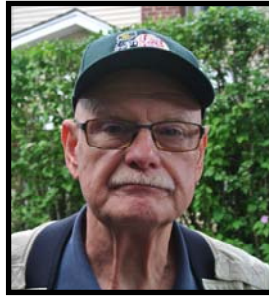


July 2019



Monthly Meeting
July 28, 2019 11:00-3:00
Geri Coney & Bill Arndt
170 Walnut Street,
Lynbrook, NY 11563



THE NEWSLETTER OF THE LONG ISLAND GARDEN RAILWAY SOCIETY INC

Smoke n' Cinders

PICNIC FLYER ENCLOSED
 Planning to attend the Saturday, August 17th picnic fun?

Be sure to signup before the August 11th reservation deadline. (page 9)
 Volunteers are needed & appreciated-
 Please contact Karen Connelly (info in roster)



Last Chance Before the Picnic!



Winner to be drawn at our club's Summer Picnic. Prize is the Piko #38243 ATSF Camelback 2-6-0 w/Sound, analog and digital operation, 5V Smoke Dual-Mode Sound Decoder. Full functions on DC or DCC.
 Tickets may be purchased from Bob Sewall at the price of \$5.00 each.

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2019 LIGRS Meetings & Events Schedule

Date	Program/Notes	Time	Place
July 28, 2019	Monthly Meeting	11:00 AM	Geri Coney & Bill Arndt
August 17, 2019 SATURDAY	Summer Picnic no mtg.	11:00 AM	Long Island Live Steamers
August 24-25, 2019	Railfest	10:00AM-4:00PM	Railroad Museum of LI at Riverhead
Sept. 6, 2019 FRIDAY	BOD	10:00 AM	Karl Wagner
Sept. 15, 2019	Monthly Meeting	11:00 AM	Dino & Kornelia Zilic
Oct. 20, 2019	Monthly Meeting	11:00 AM	Richie McGorty
Nov. 2019	Monthly Meeting	11:00 AM	Northport Yacht Club

2019 Dues Reminder

Please remember to renew your membership to LIGRS. 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:

Tom Rizzo
32 Semon Road,
Huntington, NY 11743,

View From The Cab



Our June meeting turnout was better than the May meeting with members present and proxies combined we had a count of 36, one more than needed for an official club meeting. The weather was a number 10 day. Dan did a wonderful job on the expansion to his already beautiful garden rail road.

I would like to thank Steve Gaherty for accepting the position of VP for the remainder of Bob Russo's term which ends Dec. 31, 2019. Under club by-laws the president can choose/ask a member in good standing to fill the remainder of the VP's term.

Reminder, if you want to go to the club picnic this year on Saturday Aug 17, 2019 send your money and forms in. Must be received no later than **August 11th 2019**. As of the June meeting we only had 7 people paid.

(editor's note; registration form is on page 9)

I had an interesting event with my 13 year old nephew Christopher. While he and my brother (Christopher's papa) were visiting, we all had attended Dan's meeting. Chris said nothing the rest of the day about Dan's rail road other than the fact that there were 2 junior members there. I believe it made Chris happy that he wasn't the only kid there. That evening at dinner Chris asked why my rail road is not done. "Every time I visit it's still not finished." Christopher was running an engine on the 100 feet of track that I have operational. But he wanted more. I don't blame him. So at dinner the next evening the questions began. Kathleen, my brother and I nearly fell off of our chairs thinking he was not listening during the meeting. Don't be fooled. Bob Sewall gets off easy with us. I don't remember the exact question but Chris remembered the dollar figures. He was also surprised at the organization of the club. I think, in his mind, the club was just a gathering of old men playing with trains. I believe that he now understands it's a little more than just playing with trains. So after dinner he said he wanted to help me with my layout

(Dan's layout must have had an impression on him). I said, "Ok I have a small section of track that I am working on. I have to cut, bend and add split jaw fasteners." I set him up with a face shield, then showed him how use a Dremel tool with a circular blade. He had some trouble holding the cutter in place but didn't we all have trouble when we first started? He didn't give up, that's important. When the track was cut to size, he installed a small section attached to a larger section using split jaw clamps. Then back to the layout, measuring and marking track for final cuts and installation, Chris did both. I just wish he could have stayed longer. He and his papa returned to N.C. on Wednesday. I miss them.

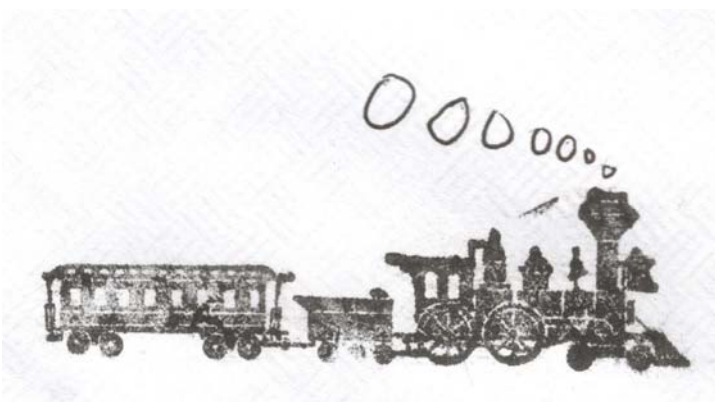
Next meeting will be Sunday, July 28th 2019.

We will be at Geri Coney and Bill Arndt's home. This is a first time for Geri and Bill to host a meeting. Looking forward to seeing you all there.

If you know you cannot attend a club meeting please send a proxy so that we can have an official meeting. Remember every proxy counts!

To all members. Please check your email before going to any club event, monthly meeting public display or board meeting concerning cancellations, change of time, or locations. Those members who do not use email, please call me.

Mike Kmeth





LONG ISLAND GARDEN RAILWAY SOCIETY INC. MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING JUNE 23, 2019

President Mike Kmeth asked for a moment of silence for the passing our dear friend Bob Russo and for the Men and Woman who are serving this country and especially for those whose lives were lost protecting our freedom.

President Mike Kmeth asked that the meeting be opened @ 12:15 PM. A motion was made by, Bill Arndt and seconded by Dave Morrison to open the meeting. We had 29 adult members present, 8 proxies. We have a quorum. We also had 2 junior members and several visitors from the Bayard Cutting Arboretum Horticultural society.

Welcome everyone to our June meeting. A big thanks to Dan Saporito for opening his very intriguing layout for us with new additions he built this past year.

President Mike Kmeth stated as we have no official minutes from May as we did not have a quorum, but we still need to have a reading of the March 24, 2019 meeting minutes or a Motion to accept the minutes as written? Bill Arndt made a motion to accept the minutes as written, seconded by Richie McGorty. The motion was passed.

Mike stated that as per the By Laws he was appointing Steve Gaherty VP to complete the term due to the passing of Bob Russo. Steve accepted.

A thank you to Louise Sewall for the pictures and write up of our good friend Bob Russo in this month's Smoke n Cinders. I'm sure we all have fond memories of Bob, his family and his trains.

A motion was made by Karl Wagner that the club do a memorial to Bob Russo either donating a tree or a bench to Bayard Arboretum. Mike requested we take this up for discussion under new Business so we can complete our basic meeting and give this its due time for discussion.

Treasurers' report was given by Bob Sewall. Bob gave the YTD 2018-2019 report as of May 11. Starting balance \$7,171.95 ending balance \$9,565.38 Third Quarter balance 4-1-2019 thru 6-30-2019 starting balance \$9,066.29 ending balance \$9,248.40. Should anyone 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. New member Paul Simon and returning member Dave Morrison

Program Directors report – Nick Guarino stated that all of this year's open house meetings have been filled.

Upcoming Public Shows:

Trip to Pittsburgh – Bob Sewall spoke about the trip on restored PRR passenger cars July 12, 13 & 14

Club picnic is August 17 SAVE THE DATE. We need some more volunteers to help our Chairperson Karen Connolly. Please fill out completely the Picnic form in the newsletter and mail with your check to Bob Sewall. Please send in no later than August 11. This year we will be using wrist bracelets. They will only be given to those whose names appear on the Picnic form, so please be clear as to how you fill it out. Adults \$18 Child \$9 under 5 years old is FREE Volunteers will be charged \$9. This year's raffle is a Piko Camelback with sound. Read more about it in Smoke–n–Cinders.

RailFest @ Riverhead RailRoad Museum-

August 24 & 25. Come out and run your trains. Mike spoke about doing repairs to the east wall of the layout. We will need another work day. Please come out to help.

Photo Contest – Congratulations to this month's winner, yours truly Mike Kmeth of a car repair station of Lou Cortese's vignette on our modular display. Please send your best picture to Louise Sewall. Even if it's an old one. A link to the rules is on the LIGRS Home page.

Club Resource Librarian – The list of books, videos and plans are on the clubs website. Please ask Nick Guarino and he will bring it to the next meeting for you to borrow. Nick is looking into posting some of the clubs drawing on the web site in the future. If you have borrowed a book, plans or a video please remember to return it so others can use it also.

Club Merchandise – Please see Georgiana & Steve Gaherty for club items for sale such as shirts, jackets, hats, coffee mugs & DVDs.

Chic Chat Corner – Ladies you know 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 treatment and their families. Please check them *(continued on next page)*



Chic Chat Corner



Well folks that time is coming again for bringing the kids and grandchildren to the Riverhead Railroad museum for their annual RailFest. This year it will be held on August 24th and 25th and as usual, LIGRS will be running trains on the permanent Ron Freeman Memorial Railway.

- Indoors, You can enjoy the historic Lionel layout.
- Take them for a ride on the 1964 ~ 1965 LIRR Pavilion World's Fair Train
- Check out the old restored LIRR equipment.
- For more information about all the fun available go to <http://www.rml.org/RMLI/Welcome.html>

For your GPS the address is:
416 Griffing Avenue
Riverhead - 11901



From the Secretary (continued)

with a magnet as only Aluminum tabs are used, NOT STEEL.

New Business:

Dan Saporito stated that Marty Waisnor donated a lot of PVC roadbed for the club to use as needed. These should be good for our ground displays

Dave Morrison has a new book coming out in July, called "Grand Central Terminal and Penn Station Statuary and Sculptures"

Dave Morrison is looking for volunteers to help build a garden railroad at the Oyster Bay RR Museum. The framing is up already. An e-mail will go out shortly with the work date. If you can, come join other members for this fun day.

A discussion was held about the memorial for Bob Russo. A living tree or a Bench to go in at Bayard Cutting Arboretum. Dan Saporito made a motion that the club start the donations by donating \$500 to the memorial. Motion

second by Joe DiBenedetto. The motion was passed unanimously. Also agreed upon was that pledges for donations can be made by individuals till the Nov. meeting at which point we will see what we have and decide upon the tree, The Bench or both. Pledges and donation can be given to Dan Saporito. Please make them out to Long Island Garden Railway Society.inc and in the comment put Bob Russo Memorial fund. (*Editor's note, see page 8*)

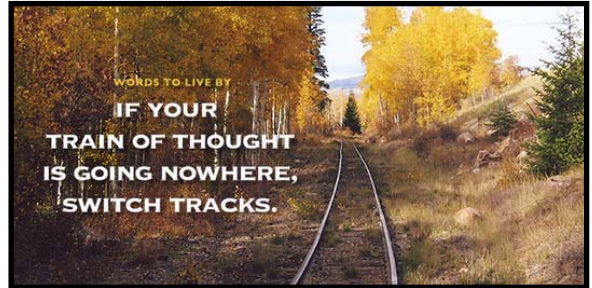
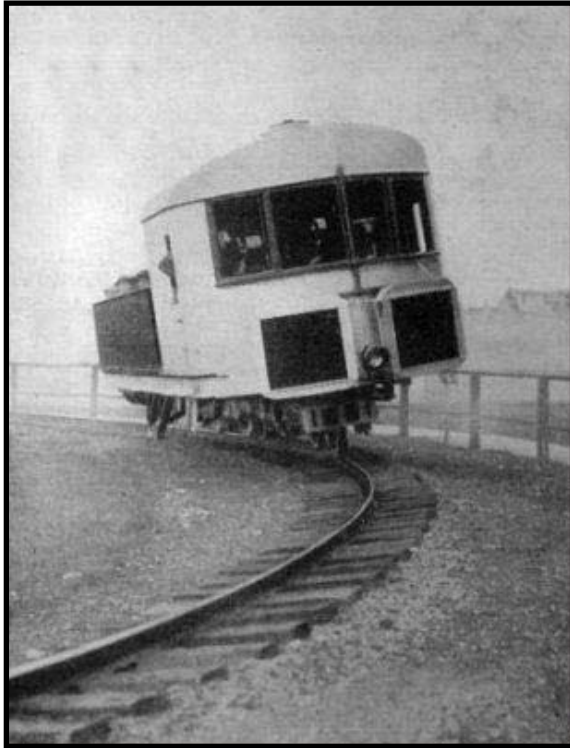
50/50 drawing was won by Debbie Brutsch. Debbie donated \$8 back to the club so the club got \$24.

The next meeting is set Sunday, July 28 @ Geri Coney and Bill Arndt's house.

Joe Dibenedetto made a motion to close the meeting seconded by William Arndt. Motion approved. Meeting ended @ 1:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Karl Wagner
Secretary

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



Monthly Photo Contest Winner

This month's winning photo was taken by Mike Iannacone of the Sumpter Valley RR crossing the river on our modular group's Christmas display at the Cradle of Aviation



Solution to the What the Heck Puzzle



Gyro Monorail locomotive

Photos from the June Meeting at Danny Saporito's

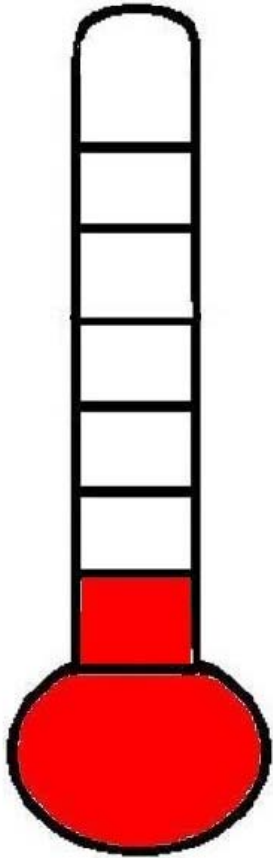


Photos courtesy of Bob Sewall



Sign says, "Thomas Rizzo, Engine Maintenance Facility, D&P Garden Railway, June 23, 2019"

More about the Bob Russo Memorial Plan



Pledge your support for the Bob Russo Memorial to be installed at the Bayard Cutting Arboretum. The LIGRS goal is to raise sufficient funds to purchase either a \$3,500 Memorial Bench or a \$1,500 Memorial Tree in Bob Russo's memory. A motion was made and passed by the membership at the June meeting for the club to initially fund the memorial with a \$500 donation.

LIGRS is asking the general membership to make personal pledges to raise the additional funds necessary to make the memorial a reality. At this time LIGRS is only requesting a pledge be made with the final determination made at the November meeting as to which memorial will be dedicated.

Actual fund collection will take place once the total pledge amount has been determined along with the actual memorial cost. PLEASE DO NOT SEND MONEY AT THIS TIME BUT...

Please submit your written pledge to Danny Saporito at:

danny.saporito@verizon.net or mail to:
104 Sheffield Avenue, West Babylon, NY 11704.

Can we count on you to make it happen!

Pledge O Meter

Robert Russo Memorial Pledge Form

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Pledge Amount: \$ _____.00

Mail completed form to: **Danny Saporito**
104 Sheffield Avenue, West Babylon, NY 11704.

Or email the above information to him at: danny.saporito@verizon.net

Can't Make A Meeting?

To ensure that a voting quorum is reached, and an official meeting held, please send a signed proxy form to any of the club officers or member of the Board of Directors.

A link to a printable copy of the proxy form can be found on the home page of the LIGRS website.

Are you coming to the LIGRS ANNUAL PICNIC?

- **Location:** Long Island Live Steamers—
Southaven County Park
<http://www.longislandlivesteamers.org/find.php>
- **RESERVATIONS ARE A MUST!** (because this year wrist bands will be issued to all participants)
Please respond no later than August 11th
- **Cost:**
- Adults: \$18.00 Send checks payable to **Long Island Garden Railway Society, Inc.** to Bob Sewall
- Children: Under 13 \$8.00. Children under 5 FREE
- Due to club insurance restrictions
Alcoholic beverages are prohibited at this event
- BBQ style picnic
- **VOLUNTEERS** requested to help with set up and cleanup

SATURDAY
August 17, 2019
11:00 am
Rain or Shine



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

Mail to: Bob Sewall
29 Locust St., Massapequa, NY 11758

No Later Than AUGUST 11
Questions call
516.541.4837

Live Steamers' location has tables and benches but... You may bring your own CHAIRS

MEMBER'S NAME _____	PHONE _____
Number of Adults: _____ X \$18 = \$ _____	
Number of Children: _____ \$ 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 19th 11:00 a.m.
Long Island Live Steamers
Southaven County Park, New York

Directions

The Long Island Live Steamers track is located in Suffolk's Southaven County Park. The park is roughly bordered by the Long Island Expressway to the north, Sunrise Highway to the south, William Floyd Parkway to the east, and Gerrard Road to the west. The LILS entrance and parking lot is accessed via Gerrard / Carpluk Memorial Road. Gerrard Road was recently renamed Howie Carpluk Memorial Road, in memory of FDNY Lieutenant Howie Carpluk. Signs at both ends of Gerrard Road now read Howie Carpluk Memorial Road.

From Long Island Expressway

Use Exit 67 (Yaphank Avenue). Turn south on Yaphank Avenue to Gerrard / Carpluk Memorial Road (second left after bridge over LIRR tracks). Turn left on Gerrard / Carpluk Memorial Road. The LILS driveway is approximately 1 mile down on the left and parking is the first right after entering the driveway.

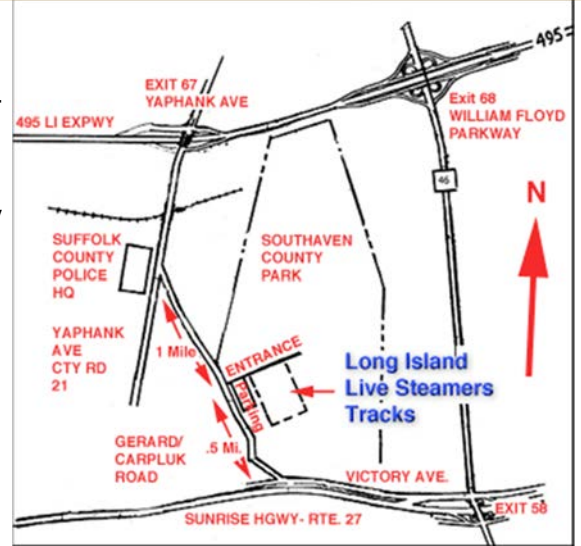
From Sunrise Highway

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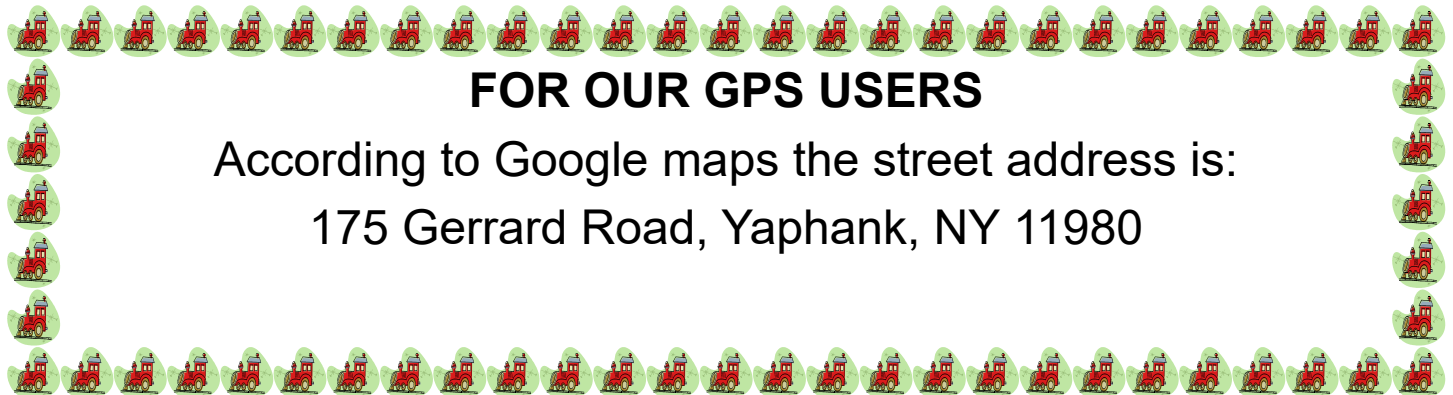
Use Exit 58 - William Floyd Parkway North. This exit ramp leads to Victory Drive. Make a left and continue over William Floyd Parkway. Just past the main entrance for Southaven County Park is Gerrard / Carpluk Memorial Road. Make a right on Gerrard / Carpluk Memorial Road. The LILS entrance is approximately 1/2 mile on the right.

From the west:

Use Exit 57 - Horseblock Road West. The cloverleaf will take you over Sunrise Highway. Just past the westbound entrance to Sunrise is Victory Drive. Make a right and watch for our sign to your left at Gerrard / Carpluk Memorial Road. Turn left on Gerrard / Carpluk Memorial Road. The LILS entrance is approximately 1/2 mile on the right.



<http://www.longislandlivesteamers.org/about.php>



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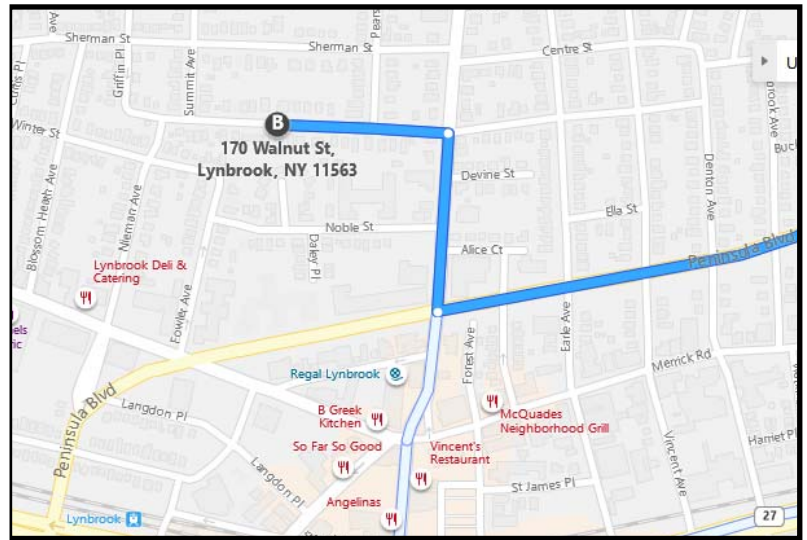
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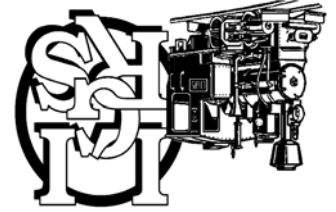
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- Take Southern State Parkway west toward NYC.
- At exit 19S take ramp on the right for South Peninsula Blvd. Toward Rockville Centre
- Turn right onto Hempstead Ave.
- Turn left onto Walnut St. Arrive at 170 Walnut house is on the left.
- The last intersection is Pearsall Ave. if you reach Summit Ave. you have gone too far.



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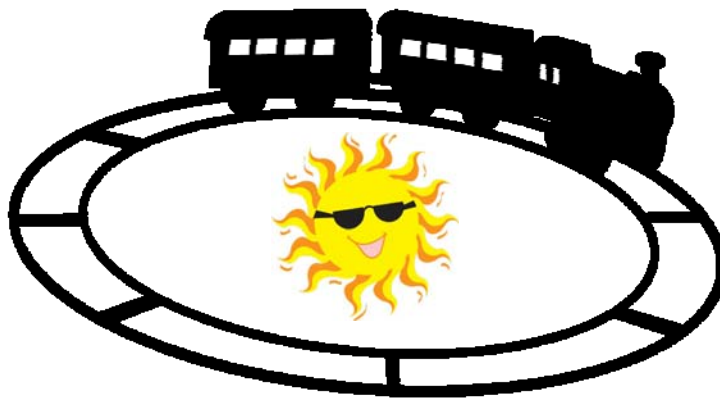


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Enjoy the Summer!



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

Ed Catmull