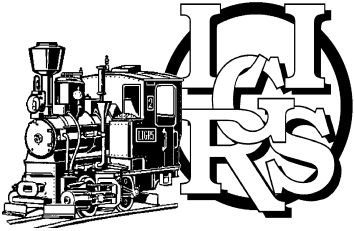


December 2008

LITE NEWSLETTER

Annual LIGRS February Auction at Northport Yacht Club



Start off the new year by coming down to the **February 15th** LIGRS meeting at **11:00 am**, and join the entire auction team for another great LIGRS Annual Auction. Don't have room for all of those new trains? The LIGRS Annual Auction is the perfect solution. So clean out the attic, closet, basement and/or garage and bring all those unwanted train related items to February's Annual LIGRS Auction or donate them to the club. Watch the LIGRS auction team perform its magical alchemy by transforming those excess trains into cash.

For our train challenged members, clean out that bank account and watch the auction team transform those greenbacks back into magnificent trains. 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.

Modular Group Exhibitions

- ◆ **Cradle of Aviation Museum** "Winter Wonderland" Holiday Celebration December 12th, 13th & 14th. Regular museum hours are from 9am to 5pm. Special "Winter Wonderland" activities from 4:30pm to 9pm. The Module Group will be in the atrium right inside the front doors. All members are welcome. Bring your membership card for admission.
- ◆ **Freeport Recreation Center**, Sunday, Jan. 11th from 10— 4 with an 8:00 am set up.
- ◆ **Bethpage H.S.** Saturday, Jan. 17th from 10 — 4 The school is at the intersection of Cherry and Steward Avenues, in Bethpage.

Also at the Cradle of Aviation Museum

It's confirmed. We will be manning TWO displays at the Cradle of Aviation Museum on Museum Row (the old Mitchell Field hangers) in Garden City next month. In addition to the LIGRS Module Group display we will be constructing and running a temporary Christmas/winter display in an alcove in the downstairs display hall of the museum. For those of you who remember our terrific Festival of Trees displays of years past this layout will be very similar...IF you help make it so.

All members of LIGRS will get free admission to the Cradle of Aviation for the duration of our displays over the extended weekend of December 12th (evening), 13th and 14th.

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Springfield Train Show Bus Trip — January 24, 2009

Fare: Still Only \$40 & Includes: Round-Trip Coach Accommodations, entry to Springfield Train Show, choice Location to Visit All Show Buildings, socialize with Family & Friends, pick-Up Points in Queens/Nassau & Suffolk

For More Information Contact: Stephen Williams (516) 346-9071, E-Mail: Stephen.Williams@ngc.com

Send Payment To: Stephen A. Williams, 16 Cottage Place, Hempstead, NY 11550

Cut-Off Date for Refunds: Jan. 5, 2009

Antique Auto Museum Custom Train Display

If any members are in the Hershey Pennsylvania area between now and January 4th, a custom train display began at the Antique Auto Museum in Hershey on November 15th. Travel back in time as these locomotives take you to Tuckerville. There are stores, factories, shops, a farm and a railroad yard. Automated features include a turntable, locomotive repair shop, gas station, Ford garage, drive-in restaurant and construction site complete with bulldozers. Tuckerville is surrounded by a variety of vintage model trains manufactured by Lionel and Williams, Rail King and now Bachmann in a combination of O-scale and HO-scale sizes. Google the museum web page for photos and museum hours. This is the third year for the display and it has been expanded every year.

New York Botanical Gardens Trip Information

Our group trip to the New York Botanical Gardens, to see the holiday layout designed by Paul Busse, will be on Saturday, December 27th. **Note date change to allow for grand kids' participation during Christmas Recess.**

We will be charged a special group rate. Plans are for all those participating to drive to the gardens, in the Bronx, and meet with Rich McGorty. Please call Rich to register and receive more detailed information.



2009 LIGRS Meeting & Event Schedule

Date	Program/Notes	Time	Place
January 3, 2009	Christmas Party	12:30 PM	Northport Yacht Club
February 15, 2009	Monthly Meeting	11:00 AM	Northport Yacht Club
March 15, 2009	Monthly Meeting	11:00 AM	Northport Yacht Club
April 2009	In lieu of Monthly Mtg	TBD	Planting Fields/Arbor Day
May 17, 2009	Monthly Meeting	11:00 AM	Patric Friedmann & Kris Bosworth
June 14, 2009	Monthly Meeting	11:00 AM	Georg & Steve Gaherty
July 19, 2009	Monthly Meeting	11:00 AM	Rick Padley
August 16, 2009	Monthly Meeting	11:00 AM	Paul Tobin
September 20, 2009	Monthly Meeting	11:00 AM	Mike & Kathleen Kmeth
October 18, 2009	Monthly Meeting	11:00 AM	Rich McGorty
November 15, 2009	Monthly Meeting	11:00 AM	Northport Yacht Club

Instructions to the Northport Yacht Club — Christmas Party



Turn by turn directions:

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

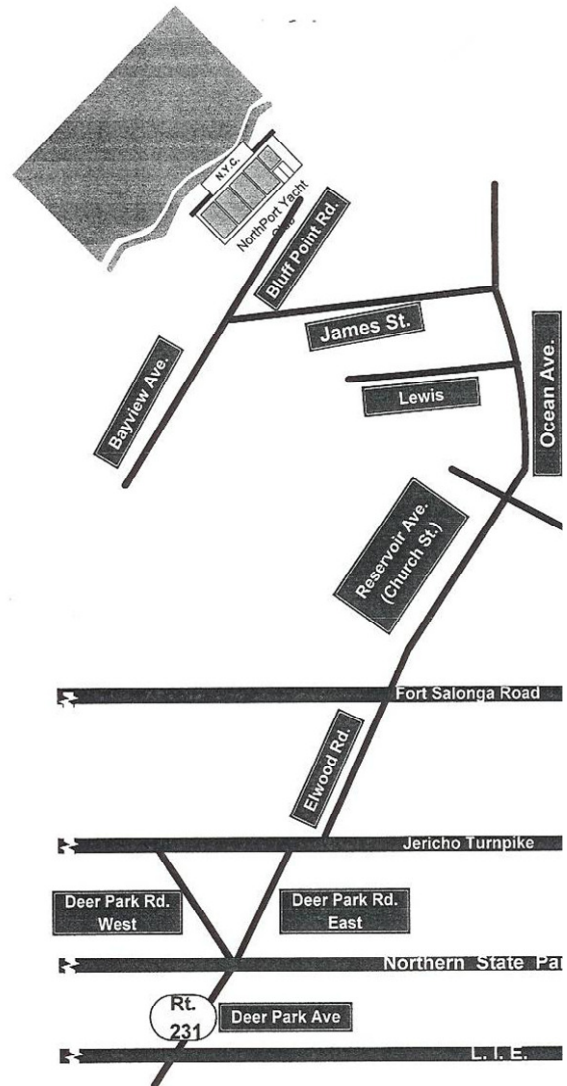
Bear right onto Deer Park Road East. Merge onto Jericho Tpke. (Rte. 25) and make the next left onto Elwood Road.

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



Christmas/Winter display at the Cradle of Aviation (continued)

We need volunteers to build and also to staff the Christmas/winter display. We also need Christmas and winter buildings, scenic details to populate the display and of course trains to run. There is 24 hour security at the museum so we won't have to worry about our personal "stuff". So even if you can't volunteer please consider lending some items to build a Christmas scene.

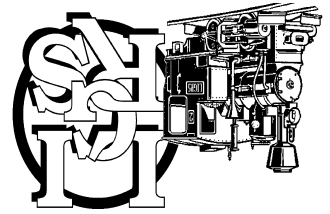
We will be setting up the display on the afternoon / evening of Thursday December 11th beginning at 3pm. Then we will be running trains and manning the layout Friday evening the 12th and all day Saturday the 13th and Sunday the 14th. We will be breaking down the dis-

play on Monday morning December 15th.

This is a great opportunity to have fun running trains for the Christmas season and give some holiday cheer to patrons of the museum.

Please respond to Ed Assaf by email if you will be able to help with your time, your equipment and such or both. Please include what times you will be available and what buildings/scenic items you will be lending to the effort.

P.S. - If you have any questions please call (516) 443-2244

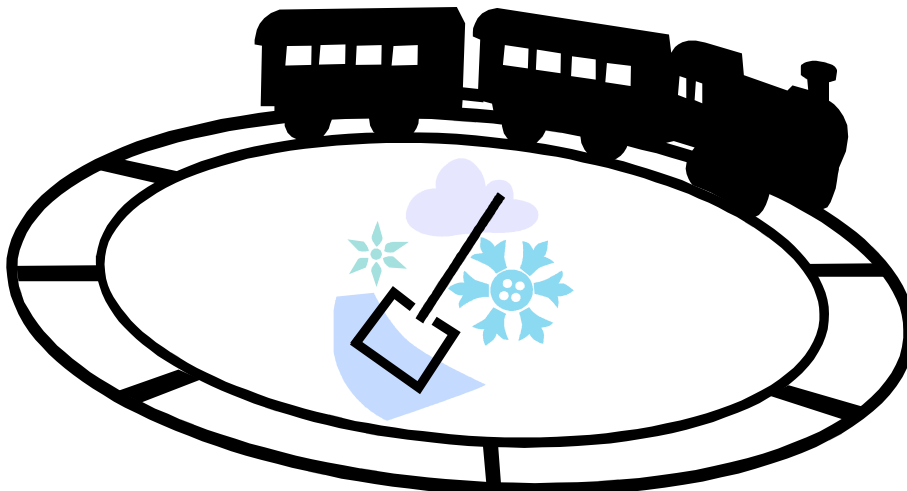


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