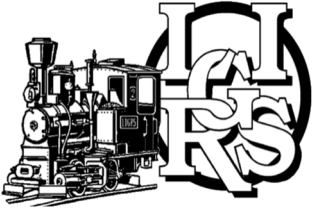


July 2024



THE NEWSLETTER OF THE LONG ISLAND GARDEN RAILWAY SOCIETY INC

Smoke n' Cinders



Monthly Meeting
July 13, 2024
11:00-3:00
Hosts Jay & Betty Geyer
1A Lafayette Place,
Massapequa, NY 11758



SAVE THE DATE

PICNIC REMINDER SAVE THE DATE
AUGUST 10th, rain date AUGUST 11th.
Ray Shelton's home 31 August Lane Hicksville.
RSVP WILL BE REQUIRED. Details to follow.

This Weekend

Saturday, June 29, 11 a.m.-3 p.m.: **Grand opening of the Greenport Express** miniature railroad presented by the Greenport Rotary at the station on Moore's Lane, Greenport. Rain date: June 30.



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2024 LIGRS Meetings & Events

Date	Program/Notes	Time	Place
July 13, 2024	General Meeting	11:00 AM	Jay & Betty Geyer
Aug. 10 , 2024 SATURDAY Rain date Aug. 11	General Mtg & Picnic	11:00 AM	31 August Lane, Hicksville, NY
September 2024	General Meeting	11:00 AM	Ed Assaf
Oct. 13, 2024 SUNDAY	General Meeting	11:00 AM	Mike Kmeth
Nov., 2024	General Meeting	11:00 AM	TBA
Dec., 2024	TBA		



View From The Cab



CAB engineer on repair duty.

Please Stand By!

National Railway Historical Society DC Chapter



Trip News 2024

After a busy spring excursion and charter season with public trips to Roanoke, Albany-Rensselaer, New York City and its birthplace of Pullman, Illinois, *Dover Harbor* is back home in Maryland awaiting the next call to action. While summer is just beginning, it's not too early to book travel for our autumn excursion season, with trips to Niagara Falls, Roanoke, and Williamsburg/Newport News. Our volunteer crews will be pleased to welcome you aboard, providing splendid chef-prepared meals, exceptional service, and comfortable lounge seating aboard our historic 1923 Pullman railcar.

Narrow Gauge to Ragtime

Rockhill Furnace, PA

Saturday, September 14, 2024, 11:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Niagara Falls Escape

October 5-8, 2024 - New York, NY to Niagara Falls and return

Saturday, October 5: *Depart New York Penn Station at 10:20 a.m., arrive Niagara Falls, NY at 7:35 p.m.*

Tuesday, October 8: *Depart Niagara Falls, NY at 6:47 a.m., arrive New York Penn Station at 3:45 p.m.*

Virginia Railway Express Shop Tour

Fredericksburg, VA

Saturday, August 17, 2024, 9:45 a.m.

Blue Ridge Rambler

Washington, Alexandria or Manassas to Roanoke, VA and return

Sunday, October 13, 2024

Depart Washington Union Station at 8:15 a.m., Alexandria at 8:35 a.m. or Manassas at 9:09 a.m, arriving Roanoke at 1:13 p.m.

Return trip departs Roanoke at 4:30 p.m. and arrives at Manassas at 8:28 p.m., Alexandria at 9:10 p.m. and Washington Union Station at 9:28 p.m.

Tidewater Traveler

Washington DC or Alexandria, VA to

Williamsburg or Newport News and return

Saturday October 19, 2024

Southbound trip departs Washington, DC 7:00 a.m., Alexandria, VA 7:18 a.m., arriving Williamsburg at 10:36 a.m. and Newport News at 11:15 a.m..

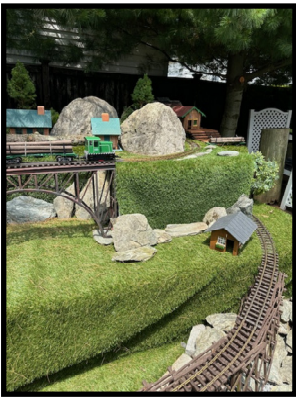
Northbound trip departs Newport News at 3:45 p.m., Williamsburg at 4:07 p.m., arriving Alexandria at 7:28 p.m. and DC at 7:55 p.m.

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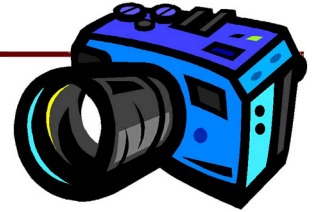
Photos of the June Meeting



Photos compliments of Jay & Betty Geyer



Monthly Photo Contest Winner



This month's winning photo "Coming Through the Tunnel" was taken by Betty Engle of a train on the club's Planting Fields Layout.



Chic Chat Corner



I'm going to be rambling on a little about my love of riding on street-cars (trolleys). I do have a trolley line on my Garden Rail Road, but that's for another time.

My earliest recollection is when I was 4 year's old riding the Myrtle Ave line between Glendale and Ridgewood, Queens NYC. My family lived in an apartment on a street off of Myrtle Ave, but from our front window you could see Myrtle and the street cars going by.

The not so good part was being in an auto behind a trolley on Myrtle Ave, you could not pass, and riding with my dad I remember he wasn't too happy about it!

Many years later now in our early 20's my brother and I visited the Shore Line Trolley Museum in East Haven Conn. and rode that line, which still operates today.

After finishing our Honeymoon in New Orleans, La., Kathleen and I

did some sight-seeing, and you guessed it, my wife and I rode a trolley. We rode the St. Charles Street Line to the zoo. This line has two tracks one for each direction, divided by trees and grass. The line passes by many old large beautiful colorful homes. At that time seats were wicker and in beautiful condition. This line is still in operation today.

Again after many years later, my wife and I visited the Connecticut

Chic Chat Continued



Trolley Museum in East Windsor Conn. There we rode the coolest trolley ever. It was an open observation car, No.4 that was used as a tourist street car in Montreal, Canada. It had stratum style seating. We sat in top row of seating. I remember riding through a wooded area, trees on both sides of track, moving at a good clip, wind blowing in our faces, and her hair, real neat. This trolley was built in 1924. I would like to ride this car again someday! (**LIGRS members what about a day trip?**)

Did you ever visit the East Broad Top RR in Rockhill Furnace PA.? This RR is partnered with the Rockhill Trolley the Museum. Again we rode this line and loved every minute of the ride. I love the sounds of the speed changes of the motors and the sound of the air compress

going on for brakes. Moving ahead a number of years, while celebrating our 50th high school reunion in Tampa, Fl. (Kathleen and I graduated from the same H.S. and same class year on Long Island, NY), but one of our class mates setup a class reunion in Tampa, a most beautiful event.

Did you know that Tampa has a line trolley system? TELO LINE Streetcar System? That is new, initiated in 1983. The street cars are new but replica style of the 1920's. Line goes from down town Tampa and Channelside to Ebor City, a Historic District that in its hey day was an enclave of Cuban cigar making. Very nice ride.

Do you ever think that is what it was like in days gone by, I do. Eve-

ry time I go down town in my home of Northport, I wonder what it was like riding a trolley from the dock in down town Northport to the train station in East Northport. You see the trolley tracks still run down the center of Main St. Track turns and ends just as if were entering a car barn banking on the harbor. Nice dream. The Northport line stopped operation in 1923.

In closing, when I was club President one of our out of state members e-mailed me that he would like to do a write up about the trolley lines of Long Island, NY, I wish he would, I believe it would be interesting to see what mass transit was really like.

Mike Kmeth

A trolley on the Shade Gap Electric Railway,
East Broad Top



Directions to Annual Picnic



31 August Lane, Hicksville

From Northern State Pkwy

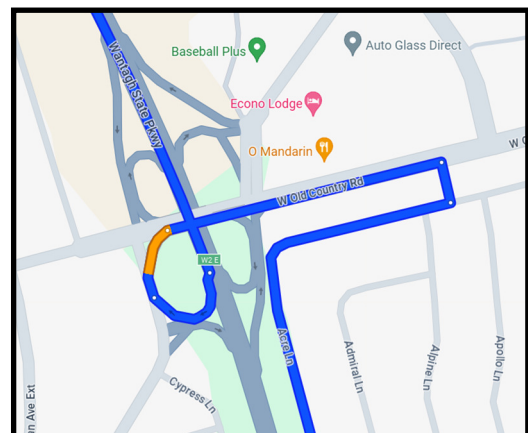
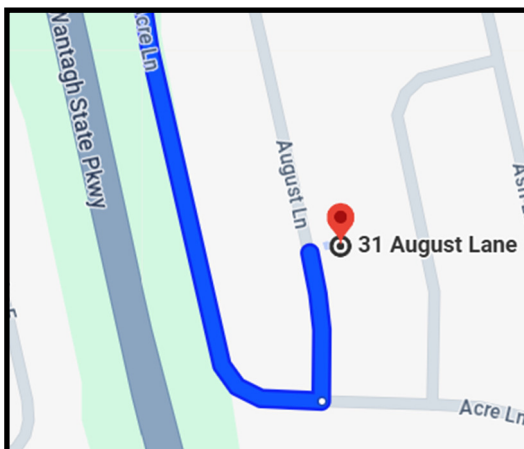
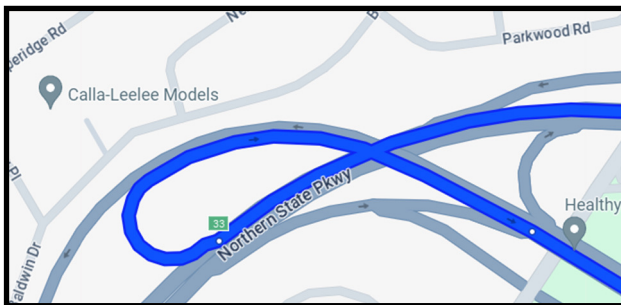
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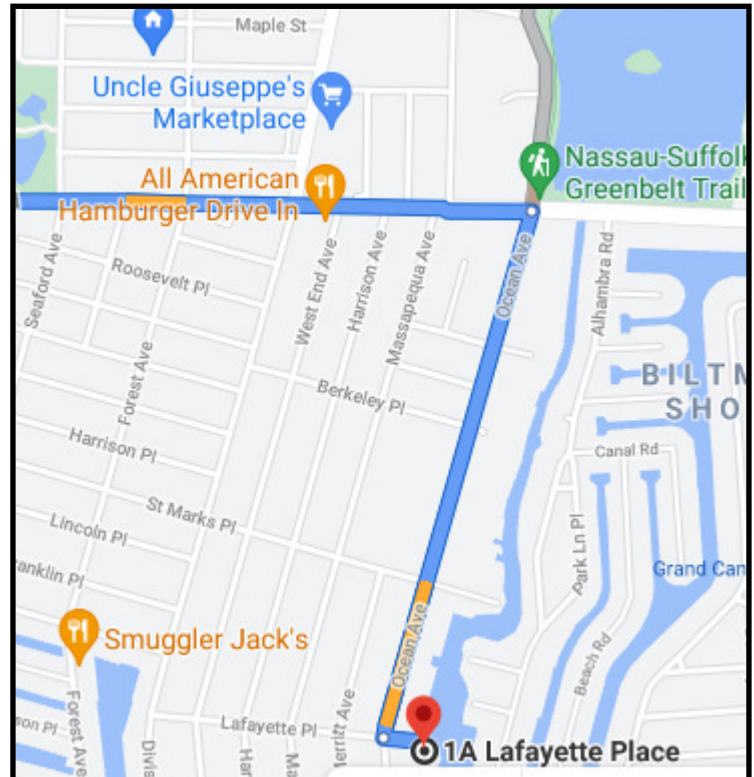
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Conducting our meeting on their large back deck overlooking the water. No matter the temperature, it is a lovely, comfortable place to gather.



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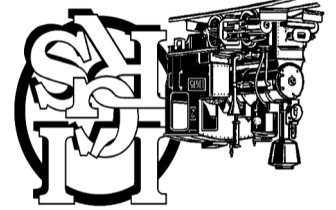
Via Southern State Pkwy: to N Broadway in Massapequa. Exit 30S. Follow N Broadway to left on Merrick Rd to right on Ocean Avenue then left on Lafayette Place.

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



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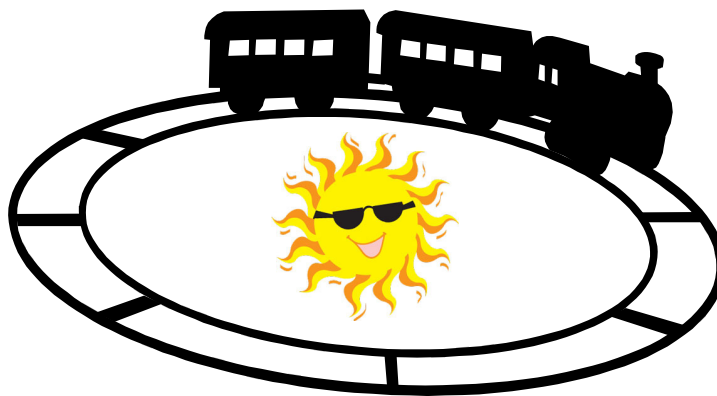
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Enjoy the Summer!



**“Everyone wants to ride the train but not everyone wants to
lay the tracks.”**