



## **DECEMBER EVENT**

The next Little Rhody Division (LRD) event is scheduled for **Saturday, December 11** at the **United Methodist Church**, 1558 South County Trail, East Greenwich, RI 02818. Spouses and guests are always welcome.

We will begin at **9:30AM** with coffee and donuts accompanied by socializing, followed by information sharing and a short business meeting at about **10:00AM**.

As always, we will share ASK A QUESTION/SOLVE A PROBLEM, a forum for our in-house experts to answer your questions and solve your nagging model railroad problems. And, there's more! FOR THE GOOD OF THE DIVISION. This segment is for members to advance items of interest to members of the Division about themselves, someone else, the Division, the Region, the NMRA, or whatever.

Superintendent Sue Osberg will recap the last year or so in the life of the Little Rhody Division, and then we will move on to socializing and networking. There are no clinics planned.

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## Potluck Luncheon & Secret Santa



We will celebrate the season and a successful Model Train Expo with a Potluck Luncheon and Secret Santa gift swap. Bring something to share for lunch. Plates, cups, napkins and flatware will be provided. Everything else is potluck. Following a long established tradition, Sue Osberg and Steve Erickson will engage in a battle for the Swedish Meatball crown. Please let Linda Bergemann (lbergemann@aol.com) or Sue Osberg (sosberg1701@gmail.com) know what you plan to bring for lunch so we can ensure a variety of luncheon dishes. And, let's not forget desserts.



Participation in the Secret Santa is optional. Anyone who brings a gift will receive a gift in exchange. If you want to participate, bring a useable, train-related "gift" to exchange; wrapped or in a gift bag. Anything scale-specific should be marked with the scale.

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## Holiday Collections

During this season giving, please consider a donation to one of the many missions supported by the United Methodist Church in East Greenwich. Throughout the year, the church collects food for the *East Greenwich Interfaith Food Cupboard*.

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The Food Cupboard has indicated a need for non-perishable items like hearty soups, and other canned foods, including all fruit, corn, kidney beans, baked beans, tuna, chicken, hams, etc. In addition, canned meals like hash, beef stew, chili and Spam are always welcomed. Those extra things like crackers, peanut butter, jelly, cookies, juice, salad dressing, ketchup, mustard, jello, tea and oil just fly off the shelves. Additionally, during the month of December, the church is collecting diapers for families dealing with the rising costs of everyday items. Anything you are able to contribute will be greatly appreciated. Donations by cash or check are also welcome (see Linda Bergemann).

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## **Providence Northern Model Railroad Club Open House**

Following the Little Rhody meeting, head over to the Providence Northern Model Railroad Club at 1175 West Shore Road, Warwick, RI 02889, for their Annual Open House. There will be more trains running than on a typical Saturday, so stop by and check out this extensive layout. They will be open until 4 PM. Visit their website for more information: <https://www.providencenorthern.com>.

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## **FUTURE EVENTS**

### **January**

*Saturday, January 8*

Mike Wlochowski will entertain us with stories about his Corkscrew Garden Railroad.

### **February**

*Saturday, February 5*

Mike Tylick will give us one more view of the Fn3-scale Chester and Becket Model Railroad before its "retirement".

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## **March**

*Saturday, March 5*

Little Rhody Division will visit the Cumberland Public Library to display our layouts and run trains.

# SOCIAL MEDIA

## **FACEBOOK**

### **LITTLE RHODY DIVISION "PAGE"**

Please take some time to visit the Little Rhody Division Facebook *Page* and newly created Little Rhody Division *Group*. Events will be posted to the FB Page. While there, "Like" the page so you will receive our posts.

<https://www.facebook.com/LittleRhodyDivision>

### **LITTLE RHODY MEMBERS "GROUP"**

It is my intention that this Group be used for discussions on model railroading topics between members of the Little Rhody Division and their acquaintances. As a member, you are able to share photos and other media. This is a private group and you must request to "Join" to be able to participate. Join us and start a conversation.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/LRDGroup>

### **LITTLE RHODY T-TRAK "GROUP"**

This group was started by David Dekonski in 2016 for communications between Little Rhody members interested in T-TRAK. This, too, is a private group you must request to "Join".

[www.facebook.com/groups/1557631501142025/](http://www.facebook.com/groups/1557631501142025/)

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The link to the Little Rhody Division "Page" will appear at the bottom of every newsletter. Both "Groups" may be accessed from the Page. Contact me, Linda Bergemann, if you have any questions.

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## YouTube

Little Rhody Division has a YouTube channel with videos of past clinics. We will continue to post other recordings as they become available.

This month we don't have any new videos to announce.

Like Facebook, the link to the Little Rhody Division YouTube "Channel" will appear at the bottom of every newsletter. Contact me, Linda Bergemann, if you have any questions.

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As always, please contact me with any questions or issues. If I don't know the answer, I will pass it to someone who can. Also, if you have any suggestions for future events, please let me know.

Stay well,  
Linda Bergemann  
Membership Chair  
Little Rhody Division NMRA



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