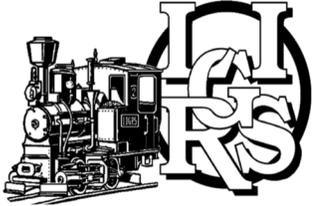


July 2022



THE NEWSLETTER OF THE LONG ISLAND GARDEN RAILWAY SOCIETY INC

Smoke n' Cinders



Monthly Meeting
July 16, 2022
11:00-3:00
Hosts Jay Geyer & Betty Engel
1A Lafayette Place,
Massapequa, NY 11758-



SAVE THE DATE!

The Summer picnic is scheduled on **SATURDAY** August 20th at the Railroad Museum of Long Island, Riverhead.

Don't forget to bring your trains to run!

Bob Sewall will accept reservation forms with checks at the club's PO Box 2002, N Massapequa, NY 11758 or at meetings, Adults @ \$20 pp and Children under 13 @ \$8. each. Children under 5 free.

Volunteers are needed and can contact Frank Clamente, Picnic Coordinator, (# in roster) to let him know they can help.

As we did at our last picnic there will be wrist bands distributed upon entry to the area which will allow people to access the food.

(See reservation form on page 9. Do NOT send checks without completed reservation form)

Deadline for Bob Sewall to receive the reservations is August 6th.

****Frank is asking that people bring a salad to share and let him know what type it will be.****

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2022 LIGRS Meetings & Events Schedule

Date	Program/Notes	Time	Place
July 16, 2022 <u>SATURDAY</u>	Monthly Meeting	11:00 AM	Jay & Betty Geyer
July 23, 2022 <u>SATURDAY</u>	Fun Run (rain date 7/24)	Museum Hours	RMLI Riverhead
August 20, 2022 Rain date 8/21	Summer Picnic	TBA	RMLI Riverhead
Sept. 10, 2022 <u>SATURDAY</u>	Fun Run (rain date 9/11)	Museum Hours	RMLI Riverhead
Sept. 16-18, 2022 Long Island Fair	Ground Display	Restoration Hours	Old Bethpage Village Restoration
Sept 24, 2022 Date Change <u>SATURDAY</u>	Monthly Meeting	11:00 AM	George & Connie Stamataides
Oct. 15, 2022 <u>SATURDAY</u>	Monthly Meeting	11:00 AM	Paul & Elizabeth Bonney
Nov. 2022	Monthly Meeting	11:00 AM	TBA

***Saturday home-hosted meetings have a rain date the following day, Sunday**

View From The Cab



At our June meeting hosted by Geri and Bill, they informed us that they are moving to Fl. later this year. We wish them well on

their new adventure. They had a number of items for sale both train and non-train related. I noticed one of our Jr. members walk out with more than a few boxes of train cars. I myself bought two wood clamps, (you can never have enough clamps) and one train item, a wind mill which I had planned on making for my interactive modular display. The funny thing is my wife found the wind mill and asked "Can we use this?". Yes was my answer.

A few items to take note of:

Our September meeting date has been changed to Saturday, September 24, 2022.

It will be still held at George and Connie's home in Flanders, just past the big L.I. Duck. Please see our September issue of Smoke n' Cinder for time and directions.

This is an important meeting to attend; it is time for nomination of club officers. The current President can't run again, by laws state president can only run three consecutive terms. I'm in the last six months of my 3rd term. Also our secretary is not running again.

Other positions that are up, Program Director and (3) Dir-At-Large positions

So please make every effort to make this meeting.

The next big event will be our picnic on August 20, 2022 which will be at the Railroad Museum of Long Island in

Riverhead. Food will be heroes, salads, and pizza and franks. You can ride the 1964-65 World's Fair Train all day and visit the interactive Lionel layout.

If you have not been to the Riverhead museum in the last few years, they now have a large tent set on a cement slab, and that's where we will have our picnic setup.

Remember the picnic is open to everyone not just club members, extended families members and friends are welcome.

Wrist bands will be issue to all that paid. No payee, no wrist band, no food or drinkie or train rides.

If you are planning on attending please get your payment in before August 6th 2022. Must be **post marked** no later than August 6th. Any late comers should expect a \$10.00 extra per person to cover extra food not planned on at August 6th dead line.

AS OF THIS WRITING JUNE 30, 2022, (2) BOARD MEMBERS AND (3) OTHER MEMBERS HAVE PAID FOR PICNIC TICKETS.

IF YOU, FAMILY AND FRIENDS PLAN ON GOING TO OUR PICNIC PLEASE GET YOUR MONEY IN NOW, AVOID THE LAST MINUTE RUSH!

Mail checks to the club **P.O. Box address** in Massapequa; make checks out to **Long Island Garden Railway Society Inc.**

See further picnic information in this issue of S n' C. (Editor's note: Address is LIGRS, P.O. Box 2002, N Massapequa, NY 11758)

Also for members that want to run trains, please bring your trains and run on the Freeman Garden Railroad the day of picnic



and share the track.

Saturday September 10, 2022 is a run day for our club at Museum in Riverhead so again if you want to run trains bring them. Also on same day and location we will be having our board meeting.

Currently there is one show scheduled, a ground display for the Long Island Fair at Old Bethpage Village. Event will be held Friday, Saturday, & Sunday, September 16, 17, & 18th 2022. Setup will be announced at later date.

Other club news if you weren't at our last meeting I announced that a few members switched trailers around, therefore the Red trailer has all indoor display equipment and the Green trailer has all outdoor train display equipment.

Also over the last few Tuesdays a few members have been working on the Freeman Railroad. Track road bed rework, weeding and trimming brushes. Most likely weeding will have to be done again before the picnic. A big thanks to all that helped.

Other train news, I don't know if anyone caught the article in June 28, 2022, Newsday pg. A28, to help get needed food grains out of the Ukraine the Polish government is making plans to standardize Ukraine's board gauge to standard gauge to match the rest of Western Europe. Remember Russia is board gauge and under Russian control Ukraine is also board gauge.

Always view e-mails and calendar of events for updates and their locations in S n' C.

Mike Kmeth

From The Secretary Meeting Minutes



LONG ISLAND GARDEN RAILWAY SOCIETY INC.

MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING JUNE 18, 2022

President Mike Kmeth asked for a moment of silence for the Men and Women who are serving this country and especially for those whose lives were lost protecting our way of freedom.

President Mike Kmeth asked that the meeting be opened @ 12:03 PM. A motion was made by Chip Sulsenti, seconded by Bruce Kropp to open the meeting. We had 20 members present, 9 proxies. We have a quorum.

Mike welcomed us all to our June 2022 in person meeting at the home of Gerry Coney and Bill Arndt.

Bill Arndt thanked everyone in the club but told us that Gerry and he were moving to Florida at the end of the year. We all wished them well. Most trains are for sale, make Bill an offer.

President Mike then asked for a motion to read the May 21, 2022 meeting minutes or forego the reading and accept them as written. Motion was made by Bill Arndt and second by Chip Sulsenti to accept the minutes as written.

Reports:

Treasurers' Report -- Bob Sewall gave the 3rd Quarter 4/1/22 thru 6/30/22 starting Balance as \$8,815.20 Ending as \$8,960.44 The YTD as of 5/20/22 Starting Balance as \$9,968.81 ending Balance as \$8,960.44 As always any question please see Bob and he will answer any questions you may have.

Membership Report -- Anthony Bliss was unable to attend today but sent in the following report: Individual 24, Family 18, Ext Fam 0, Life 6, Honorary 4, Junior 3 Total 74 Tom Rizzo took the attendance for today's meeting.

Program Director -- Mike read the notes from Nick Guarino as he was unable to make today's meeting.

July 16 -- Saturday, @ Betty & Jay Geyer

Sept 17 -- Saturday, This meeting has to be changed due to the Long Island Fair. George and Connie Stamataides are looking into a different date. This also our nomination of officers

Oct 15 -- Saturday, @ Paul & Elizabeth Bonney

Note all Saturday meetings have a rain date of Sunday

Modular Coordinator -- Ed Assaf was unable to attend today but sent the following report: The trailers have been switched, module and outdoor equipment.

Review of Shows & Events: None this past month

Upcoming Shows & Events:

Club Picnic -- Saturday August 20 at the Railroad Museum of Long Island. Rain date Sunday 21 Cut off for tickets is August 6th Please send your money to Bob Sewall at the club PO Box. If you would like to volunteer to help, please see Chairperson Frank Clemente. Pricing is same as last year, Adults \$20 pp and Children under 13 \$8 each. We will have heroes, salads, pizza maybe hot dogs and some deserts for the kids. Bring a small salad for our contest. Please bring some of your trains to run on the Freeman Layout.



RMLI Fun Run date Saturday July 23 and Saturday Sept 10 Bring your trains to run.

Photo Contest -- Congratulations to this month's winner "What? Painting in the Snow?" was taken by Louise Sewall of a vignette appearing on our club's modular display at the Cradle of Aviation Museum. You can see it in our June issue of Smoke n' Cinders. Please remember to take pictures and send your best picture to Louise Sewall.

Chic Chat Corner --Remember you can write about almost anything here at Chic Chat Corner. Send your thoughts to Louise Sewall.

Club Resource Library -- The list of books, videos and plans are on the club's website. Just contact Nick Guarino and he will bring it to our next meeting for you to borrow.

Club merchandise -- Please see Georgiana & Steve Gaherty if you wish to purchase any club items such as hats, shirts, jackets, pins and DVD's

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

Good and Welfare -- If you know of someone in the club who is sick or has a baby or wedding please let Eileen Wagner know so she can send a card from the club.

New Business:

Bob Sewall announced an update to the proposed Penn Station to Albany, continuing to Montreal, one-way trip by private rail car. Since Amtrak has not been able to reinstate rail service to Montreal by early 2022 plans are being changed that may provide for a one-way Albany to Penn Station or Penn Station to Albany trip via the "Babbling Brook" private rail car. Details are being ironed out with the owners and more information to come.

If you are interested, please contact Louise Sewall for updates about the train trip.

MEMBERS PLEASE NOTE: Please start thinking about officer nomination for Sept: President cannot run more than 6 years, this is Mike's year 6, Secretary Karl Wagner does not want to run for that position anymore. Also positions that are up are: Program Director Nick Guarino, Directors Paul Bonney, Ed Assaf and Frank Clemente.

50/50 was won by Gerry Coney. \$11 for Gerry and \$11 for our club.

Next General meeting will be Saturday July 16 at Betty & Jay Geyer's house.

Next BOD meeting will be a Zoom meeting on Wednesday, July 6 @ 7 PM Please contact Ed Assaf to let him know if you are joining the meeting.

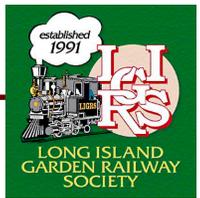
Joe DiBenedetto made a motion to close the meeting seconded by Chip Sulsenti. Motion approved. Meeting ended @ 12:38 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Karl Wagner
Secretary



Lou's Layout Update



Lou Caputzal was working on a trestle for over the fish pond when I phoned. He had sent these 3 photos to show how his layout is coming along. He has been working on it for a little over 2 years. It started as a round circle around the gazebo. Then he just added more and more. The trestle is part of an expansion of 50-60 feet.

The buildings are bird houses that he is using for his "Petticoat Junction" town. The "mulch" in the

pictures was home made. He owns a wood chipper. He purchased pine bark in big chunks, ground it down more and threw it around. In addition he has converted one of his diesels to battery power with the help of Frank Clemente. Thanks so much Frank!



Chic Chat Corner

Just thinking about all the activities available at the Railroad Museum of Long Island at Riverhead on the day of our club picnic.

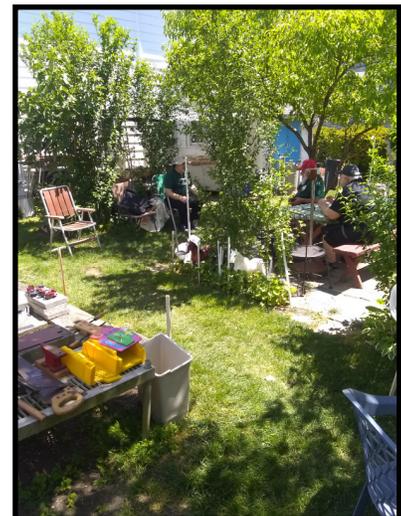
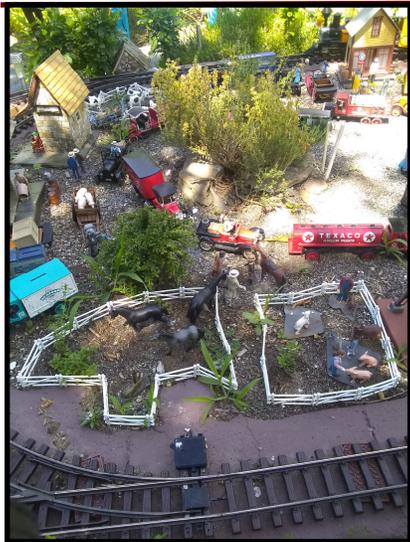
As Mike pointed out in his "View From The Cab" column we can ride the 1964-65 World's Fair Train all day and visit the interactive Lionel layout which now has 83 operating push button accessories.

The Visitors Center has small displays and a fully stocked gift shop

There is also much historical equipment on display such as the PRR MP70, one of the first double decker rail car models to be used in the U.S.



June Meeting Photos

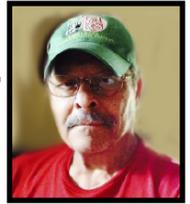


It was a lovely day for our June meeting with Geri Coney and Bill Arndt. They announced that they will be relocating to Florida in order to have more comfortable winters. Geri had and still has much train "stuff" to sell because they were unable to attend our last auction.

Bill displayed his new model of the Titanic made from LEGO. The photo to the left of the ship is the Roman Colosseum. Wow Bill.



Tom's "What the Heck?" Solution on next page



News From Art Salander.



So sorry that I missed the meeting this past weekend. I was in California all week and came home with a terrible stomach virus which kept me from the meeting. Please forward my apologies to Geri and Bill, as I really wanted to see their set up.

On Sunday however there was a fire that started in my neighbors' shed and spread to the side of my house. It destroyed my rail set up. I had just finished laying the track etc. and was about to start on the scenery.

Anyway, the base and the track all need to be redone and fortunately it is covered under my homeowners insurance.

On the plus side, no one in either house was hurt, at all. Sadly, two firemen were injured. We can still live

in our house, my neighbor, not so. And, they have already started repairs.

About the fire in general, if anyone is interested, a fellow did publish some photos for sale, don't buy them! Here -

<https://josephsperber.smugmug.com/Commack-FD/Commack-House-Fire-9-Delaware-Avenue-6192022/i-94gVJNw/buy>

I am hopeful that I can make the next meeting.

Best regards,
Art Salander



Monthly Photo Contest Winner



This month's winning photo "Busy Workers" was taken by Louise Sewall of a vignette on the modular display at the COA



What the Heck Solution



Half a GG plus whatever

Golden Spike Nominations?

Golden Spike awards are now being considered by our BOD. Share your nominations of club members with any of our directors or other club officers. (Their names and contact information are listed on page 2 of this month's newsletter.)



Are you coming to the LIGRS ANNUAL PICNIC?

- **Location:** Railroad Museum of Long Island Riverhead
Railroad Museum of Long Island – Preserving Long Island's
Rich Railroading Heritage (rmlli.org)
- **RESERVATIONS ARE A MUST!** (because this year
wrist bands will again be issued to all participants)
Please respond no later than August 11th
- **Cost:**
- Adults: \$20.00 pp Send checks payable to **Long Island
Garden Railway Society, Inc.** to Bob Sewall
- Children: Under 13yrs \$8.00.
Children under 5 FREE
- Due to club insurance restrictions
Alcoholic beverages are prohibited at this event
- Hero style picnic (plus pizza) Bring salads to share
- **VOLUNTEERS** requested to help with set up and clean-
up. (Contact Frank Clemente, committee chairperson)

SATURDAY
August 20, 2022
11:00 am
Rain date 8/21



DETACH Completed form AND MAIL
WITH CHECK PAYABLE TO: **Long
Island Garden Railway Society, Inc.**

Mail to: Bob Sewall at
LIGRS, PO Box 2002,
N Massapequa, NY 11758

No Later Than AUGUST 6th
Questions call
516.541.4837

Location has tables and chairs but... You may bring
your own **CHAIRS**

MEMBER'S NAME _____	PHONE _____
Number of Adults: _____ X \$20 = \$_____	
Number of Children: _____ X \$ 8 = \$_____	
Check Made Payable To: Long Island Garden Railway Society, Inc..	
Do not abbreviate!	
<u>Names of those in your party:</u> Need more space? Attach another page.	
<i>Adults</i>	<i>Children (over 5 yrs.)</i>
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LIGRS Annual Picnic
Saturday, August 20th 11:00 a.m.
Railroad Museum of Long Island
416 Griffing Avenue
Riverhead, New York

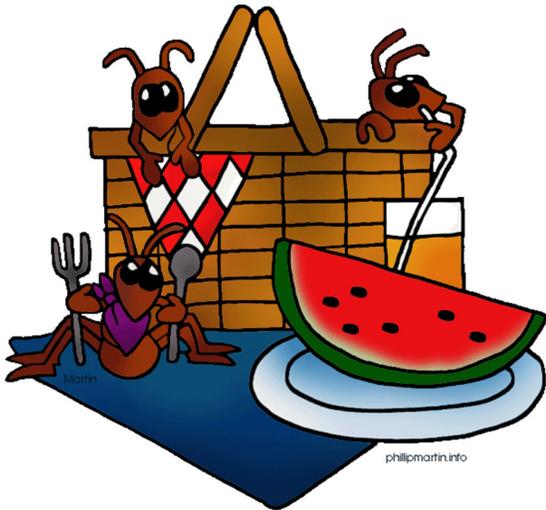
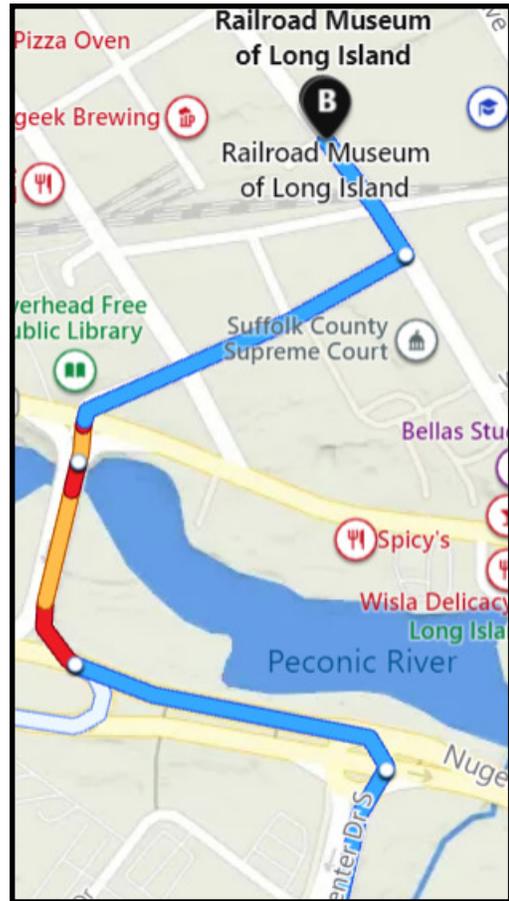
Directions (Best to use GPS)

From West traveling East using NY 27

Follow NY-27 E to County Rd 51 N/Moriches-Riverhead Rd in Brookhaven. Take exit 61 from NY-27 E
Follow County Rd 51 N to Griffing Ave in Riverhead

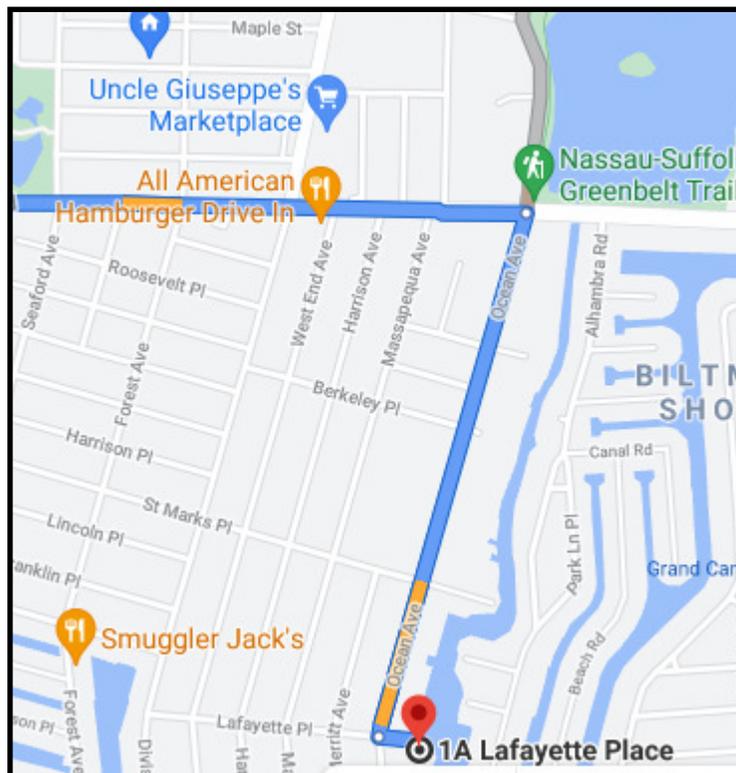
From West traveling East using Southern State Parkway

Take Southern State Pkwy and I-495 E to NY-24 S/Edwards Ave S in Manorville. Take exit 71 from I-495 E
Continue on NY-24 S. Drive to Griffing Ave in Riverhead



FOR OUR GPS USERS
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Riverhead, New York

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Via 495: I 495 to NY 135 S. To Merrick Rd in Seaford. Take exit 1E. Merrick Rd to right on Ocean Avenue then left on Lafayette Place.

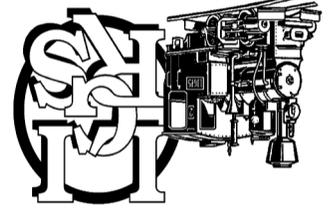
Via Southern State Pkwy: to N Broadway in Massapequa. Exit 30S. Follow N Broadway to left on Merrick Rd to right on Ocean Avenue then left on Lafayette Place.

From Montauk Hwy, Merrick Rd; to right on Ocean Avenue then left on Lafayette Place.

No matter the weather it was nice and cool sitting on their deck overlooking the water and soaking up the breezes last summer when they hosted for the first time..

Come on down!

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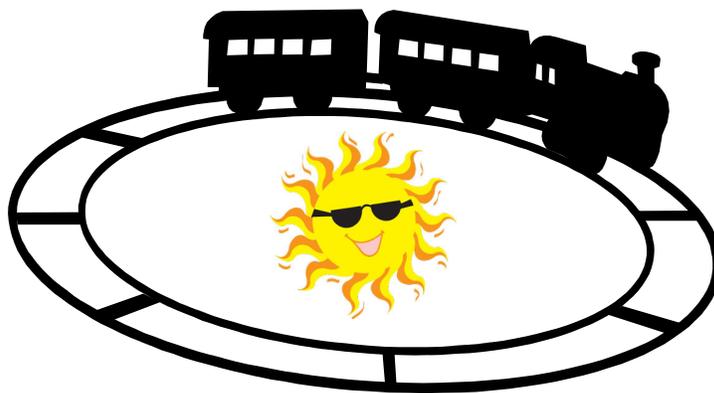


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Enjoy the Summer!



Driving the train doesn't set its course. The real job is laying the track.

Ed Catmull