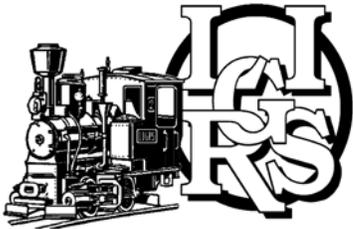


December 2017

**Next Monthly Meeting on
January 21, 2018
Northport Yacht Club
11:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.**



Upcoming Indoor Exhibitions

- ◆ **Cradle of Aviation Museum**, December 23rd until January 1st. Regular museum hours are from 9:30am to 5pm. The Module Group will be in the atrium right inside the front doors, until New Year's Day. Bring your membership card for admission. (see minutes on page 5 for more information.) The museum will be closed Christmas Day. Closes Christmas Eve at 3pm and are also open on New Year's Day.
- ◆ **Clark Botanic Christmas Display** – Set-up has been changed to Friday, Dec. 15 at 10am. Show dates and times (see minutes on page 5)



What is a Proxy and why is it necessary?

In order to conduct official club business such as the nominations for officers, the club needs a quorum of 35 members to conduct such business. A completed proxy enables you to participate in voting on club business without being present at the meeting, but still be included towards the required quorum by authorizing another member in good standing to vote your position. This member could be your spouse, another member, a Director at Large or other officer who is willing to cast your vote as instructed on your behalf as though you were present via a completed proxy in their physical possession. This will ensure that there is a proper representation of the membership deciding club business at the meeting.

Proxy form may be downloaded from our LIGRS website.

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2017-18 LIGRS Meetings & Events Schedule

Date	Program/Notes	Time	Place
December 17-21, 2017 Set up 12/15	Table Display	Sun. Noon—5:00 PM M-T 4 PM—8 PM	Clark Botanic Garden Take down 12/22
December 10, 2017	Christmas Brunch	11:30 AM	The Snapper Inn
December 23-1/1, 2017 Set-up 12/22	Modular Display	9:30 AM—5 PM	Cradle of Aviation Museum Take down 1/2
January 20, 2018	BOD	10:00 AM	Bob Russo
January 21, 2018	Monthly Meeting	11:00 AM	Northport Yacht Club
February 17, 2018 SATURDAY	AUCTION Meeting	11:00 AM	Northport Yacht Club
March 11, 2018	Monthly Meeting	11:00 AM	Northport Yacht Club
April, 28-29 2018 Set up 4/27 8am	Ground Display	TBA	Planting Fields Arboretum
May, 2018	Monthly Meeting	11:00 AM	Dino Zillic
June, 2018	Monthly Meeting	11:00 AM	Andrea Bache
July, 2018	Monthly Meeting	11:00 AM	OPEN
August, 2018	Summer Picnic	TBA	TBA
September, 2018	Monthly Meting	11:00 AM	Danny Saporito

Chic Chat Corner



I don't know much about trains or gardening, so it has taken me a while to decide what to contribute to the "Chic Chat" column. The holidays are fast approaching & that makes me think about family & traditions - so that is my inspiration! Like the Russos, we have a toddler grandson named Jake who keeps us busy & thoroughly entertained. We also welcomed a son-in-law into the family this summer as we celebrated the wedding of our daughter, Danielle, & Kyle in July. Our family is growing & Christmas will be really fun this year. We are truly blessed!

Now for the tradition! My mother-in-law always baked several types of cookies for Christmas. She is 88 years old now & doesn't bake anymore. All her cookies are delicious, but her Hazelnut Crescents are my favorite. Here is the recipe:

- ½ lb salted butter
- 2 cups flour (all purpose)
- 4 Tbsp sugar
- 1 Tsp vanilla
- 6 oz ground hazelnuts (or almonds)

Mix butter, sugar, & vanilla. Gradually add flour & nuts. Shape into crescents & bake in 350 degree oven for 20 - 25 minutes. Roll in sugar & enjoy! (They also freeze well)

Merry Christmas & enjoy the holidays!

Eileen Wagner



2018 Dues Reminder

Why not renew your membership to LIGRS before the busy holiday season?

Individual memberships, the 1st member of a household, are \$40 per year.

Family Memberships for members over 18 years old are \$15 for **EACH** additional member in the same household.

Please send a check made out to **Long Island Garden Railway Society, Inc.** (full name please as the bank frowns on "Pay to the Order of LIGRS") for the appropriate amount to:

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Holiday Train Show at the New York Botanical Garden



November 22, 2017—January 15, 2018

<http://www.nybg.org/hts16/>

Enchanting model trains zip through a display of 150 landmarks, each re-created with bark, leaves, and other natural materials—all under the twinkling glow of the Enid A. Haupt Conservatory. Marvel at G-scale locomotives humming along among familiar sights such as the Brooklyn Bridge, Statue of Liberty, and Rockefeller Center on nearly a half-mile of track. This year's exhibition showcases Midtown Manhattan, with iconic skyscrapers and other architectural wonders sharing the spotlight among old and new collection favorites that define this celebrated district.

About the Artist & Exhibition

Learn more about the landmarks, trains, and artistry behind 26 years of the *Holiday Train Show*®.

<https://www.nybg.org/event/holiday-train-show/holiday-train-show/>



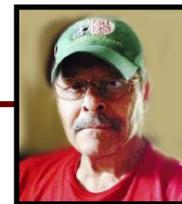
Bar Car Nights

On these nights exclusively for adults 21 and over, a wintry stroll in the festive outdoors with live entertainment sets the mood for an after-dark viewing of the *Holiday Train Show*®

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Tom's Cryptic Puzzle (Solution on following page)



Below is a cryptic definition for something related to Railroading.

Change the letters to find the answer in the sentence below. (In this example: (ZFONZUFROXY = RAIL-ROADING)

The fifth letter "L" in the second word and all other instances of the letter "L" is correct in the sentence below.

Q UTRBLFHB RXAO UEQU JBSBFIBA QW XRLXWD LFWH CXJ SXYTLFWD JQFL SQJK. UEB LFWH QWA YFW
MQK UEB XJFDFWQL KUOLB XC SXYTLFWD TKBA XW QVBJFSQW JQFLMQOK,
BIBWUTQLLO JBYLQSBA FW VXKU SQKBK RO UEB GQWWBO SXYTLBJ



From the Secretary

LONG ISLAND GARDEN RAILWAY SOCIETY INC.

MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING November 19, 2017

President Mike Kmeth asked for a moment of silence for all the Men and Women who are serving this country and especially for those who lost their lives protecting our freedom. Also for the victims of the Texas church shooting and the shooting in Rancho Tehama Reserve, a small town in California.

At this time I would like to give a special thank you to all of our club military veterans who have served in the various branches. THANK YOU

President Mike Kmeth asked that the meeting be opened @ 12:05 PM. A motion was made by, Frank Clemente seconded by Bob Russo to open the meeting. We had 34 members present, 16 proxies.

President Mike asked then for a motion to forego the reading of the October 21 meeting minutes. Ray Shelton made a motion to accept the minutes as written, seconded by Andrea Bache. The motion passed.

Elections - President Mike read the names of each candidate and their respective office after which the secretary cast one vote for each candidate thereby validating the Election of the uncontested nominees:

Vice President Robert Russo

Treasurer Bob Sewall

Membership Director Tom Rizzo

Director at Large Louis Cortese

Director at Large Pat Russo

Treasurers' report was given by Bob Sewall. First quarter 2017-2018 Starting balance \$5,118.99 ending balance \$5,811.52 Should you have any questions about the club finances, please contact Bob and he will be happy to answer any questions you have.

Membership report was given by Tom Rizzo. No change.

Program Directors report – Nick Guarino could not be here today. Dan Saporito gave the report as follows: next year's open house meetings are available for, July and October. Months taken already are May (Dino Zillic), June (Andrea Bache) and September (Dan Saporito). If any member wishes to host a meeting please let Nick know, first time host gets preference of date.

Food Donations - President Mike noted that November is our food donation month so thank you to those who brought items up to the table already. Monetary donations are also accepted. Our donations go to the Grace United Methodist Church food pantry in memory of deceased member Doug Smith.

Christmas Brunch – Bob Russo noted he has 42 people we have room for 8 more.

Looking forward to seeing you all at the Christmas Brunch on Dec 10 at the Snapper Inn at 11:30 AM



Public Displays – The following updates were given:

Sayville Historical Society – Set up Tuesday Nov 21 show date Nov 25 5 PM-8 PM we need to be there early as they close Main Street for a parade.

Clark Botanic Christmas – Karl Wagner reported that the set up will be Monday Dec 11 at 10 AM, (*editor note, set up changed to Friday, Dec. 15th*) show dates and times: Sunday Dec 17, 12 noon to 5 pm Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 4pm – 8pm take down Dec 22

Cradle of Aviation – Set up Dec 22 and take down is Jan 2

Freeport – We will not be doing this show this year

Bethpage – Waiting to find out about insurance issue if we will or will not do the show. Please check Smoke n Cinder for further updates

Planting Fields for Arbor Day- The expected dates for the outdoor ground display are April 28 & 29 set up April 27 @ 8 AM (*continued on following page*)

From the Secretary Continued)



Clark Botanic Gardens - they are waiting for dates to be approved, May 5 7 6 or May 12 & 13 (Mothers Day weekend) Most likely we will not do May 12 & 13

Photo Contest – Congratulations to Susan Cortese for this month's winning picture of their layout, Northern Valley Railway. A link to the rules is on the LIGRS Home page. Please remember to take pictures and send your best picture to Louise Sewall.

Club Librarian report – Please call or e-mail to Nick Guarino next month if you see something you would like to borrow from our collection as he can bring them to the next meeting for you. Those members that have books please remember to return them.

Club Merchandise - Georgiana & Steve Gaherty are here so please see them if you ordered anything. Anyone wishing to purchase club items for sale, shirts, jackets, hats & DVDs please see Georgiana.

Chic Chat Corner – Thank you Judy Rizzo for this month's article. Ladies you can write about anything. So ladies just send something to Louise Sewall for the Chic Chat Corner.

Aluminum Can Tabs – Please see Eileen & Karl Wagner This helps fund the Ronald McDonald House for Children needing surgery and their families. Please check them with a magnet as only Aluminum are used NOT STEEL

Dues - Membership Director Tom Rizzo is now collecting dues for 2018

Modular – Dan Saporito gave an update from our work day back in October at his house for the modules. Power cords were made as well as new connections for the cor-

ners; rails were cleaned and split jaws installed on the rail connections.

New Business

Daisy Garden in Bayport had contacted Dan Saporito about a small Christmas display. Dan, Nick Guarino and Frank Clemente set up as small display. Some pictures are up by the front table.

Paul Giordano and Bill Arndt gave an update on LGB @ Trainworld on Nov. 18

York Large Scale Train Show is March Friday 30 & Saturday 31

Bob Sewall has a number of train cars and engines with him today for sale as he says he needs to thin out the herd.

The club has some books for sale @ \$1.00 each up at the front table.

As a note Susan and Louis Cortese became Grandparents to a baby boy, Carter. 50/50 was won by Andrea Bache. \$17 for Andrea and \$18 for the club.

NO MEETING IN DECEMBER

Next meeting is on SUNDAY January 21 at the Northport Yacht Club.

Bill Arndt made a motion to close the meeting seconded by Bruce Kropp. Motion approved. Meeting ended @ 12:32 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Karl Wagner, Secretary

Solutions to Cryptic Puzzle



ANSWER

A TUBELIKE BODY THAT RECEIVED AN OBLONG LINK FOR COUPLING RAIL CARS. THE LINK AND PIN WAS THE ORIGINAL STYLE OF COUPLING USED ON AMERICAN RAILWAYS, EVENTUALLY REPLACED IN MOST CASES BY THE JANNEY COUPLER

Annual Auction At February Meeting

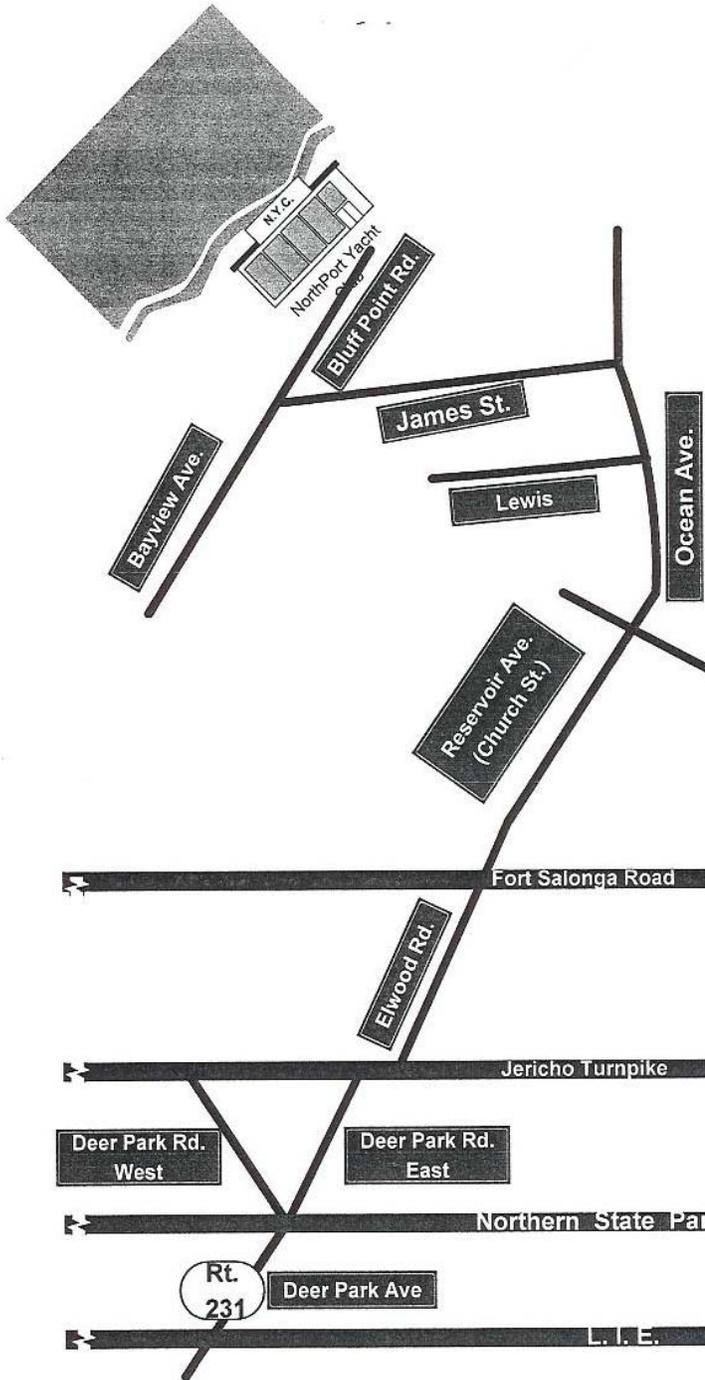


Start off the new year by coming down to the **February 17th (SATURDAY)** LIGRS meeting at **11:00 am**, and join the entire auction team for another great LIGRS Annual Auction.

The auction is a wonderful event that combines aspects of **Let's Make A Deal, The Price Is Right** along with a bit of **Family Feud**. Not to be out done, we even have a

touch of karaoke, where you can try a hand, or is it voice, at being an auctioneer. If you're bashful, you can still come down early and lend a hand logging in auction items, become a "**Vanna**" for a day by displaying items or help out with the auction items. Please contact Bob Sewall at (516) 541-4837 if you can lend a helping hand at the auction or if you have 20 or more items to auction.

Instructions to the Northport Yacht Club Monthly Meeting on January 21



Turn by turn directions:

Take the LIE or Northern State Parkway to Deer Park Ave (Rte. 231) north.

Bear right onto Deer Park Road East. Merge onto Jericho Tpke. (Rte. 25) and make the next left onto Elwood Road.

Elwood changes into Reservoir Road and then into Ocean Ave.

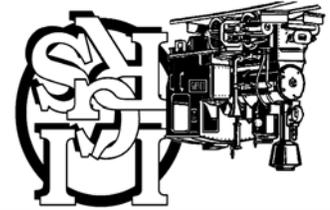
Make a left on James Street and follow to Bluff Point Road and make a right.

Northport Yacht Club is on the left.

631-261-7633

Please remember that we also need photos of your layouts for the LIGRS website and a don't forget to begin taking winter photos for entry into the 2018 photo contest.

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Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to All!

