



SEMAPHORE



December 2018

The LIST September meeting will be held on **Friday, December 21st** at the **Historic Van Bourgondien House in West Babylon**. This house is located at 600 Albin Avenue in West Babylon. The LIRR West Babylon Team Yard is located approximately 1/4 mile NW from the house also on Albin Avenue. Immediately adjacent to the house are soccer fields with a large parking lot for our use. Parking is also on site at the rear of the house down a long driveway. Albin Avenue is just off Arnold Avenue. Arnold Avenue begins at Route 109 on the north, just south of Sunrise Highway and on the south end it is off Great East Neck Road.

THIS MONTH:

This month, noted LIRR Historian and Author Dave Morrison will discuss his new book "LONG ISLAND RAIL ROAD – MAIN LINE EAST". In addition, he will show images that do not appear in the book, but are quite relevant to the subject matters covered within. Naturally, he'll have copies of the book on hand for sale and autograph. Cost for LIST Members will be \$20 each. Finally, Dave will introduce his next book to be released in June 2019.

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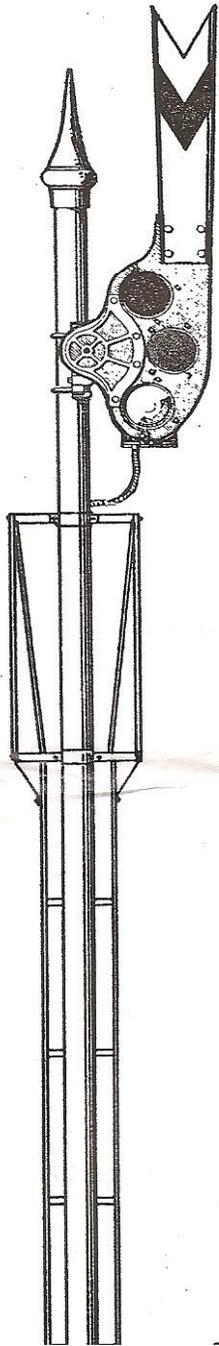
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The following price list is for LIST members only!



# _____	LIRR Main Line East by D. Morrison *new book	@\$18 each Total _____
# _____	LIRR Trackside with Matt Herson by M. Boland	@48 each Total _____
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# _____	The Long Island Rail Road, In Color Vol. 3	@\$48 each Total _____
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# _____	The Long Island Rail Road, In Color Vol. 5	@48 each Total _____
# _____	The LIRR, In Color Power 1952-2015	@\$48 each Total _____
# _____	The LIRR Part Seven by V. Seyfried	@\$25 each Total _____
# _____	Victorian Stations of the LIRR by Ron Ziel	@\$25 each Total _____

Shipping for 1 of the books or calendar, \$3.50.

Shipping for extra books, please call or e mail Steve Quigley for the shipping cost.

NY State Residents, please add 8.625% tax to the total of the merchandise PLUS the shipping]

*****NY RESIDENTS, THE COST OF THE CALENDAR IS \$12.49*****

List Happenings by Steve Quigley

The LIST December meeting will be held at the Historic Van Bourgondien house at 600 Albin Avenue in West Babylon. There is plenty of parking immediately adjacent to the house in the soccer field's parking lot next door with a gate in the fence separating the soccer field's parking lot from the house. As I mentioned at the meeting, if you need a ride from or to the LIRR Babylon train station, please call or email me and we will make arrangements. The LIRR's Babylon station is approximately 1.5 miles from the site. This building has a kitchen as well as 2 bathrooms for our accommodation.

It is dues renewal time again! We have included a copy of the dues renewal notice in this edition of the Semaphore. As you will notice, the dues have NOT increased; they are still a very reasonable \$15 per year. Please send back your dues renewal to our Treasurer, Alan Mark as soon as possible, this would be appreciated.

Our Chapters 2019 LIRR calendar is available for sale! The price for members is the same as last year which was \$8. Shipping will still be \$3.50 but NY State Residents must calculate tax on the total of the calendar and the shipping which is 99 cents. This is as per NY State tax code. The total for NY State residents is \$12.49.

Dave Morrison is introducing his book titled The Long Island Rail Road Main Line East at our December Chapter meeting. Dave will be doing the presentation and a book signing at the meeting.

If you would like to receive an electronic version of the Semaphore, please email me with your email address and I will send you the electronic version which will have color pictures when we publish pictures.

The Winter Model Train Show & Exhibition will be held Sunday January 13th 2019 at the Freeport LI Recreation Center. Our Chapter will have tables at this show and we can always use help manning the tables. If you can spare an hour or 2 or more, please let me know as we will appreciate your assistance.

At the present time, our guest speaker at the January meeting is planned to be a Senior Manager of the LIRR. This will be a very special meeting so if you wish to find out about the present and future of the LIRR, plan on attending. It will be a memorable meeting!

If you wish to write an article for the Semaphore, just let me know and I am sure that we will be able to print it [sooner or later]. My e mail address is **csquigley@optonline.net** and my telephone # is **631-487-4766**. Please email your articles.

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THE LIRR MODELER by Mike Boland***This Month's Feature:***
CHICAGOLAND RPM 25 PART TWO

I had such a great time at Chicagoland 25 RPM Meet, the Railroad Prototype Modelers Meet in Lisle, IL in October. It was the 25th anniversary of "Naperville," since that was what it was called in the old days when it was held in nearby Naperville.

It was held from October 18th through October 20th this year and that meant nearly three days of fabulous activities for the model railroader and rail enthusiast. This meant three days of clinics and they were absolutely the best, including my presentation on rail marine operations in New York Harbor, which was given twice to pretty big crowds. I also had a handout which really helped those who attended.

Most railroad prototype modelers' meets are known for their clinics and Chicagoland was no exception. This meet's clinics were on a variety of topics related to modelers and there were five or six clinics going on at once! They included but were not limited to layouts, tips and techniques, freight car research, modeling, passenger cars, prototype railroad operations and industries layout operations, timetable and train orders and other subjects as well. A good number of clinics had handouts as well, such as Charles Hostetler's "Modeling Canadian Freight in a U. S. Setting: Data and Implementation" and "Soo Line Passenger trains in Illinois 1957-1958."

There was a panel discussion on resin freight car kits hosted by Steve Hile with a great panel discussion headed by Ted Culotta, Bill Welch, Aaron Gjesmundson and Pierre Oliver.

Many of the clinics and presentations were very good. Dick Harley (Mr. PFE himself!) and George Toman taught better soldering techniques. Roger Hinman presented an overview of New York Central steel flat cars. Bernie Kempinski did an overview of his O scale U. S. Military Railroad and operation during the Civil War; Kristin Dummler spoke about poultry car fleet development...yes, there was a prototype for Lionel's #6434 Poultry Dispatch car. Jeremy Dummler's clinic was on pre-Depression railroading from 1900 to 1930. Steve Hile did a show on the Rock Island's Decorak Branch and how to model it. Extreme modeler Bill Welch did a review of AAR and ARA steel boxcar designs, details and how to model them. Craig Wilson spoke about producing real sky backdrops. Hunter Hughson took a look at major industries.

Hammersmith and Rethwisch did an informative clinic on CB&Q XM-32 boxcars. Jim Panza did two clinics on TOFC, along with Mont Switzer. Our good buddy Clark Propst did a clinic called "Zero in on Zearing," a town in Iowa he is modeling. Dave Lambert did a presentation on Transcontinental Mail and Express. Ken Kayser did a show on tank cars of the 1970's and 1980's. I could go on and on. All the presenters were experts in their field.

And then there were the models. They were absolutely fantastic!

More about them next time.

Until then, Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from the LIRR Modeler!



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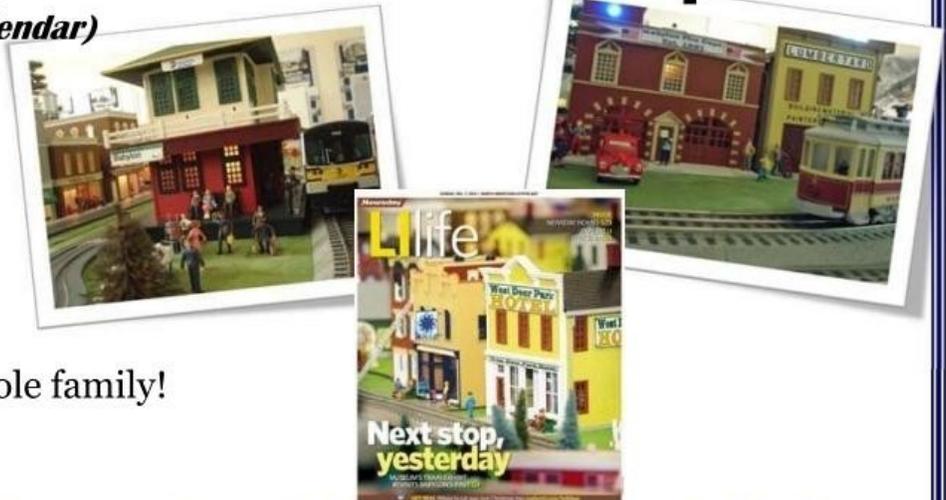
2018 Annual

Holiday Model Train Display

Fri., Sat. & Sun.: 12:00 – 3:00 pm

(Nov. 30 to Jan. 6, see calendar)

Inspired by community landmarks and local history, this annual holiday train layout (240 sq. ft.) is an interactive model train display for the whole family! Admission is **FREE**.



November/December 2018 - January 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					Nov. 30 th <i>Old Fashioned Babylon Village Christmas</i>	Dec. 1 st 12:00-3:00pm
Dec. 2 nd 12:00-3:00pm	Dec. 3 <i>Museum Closed</i>	Dec. 4	Dec. 5	Dec. 6	Dec. 7 th 12:00-3:00pm	Dec. 8 th 12:00-3:00pm
Dec. 9 th 12:00-3:00pm	Dec. 10 <i>Museum Closed</i>	Dec. 11	Dec. 12	13	Dec. 14 th 12:00-3:00pm	Dec. 15 th 12:00-3:00pm
Dec. 16 th 12:00-3:00pm	Dec. 17 <i>Museum Closed</i>	Dec. 18	Dec. 19	Dec. 20	Dec. 21 st 12:00-3:00pm	Dec. 22 nd 12:00-3:00pm
Dec. 23 rd 12:00-3:00pm	Dec. 24 <i>Museum Closed</i>	Dec. 25 <i>Museum Closed</i>	Dec. 26	Dec. 27	Dec. 28 th 12:00-3:00pm	Dec. 29 th 12:00-3:00pm
Dec. 30 th 12:00-3:00pm	Dec. 31 <i>Museum Closed</i>	Jan. 1 <i>Museum Closed</i>	Jan. 2	Jan. 3	Jan. 4 th 12:00-3:00pm	Jan. 5 th 12:00-3:00pm
Jan. 6 th 12:00-3:00pm	Jan. 7 <i>Museum Closed</i>					

Regular Museum Hours: Monday – Friday, 10am-3pm • 1st and 3rd Saturday, 10am-2pm (Oct. – May)

Long Island Rail Road News by Steve Quigley

The LIRR has opened a Community Information Center in Mineola. It features new exhibits on the LIRR Expansion Project which among other aspects is composed of the 3rd track project from Floral Park to Hicksville. The Community Information Center is located at 114 Old Country Road in Mineola. It is located on the 1st floor, suite 152. The center is also available for meetings and our Chapter may avail itself to the facility in the future if we are invited.

On Saturday December 1st and Sunday December 2nd, the LIRR had its 3rd Annual "Holiday Express." The consist had 2 DM's and 5 cars and was nonstop from Ronkonkoma to Penn on Saturday and from Babylon to Penn on Sunday. Both trains were reservation only and sold out in a short period of time. [I was told both trains sold out in less than hours] The train was decorated inside and out and had giveaways and on board festivities which included carolers as well as Santa and his elves. Although the weather was damp on Sunday when I saw the Holiday Express leave Babylon, it appeared that all riders were festive and happy to ride the special train to Penn.

The engineer, whom was dressed in a red suit and played Santa, could not have looked more appropriate to play the role! If I didn't know better, I would say that the LIRR has an engineer who is a "right jolly old elf!"

Look for the new LIRR M-9's as a set of them are on Long Island for testing. They look very similar to the M-7's with the exception of the paint scheme. Since they are slowly arriving on the property, it appears the M-3's will be around for an extended period of time. Some of the M-3's are having PTC installed so that they may continue to run on the property for the foreseeable future. More to follow in future editions of the Semaphore regarding the M-9's.

April 24th 2019, is the 185th anniversary of the LIRR. I believe the Management of the LIRR wishes to celebrate this important milestone. Our Chapter is beginning to put together some ideas as to how we may assist the people of the LIRR with this celebration. More in the next edition.



On Saturday, December 1st, the Long Island Rail Road operated their Shoppers Holiday Express from Ronkonkoma to Penn Station. Ed Koehler was there to capture the action.

The consist of Extra 520 West consisted of DM 520, C3T/T 4033, C3T/T 4069, C3T 4100, C3T/T 4043, C3T/T 4021, an unidentified C3, DM 513. Here is a picture of the rear end of the 'first section' passing through Deer Park.

The 'second section' of the Holiday Shoppers Express was running ten minutes behind the 'first section' (Extra 520 West). The second train was made up of DM517, C3T/T 4049, C3T 4112, C3T/T 4029, C3T 4130, C3T/T 4065, C3T 4078, C3T 4128, with DM 516 on the east end.

Photos by Ed Koehler



Long Island Rail Road Photos



The LIRR is cleaning house. Three hacks, including N-5 #2, were loaded onto flat cars on December 6th to be shipped off the island and scrapped. They had long been stored at Holban Yard, and in the Morris Park Bone Yard prior to that. A couple old B&M coaches from Dunkirk Street Yard were loaded up for scrap as well.



On a brighter note, ex-NYNH&H PS-1 boxcar #32006 was also relocated to Dunkirk Street Yard. But rather than being scrapped, this car will be loaded onto a tractor Trailer and moved to the Oyster Bay Railroad Museum. There it will be restored and serve as a historic display and storage container.



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2019 CHAPTER

MEMBERSHIP DUES NOTICE

(Payable by January 1, 2019)

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