



## DECEMBER EVENT

The next Little Rhody Division (LRD) event is scheduled for **Saturday, December 9** 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.

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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 - main dish, side dish or dessert. Plates, cups, napkins and flatware will be provided. Coffee and water will be available. Everything else is potluck. Following a long established tradition, Sue Osberg and Steve Erickson will engage in a battle for the Swedish Meatball crown. So, we don't need more meatballs.

Please let Sue Osberg 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. Needn't be fancy or expensive (\$10 range). Anything scale-specific should be marked with the scale.

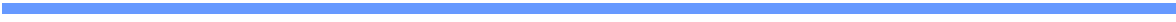
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## ROGER WILLIAMS PARK PROJECT

**Update:** On Monday, November 20th, Little Rhody set up both the train components of the Christmas display at the Roger Williams Park Botanical Gardens. On Tuesday we trained the staff on maintaining and operating the layouts and addressed any issues.

The Holiday Display runs during regular park hours, 10 am – 3 pm, Tuesday – Sunday from November 24 – January 5. Little Rhody volunteers will be on "on call" in the event of problems. We will be breaking down the train display on January 8th.

**[See Flyer for All Aboard for the Holidays](#)**



## **Clinic: AP presentation**

Tom Emmett

### **Association Volunteer**

Getting involved with Division with your time and talents is a great way to contribute to the club. Association Volunteer is an AP category that can reward you for your efforts. There are a great many ways that can count towards the requirement. A short talk that will cover the basics of Association Volunteer will be presented at the December meeting. Can't make the meeting? Here is the link to the NMRA AP Association Volunteer category: <https://www.nmra.org/volunteer>.

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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 3:30 PM. Visit their website for more information: <https://www.providencenorthern.com>.

## FUTURE EVENTS

### **December**

New England Model Train Expo

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Saturday, December 2

Sunday, December 3

Marlborough, MA

[SHOW FLYER](#) - Advanced tickets no longer on sale

## **January LRD**

Saturday, January 6

AP Clinic

## **January**

2024 Railroad Hobby Show

Saturday, January 27

Sunday, January 28

Springfield, MA

[WEBSITE](#) - Advanced Tickets are now on sale

## **February LRD**

Saturday, February 3

AP Clinic

*\* Contact David Kiley or Tom Emmett if you have any suggestions for future events, or if you would like to provide a virtual tour of your model railroad.*

SOCIAL MEDIA

**FACEBOOK**

LITTLE RHODY DIVISION "PAGE"

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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/)

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 where recordings of our monthly events are available for viewing. No new videos were added this month.

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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# LITTLE RHODY BUSINESS

[Minutes - LRD Meeting - October 2023](#)

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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,

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