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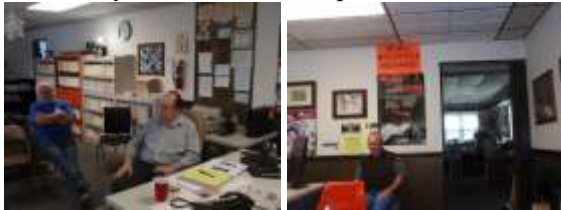
Issue 5

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Ed Ramming and Joan Bishop hosted our May Business Meeting following on the heels of our show at Green Planet Nursery.

The food was great and there was plenty to go around. Thanks to you, Ed and Joan. Thanks to all who brought desserts. We had a great lunch.

We followed lunch with our meeting and then a tour of Ed's layout and his latest updates.



Attending: Ed Ramming, Joan Bishop, Larry & Donna Grady, Bill Keller, Patti & Bob Moffit, Jack Proud, Al Schmidt, Jim and Marilyn Fox and Joe Profetto.

### BUSINESS MEETING

**Ed Ramming, Pres.** called the meeting to order at 2:30PM, with a flag salute.

**President Ed Ramming** thanked Joan for her work on this luncheon.

**Donna Grady's** Treasurers report: All bills are paid. We have 36 families. Motion made and passed to send \$75 to the **Shoreline Model Railroad Club** in memory of Janet Heath.

**Sunshine Report: Patti Moffit** sent out 2 birthday cards in April; Paul Gac and Mike Lurakis and 1 combination birthday and welcome card; Monica Weaber. Also sent 1 sympathy card to Jack Heath and 2 get well cards; Larry Paakh and Rudy Irizarry.

**Patti** reported that **Larry Paakh and Rudy Irizarry** were in in Rehab. Jim Lincoln had surgery on his neck and is doing well at home. (Rudy was in the hospital for 10 days and is now back in Rehab.)



### NEXT BUSINESS MEETING

June 17th, 2017 @ 1:00

Tom Ayers

713 White Horse Pike,  
Elm, NJ 08037

Please let Tom know if you plan to attend and if you will be bringing a dish to share.

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609-305-3524

**Web Master Report;** System is up and running.  
**Welfare:** No Report.

### OLD BUSINESS

**Show Coordinator, Al Schmidt,** reported that the show went well at **Green Planet.** Our thanks to Larry Grady, Bill Keller, Jack Proud, Ned Young, Al Schmidt and our 2 travelling minstrels (Brian and Clair). We had a great time running trains and testing all of our equipment, transformers and rolling stock. Our thanks to Jack for bringing his trains to run.



Larry's cars and roads made a great addition. And the plants added by Brian were a very nice touch.

**Show Calendar:**

**OPEN HOUSE DAY**

**Al Schmidt Reported that this will be** June 3. This year's theme is "**Garden Railway Open House Day**". Al has put together a flyer, directions and a web page. We now have 5 participants, Mike Hannigan, Green Planet, Bill Keller, Ellyn and Mac McMullin and Al Schmidt. The flyer and other information is our website. The web page is at: <http://www.trainweb.org/sjgrs/Spring%20Tour/Open%20Houses%202017.htm>. We will contact TV Channel 6 as part of our advertising.

**Permanent Layout-Nemours Children's Hospital**

**Joe Profetto** reported that they agreed to having the display, with restrictions:

- It must be movable for access to the area
- Cannot have a gate or fence
- Must be contained, have built in controls
- Must be enclosed, with a roof (Plexiglas)
- Needs to be 11' x 18'

Further discussion covered starting with a road trip to the Delaware Hospital to see how that is constructed. Look into finding a professional design group to build the unit. We would develop the track layout. Possibly build a mock-up of our plan. Make use of Jim Shourt with the layout and electronics. Contact **Joe** if you can help.

**Ocean City Christmas Show, December 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> with setup on the 1<sup>st</sup>.** Al will contact to see if we are invited back for this year. (We expect to be back in the Music Pier this year.)

**Other Venues for Shows:** No further discussion at this meeting.

**Permanent home:** No further discussion at this meeting.

**Advertising our Club:** No further report on this item.

**Newsletter Editor Needed: Many Hands Make Light Work.** Al can post it to our web site and email it out BUT he needs help to record build the newsletter.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Reorganize the trailer:** We had a discussion about reorganizing and reconfiguring the left side of the trailer to remove the racks on the left side and use tubs to hold equipment. Wrap equipment in Bubble wrap, and get stacking, square tubs to use the space better. Also, look into getting a common set of couplers. Plan working session for September.

Meeting adjourned 3:20 PM after a visit to Ed's layout.

**News you need to know**

**Prayers for:** Jack Heath, Becky and Jim Lincoln, Tom & Anita Brown, Rudy and Alice Irizarry and Larry Paakh.

Larry Paakh is now on an antibiotic for pneumonia and still has a sore on his left foot that has not improved and remains wrapped. He remains at THE HAMMONTON CENTER (REHAB CENTER) ON WHITE HORSE PIKE.

Rudy Irizarry is out of the hospital and now at Mt Laurel Center on Church Road in Mt Laurel. He is now on dialysis.

The last-ever Ringling Bros. show will be broadcast LIVE on Facebook, in its entirety...

<https://www.facebook.com/RinglingBros/videos/1430831793605058/>

**Joe Fromal is selling trains. Details at the following link:**

<http://www.trainweb.org/sjgrs/Items%20for%20Sale/Joe%20Fromal%20-%20203-2017.pdf>

**Bill Keller is selling buildings. Details at the following link:**

<http://www.trainweb.org/sjgrs/Items%20for%20Sale/Bill%20Keller%20-%20203-2017.pdf>

**50/50 – Won by Jim Fox, other prizes were won and enjoyed.**

**MAY BIRTHDAYS**

4 <sup>th</sup>	Bernadette Perna	21 <sup>st</sup>	John Seltner
6 <sup>th</sup>	June Seltner	28 <sup>th</sup>	Joan Bishop
11 <sup>th</sup>	Jayne Gac	31 <sup>st</sup>	Bob Moffit
19 <sup>th</sup>	Tom Brown		

**JUNE BIRTHDAYS**

1 <sup>st</sup>	Alice Irizarry	11 <sup>th</sup>	Patti Moffit
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Ned Young	19 <sup>th</sup>	Gibson Young
4 <sup>th</sup>	Nancy Hunter	26 <sup>th</sup>	Bob Kruse

**MEETINGS AND EVENTS 2017**

**Mark Your Calendars**

- June 3<sup>rd</sup> OPEN HOUSE Day
- June 17<sup>th</sup> Tom Ayers
- July ?? Open for Meeting
- Aug. ?? Brian and Clair Steager
- Sept. ?? Open for Meeting
- Oct. ?? Open for Meeting
- Nov. 11 Nominations, Schmidt's
- Dec. 2&3 Ocean City Train Show

If you can host a 2017 meeting, please contact Al Schmidt – 856-672-0172 at [al.schmidt@verizon.net](mailto:al.schmidt@verizon.net) or Anita Brown – 609-646-1102 at [nanab1@comcast.net](mailto:nanab1@comcast.net).