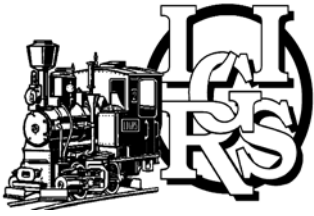


January, 2019

Monthly Meeting  
Sunday, January 20, 2019  
Northport Yacht Club  
11:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.



## Raffle Winner at Clark Holiday Display

Congratulations to Carissa Arneson, Garden City LI this year's LIGRS Train Set Raffle winner at the Clark Botanic Garden. The table display at the garden and train set raffle are some of the ways that the LIGRS is reaching out to publicly intro-

duce large scale railroading in the garden. Carissa and her children were the lucky persons whose winning entry was picked from the many raffle participants. What a great Christmas present!



They chose the PIKO Pennsylvania Starter Set as their prize, as shown being presented by LIGRS President, Mike Kmeth. We wish them well in their new found hobby and hope that they may become future members of the LIGRS family.

## 2018 Photo Contest Winner



All members who attended the Christmas Brunch were asked to vote for their choice of the 2018 contest winner. The winning photo was taken by Bob Se-wall on the Crystal Falls RR.

As a prize, he has won 2 tickets for our annual Summer Picnic. This photo will also be featured on the cover of the LIGRS 2019 Roster.

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## 2019 LIGRS Meetings & Events Schedule

Date	Program/Notes	Time	Place
January 12, 2019	Dan Saporito Presentation	1PM in upper carriage house. Helpers come at 12:30	Bayard Cutting Arboretum
January 18, 2018 FRIDAY	BOD	10:00 AM	Frank Clemente's
January 20, 2019	Monthly Meeting	11:00 AM	Northport Yacht Club
February 16, 2019 SATURDAY	Monthly Meeting and Auction	11:00 AM	Northport Yacht Club
March 2, 2019	Scout Table Top Display	Set up 8AM 10AM-3:30PM	United Methodist Church
March 23, 2019	Modular Display	10AM-3:30P	Bethpage High School
March 24, 2019	Monthly Meeting	11:00 AM	Northport Yacht Club
April 28-29, 2019	Arbor Day Display	TBA	Planting Fields Arboretum
May	Monthly Meeting	TBA	Open
June 23, 2019	Monthly Meeting	11:00 AM	Dan Saprito
July 28, 2019	Monthly Meeting	11:00 AM	Gerri Cooney & Bill Arndt
August	Summer Picnic no mtg.	TBA	

### Request To All Smoke n' Cinders Readers

Did you set up a train layout for the holidays? If you did, I'm sure you took plenty of pictures of it! Please email them to [louisesewall@verizon.net](mailto:louisesewall@verizon.net). If you do not have digital copies, please mail photos to Louise Sewall (address in the roster), who will scan them for future publication..



## View From The Cab



To all our members and their families, a happy and a healthy New Year!

I would like to give a little summary of our last few shows for 2018 for those members that weren't there for set up or run days. As has been the case for a few of our set ups in 2018, weather played an unpleasant part. At the close of 2018 Newsday's weather page had reported 16.71 inches above normal rain for 2018. On December 14<sup>th</sup> we set up a table top display at Clark Botanic Garden. It had 5 tracks operating, consisting of 2 elevated small circles, 1 point to point for the trolley and 2 table top circles. The LIGRS sets up the track and ran the trains. Clark supplied all of the buildings and figures. We had a good turnout of crew for set up. A little weak on run days. Sunday, the first day of running, it rained and rained. Surprisingly the turnout of the public was not bad. As you know the club runs a raffle to promote the hobby and to raise funds. The raffle did very well and would have done better if it hadn't been for the rain on Sunday afternoon on our first run day.



On the last run night we picked a raffle winner. We had asked one little boy to pick the winner but he was shy and walked away. A number of people were waiting for us to pick a winner. Right in front of our raffle table were a number of young girls 8-12 years old who had purchased raffle tickets so we asked one to pick us a winner. It turned out that the picker had won. You should have heard the screams and yelling. It raised the roof off. Later I spoke to the mother of the girl that won. It turns out her husband is into trains. Good.

Our next show was at the Cradle Of Aviation Muse-



um. Set up was Friday Dec. 21<sup>st</sup>. Well it happened again. Rain, and did it rain. Personally, just getting out of my home town was a problem. Police had roads blocked and trees were down. I tried other roads and they were backed up with traffic. Finally I got underway. I said to myself, "Will anybody show up for set up?" When I finally did arrive at the cradle very few members were there. Slowly, over the next hour our wonderful crew showed up. However, the trailer with all the track and equipment had not arrived. Finally it arrived and set up got under way. Everyone had a story about their rainy trip in that morning. Very trying for all. I want to thank everyone for the great effort for making it in for the set up.

The days before Christmas were very slow. Few people and very few raffle tickets sold. A good turnout of members were running trains. We still had more room for more members to come bring and run their trains. We had one rainy day during our run. It appeared to be our busiest day. In the end our raffle did well. We had a member of the cradle staff pick the winner, late in the afternoon on our final run day, January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019. In the evening Bob Sewall and I delivered the train set to the winner. The next day at break down, Ray Sheldon came up to me and said that his daughter won the train set. I had no idea it was his daughter. She never mentioned this to us when we delivered the train set. Small world.

Important dates to remember: our next meeting is on Sunday, January 20<sup>th</sup> at the NPYC. Then there's the date no one wants to forget, it's Saturday, Feb. 16<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at the NPYC. This is auction day. Bring money, bring trains, have a wonderful time.

Mike Kmeth



Sammie of the Cradle of Aviation picks the winning raffle ticket. (Winner will be shown in the February newsletter)



## Tom's What the Heck Puzzle (solution on following page)



## Annual LIGRS February Auction at Northport Yacht Club



Start off the new year by coming down to the **Saturday Feb. 16th** LIGRS meeting at **11:00 am**, and join the entire auction team for another great LIGRS Annual Auction.

**Consider assisting as an alternate auctioneer.**

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**. 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.

**Attention Sellers: Anyone planning to auction 12 or more items, please contact Bob Sewall to arrange to pre-register your items before the date of the auction meeting. (not the day of the auction)**

## In Memory of Ron Scotto



We recently heard of the passing of member Ron Scotto. He received a MTH diesel engine as a birthday present from his daughter. He decided to explore online for some of the information about this gauge. He especially needed to know where to get track. He Googled "garden railway clubs on Long Island" and discovered the LIGRS.

He owned Lionel and HO trains as a child. He collected both diesel and steam and whatever rolling stock appealed to him.



# Solution to What the Heck Puzzle



It's a new technology for storing energy. It's from a company called ARES. Here's how it works:

1. The train carries big rocks uphill, consuming electricity.
2. Then the train carries big rocks downhill, generating electricity.

Website: <https://www.vox.com/2016/4/28/11524958/energy-storage-rail>

## Cradle of Aviation



William Arndt	Susan Cortese	Mike Iannacone	Walter Poppe
Edward Assaf	Matthew Crehan	Michael Kmeth	Thomas Rizzo
Richard Bishop	Georgiana Gaherty	Kathleen Kmeth	Robert Russo
Paul Bonney	Steve Gaherty	Bruce Kropp	Danny Saporito
Elizabeth Bonney	Robert Garruba	Joseph Luginsland	Bob Sewall
Debbie Brutsch	Roseann Garruba	Richard McGorty	Louise Sewall
Frank Clemente	Paul Giordano	Elizabeth McGorty	Ray Shelton
Geraldine Coney	Nick Guarino	John Pizzulli	Karl Wagner
Louis Cortese			

And many thanks to our  
Cradle of Aviation  
volunteers.



## Cradle of Aviation continued

John Pizzuli notified Newsday of the display and they sent a reporter and photographer. A nice photo and blurb appeared in the paper which showed not only a section of the display but 2 dads holding up their children, watching trains running as well as notice of the dates still available for viewing.



## Daisy Garden Holiday Display



The holiday table top display was set up by Danny Saporo, Nick Guarino, and Frank Clemente. They designed it to be run as an unmanned display.

Thank you guys!



## This Month's Photo Contest Winner It's a Tie!



This month's winning photos were both taken by Mike Iannacone on his Grey Rock and Southern RR. Above is "Pushing the Work Train". Below "It's on Time!"

Get your photos in for next month's contest!  
See slideshow of all monthly winners for 2018 on our LIGRS website





## The Display at Clark Botanic Garden



Nick Guarino	Ed Rusch
Mike Kmeth	Bob Sewall
Jack Lane	Louise Sewall
Richie McGorty	Karl Wagner

Thanks to our volunteers for manning the display



## Sayville Holiday Display



Steve Gaherty	Mike Kmeth
Georgie Gaherty	Ed Rusch
Nick Guarino	Dan Saporito
	Karl Wagner

Thanks to our volunteers who set up and manned the display at the Sayville Historical Society this year.



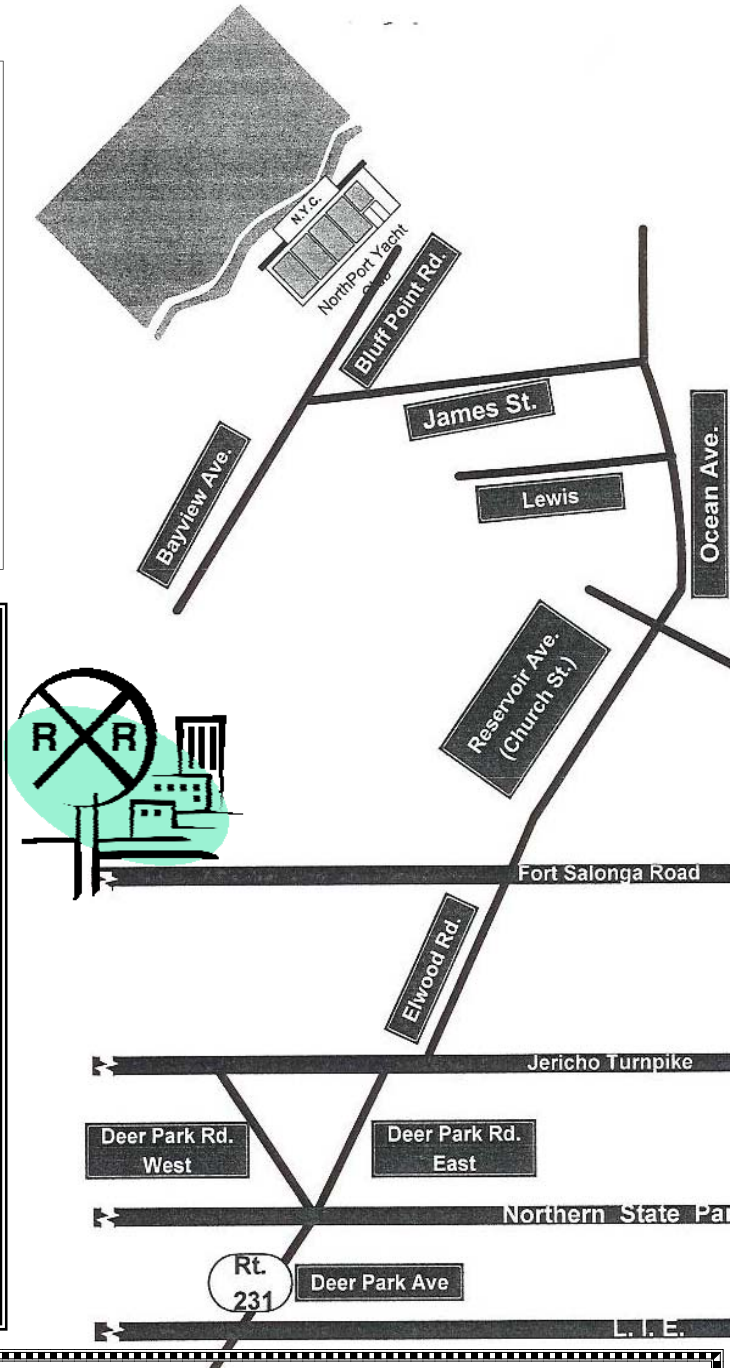
**Directions to the Northport Yacht Club**  
**Monthly Meeting**  
**Sunday, January 20, 2019**



**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



**2019 Dues Reminder**

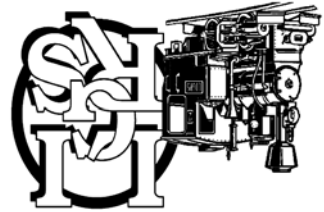
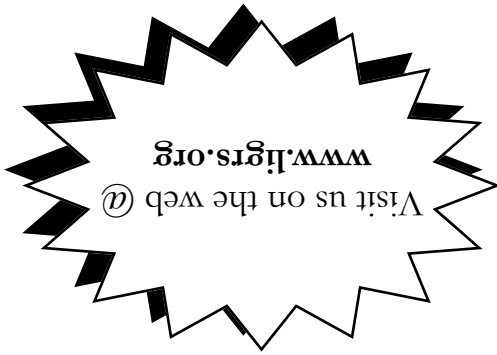
Why not renew your membership to LIGRS before the busy holiday season? Individual memberships, the 1st member of a household, are \$40 per year. Family Memberships for members over 18 years old are \$15 for **EACH** additional member in the same household. Please send a check made out to **Long Island Garden Railway Society** (full name please as the bank frowns on "Pay to the Order of LIGRS") for the appropriate amount to:

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Questions? Contact **Tom Rizzo**  
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**REMINDER:**

A link to our Proxy Form can be found on the home page of our website, LIGRS.org. If you are unable to attend any monthly meeting, please be sure to fill one out and give to our president or a BOD member to ensure a quorum so that an official business meeting may be held.



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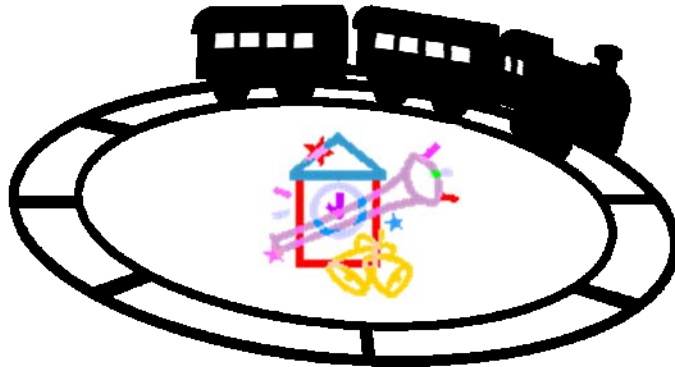
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**"I hope that in this year to come, you make mistakes.**

Because if you are making mistakes, then you are making new things, trying new things, learning, living, pushing yourself, changing yourself, changing your world. You're doing things you've never done before, and more importantly, you're Doing Something.

So that's my wish for you, and all of us, and my wish for myself. Make New Mistakes. Make glorious, amazing mistakes. Make mistakes nobody's ever made before. Don't freeze, don't stop, don't worry that it isn't good enough, or it isn't perfect, whatever it is: art, or love, or work or family or life. Whatever it is you're scared of doing, Do it. Make your mistakes, next year and forever."

— Neil Gaiman



**Happy 2019!**