

I have been a member of NEPTA for many years and I've also been fortunate to serve as its president in the past. In the early years of the old "Transit club" I remember Mildred Lynch was the Executive Secretary and she would strive to create exciting social events throughout New England. These events gave us the opportunity to meet with colleagues in a relaxed and congenial atmosphere. Public and private sector employees would often meet at the Park Plaza's Grand Ballroom for such events and share in the transit industry's camaraderie.

As the times changed, New England Transit Club changed as well. Public sector agencies had difficulty justifying participation in the club's social events due to changes in agency policy. I was pleased to have worked to change the old "Transit Club" into the successor organization called the "New England Passenger Transportation Association". Then again, some years later it merged with the North East Transit Association to become the North East Passenger Transportation Association.

The "Transit Club" survives today 100 years after its founding. We still maintain our old traditions of congeniality and warm industry spirit, now coupled with the professional events, seminars and annual Expos of the current organization.

Congratulations to all of us on our first century!

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