in the dining cars. For more information about reservations and menu call (716) 532-5716.