

The Long Island ADVANCE

South Country Library launches Small Business Discount Program

Incentivizes community
engagement and
shopping locally

BY SHANA BRAFF

In an effort to encourage members of the community to experience all their library has to offer, while also incentivizing shopping locally—and supporting small businesses—the South Country Library, located at 22 Station Road in Bell-

port, has launched an innovative win-win Small Business Discount Program, which enables patrons to receive a discount at participating local businesses in the area simply by showing their South Country Library card, which is free and easy for all residents to obtain.

There are currently 12 local businesses participating in the pilot program with the hope that most, if not all, local businesses will eventually come on board. The early adopters who have partnered with the South Country Library in this endeavor include the following restau-

rants and stores: Papa Nick's, Summer Salt, Shelby's Kitchen, TOLA., Cupcakes Galore, Bellport Apothecary, Waffles and Soul, Step in Time Dancewear, Ifixscreens, Brook House, Red Barn Boutique, and Bellport Arts & Framing Studio.

The program is a collaboration between Jack M. Nix, community engagement librarian, and Kristina Sembler, library director.

"My whole role is to find ways to maximize outreach," explained Nix, a longtime library staff member who has recently stepped into this newly appointed position.

While some may consider an alliance between local business and the public library an incongruous one, it makes a lot of sense to combine the two.

"Even if people are only there for the discount, they will then begin to see all the library has to offer," explained Nix. "We thought, How can we increase card holders and help the community? So, we're open to partnering with any business in the library district," said Nix of the program he co-heads, which just launched in November.

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Floyd basketball continues winning season

The William Floyd Colonials boys varsity basketball team was undefeated in Division II play with a 6-0 record (7-3 overall), with league wins over Patchogue-Medford, Longwood, Sagem North, Sagem East, Riverhead and Connetquot. They lost to Bellport on January 9, 52-63. They have 9 league games left in the regular season and are looking to finish strong with their sights set on the playoffs. Pictured are No. 11 Joey McLaurin and No. 34 Daved Richardson.

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Special election set for Tuesday, Jan. 17

Two will vie for vacated seat

BY NICOLE FUENTES

After longtime Brookhaven Town clerk Donna Lent announced her retirement after 30 years of service, a special election was set to fill her vacated seat. The election will be held on Jan. 17 at your respective polling places. Early voting started on Jan. 7 and will end on Jan. 15. Current Brookhaven Town councilman Kevin LaValle will be running against community advocate Lisa Di Santo. Below are their compiled bios.

ADV: Why would you make the best candidate for the job?

LAVALLE: I believe the unique combination of experience I have gained in both the public and private sectors will give me the ability to function as a very effective town clerk.

DI SANTO: I believe that I would be the best candidate for the town clerk position because it's well past the time for an independent voice to lead the clerk's office. A fresh set of eyes and a different perspective is needed to improve morale and bring the office to the highest level of service possible.

ADV: What previous work have you done that applies to the job of the clerk?

LAVALLE: I ran a title agency where I managed and filed personal records on a daily basis. Also, as a town councilman, I have gained a great deal of knowledge of how the town operates as a whole and built personal relationships with elected officials, department heads and employees, which will be very useful moving forward as the town clerk.

DI SANTO: I have experience in staff management as a small-business owner, as well as budgeting experience as a longtime school board trustee. As a longtime educator I understand the importance of record keeping and following government protocols.

ADV: Would you be as dedicated to the position as the previous clerk was?

LAVALLE: Yes, I plan to be working every day in the clerk's office. I also plan to attend civic, chamber of commerce and senior meetings throughout the township on nights and weekends to

talk about the services the clerk's office provides to residents.

DI SANTO: I'm certain if given the opportunity to be town clerk, my dedication would far surpass the previous clerk. I have never done anything part-time, and I do not have an out-of-state residence that would cause me to be an absent department head.

ADV: What are you hoping to get done?

LAVALLE: I hope to work with our IT Department and the employees of the clerk's office to make sure we have the best technology available to secure, maintain, and distribute residents' vital records. I also want to work to increase the transparency within the clerk's office by attending various community events throughout the town, establishing a social media presence, and making videos on Channel 18 to explain the various services the clerk's office provides and how they can be easily and quickly accessed.

DI SANTO: My goals as the town clerk would be to increase the accountability of the office to taxpayers, while also addressing accessibility of all the functions of the clerk's office. Most importantly, is my goal to address the need to update the office's decade-old technology in a way that ensures the cybersecurity of all residents' private information.

ADV: Why did you decide to leave your role as a councilman for this job?

LAVALLE: I have truly enjoyed my time as town councilman and have accomplished a great deal within the Third Council District. With the recent hack of the Suffolk County computer system, it is clear that we need to have solid leadership running our town clerk's office to secure, maintain, and distribute the vital records of the residents of the Town of Brookhaven. I believe I have the experience and work ethic to be the person to serve in this critical position.

KEVIN LAVALLE

Councilman Kevin LaValle was elected in November 2013 to the Third Council District in the Town of Brookhaven. His area includes Lake Grove, Centereach, Selden, and parts of Lake Ronkonkoma, Farmingville, Port Jeff Station, and a piece of Holbrook. He was raised in Centereach with his parents and four siblings.

He attended Middle Country School District and graduated from Centereach



High School in 1995. He went on to obtain a Bachelor of Arts degree with a major in political science from Salisbury University, where he graduated from in 2000. He currently resides in Selden.

Prior to his election, LaValle worked for Legis. Daniel Losquadro as his chief of staff for three years, before he became president and part-owner of Pinnacle Title Agency from 2007 to 2011. Most recently, LaValle served as a legislative aide to Legis. Thomas Muratore.

He is also a licensed loan mortgage originator and works for Lynx Mortgage Bank. He specializes in working with first-time homebuyers.

"I am proud to accept the Republican and Conservative nominations to run for Brookhaven town clerk. As town clerk, I will work every day to properly and effectively secure residents' sensitive information, work to increase the efficiency in which residents can access their personal records, increase transparency within town government, be accountable for the management of the clerk's office, and promote accessibility to services for disabled and elderly residents," he said.

LISA DI SANTO

Lisa Di Santo has 30 years of experience as a community advocate in the Bellport/Patchogue area, beginning as a board member of Bellport Area Community Action Committee (BACAC). She also became the vice president of the board as it transitioned in 1996 into the Boys & Girls Club of the Bellport Area.

From 2001 on, she served in various leadership positions in the South Country Central School District PTA and as the legislative chair of the districtwide PTA Council. Most recently, she served from 2009 to 2020 as a trustee in the South Country Central School District.

Her over 20-year experience as a practicing educator includes working as a secondary educator teaching Participa-

tion in Government, Global Studies I and II, and American History and Government in grades 7-12. Additionally, for more than a decade (2001-2013), she owned a government and public relations firm, which specialized in health care, not-for-profit social service organizations, and professional associations.

Her local political advocacy activities began as a canvasser for NYPIRG in 1986, when she knocked on doors throughout Suffolk County encouraging/educating people about the original bottle bill and canvassing in Hempstead against the incinerator that would later be bought and operated by Covanta. As a Democratic Committee member throughout the 1990s, she first spoke out against the 1991 Brookhaven Town Ash for Trash deal and then worked on the 1991 and 1993 Brookhaven townwide Blakeslee Team campaigns as campaign coordinator for fundraising, scheduling, and youth volunteers. She subsequently volunteered for Patricia Eddington's state and town campaigns, Ed Hennessey's campaigns, NYS Senate campaigns for Brian Foley and Adrienne Esposito, and managed the creation of Tim Bishop for Congress' first campaign website. She also ran for Brookhaven Town Council in 2017.

When asked why she has decided to run for town clerk, she said:

"I am on the ballot because it is time town residents have a real choice to vote for a candidate that has a proven record of community service. It's vital that the town clerk's office be an independent voice for adherence to open government practices clearly outlined in both the Town Code and the New York State Constitution. Our government officials do need to be accountable, and the functions of the town clerk's office need to be more accessible to all residents as well. Modernization in the use of technology in the clerk's office is warranted, with an emphasis on cybersecurity."

Courtesy photos



Sen. Dean Murray installed to the Third District

Dean Murray was installed as the New York State senator for the new reconfigured Third Senate District by the Hon. Alfred Graf.

"It is humbling to earn the support of the voters of the Third Senate District. I look forward to representing the constituents and joining with my fellow members of the Senate minority to bring a voice of reason and common sense to Albany," said Murray.

The installation was held at the Selden Fire Department with several dignitaries in attendance, including assemblyman Joseph DeStefano, assemblyman Edward Flood, Suffolk County clerk Vincent Puleo, town councilman Neil Foley, and Jesse Garcia, chairman of the Suffolk County and Brookhaven Republican Committees, along with family and friends.

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Holtsville Hal's famous prediction to be revealed

Groundhog Day is Feb. 2

Six more weeks of winter or an early spring? Hundreds will gather at the Holtsville Ecology Site on Thursday, Feb. 2, to hear highway superintendent Daniel P. Losquadro announce Holtsville Hal's famous forecast.

According to tradition, if a groundhog sees its shadow after stirring from hibernation on Groundhog Day, there will be six more weeks of winter weather; if not, spring should arrive early. Losquadro will reveal Hal's fore-

cast at approximately 7:25 a.m.

"Our annual Groundhog Day celebration is an enjoyable tradition for many local families," Losquadro said. "I'm always hopeful Hal will predict an early spring to help my snow removal budget, but either way this is a much-anticipated event each year in Brookhaven Town."

"Holtsville Hal's prognostication is anxiously anticipated every year and it's always a relief when he predicts an early spring. Let's hope that he doesn't see his shadow on Groundhog Day and we can look forward to a short winter season," added supervisor Ed Romaine.

Although he's sure to be the center of attention, Holtsville Hal will not be the only animal available for viewing on Feb. 2. Following the ceremony, residents are welcome to enjoy some free hot chocolate and visit the more than 100 non-releasable, wild or injured animals residing at the Animal Preserve, which will be open from 7 to 11 a.m.

Gates will open at the Holtsville Ecology Site & Animal Preserve, 249 Buckley Road, Holtsville, at 7 a.m. on Thursday, Feb. 2; parking is free. Residents are asked to arrive as close to 7 a.m. as possible to get a good view of Hal. Call 631.451.5330 for more information.



Holtsville Hal's handler, Gregg Drossel, shows him to the crowd during a previous Groundhog Day celebration. Courtesy photo



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It's cold outside, and they need coats, hats and gloves

BY NICOLE FUENTES

Five days a week at 10 outreach posts throughout Suffolk County, Lighthouse Mission of Bellport serves hundreds of people by providing them with food, groceries, clothing and prayer.

Last year (2022), the nonprofit saw a huge spike in those that it served—120,367 people, to be exact—up 9 percent from 109,509 people in 2021. Though the worst number the mission has ever seen was the 151,340 served in 2012, yearly numbers have been pretty steady on a month-to-month basis.

How do they know? Simple. According to pastor Jim Ryan, the mission requires signatures of every recipient, not used for anything other than counting for the purpose of adequately loading the trucks at each post and for the yearly service numbers.

Lighthouse Mission, he added, relies solely on donations from individuals; despite the increasing need, the amount of donations has currently stayed the same.

"We need your help to continue," he said, desperate for donations.

WHAT THEY NEED

Other than the obvious request for nonperishables, Lighthouse Mission is currently in desperate need of gloves, hat and coat donations.

"It's a pretty desperate situation out there," Ryan explained. "It's cold, and we're out of hats and gloves."

WHO THEY ARE

Lighthouse Mission is a nonprofit mobile food pantry that serves many communities in Suffolk County, including Bellport and Shirley. All people who attend the outreach posts are welcome to receive food at no charge and not required to bring any forms of verification. The Mission accepts all nonperishable food items, plus meats, dairy products and fresh fruits and vegetables. (Please, though, do not bring any cooked food or leftovers.) They also accept new or gently used clothing with a collection box outside and, of course, monetary donations to help keep the trucks and the building running.



All he can do at this point, he said, is pray. The coats, gloves and hats, he explained, are not going overseas, but rather to cold and needy neighbors as close as Patchogue, Bellport and Coram. (To donate, visit the Lighthouse Mission at 1543 Montauk Highway in Bellport.)

The Lighthouse Mission is open on Monday to Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and on Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. It's located at 1543 Montauk Highway in Bellport. Call 631-758-7584 for more information or visit its website at LighthouseMission.com. To donate funds, go to LighthouseGIVE.com. ■

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Fundraiser to be held at Locale for Patchogue resident

Jake Lipponer critically injured in car accident

BY SHANA BRAFF

Patchogue resident Jake Lipponer, 28, experienced a life-changing moment in the blink of an eye on June 19, 2022, when he was in a single-car accident in Southold. After working multiple double shifts at two different

PATCHOGUE restaurants, including Locale in Patchogue, where he was working as a bartender, he ostensibly fell asleep behind the wheel on his way to a much-needed vacation on Cape Cod for a week of relaxation. Unfortunately, this resulted in the strong young man ending up in critical condition and sustaining multiple serious injuries, including breaks to his cervical spine, femur, pelvis, right arm, left hand, and many other fractures throughout his body.

Locale, located at 15 West Main Street in Patchogue, will now do what they can to help Lipponer and his family offset some of the tremendous costs of such a serious occurrence. This is one more example of the community rallying around this beloved and active member of Patchogue. Lipponer received the top donation offered by the Kris Kringle Fund, sponsored by the Harbor Crab and the Patchogue Rotary Club. His sister was presented with a \$10,000 check, on his behalf, at the Harbor Crab's annual before-Christmas fundraiser event.

On Jan. 23 from 6 to 9 p.m., come help support the cause for a \$50-per-person buffet dinner, cash bar, raffles, and more. Lipponer's family will be there to witness the outpouring of support as Jake continues his long road to recovery.

"He worked two shifts the night before at Fire Island, Ocean Beach, then went to a shift at Locale. He must have fallen asleep at the wheel. There were no signs of speed. He hit cement or metal, something on the side of the road, and broke 28 bones from his thigh, elbow out, a spinal injury. He was an excellent basketball player. There have been some strides. Everything is so slow, but he's young and strong, patient and kind," said his grandmother Delis Remien, the matriarch of a large, supportive

extended family in the area, which her grandson is blessed to have by his side through this ordeal and recovery.

Remien explained that her grandson is soon to be released from Burke Rehabilitation Hospital, in White Plains, after a four-month stay. "They've never had a patient stay so long," she said. He will be discharged on Jan. 13 and will be coming home to live with his parents, Tanya and Frank Lipponer.

"Because of all his needs, my daughter, his mom, had to redo the entire half-bath converted to be accessible for a wheelchair with shower automatic doors, which cost \$68,000. There will be so many other needs when he gets back. He needs a special wheelchair and bed machine that picks him up. That's why the people, the community, former bosses, friends from high school and college, his boss, the owner of Locale, Francesco [are helping]. He's the one who called my daughter, and he's been so helpful to me. He did so many things and volunteered to let us use the restaurant on Jan. 23," Remien said while overwhelmed with gratitude during this bittersweet time.

His grandmother explained that the athletic and strapping young man was often referred to as Aquaman for his striking resemblance to the larger-than-life aquatic superhero, drawing parallels to when Christopher Reeves was paralyzed in a horse-riding accident, after portraying Superman, proving that he was all too human after all, but no less remarkable.

"Jake has worked with the community since he was 14. He was a basketball coach for kids and helped put together the [Great South Bay] Music Festival, and helped dismantle it, and did security there while in college. He grew up at Patchogue-Medford High School and was on their basketball team. He went to East Stroudsburg College in Pennsylvania and graduated with a degree in exercise science. He hoped to get into physical therapy or athletic training. Bartending enabled him to travel the world," Remien recounted.

This has been one of the most challenging experiences that anyone can go through, and it is a testament to their strong bonds as a family unit that they have managed to persevere and maintain hope, while providing endless encour-

agement and support for Lipponer to regain as much function and quality of life as possible.

Remien and her husband, George, have seven grandchildren, but Jake was the first, so he holds an extra-special place in their hearts as the one who heralded in a new generation to love.

"Jakey is my first grandbaby. He's just a kind soul. I just want him to get better. He was our Aquaman. He's really well built and strong. He was always my rock, and now I'm paying it forward," said the proud grandmother of her grandson, who will now be a superhero in a whole new way as he strives for a miraculous recovery. It already seems that powerful forces are looking out for him. His grandmother explained the extraordinary circumstances surrounding the saving of her son's life in the aftermath of the horrific accident that fateful night.

"He was on Sound Avenue, so no one was ahead of, or behind him, and suddenly a car came by with people just coming off Stony Brook Hospital, on the East End, and they were trauma nurses. Jake was conscious and said, 'I'm on my way to the ferry.' The person saw his condition and how much he was bleeding and did an emergency trach on him while the other person called helicopter doctors. We haven't been able to find them," said Remien.



Family photo of Jake's grandparents, Delis and George Remien, with Olivia Lipponer, Papa Remien, and Jake holding Joss Remien, Jameson Remien, Tata Remien, and Juliette Remien. Courtesy photo

It is her sincere hope that she will be able to find whoever showed up, in divine timing to save her grandson's life in the 11th hour. "If I could just find them and have them come to the fundraiser, to thank them with all our hearts and souls, if I could find those people who were there on June 19, that would be a godsend. I'm not a very religious person, but when Jake got saved, out of the blue, I said to him, 'Someone had another purpose for you. There is a reason for this.'"

With all the love within, around, and above him, he may do just that! Come be a part of the healing journey as the community gathers for fun and to benefit a good cause. Call Locale at 631-714-5220, or buy tickets at the door. Who knows? There may even be a surprise visit from some earth angels and an outpouring of gratitude toward those lifesaving guests. ■

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EDITORIAL

People are suffering from the cold

Despite the recent uptick in degrees last week, let's not forget the freezing cold temperatures that visited us just a few days before. People are on the streets and they are suffering from the cold.

According to the Long Island Coalition for the Homeless, on a given night in January, on Long Island alone, there were 3,050 total people experiencing homelessness. In Suffolk County, as many as 1 in 3 single adults are living outside and not in shelter. Single adults that are not U.S. citizens also make up a significant percentage of the street homeless population and are not eligible for any year-round shelter. Most people on the street are living in tents in the woods (either alone or in encampment groups), at train stations, behind stores, or in abandoned buildings or homes, or in their vehicles.

The cold can kill.

Hypothermia is a life-threatening condition that happens when a person endures long exposures to very cold temperatures. They begin to lose heat faster than it is produced.

According to the National Coalition for the Homeless, about 700 people die every year from hypothermia. The No. 1 way to prevent hypothermia from cold temperatures is to, of course, find warm shelter, but to also add layers of clothing and eat well.

That being said, it is time we do our part by donating food and warm coats to local shelters, food pantries, and coat drives. Lighthouse Mission pastor Jim Ryan estimated the organization hands out almost 5,000 coats per winter, though donations have been scarce.

The mission is in need of warm winter coats in all sizes for adults and children. However, he said, large and extra-large coats can fit just about anyone.

Please consider donating any lightly used or new winter coats. To donate visit the Lighthouse Mission at 1543 Montauk Highway in Bellport, or donate via their website at www.lighthousemission.com.

Total number of people experiencing homelessness at a given time on Long Island:

2016: 3960 (highest in the last decade)
2017: 3937
2018: 3868
2019: 3843
2020: 3807
2021: 3050 (lowest in the last decade)

RESOURCES

For Immediate Shelter in Suffolk County, please call Department of Social Services before 4 p.m. at 631-854-9935 or after 4:30 p.m. at 631-854-9100. If the temperature drops below freezing (32 degrees), anyone on the street has immediate access. Additionally, though the LICH Street Outreach Hotline is not staffed, staff will return your call within 48-72 hours: 631-464-4314 ext. 118.

Heat your home safely

Tips from FASNY

This winter is projected to be a cold and bitter one in New York State, with many regions already experiencing record chills and snowfall. The Firefighters Association of the State of New York (FASNY) reminds New Yorkers to follow some essential safety tips when heating their homes this winter.

Fire departments usually see an uptick in home fires during the winter, with nearly half of all home heating equipment fires occurring during December, January and February. Carbon monoxide (CO) exposure and poisonings also increase during these months.

According to the National Fire Prevention Association, heating equipment is the second leading cause of US home fires and the third leading cause of home fire deaths. Space heaters are the type of equipment most often involved in home heating equipment fires, accounting for more than two of every five fires (44%), as well as the vast majority of deaths and injuries in home

fires caused by heating equipment.

Homeowners should keep space heaters a safe distance from combustible materials, such as curtains, bedding, and upholstered furniture. To prevent CO exposure and poisoning, avoid the indoor use of unvented gas-burning appliances, unvented gas or wood-burning stoves, and unvented fireplaces.

Governor Kathy Hochul recently signed legislation to help curb the preventable deaths caused by space heater fires. Legislation (S.7863A/A.9181B) requires that space heaters sold in New York State have a thermostat, automatic shut off, and be certified by a testing and certification body recognized and approved by the United States Department of Labor, Occupational Safety and Health Administration.

Here are some home heating tips from FASNY and the NFPA:

- Keep anything that can burn at least three feet away from heating equipment.
- Have a three-foot "kid-free zone" around open fires and space heaters.

- Never use your oven to heat your home.
- Have a qualified professional install stationary space heating equipment, water heaters or central heating equipment according to the local codes and manufacturer's instructions.
- Have heating equipment and chimneys cleaned and inspected every year by a qualified professional.
- Remember to turn portable heaters off when leaving the room or going to bed.
- Always use the right kind of fuel specified by the manufacturer, for fuel-burning space heaters.
- All fuel-burning equipment should be vented to the outside to avoid carbon monoxide (CO) poisoning.
- Make sure the fireplace has a sturdy screen to stop sparks from flying into the room. Ashes should be cool before putting them in a metal container. Keep the container a safe distance away from your home.
- Test smoke alarms at least once a month. ■

OP-ED

The town clerk is a big job; we need more information

On Dec. 12, I read the *Long Island Advance* story ("Two Vie for Vacated Town Clerk Seat") to learn more about the Jan. 17 Brookhaven Town special election. But I came away with little more than I already knew from the candidates themselves and still unsure about which one was best suited for the four-year, \$110,665-taxpayer funded position.

This lack of information about the job duties and demands and about the candidates themselves might help explain why so many voters sit out so many elections or vote only along party lines. It may also help explain how one North Shore Nassau County community now has a con man representing them in congress.

Before he was elected last November, many voters had never heard of George Santos. But now they can read about him in the national news every day since it became clear that—more than "embellishing" his resume, as he admitted—he blatantly lied about his family heritage, employment history, education, and virtually everything he claimed about himself during his campaign.

How could this happen? How could the media, political leadership, and government officials drop their due diligence ball? In an interview on News 12, former Rep. Steve Israel blamed the George Santos fiasco on a political extremism, which holds that the ends justify the

means (winning at any cost), a troubling complacency in the media and also among voters who didn't bother to vote because they assumed their district would remain blue. So con man wins, everyone else loses.

All this does not suggest that we should cast suspicious eyes at Brookhaven Town clerk candidates Lisa Di Santo and Kevin LaValle. A simple Google search will validate both candidates' public records of their public service. Still, trusted editorial endorsements, candidate interviews and testimonials—positive or critical—from former co-workers and colleagues would help reveal more clearly whether their respective skills, experience, and temperament would strengthen their candidacies. Or not.

Brookhaven Town voters, armed with a broader, objective view of the candidates, would head for the polls with more confidence for the Jan. 17 special election and the other 2023 elections in June (primary) and November.

After a little digging myself, I learned that the job of town clerk is a big one. Indeed, it seems that the clerk is the brain, the internal and external "hard drive," of the town government operation.

According to the Brookhaven Town 2022 Budget, the town clerk serves as the town's filing officer for things such

as the town ordinances, local laws, and annual budgets.

The town clerk is also the freedom of information law officer who keeps all the town board meeting notes, resolutions and minutes, and is most importantly the records management officer for the town—this, in addition to ensuring timely and effective constituent services such as permits, licenses, birth/death/marriage certificates, etc., and supervising dozens of staff.

I am surprised by the depth and breadth of the town clerk work, which requires—in my mind—someone with exceptional administrative and organizational abilities, proven leadership skills, a strong work ethic, unimpeachable integrity, and above all, someone who may be aligned with a political party, but not beholden to it; someone willing to rise above partisan politics to do the work of helping run a functional government.

It's a lot to ask of one person to do. It's a lot for voters to consider when we're vetting potential candidates. Is it too much to ask our news outlets and political leadership and government officials to help us ensure our candidates are who they say they are, have the skills they say they do, and that they are up to the task?

-Betsey Cruz
East Patchogue

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Business owners, community leaders, and residents share their New Year's resolutions

An age-old tradition of ringing in the New Year with a vision and a goal in mind

BY SHANA BRAFF

While New Year's resolutions are associated with the future, they harken back to ancient times. In 2000 B.C. the Babylonians celebrated the New Year during a 12-day festival called Akitu, which, for this agricultural society, coincided with the vernal equinox, and often included vows to pay back any outstanding debts. One of the more common resolutions was to return borrowed farming equipment. The Babylonian New Year, and its requisite resolutions, was then adopted by the ancient Romans. The timing of this annual rite of passage was ultimately pivoted to the Julian calendar in 46 B.C., decreeing the first of January as the beginning of the new year. January was aptly named for the two-faced Roman god Janus, who looks ahead to what is coming and behind to what has passed, reflecting simultaneously in both directions.

The *L.I. Advance* asked members of the community including retirees, business owners, elected officials and more what their New Year's resolutions are for 2023, resulting in an eclectic mix of familiar fitness and career goals, as well as more niche ones offered.

Debra Canellis, of Bellport, is making the most of her retirement with an innovative resolution for the coming year, which is literally growing out of the work she has done in previous years.

"I am completing the conversion of my front lawn to garden. My entire backyard was converted years ago. I began in the front last year, finished one side, and will be finishing the entire lawn this year," said Canellis, who hopes to inspire others to make incremental changes which add up to monumental ones. "The no-mow movement is challenging turf-lawn conformity and helping the envi-



Creative and ecologically minded retiree Debra Canellis is completing the conversion of her Bellport front lawn to this beautiful garden, in 2023, as part of the "no-mow" movement.

ronment. We, home gardeners, can nurture the health of the planet in their own yards. I am safeguarding the bees and the ground with no chemicals, and the air with plants—so, in my own little way, safeguarding the earth," she said, earning two green thumbs-up from Mother Earth for her simple yet groundbreaking idea, which is sure to blossom.

Self-employed Patchogue resident Andrew Janosick, 42, shared his ambitious list of well-rounded resolutions for the coming year. They include running in the New York City Marathon in November and qualifying for the Boston Marathon. Janosick also has love on his list this year.

"I think soulmate love is one of the world's greatest gifts shared amongst two people. It energizes you and inspires you in a way nothing else can. The ripple effects of that impact your life in every department for the better. Who doesn't want that? Putting that out to the universe in print for all to read is a big deal. Guys don't usually do that," he said. Take note, ladies!

Owner of Bellport Arts & Framing and co-president of the Bellport Chamber of Commerce, LuAnn Thompson, is focusing on self-care this year. "If I focus on myself, my energy for my work will carry through stronger," Thompson said.

Efficiency is another popular goal for the next 12 months and beyond. Mike Cirigliano, of the Cirigliano Insurance Agency in Patchogue, said, "My reso-

lution is a promise to myself to utilize the time-management techniques and strategies that I know work for me, so I can step into 2023 with confidence, leading my team, growing our business, and enjoying my family, friends, and community," Cirigliano said of his practical plan.

Others have resolutions which center on slowing down and being more fully present in each moment. An example of this is Alison Buck, Owner of TOLA in Bellport, and co-president of the Bellport Chamber of Commerce.

"I have only one main resolution this year, and I have actually put a lot of thought into it. My 2023 resolution centers around practicing better listening. I plan to exercise empathetic listening—listening to those around me, customers, family, friends, my husband, and most of all myself, including my mind and body—both of which are telling me to slow down a little—and in the coming year, I'm listening," she said.

Many are entering this year with the same focus they had in previous years, but with a renewed dedication to their life's purpose. One example of this is Rev. Dwight Lee Wolter, pastor of the Congregational Church of Patchogue.

He said, "I resolve this year, as I have in many consecutive years past, to be an ally of those who hunger and thirst for food, drink, and justice, and to remind all others that these beloved children of God are their peers and siblings who could

greatly benefit from compassion, caring, and concern. Love hoarded is halved. Love shared is doubled," explained Wolter.

Finally, it is likely that Patchogue Village clerk Lori B. Devlin isn't alone in her aversion to making New Year's resolutions. "To tell you the truth, I don't make resolutions anymore, so I don't disappoint myself," she said of her resolution to stop making resolutions. Who knows? This one might just stick! ■



Adventurous and ambitious Patchogue resident Andrew Janosick is planning to run the NYC Marathon, find love, and continue working toward personal growth and financial prosperity in 2023. Courtesy photos

LIBRARY PROGRAM: Services available by appointment on website

FROM PAGE 1

"When people find out about it, they get excited. We print bookmarks at Patron Services about the program, and they're flying off the shelves," explained Nix. It's no wonder people can't wait to sign up, with most participating businesses offering 10 percent off purchases. The discount, however, varies, and is open to the discretion of each business. "It's a good start. We hope to get as many businesses as there are in the area," said Nix of his ambitious goals for the program. "Then people can see all the library's programs once we get people in the door."

Some of the programs and services that the library provides include a free weekly ESL class for English-language learners starting in March (meeting every Monday at 6 p.m.). It will focus on practicing speaking, reading, and writing. All skill levels are welcome. There will also be an ongoing Conversation Skills for English Learners program, which meets each Thursday at 6 p.m.

The social services fair is on March 16 from 12 to 3 p.m., and it will feature multiple organizations from across Long

Island offering a variety of resources. Patrons can stop by anytime during those hours to seek assistance or to get information. The library also has a permanent food pantry that people can donate to,

and from which those in need of food can partake. It is located conveniently in the South Country Library's lobby.

Passport services are also now available, with patrons able to set up an

appointment on the library's website.

Also, be sure to check out their unique "Library of Things." Patrons never know what they'll find there to spark their imagination or creativity. Currently in this eclectic selection, there are items ranging from a MacBook Pro 15 laptop with Adobe Photoshop, 3-D printers, a birdwatching kit, a telescope, board games, musical instruments, entertainment systems, and one of the most whimsical finds, a ghost-hunting kit.

The South Country Library serves all of Bellport, Brookhaven Hamlet, and parts of Patchogue, Medford, and Yaphank. To check if your area is eligible for participation in the South Country Library, to sign up for the newsletter, or to find out more information about the Small Business Discount Program or other services, go to sctylib.org/services/lending-library, call 631-286-0848, or visit the helpful staff at Patron Services in the library to get a card, and don't be shy!

"We want people to come in and ask us questions. Use our resources. We want to research," Nix assured. ■



Here are some of the members of the helpful South Country library staff: (left to right) Marcia Bolanos Buestan (patron services), Jack Nix (community engagement librarian), Kristina Sembler (library director), and Joshua Kelvas (patron services). Courtesy photo

DEC dedicates \$1.7 million to salt marsh restoration project

Aimed to combat erosion at Fireplace Neck near Bellport Bay

BY SHANA BRAFF

The *L.I. Advance* contacted the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) to find out more information about State Environmental Conservation officials making an announcement that a \$1.7 million marsh restoration project is underway at Fireplace Neck, a tidal wetland area near Bellport Bay in Brookhaven Hamlet. After decades of erosion, the much-needed project will replace flora which was destroyed over decades of coastal erosion. In addition, it will restore the 108-acre salt marsh's environmental functions, including providing a safe habitat for marine life. The work, which is expected to be finished by April 2023, will necessitate the closure of Fireplace Neck to the public until that time.

LIA: When is the work on the salt marsh restoration project set to begin/end?

DEC: Construction began in 2022 and is expected to be completed in 2023.

LIA: How much will it cost? Who is funding it? Will it cost taxpayers?

DEC: Construction costs total \$1.7 million and has been funded through New York's Environmental Protection Fund (EPF) and Ocean and Great Lakes Fund, as well as U.S. Fish and Wildlife Services (USFWS) National Coastal Wetlands Conservation Grants program.

LIA: How long has this been needed



An image of Bellport Bay and Fireplace Neck salt marsh.

Photo courtesy of Stephen Borghardt

and why? How did Hurricane Sandy contribute to this?

DEC: When it was first mapped by DEC around 1974, Fireplace Neck wetland was predominantly high marsh and upland adjacent area. Analysis in 2012 showed that the area is now majority intertidal marsh, with increasing pools of unvegetated open water, likely due to the manmade mosquito ditches that changed the natural hydrology of the site and reduced sediment deposition patterns. If the marsh were left, as it is now, DEC expects that erosion will continue, and intertidal marsh would convert to areas of open water and mud flats.

LIA: What will the project include?

DEC: First, the southern end of Mott

Lane will be graded, and gravel added to allow machinery access. Then, three primary tidal channel outlets will be widened, and ditch plugs will be strategically removed and added to restore the movement of water through tidal channels and across the marsh. Micro-pools will be excavated for mosquito control, and small channels will be dug to encourage drainage from water-logged areas. These proposed activities will facilitate the natural tidal ebb and flow to the 108-acre property and support a long-term sustainable, healthy, natural marsh.

LIA: Why is the marsh important for the area?

DEC: Fireplace Neck tidal wetland supports the recreational and commer-

cial fishing industries of Long Island's Great South Bay by serving as a nursery for important fish species. The wetland also provides opportunities for recreation including hunting, fishing, clamming, crabbing, and birdwatching.

LIA: What species will be helped by this?

DEC: The restoration of Fireplace Neck is likely to benefit several threatened and endangered species including the bald eagle, roseate tern, sharp-shinned hawk, osprey, and loggerhead sea turtle, all of which are found within the larger marsh complex that includes Fireplace Neck and neighboring Wertheim Wildlife Refuge. The marsh also serves as a nursery for important fish species including winter and summer flounder, bluefish, blackfish, and striped bass. Juvenile American eel are known to inhabit the marsh before moving upstream to the Carman's River.

LIA: Who is involved with the project?

DEC: DEC and OGS are working with the design firm Henningson, Durham & Richardson Architecture and Engineering, P.C., to develop and implement a restoration design plan.

LIA: What will it help in the future?

DEC: We expect the restoration work will help to limit further degradation of the marsh by minimizing the creation of new mudflats and strengthening the remaining intertidal and high marsh areas. In turn, this will improve the marsh's ability to protect inland neighborhoods from large storm events and allow it to adapt to sea-level rise, while maintaining existing ecological benefits and increasing habitat values.

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Save The Great South Bay reflects on 2022

Organization plans for year ahead

BY NICOLE FUENTES

With the help of Dr. Christopher Gobler, of Stony Brook University's Gobler Laboratory, Save The Great South Bay presented its annual State of the Bay address during their Fall Speaker Series. Based on Gobler's water-quality testing results, they found the following findings in 2022:

"The Great South Bay is the home to a wide variety of marine and aquatic plant life in an extensive range of habitats. A healthy habitat is represented by high oxygen levels and clear water. Poor water quality is characterized by low dissolved oxygen levels, known as hypoxia, and harmful algal blooms (HABs) such as brown tide and red tide."

According to Gobler, since the appearance of the first brown tide in the 1980s, the bay has been "assaulted" with nitrogen pollution from outdated cesspools and fertilizers. The pollution causes algae growth and lack of oxygen, which also greatly affects marine life.

In order to protect the bay and promote better water quality, Save the GSB suggests reducing nitrogen pollution by managing stormwater runoff and upgrading sewage treatment systems.

What have they done to help save the bay in 2022?

- They have conducted dozens of river cleanups, including teaming up with the Ocean Conservancy to gather data with



their Clean Swell app. The team also added water-quality testing and even installed a litter trap at the Carl's River.

- Certified dozens of bay-friendly yards since encouraging them through their webinar series.

- Planted and expanded four native gardens. They expanded their gardens along the Carl's River and added gardens in the Town of Brookhaven at Bayview Park and the Village of Amityville at Nautical Park.

- Planted thousands of oysters in the Great South Bay Oyster Project spawner

sanctuary. They are also currently working on a collaboration with Town of Islip, Islip Hatchery, and Cornell Cooperative of Suffolk County.

How can you take action?

Upgrade your septic system, reduce or eliminate fertilizers, plant native plants, keep litter out of the waterways, use reusable bags, and use your voice by telling local officials you want policies that support clean water. Also, don't forget to support the organization.

STGSB 2023 GOALS:

- 1) Conducting cleanups along the 50 creeks and rivers to clear the "arteries" that lead into the bay.
- 2) Planting 500,000 oysters in the Great South Bay Oyster sanctuary.
- 3) Restoring dozens of acres of native habitat to help improve stormwater runoff and nitrogen filtration.
- 4) Expanding the Bay Friendly Yard certification program.
- 5) Continuing their education and advocacy programs to promote use of innovative and alternative wastewater treatment systems (I/AOWTS) and expanded use of sewers that recharge the aquifer.

ABOUT THE ORGANIZATION

Save The Great South Bay Inc. is a 501(c)3 nonprofit dedicated to the revitalization of the Great South Bay. The organization, which was founded in 2012 is comprised of people from the South Shore, including past and present, baymen, fishermen, boaters, paddleboarders, surfers, sailors, local environmentalists, civic associations, community leaders, educators, and marine scientists.

The cause began when two Sayville alumni returned home for a class reunion and soon formed a Facebook group, with now over 16,000 members, talking about the bay and actions needing to be taken. Save The Great South Bay was eventually created, and 10 weeks later, Superstorm Sandy hit.

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- Andy Mirchel, director of Great South Bay Oyster Project

SAVE THE GSB PROGRAMS

The Creek Defender Program

The program supports local stewardship by bringing together local South Shore residents, schools, civic and environmental groups to clean and protect the over 50 creeks in every community, from Massapequa to Mastic.

The Great South Bay Oyster Project

This program seeks to reintroduce bivalves strategically to the bay and its estuary. The aim is to have these filter feeders help clean the water, through oysters or ribbed mussels.

Bay-Friendly Yards habitat restoration

Through their Bay-Friendly Yards program, the group advocates for bay-friendly, pesticide free, chemical fertilizer-free yards. They also practice habitat restoration.

Advocacy

The group advocates a systematic, scientifically driven approach to the bay's management. Science, not politics.

THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Robyn Silvestri has served as the executive director of Save The Great South Bay since February 2020 and as a volunteer since 2017. She has over 25 years of marketing and sales experience and has worked in varied positions, including at the United Nations/IAEA, American Embassy/Vienna, in the corporate world, and for herself as an independent entrepreneur. She has also served as a trustee for the Village of Babylon.



Save the Great South Bay Word of the Week

Eutrophication

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The process a body of water undergoes when too many nutrients (ie nitrates or phosphates) are added to it, thus triggering algal blooms.

Sources of excess nutrients: chemical-laden lawn fertilizers, outdated cesspools and septic systems, stormwater runoff and atmospheric deposition.

Save The Great South Bay, 501(c)3 is an environmental nonprofit whose mission is to protect and preserve the Great South Bay for stronger Long Island communities now and for future generations to enjoy. We are a grassroots organization made up of South Shore residents, scientists, educators, community leaders,

local policy makers, sailors, clambers, paddleboards, fishermen, scout troops, and more! We work to bring all of these groups together for a common purpose – to save the Great South Bay from collapse.

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Longtime DPW superintendent retires

New hire started this month

BY NICOLE FUENTES

The Village of Patchogue Department of Public Works superintendent Joseph Dean recently retired after 13 and a 1/2 years of service at 59 years old. In his place, the village has hired a former H2M engineer and village resident, Timothy Nordberg, to fill his shoes. He was hired officially as the Village Engineer for a yearly salary of \$130,000.

“Joe first came on as a trustee and he was an excellent trustee, but he had maintenance background, which he took all of those skills with him, and he’s done a great job as our superintendent,” said mayor Paul Pontieri of Dean. “He’s moved a lot of snow for us over the years and has really afforded us some great opportunities. His leadership is going to be lost.”

However, Nordberg, he said, is a great fit for the role and not just because his home directly neighbors the DPW yard.

“He’s an engineer, and he really brings a level of skills to us that we’ve never had before,” Pontieri said, excited to have him on the team, also noting that Nordberg was a part of the team that helped originally redesign the sewer plant in 2009.

Dean started his career second in command in charge of grounds and maintenance at the Great Neck Schools, where he worked for 20 years from 1989 to 2009. In 2004, as a village resident, he ran for trustee and was elected to



Pictured is Joseph Dean enjoying his retirement while doing something he loves, camping.

Courtesy photo

serve from 2004 to 2009. At that time, he stepped down to fill the position of DPW superintendent, taking over for then interim superintendent John Lunde.

As for his retirement, he said, it was simply time. He was due for retirement a few years ago, having put 30 years into his service, but continued to work until he was ready.

“It’s time to do something else and retire,” he said of seeking something challenging and rewarding in his retirement. “For the time being, I have

no immediate plans to leave the island of Patchogue. I plan on being around the house and pursuing my hobbies with greater passion.”

“It’s been amazing working for the village and serving the residents of this community, while also working with the mayor and board of trustees,” he said, also noting that the reason the village works so well is due to all the groups, including the businesses, Business Improvement District, and Greater Patchogue Chamber of Commerce, all working together for the same goal. ■

ABOUT THE NEW DPW SUPER

Timothy Nordberg, P.E., has spent the past 15 years working for H2M architects + engineers as a wastewater engineer, providing consulting services for various municipalities, including the Village of Patchogue, for the upgrades and expansions of the existing village sanitary infrastructure. He is a village resident for the past six years with his wife and daughter and is excited to take on the new role of chief engineer for the Department of Public Works. Nordberg graduated from Mt. Sinai HS in 1998 and the University at Buffalo in 2003 with an aerospace engineering degree.



Courtesy photo



New chief heads Patchogue Fire Department

After 23 years in the Patchogue Fire Department and serving eight years as a chief, Dave Tierney was happy to pass the reins to the incoming chief, Frank Densing, who started his role this month.

“It was an honor to spend the last eight years as a chief and the last two as chief of the department,” Tierney said, noting that he will be staying with the department. “I wish Frank Densing well as he takes over as chief of the department. I’m sure he will do a great job, as well as deputy chief Steve LoDolce and first assistant chief Z Banse.”

Densing, 52, started with the department 34 years ago in December 1988, alongside his brother. His uncles George, of Blue Point, and John Densing, of North Patchogue, also served as chiefs of their departments. He lives in Patchogue and has a daughter named Rachel. He also works for Coca-Cola.

“It was never my goal to become chief, but I am very humbled and honored to lead this department,” he said of his new title. “I just wanted to be a firefighter just like my dad and uncles.”

His goal moving forward is to give the residents of the Patchogue Fire District the best fire protection possible. He also congratulated his predecessor on his accomplishment.

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New year, new goals for town officials

Practical resolutions and aspirational wish lists for 2023

BY SHANA BRAFF

In ancient Roman myth, Janus is the liminal god of the Roman pantheon, symbolically presiding over beginnings, gateways, transitions, time, and duality. He is typically depicted as having two faces, but this isn't the negative connotation of being two-faced. It evokes both looking backwards and ahead, which is why January, his eponymous month, is an apt moniker for the first month of the year. It is a time when everyone is simultaneously looking back at the year that just ended and anticipating what the next one holds in store. Many people make New Year's resolutions with the goal of getting in better shape, quitting a toxic or outmoded habit, or finally finishing that project that has been sitting on the back-burner. Elected officials in the town of Brookhaven are also making ambitious resolutions and wish lists for the nascent year of 2023, and here are a few of the highlights.

Brookhaven Town supervisor Edward P. Romaine prepared a detailed wish list for our readers in 2023, which includes a list of projects and improvements, especially those directly affecting the areas where most *L.I. Advance* readers reside. Some of Romaine's hopes for the area in the coming year include expanding sewers from Mastic to Mastic Beach, using the newly enacted federal infrastructure funding to break ground for East Patchogue, and redevelopment of Mastic Beach on and around Neighborhood Road. The Brookhaven supervisor also wants to promote the expansion of aquaculture in Bellport Bay, the Narrows, and Moriches Bay for the cultivation of oysters and sugar kelp.

In Shirley, Romaine wants to begin construction on the 99 acres of town-owned parkland in the area and see a walking and exercise trail come to fruition around the pond, for those whose personal resolutions include getting in better shape or maintaining physical and mental fitness, while enjoying the natural beauty of the area in which they live. Parking and public restrooms would also be included in the comprehensive plan, which will eventually involve several sports fields built with-



Grucci fireworks, from Midnight on Main, welcoming 2023 in Patchogue.

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in the next few years, providing resolutions for Brookhaven for years to come.

In the Patchogue area, Romaine aims to continue the preservation of the historic Avery Estate as well.

Romaine stated that throughout all of Brookhaven, there is an objective to encourage increased public participation in recycling programs. Part of this plan includes petitioning New York State to allow the reuse of recycled glass, which would be the impetus

for the town to resume biweekly glass pickup.

Some other resolutions, according to Romaine, include the purchase of additional open space along the Carmans River corridor; the acquisition of additional marshland in the Mastic Beach area to aid in the mitigation of future flooding; completion of the fish ladder on the Peconic River by Forge Road, in Calverton; and bringing sewers into North Bellport.

The supervisor admits that what he dubs his "12 Wishes for New Year" are very lofty aims, especially to achieve all at once, and that trying to accomplish all of them is like reaching for the moon and hopefully catching a star. "You always want to aim too high," said Romaine inspirationally.

Neil Foley, Brookhaven councilman for District 5, also shared his New Year's resolutions for the district, and they include the following: to start the Roe Park project in Blue Point in the first quarter of the year and working with Suffolk County to preserve the Avery property in East Patchogue. He is also looking to renovate and preserve the historic barn and houses there. His list also includes completing a new park on Morris Avenue in Holtsville, complete with multiuse turf, and to continue to address flooding issues in the 5th Council District.

Foley said, "My office will continue to address the quality-of-life issues that affect the taxpayers of the Town of Brookhaven."

Councilman Michael Loguercio, in District 4, shared some of his resolutions and continued hopes for his area of Brookhaven. He said, "The safety and comfort of residents is always paramount."

His top three wishes for 2023 include, first and foremost, the safety and comfort of residents, keeping taxes down, and making certain there is no wasteful spending. Loguercio also intends to focus on the environment and zoning in his district, which has some of the most open spaces in Brookhaven Town. His goal is to protect animals and wildlife in the bucolic area while also providing jobs and affordable housing to its residents.

The councilman appreciates the natural beauty of the location and seeks to protect it, while also maintaining a thriving economy, which is certainly a delicate balance to strike. "I try to make sure we don't overdevelop—by any means—and keep industrial and residential separate, to maintain and protect the environment and its natural resources. It's all really challenging to do, but we don't have a choice—we have to do it. I am going to do it, along with my peers on the town board. It's what elected officials do," said the affable official, who reiterated his transparency and willingness to connect with constituents.

"My door is always open. If there is an issue, I will stop by and talk with you, and do whatever I can to bring a resolution," he said. ■

IDA closes on \$34 million Medford warehouse

Frederick C. Braun III, chairman of the Town of Brookhaven Industrial Development Agency (IDA), announced that the agency has closed on a package of economic incentives for a Medford warehouse proposed by a New York City developer.

The closing on Dec. 29, 2022, involves incentives for WF Industrial XIII LLC, an affiliate of Wildflower Ltd., a New York City development firm. The incentives were approved by the IDA on Oct. 26.

WF Industrial XIII owns approximately 10 acres of vacant land at 645 National Boulevard in Medford and intends to construct a 130,000-square-foot industri-



al building at a cost of \$33.8 million to meet growing demand for warehouse/distribution facilities.

The project will take about 12 months to complete and is expected to result in the creation of 40 full-time jobs and five part-time positions.

"This project will bring warehouse and distribution space with modern specifications such as high ceilings, heavy floor-load capacity, wide column spacing, and substantial electric services to a thriving industrial park in our town that in turn will bring new tenants, perhaps from outside of our immediate area, creating new jobs and economic opportunities," said Braun. ■

AROUND TOWN SEND YOUR ITEMS TO PRODUCTION@LIADVANCE.NET WITH "AROUND TOWN" IN THE SUBJECT LINE**Thursday, January 12**

Job Fair – Meet representatives from several industries looking to hire at Patchogue-Medford Library, 1-3 p.m. Bring your resume and dress to impress. Call 631-654-4700.

Conversation Skills for English Learners

– Practice your English conversation skills and improve vocabulary and grammar skills at South Country Library, 6-7 p.m. For all English learning levels. To register, call 631-286-0818, ext. 1.

Tai Chi – Jim Cummings teaches the 24 movements of the Beijing Tai Chi form at South Country Library. Learn the fundamental movements as well as theory; improve balance, stability and overall health. Wear comfortable clothing and soft-soled shoes. 7 classes, \$21. Classes meet 12-1 p.m. on Jan. 12, 19, 26, Feb. 2, 9, 16, 23. Register online or in person.

Friday, January 13

Parachute Play – Patchogue Library program for ages 18 months to 3 1/2 years, 10:30-11 a.m. Song, dance, and games. Register online or call 631-654-4700.

Saturday, January 14

Recycle Holiday String Lights – South Country Library will collect old, unwanted, working or broken lights to recycle. Call 631-286-0818.

Hip Hop Dance for Adults – Patchogue-Medford Library program meets at Live and Direct House of Dance, for fun and to de-stress and get fit, 1-2:30 p.m. Register online or call 631-654-4700.

Free Sketching Session – Join South Bay Art Association at Brookhaven Library for a free, non-instructional sketching session, 10 a.m. to noon. All mediums welcome except

oil and acrylic paint. Limited to 15 participants. Must bring own supplies. Register at southbayart.org.

Sunday, January 15

Open Mic – Perform in front of an audience of your friends and neighbors at Patchogue-Medford Library, or just listen, 2-4 p.m. Registration recommended but not required. Call 631-654-4700.

Wednesday, January 18

Play Mah-Jongg & Canasta – South Country Library clubs meet: Mah-Jongg, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Canasta, 1-3:30 p.m. No registration required to join. Call Reference at 631-286-0818.

South Country Central BOE – The board of education will hold a Business Meeting/Budget Presentation Review & Long Term Planning at 6:15 p.m. in the South Country

School District Office. Visit www.southcountry.org for updates and changes.

Thursday, January 19

Give Yourself a Break: Self-Care of Caregivers – A representative from Family Service League will be at Patchogue-Medford Library to discuss the emotional toll of caregiving, 1-2 p.m. Attend in person or online. Register online or call 631-654-4700.

Send your items to production@liadvance.net, with "Around Town" in the subject line; or mail your notice to Long Island Advance, P.O. Box 780, Patchogue, NY 11772 Attn: Around Town

Of Note ...

The Patchogue History Museum – The museum located in the lower level of Patchogue-Medford Library's Carnegie Teen Center, is open Fridays and Saturdays, noon to 3 p.m. The next history talk is Sunday, February 12, at 2 p.m. with Kevin Weeks of Weeks Yacht Yard. Contact 631-804-9269 or email gphsociety@yahoo.com.

Women's Recognition – Town of Brookhaven Division of Women's Services seeks nominations of women who have made a positive impact in 2022, been innovative in her approach to the community, lives or works in Brookhaven, and deserves recognition for her efforts. To view categories and submit a nomination, visit www.brookhavenny.gov/325/Womens-Recognition-Awards. Submission deadline: Jan. 27.

Boating Course – The Patchogue Bay Power Squadron will hold "Basic Weather and Forecasting," on Feb 10 at the Boat Club, Crescent St., Patchogue, 8 p.m. Fee: \$25. To register, contact Bob Bernstein at 516-429-3439 or hbbn01@gmail.com.

Drop-In Ping Pong – Town of Brookhaven friendly play at New Village Rec Center, 20 Wireless Rd., Centereach, Mondays noon to 4 p.m. and Saturdays, 9 a.m. to noon. All ages and levels welcome. Paddles available. No fee. Call 631-473-5788.

Little Neck Run Closed – The nesting site of a pair of bald eagles has prompted the seasonal closure of Little Neck Run to public access to reduce disturbance in the area. Wertheim National Wildlife Refuge will reopen the area after chick fledging. Call 631-286-0485.

"Winter Solstice" Exhibit – A South Bay Art Association members' exhibit will be on display at The Cheese Patch, 20 E. Main St., Patchogue, through Jan. 29. Visit www.southbayart.org.

Free Counseling – The Brookhaven Youth Bureau Sanctuary Program offers individual or family counseling for town residents ages 12-21. Call 631-451-8011 to speak with a licensed social worker.

Free Memory Screenings – The Alzheimer's Foundation of America (AFA) has been awarded a Suffolk County Marathon grant to provide free memory screenings to Suffolk County veterans and their families. Screenings will be conducted virtually every Monday and Wednesday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and every Friday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Veterans can make an appointment by calling AFA at 866-232-8484.

County Career & Talent Portal – As part of the Suffolk County NY Forward strategy, the portal is a one-stop employment shop offering job search and talent recruitment to power local businesses. Visit <https://scnyforward.info/>.

Volunteers Needed – Make a difference in the lives of those living in Suffolk County nursing homes. Family Service League's Ombudsman Program will train as advocates in long-term care facilities. For more information, call 631-470-6753.

Skillport Online Trainings – Dress for Success® Brookhaven offers comprehensive e-Learning with a library of over 8,000 courses, available 24/7. To register, call 631-451-9127 or email brookhaven@dressforsuccess.org.

County Pass Discount for Veterans – Veterans can purchase a Suffolk County Green Key Card at a reduced rate with state driver's license and 2 additional proofs of residency. For more information, visit www.suffolkcountyny.gov.

Counseling Services – The Town of Brookhaven Youth Bureau Sanctuary Program offers free and confidential family or individual counseling and support groups as well as programs for ages 12-21 including a divorce group, anger management, Teen Talk, It's a Guy Thing for males, and a socialization group. For more information, call 631-451-8011 or visit www.brookhaven.org.

Dress for Success® Suitings – The boutique has limited Saturday appointments open to "suit" women with great professional winter clothing. Call the program at 631-451-9127 or email brookhaven@dressforsuccess.org.

Stop Domestic Violence – Is a loved one attacking you physically, verbally or emotionally? Contact the L.I. Against Domestic Violence 24-hour hotline: 631-666-8833. Tell them, they'll listen. For more information, visit www.liadv.org.

Connecting with Seniors – The RSVP Telephone Reassurance Program makes daily phone calls to seniors living in the community. If you have a loved one or know of someone living alone who could benefit from a daily phone call, call 631-979-9490 or visit www.rsvpsuffolk.org.

Knights of Columbus – Queen of Hearts, Council 4126 welcomes all Catholic men over 18 years old to find out about membership. Visit www.KofC.org/Joinus to find out more.

Pregnancy Support – Not sure of what to expect or where to go? For more information, or for help in finding a healthcare provider, call the Suffolk Perinatal Coalition at 631-475-5400 or visit www.spcbabies.org.

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No-Tuition Career Training – Suffolk County Community College offers grant-funded, eligibility-based programs: TASC Preparation – Course prepares individuals for the High School Equivalency Examination (Mastic and Patchogue locations); Health IT Program includes Career Skills Bootcamp and a 78-hour online program with credentials; Ophthalmic Technician, a 2-part program prepares individuals for a wide field of optician career opportunities. Contact Jeanne Durso-Gunes at 631-451-4470.

Boating Classes – The United States Power Squadrons offer classes, free vessel safety checks and more. Visit www.WeBoatSafe.org or call 800-341-8777 to find a squadron location near you.

Gamblers Anonymous – Are you or someone you know living with a gambling problem? Call 631-297-6166 for help. Covering all areas of Long Island, Sunday-Friday.

Official Passport Facility – Patchogue-Medford Library is now able to process applications for passports. For complete information or to make an appointment, call the library at 631-654-4700, ext. 213.

Parent Leadership Initiative – PLI is a community network empowering parent advocates for children. Evening weekly meetings held in Brookhaven Township. For more information, call 631-462-0303 or visit www.childcaresuffolk.org/parentleadership.

Brookhaven Veterans – Those needing information regarding VA issues and benefits can call William Rodriguez at Town Hall at 631-451-6574 or email william.rodriguez@suffolkcountyny.gov.

Free Foreclosure Prevention Counseling – Long Island Housing Services Inc. will set you up with a HUD-approved counselor who will help you explore available programs. Visit www.liFairHousing.org or call 631-567-5111, ext. 383 for more information.

Cupboard Cleaning – The Long Island Council of Churches invites you to clear out all those edible items on your shelves and in

your cabinets that you aren't going to eat and donate them to your local emergency food pantry. Call 631-727-2210 for more information.

Retired Volunteer Firefighters – The New York Volunteer Firefighters Association seeks new members to stay connected with the companies and firefighters with whom they served. Yearly dues, \$25. For membership information, call 518-459-6332 or visit www.nyrvfa.com.

Dress for Success Brookhaven – The organization offers appointments for Virtual Suitings with curbside pickups at their Farmingville location. They also provide one-to-one career coaching, resume reviews, practice interviews, and more. They can work with clients via email, phone, or virtual sessions to make every effort to meet each individual's needs. Anyone in need is invited to call 631-451-9127 and leave a clear message with who you are; what you need; and the best way for us to reach you. You can also email Brookhaven@dressforsuccess.org. Access a wide range of information about what is available by viewing United Way information at www.211.org.

BiasHELP – A not-for-profit agency dedicated to preventing and addressing discrimination, harassment and violence. For more information on trainings, anti-bias programming and efforts, visit www.biashelp.org or call 877-363-2427.

Adult Respite Program – Caring for a senior adult? Need some time off to relax, to run errands, or spend time with family or friends? Parker Jewish Institute, located at Temple Beth El, has a new mobile respite program, Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, 9:30 a.m. to noon, open to all. Call 718-289-2102.

Volunteers Needed – Suffolk County Helen Keller Services seeks individuals to visit homebound blind, elderly people. Read mail, socialize and provide transportation to the store or the doctor. For more information, call 631-424-0022, ext. 8015.

Bereavement Group – Family Service League group offers support to adults who have lost a loved one to drug or alcohol addiction. Group meets Thursdays at 338 Blanco Drive, Mastic Beach, 5 p.m. Call Donna Altonji at 631-874-1318.

Puppy Raisers Needed – Canine Companions for Independence trains assistance dogs for people with disabilities. Volunteers are needed to mold pups into responsive adult dogs. For more information, call 631-561-0217 or visit www.cci.org.

FROM THE ARCHIVES OF THE LONG ISLAND ADVANCE

75 Years Ago

JANUARY 1948

Mr. and Mrs. **Francis W. Brown** of Schroeder Lane, Patchogue, received a phone call from their son, Corporal Francis W. Brown Jr., who is stationed at Fairbanks, Alaska, and is attached to the Alaska Communications System. The call was very timely, as it came through just at midnight Christmas Eve.

Mr. and Mrs. **R.H. DeCastro** of Grove Avenue, Patchogue, have announced the engagement of their daughter, **Janet Estelle**, to **Charles Palmieri**, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Palmieri of Selden, on Christmas Eve.

Miss **Frances Kelly**, who has been spending the holidays with her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. **William A. Sawyers** and family of Bay Avenue, has returned to Marblehead, Mass. Miss Kelly is a member of the Marblehead School faculty, teaching first grade.

A New Year's Eve party was held at the legion house by the Patchogue Post American Legion, **George Haegele**, commander, with about 60 present. Games and refreshments were enjoyed.

Mr. and Mrs. **Harold Ashare** and children, Martin, Alan and Susan, who formerly lived on Bay Avenue, are now occupying their home at 195 Maple Avenue.

Jerome W. Ackerly of Rose Avenue again enjoyed the distinction of holding Ticket No. 1 for the 32nd year at the 35th annual year-end luncheon of the New York Piano Trade Association, Dec. 30, at the Hotel Woodstock, New York.

Announcement has been made by Mr. and Mrs. **Philip Albasi** of the engagement of their daughter, Miss **Dorothy Emily**, to **Robert Stanley Truman**, son of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley V. Truman of Maple Avenue.

There is little likelihood of a meat famine occurring in Patchogue during the meat handlers' strike, which is supposed to be called tomorrow throughout New York City, Queens, Nassau and Suffolk counties. A survey of local butcher shops revealed that employees of only **Bohack's** and **Hill's** markets are members of the Amalgamated Meat Cutters Local 342, which is calling the strike. Butchers at both these markets said they had received no direction about joining the strike.

Herman Van Kleef has returned to Cornell University after spending the Christmas vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arie Van Kleef of Oak Street.

Recent local weddings: Miss **Ellen Patricia Blum**, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Blum of Roe Boulevard, Patchogue, was married to **Harry Seymour Gierer** of the Bronx, Nov. 23 at Franklin Manor, Brooklyn, by Rabbi Joseph Lief of Patchogue. Miss **Shirley Ann Fuoco** of Patchogue Shores, formerly of Bellport, was married to **Robert Gerard** of Circle Court, Patchogue, in Mary Immaculate R.C. Church, Bellport, Nov. 9 in a pretty double-ring ceremony. Miss **Madeline Elvira Mirabella** of Fuoco Street, Bellport, was married to **George E. Fogarty Jr.**, of Thorne Street, Patchogue, in St. Joseph's R.C. Church, Hagerman, Nov. 23.

Brad Allman, son of Mr. and Mrs. W.B. Allman of South Ocean Avenue, has returned to Sampson College, Sampson, N.Y., after enjoying the vacation with his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. **Herbert F. Austin** of "Questover" on Swan River and Mrs. Austin's father, William Hegeman of Sea Cliff, left Sunday to motor to Melbourne, Fla.

C.F. Dunham, chief motor machinist's mate, USN, of West Avenue, Patchogue, was selected from the crew of the submarine tender Howard W. Gilmore

to be a member of the honor guard for **President Harry S. Truman** at his departure from the submarine base, Key West, Fla., after his visit there.

Mr. and Mrs. **Leslie Weiss** of Bellport have just returned from a vacation of skiing at Manchester, Vt. They were guests at the Dorset Inn.

Mr. and Mrs. **Lawrence Swart** held a New Year's Eve buffet supper at their home on South Howells Point Road for Dr. and Mrs. **Robert Love**, Mr. and Mrs. **Robert Chace**, Mr. and Mrs. **Peter Paige**, Mr. and Mrs. **John Garfield**, Mr. and Mrs. **Eugene Kennedy**. They and their guests then proceeded to the home of Mr. and Mrs. **Donald Streit**, where they saw in the New Year.

Bellporters who attended the South Bay Country Club dance were Mr. and Mrs. **Lawrence K. Grean**, Mr. and Mrs. **Peter Paige**, the Misses **Barbara Tibbs** and **Patsy Ladue**, **Alan Baker** and **Beekman Beavers**.

Mr. and Mrs. **Arthur Webber** of North Howells Point Road announce the engagement of their daughter, **Dorothy**, to **Chauncey A. Losee** of South Ocean Avenue, Patchogue. A spring wedding is planned.

Mr. and Mrs. **Frank Hermus** have announced the engagement of their daughter, **Elizabeth Johanna**, to **Edward C. Warner**, son of Mrs. Lily Warner of Patchogue. Mr. and Mrs. Hermus celebrated New Year's Eve and Mrs. Hermus' birthday at an open house at their home.

Eggnog was served to friends on New Year's Day at "Tweedle-dee-dee," home of Mr. and Mrs. **Edward Austin** on Thornhedge Road.

Pfc. **Irving Terwilliger** has left for Chanute Field, Ill. after spending the holidays in Bellport.

Mr. and Mrs. **Robert Pasch** of Circuit Road have returned after spending several weeks with Mr. Pasch's family in Cleveland Heights.

50 Years Ago

JANUARY 1948

Antoni Yablonski of Prospect Avenue, Patchogue, celebrated his 90th birthday on Christmas Eve, at a surprise birthday party given by his family. Mr. Yablonski has 10 grandchildren.

Sub-freezing temperatures hindered firemen fighting a blaze Monday that gutted three West Main Street businesses in Patchogue: **La Placita Grocery**, **La Utuadena General Store** and the **Patchogue Sports Club**. Temperatures dropped to 12 degrees, freezing fire hydrants. The Brookhaven Town Highway Department sanded the sidewalks and roads near the blaze to warm the water lines. No serious injuries were reported.

Mr. and Mrs. **Stanley Wnukiewicz Jr.**, of West Medford, Mass., were guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wnukiewicz Sr., of Patchogue for the Christmas holiday weekend. They also spent two days visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. **William Webster** of Blue Point.

Letter carriers **John Perchetti** and **Don Nogiewicz** were recently presented with Superior Accomplishment Awards as a result of performing their duties in an outstanding manner over a long period of time. In addition, two of Patchogue's veteran letter carriers, **Al Chrzanowski** and **Frank Andrisani**, ended long postal service careers at the close of 1972 through retirement.

Mr. and Mrs. **Robert C. Valenta** of Patchogue have announced the engagement of their daughter, **Barbara**, to **Edward Kahrs**, son of Mrs. Charles Kahrs and the late Mr. Kahrs of Canaan Lake, Patchogue. Both are graduates of Patchogue High School. Edward served two years in the U.S. Navy and



From the Jan. 8, 1948 edition: The trawler **Norland**, which went aground in the ocean surf near the Bellport Coast Guard Station recently, is now undergoing repairs at the South Bay Boat Works yard on the Patchogue River. Vessel was transported across Great South Beach by Davis Brothers Engineering Corp., of Blue Point, using large cradles for the project.

is presently employed in Brooklyn. An April wedding is planned.

The newest member of the Patchogue Kiwanis Club is **Sullivan Palermo**, who received his membership pin recently from Kiwanian **Jason Sossin**. Mr. Palermo is employed by Glover Gas Company and resides in East Patchogue.

Patchogue broke open a close game in the second half, outscoring East Islip for a 78-67 League II victory Tuesday at the Buffalo Avenue School. **Al Willett** scored 34 points for the Red Raiders and **Bob Leach** added 20 points.

Robert Van Horn of Annapolis, Md., was home for Christmas visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Emery Van Horn of Durkee Lane, East Patchogue.

The Junior Fireman of the Year Award presented each year to the outstanding member of the Bellport Fire Department Junior Company was presented to **Bill Hermus Jr.** for 1972. This is the third award given since the establishment of the **George Coon Memorial Fund**.

Mrs. **Elmer W. Leanhard** of Bellport Lane spent Christmas and New Year's with her sister, Mrs. **Robert Couston** of Montreal, Canada.

Brownie Troop 1383 held a Christmas and birthday party at their meeting Dec. 20 at the Kreamer Street Elementary School. The troop celebrated the birthday of **Sharon Butler**.

Kelly Satterley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles S. Satterley of Bieselin Road, celebrated her 2nd birthday on

Thursday at a party in her honor with a few of her friends and her brothers, **Chickie** and **Brian**.

Returning home after spending a week at the Garnet Hill Lodge in North River, N.Y., are Mr. and Mrs. **Joseph Nardi** and daughters, Dana and Sara of Rogers Avenue. The family enjoyed skiing and tobogganing and viewing the beautiful countryside.

Lt. Col. (Ret.) and Mrs. **Howard M. Harting** of Bellport announce the engagement of their daughter, **Jan Allyson**, to **Thomas C. Bonne Jr.**, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas C. Bonne Sr., of Bellport. Miss Harting is in her junior year at Potsdam College, State University of New York. Mr. Bonne will be graduated in May from Crane School of Music at Potsdam. An August wedding is planned.

Some worked and some played last week at the **Bellport Village Golf Course**, when ground was broken on the new clubhouse addition expected to be complete in five months. The new structure will include a kitchen, dining and taprooms at a cost of approximately \$168,269. It was designed by **Fred Allardt**, AIA, of Brookhaven.

Playing this week at the **Patchogue Theatre**: "Oh! Calcutta!" at the **Plaza Theatre**: "The Emigrants," with Max von Sydow and Liv Ullmann, and at the **Sun/Wave Twin Cinema**: Clark Gable and Vivien Leigh in "Gone With the Wind."

-Compiled by **Debbie Zampariello**

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OBITUARIES

Robert W. Kern

Robert (Bobby) W. Kern, 67, of Blue Point, formerly of Medford, died Dec. 31, 2022.



Mr. Kern pursued a career in carpentry. He was also a biker, bow hunter, mountain and ice climber. Mr. Kern positively impacted everyone around him with his kind heart and willingness to lend a helping hand.

He is survived by his wife, Peggy (née Wernig); his two daughters, Amy Edmonds and husband, James, and Jessica Kern Russo and husband, Pete; Peggy's three children, Kevin Huber and wife, Celina, Brian Huber and wife, Stacy, and Nancy Tommasino and husband, Matthew; his mother, Eleanor; his three siblings, Cindy Dekalaitai and husband, Matt, Dennis Kern and Johnny Kern; and his 10 grandchildren, Dayton and Jacob Edmonds, Jack and Logan Russo, Timothy and Sara Huber, Derek and Evan Huber, Grace and Lucas Tommasino;

Friends and relatives will gather on Saturday, Jan. 14, between the hours of 4 to 8 p.m., at Raynor & D'Andrea Funeral Home, Bayport, with a service at 6 p.m.

PLEASE NOTE: It is the policy of this newspaper that all obituaries, whether from a family member or funeral home, are edited for style and content. We charge a fee for all obituaries, but they must adhere to our format. To place a standard obituary or an obituary "as is" with no editing, please call our advertising department at 631-475-1000 ext. 11.

John C. Miolla

John Christopher Miolla, 68, died Jan. 3.



He is survived by his significant other, Joy Buscemi; his children, Stephen Miolla and wife, Kristen, and Stephanie Miolla; his brothers, William and Mitchell Miolla; and his grandchild, Chloe Miolla.

Funeral arrangements were entrusted to Ruland Funeral Home, Patchogue. A funeral Mass was celebrated at St. Sylvester R.C. Church, Medford, followed by interment in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Coram.

Charles Russo Sr.

Charles Russo Sr., 90, of Cape Coral, Fla., formerly of Patchogue, died Dec. 18, 2022.

Mr. Russo will be remembered as a loving and kind man, always willing to lend a helping hand. An avid boater and longtime member of the Suffolk Boat Club, Mr. Russo and his first wife, Janet, moved from Patchogue to Florida in the 1980s to take advantage of year-round boating. He enjoyed sports and loved to talk of his high school days as a football and baseball player.

He is survived by his wife, Dale Magnoli; his children, JoAnn Russo Haas and Charles Russo Jr.; his stepchildren, Penny Carroll, Peter Magnoli and spouse, Jermone Cherki; and his several grandchildren. He was predeceased by his wife, Janet Davis Russo, in 2000.

A celebration of life will be held in Cape Coral, Fla., at a later date.

ANDREW GARDNER

Andrew Gardner, age 50, died quietly in his home in Portland OR, on December 16, 2022, after a long battle with brain cancer. He was born in Bellport, NY to Donald and Elizabeth Gardner, and attended the local schools, playing trombone in the marching band and playing soccer as a goalie. He attended Macalester College in MN. He first faced brain cancer as a student at Macalester, but it was surgically removed, and he graduated on time.



To his family and friends, Andrew was a gentle giant with a wickedly sharp, and often obscure, sense of humor. He saw himself as a supporter, offering an ear, hand, or a nudge to help others. He was an avid cyclist who encouraged people to ride and would make sure no one got dropped from a group. He cared deeply for the environment, and would rather repair or make something out of things he had, rather than to buy it new.

His incredible memory for history, politics, sports, beer, music, movies and just about anything, really, allowed him to connect to many with ease, and to also give a much-needed crossword puzzle answer. At home, he was "Daddy" and head chef for his family (his roasted Brussels sprouts were the best!), supporting them through his wife's long hours of medical training. He was quiet about his own accomplishments, such as when he

announced on a trip to Alaska that he'd now set foot in all 50 states, at age 50!

Andrew faced brain cancer again in 2009, and in 2019. In 2021, a new type of cancer grew in his brainstem. He underwent additional treatment, suffering several serious complications during the course, yet set his quiet goal of being present with his family and friends for as long as he was still living well, by his terms. He is survived by his wife Ashley, his daughter Aubrielle, his sister Susannah, and her children Sophie and Max, and his father Donald. Andrew lived life with this terrible disease so bravely, and for so long without complaint. He is dearly missed. We wish him fair winds and following seas until we meet again.

A celebration of his life will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to the Post-Morrow Foundation.

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Notice of Formation of Hello Harmony Music LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 2022-11-18. Office location: Suffolk County. SSNY designated as agent of Hello Harmony Music LLC. upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY should mail process to Hello Harmony Music LLC: 116 Shore Drive Sound Beach, NY 11789. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.
LIA, 11048, 12/15, 22, 29 - 1/5, 12, 19 |

NOTICE OF SALE

SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF NASSAU, U.S. BANK TRUST NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE OF THE LODGE SERIES III TRUST, Plaintiff, vs. ANDREA WILSON, ET AL., Defendant(s). Pursuant to an Order Confirming Referee Report and Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly entered on October 26, 2018, an Order duly entered on February 4, 2022, a Short Form Order duly entered on March 11, 2022 and an Order Nunc Pro Tunc for Substitution of Newspaper duly entered on November 22, 2022, I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction on the front steps on the north side of the Nassau County Supreme Court, 100 Supreme Court Drive, Mineola, NY 11501 on January 24, 2023 at 3:00 p.m., premises known as 69 Ruby Street, Elmont, NY 11003. All that certain plot, piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements thereon erected, situate, lying and being in the Village of Elmont, Town of Hempstead, County of Nassau and State of New York, Section 32, Block 687 and Lot 10. Approximate amount of judgment is \$720,831.16 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index #6751/2014. This foreclosure sale will be held on the north side steps of the Courthouse, rain or shine. COVID-19 safety protocols will be followed at the foreclosure sale. If proper social distancing cannot be maintained or there are other health or safety concerns, the Court Appointed Referee will cancel the sale.

Oscar Prieto, Esq., Referee
Friedman Vartolo LLP, 85 Broad Street, Suite 501, New York, New York 10004, Attorneys for Plaintiff.
Firm File No. 190590-7
LIA, 11068, 12/22, 29 - 1/5, 12 |

NOTICE OF SALE

Supreme Court County of Suffolk
HSBC Bank USA, National Association as Trustee for the Ellington Loan Series 2007-1, Plaintiff
AGAINST

Danard Brown A/K/A Danard W. Brown, et al, Defendant
Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly dated September 7, 2016 and entered on October 18, 2016, I, the undersigned Referee, will sell at public auction at the Brookhaven Town Hall, 1 Independence Hill, Farmingville, NY on January 20, 2023 at 10:00 AM premises known as 2 Sabrina Dr, Eastport, NY 11941. All that certain plot piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements erected, situate, lying and being in the County of Suffolk, State of New York, SECTION: 683.00, BLOCK: 01.00, LOT: 028.005 District: 0200. Approximate amount of judgment is \$916,625.47 plus interests and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index # 064541/2013. The aforementioned auction will be conducted in accordance with the Suffolk County COVID-19 Protocols located on the Office of Court Administration (OCA) website (<https://ww2.nycourts.gov/Admin/oca.shtml>) and as such all persons must comply with social distancing, wearing masks and screening practices in effect at the time of this foreclosure sale.

For sale information, please visit XOME at www.xome.com or call (844) 400-9633.

James E. McElhone, Referee
FRENKEL LAMBERT WEISS WEISMAN & GORDON LLP
53 Gibson Street
Bay Shore, NY 11706
LIA, 11069, 12/22, 29 - 1/5, 12 |

NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF SUFFOLK CITIBANK, N.A. AS TRUSTEE FOR CMLTI ASSET TRUST, Plaintiff AGAINST THOMAS J. HYNES, JR. AKA THOMAS HYNES, AMANDA

M. HYNES, ET AL., Defendant(s) Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly entered September 17, 2019, I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Brookhaven Town Hall, 1 Independence Hill, Farmingville, NY 11738 on January 23, 2023 at 2:00PM, premises known as 9 OLD SADDLE ROAD, RIDGE, NY 11961. All that certain plot piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements erected, situate, lying and being in Ridge-Middle Island, Town of Brookhaven, County of Suffolk and State of New York, District 0200, Section 295.00, Block 03.00, Lot 026.000. Approximate amount of judgment \$340,092.42 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index #610265/2016. The aforementioned auction will be conducted in accordance with the SUFFOLK County COVID-19 mitigation protocols and as such all persons must comply with social distancing, wearing masks and screening practices in effect at the time of this foreclosure sale. Thomas G. Teresky, Esq., Referee Gross Polowy, LLC 1775 Wehrle Drive Williamsville, NY 14221 15-001580 74398
LIA, 11070, 12/22, 29 - 1/5, 12 |

NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF SUFFOLK

U.S. Bank National Association, not in its individual capacity but solely as trustee for the RMAC Trust, Series 2016-CIT, Plaintiff AGAINST Paul Boccio, et al., Defendant(s) Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly entered January 3, 2020, I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Brookhaven Town Hall, 1 Independence Hill, Farmingville, NY 11738 on January 23, 2023 at 3:00PM, premises known as 50 Jayne Ave, Patchogue, NY 11772. All that certain plot piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements erected, situate, lying and being in the Village of Patchogue, Town of Brookhaven, County of Suffolk and State of New York, SECTION: 009.00, BLOCK: 03.00, LOT: 043.000, Dist. 0204. Approximate amount of judgment \$418,285.81 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index #044970/2009. The aforementioned auction will be conducted in accordance with the SUFFOLK County COVID-19 Protocols located on the Office of Court Administration (OCA) website (<https://ww2.nycourts.gov/Admin/oca.shtml>) and as such all persons must comply with social distancing, wearing masks and screening practices in effect at the time of this foreclosure sale. Ellen N. Savino, Esq., Referee Frenkel Lambert Weiss Weisman & Gordon, LLP 53 Gibson Street Bay Shore, NY 11706 01-088261-F00 74263
LIA, 11072, 12/22, 29 - 1/5, 12 |

Notice of formation of GLG Environmental Consulting LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on November 8, 2022. Office located in Suffolk County SSNY has been designated as agent of the Limited Liability Company (LLC) upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY should mail process to GLG Environmental Consulting: 11 Scout Trail, Ridge, New York 11961. Purpose: any lawful purpose.
LIA, 11073, 12/22, 29 - 1/5, 12, 19, 26 |

NOTICE OF SALE

SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, COUNTY OF SUFFOLK

KAREN FISCHER, AS TRUSTEE OF THE DAVID IMBER REVOCABLE TRUST, Plaintiff, AGAINST DAVE-DA HEMPLING, et al., Defendants Pursuant to an Amended Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale ("JFS") entered in the Office of the Clerk of Suffolk County on July 11, 2019, I, the undersigned Referee, will sell in one parcel, at public auction at the Brookhaven Town Hall, 1 Independence Hill, Farmingville, New York 11738, on the 26th day of January, 2023, at 2:00 O'clock in the afternoon, the premises known as 126 Smith Avenue, Holbrook, New York 11741. All that certain plot piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements erected, situate, lying and being in the Town of Brookhaven, County of Suffolk,

State of New York, District: 0200; Section: 727.00; Block: 02.00; Lot: 002.000. Approximate amount of the judgment is \$339,950.00 plus interest and costs. The Premises will be sold subject to the provisions of the filed JF&S and the Terms of Sale. Index No. 609356/2018. Thomas S. Zawyrucha, Esq., Referee. Freiburger Haber LLP, Attorneys for Plaintiff, 425 Broadhollow Road, Suite 416, Melville, New York 11747 (631) 282-8985. Dated December 7, 2022.
LIA, 11075, 12/29 - 1/5, 12, 19 |

PUBLIC AUCTION

NOTICE OF SALE OF COOPERATIVE APARTMENT SECURITY

By virtue of default in a security agreement dated December 28, 2007, executed by Joseph H. West, Jr., Debtor, and in accordance with its rights as holder of the Security, JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, by Victor Rawner, Auctioneer, DCA # 1224356 will conduct a public sale of the security consisting of 20 shares of common stock allocated to Unit 146 in Rocky Point Owners, Inc., and all rights title and interest in and to a Proprietary Lease between said corporation and debtor for UNIT 146 in a building known as and by the street address, 81 Rocky Point Yapank Road, Rocky Point, NY 11778, together with fixtures and articles of personal property now or hereafter affixed to or used in connection with said apartment on the 20th of January, in the year 2023 at 12:00 PM at the front steps of the Brookhaven Town Hall, 1 Independence Hill, Farmingville, NY 11738 (), in satisfaction of an indebtedness in the principal amount of \$40,000.00 plus interest, late fees, attorney's fees, maintenance in arrears and all other advanced charges, an accounting of which will be provided upon request. Such sale shall be subject to the terms of sale, any existing tenancy, and the consent of and payment of all sums due, if any, to Rocky Point Owners, Inc., and/or their attorneys.

The secured party reserves the right to bid. Closing within 30 days.
McCalla Raymer Leibert Pierce, LLC
File # 22-12220NY
420 Lexington Avenue, Suite 840
New York, New York 10170
Attorneys for Secured Creditor
LIA, 11076, 12/29 - 1/5, 12 |

NOTICE OF SALE

SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF SUFFOLK, BAYVIEW LOAN SERVICING, LLC, Plaintiff, vs. KERI CONTI A/K/A KERI ANN CONTI, ET AL., Defendant(s).

Pursuant to an Order Confirming Referee Report and Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly entered on August 20, 2019, I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Brookhaven Town Hall, 1 Independence Hill, Farmingville, NY 11738 on February 7, 2023 at 10:00 a.m., premises known as 355 Birchwood Road a/k/a 355 Birchwood Road, Unit 355, Medford, NY 11763. All that certain plot, piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements thereon erected, situate, lying and being in the Town of Brookhaven, County of Suffolk and State of New York, District 0200, Section 573.40, Block 01.00 and Lot 355.000 together with an undivided 0.266 percent interest in the Common Elements. Approximate amount of judgment is \$251,266.74 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index #606204/2015. COVID-19 safety protocols will be followed at the foreclosure sale.

Louis England, Esq., Referee
Friedman Vartolo LLP, 85 Broad Street, Suite 501, New York, New York 10004, Attorneys for Plaintiff.
Firm File No. 193707-2
LIA, 11079, 12/29 - 1/5, 12, 19 |

REFeree'S NOTICE OF SALE IN FORECLOSURE

SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF SUFFOLK

U.S. BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE TO BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., AS SUCCESSOR TO LASALLE BANK, N.A. AS TRUSTEE FOR THE HOLDERS OF MERRILL LYNCH MORTGAGE INVESTORS TRUST, MORTGAGE LOAN ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2006-FF1, Plaintiff - against - DONNA M. GUAIRON A/K/A DONNA M. JESKA,

INDIVIDUALLY AS AN HEIR-AT-LAW TO THE ESTATE OF FRANCES J. ROMERO A/K/A FRANCES J. TRAYLOR A/K/A FRANCES TRAYLOR A/K/A FRANCES ROMERO, et al Defendant(s).

Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered on August 18, 2021. I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Brookhaven Town Hall, 1 Independence Hill, Farmingville, NY 11738 on the 8th day of February, 2023 at 1:00 PM. All that certain plot, piece or parcel of land with the buildings and improvements thereon erected, situate, lying and being in the Town of Brookhaven County of Suffolk and State of New York.

Premises known as 23 Grace Lane, Coram, New York 11727-1437.
(District: 0200, Section: 339.00, Block: 04.00, Lot: 001.000)

Approximate amount of lien \$405,443.08 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed judgment and terms of sale.

Index No. 015383/2008. Howard M. Bergson, Esq., Referee.
McCalla Raymer Leibert Pierce, LLC
Attorney(s) for Plaintiff
420 Lexington Avenue, Suite 840
New York, NY 10170
Tel. 347/286-7409

For sale information, please visit Xome.com

Dated: November 30, 2022

During the COVID-19 health emergency, bidders are required to comply with all governmental health requirements in effect at the time of sale including but not limited to, wearing face coverings and maintaining social distancing (at least 6-feet apart) during the auction, while tendering deposit and at any subsequent closing. Bidders are also required to comply with the Foreclosure Auction Rules and COVID-19 Health Emergency Rules issued by the Supreme Court of this County in addition to the conditions set forth in the Terms of Sale.

LIA, 11088, 1/5, 12, 19, 26 |

NOTICE OF SALE

SUPREME COURT: SUFFOLK COUNTY. U.S. BANK, N.A., A SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE TO WACHOVIA BANK, N.A. (FORMERLY KNOWN AS FIRST UNION NATIONAL BANK) AS TRUSTEE FOR LONG BEACH MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST 2001-4, Pltf. vs. MICHAEL GONZALEZ, if living, or if either or all be dead, their wives, husbands, heirs-at-law, next of kin, distributees, executors, administrators, assignees, lienors, and generally all persons having or claiming under, by or through said MICHAEL GONZALEZ, by purchase, inheritance, lien or otherwise, of any right, title or interest in and to the premises described in the complaint herein, and the respective husbands, wives, widow or widowers of them, if any, all of whose names are unknown to plaintiff, et al, Defts. Index #623916/2018.

Pursuant to judgment of foreclosure and sale entered Feb. 4, 2020, I will sell at public auction at Brookhaven Town Hall, One Independence Hill, Farmingville, NY on February 6, 2023 at 1:30 p.m. prem. k/a 39 Lowell Avenue, Holtsville, NY a/k/a District 0200, Section 730.00, Block 02.00, Lot 024.000. Approx. amt. of judgment is \$290,607.72 plus costs and interest. Sold subject to terms and conditions of filed judgment and terms of sale and the right of the United States of America to redeem within 120 days from the date of sale as provided by law. The foreclosure sale will be conducted in accordance with the 10th Judicial District's Covid-19 Policies. All parties attending must wear a mask and practice social distancing. HOWARD BERGSON, Referee. MARGOLIN, WEINREB & NIERER, LLP, Attys. for Pltf., 165 Eileen Way, Ste. 101, Syosset, NY. #99978
LIA, 11089, 1/5, 12, 19, 26 |

NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT SUFFOLK COUNTY SPECIALIZED LOAN SERVICING LLC, Plaintiff against

NORMA ROSARIO, et al Defendant(s)

Attorney for Plaintiff(s) Stern & Eisenberg, P.C., Woodbridge Corporation Plaza, 485B Route 1 South, Suite 330, Iselin, NJ 08830.

Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered February 27, 2019, I will sell at public auction to the highest bidder at Brookha-

ven Town Hall, 1 Independence Hill, Farmingville, NY 11738 on February 8, 2023 at 9:30 AM. Premises known as 109 Jayne Avenue, Patchogue, NY 11772. District 0204 Sec 005.00 Block 06.00 Lot 009.00. All that certain plot, piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements thereon erected, situate lying and being in the Village of Patchogue, Town of Brookhaven, County of Suffolk and State of New York. Approximate Amount of Judgment is \$406,825.10 plus interest, fees, and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index No 066212/2014. For sale information, please visit www.Auction.com or call (800) 280-2832.

During the COVID-19 health emergency, Bidders are required to comply with all governmental health requirements in effect at the time of the sale including but not limited to wearing face coverings and maintaining social distancing (at least 6-feet apart) during the auction, while tendering deposit and at any subsequent closing. Should a bidder fail to comply, the Referee may refuse to accept any bid, cancel the closing and hold the bidder in default. Bidders are also required to comply with the Foreclosure Auction Rules and COVID-19 Health Emergency Rules issued by the Supreme Court of this County in addition to the conditions set forth in the Terms of Sale.

Eric Besso, Esq., Referee
NY201900000168-1
LIA, 11090, 1/5, 12, 19, 26 |

NOTICE OF SALE

SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF SUFFOLK

DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY, AS INDENTURE TRUSTEE FOR AMERICAN HOME MORTGAGE INVESTMENT TRUST 2007-2, MORTGAGE-BACKED NOTES, SERIES 2007-2

Plaintiff,

Against
GINA FORTUNO A/K/A GINA M. FORTUNO A/K/A GINA FLORIAN; WALTER FLORIAN A/K/A WALTER FLORIAN, ET AL.

Defendant(s)

Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale, duly entered 08/11/2017, I, the undersigned Referee, will sell at public auction, at the Brookhaven Town Hall, 1 Independence Hill, Farmingville, NY 11738, on 2/7/2023 at 8:30AM, premises known as 16 Sweetberry Lane, Center Moriches, New York 11934, And Described As Follows:

ALL that certain plot piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements thereon erected, situate, lying and being in The Town Of Brookhaven County Of Suffolk State Of New York
District 0200 Section 793.00 Block 01.00 Lot 026.000

The approximate amount of the current Judgment lien is \$992,130.27 plus interest and costs. The Premises will be sold subject to provisions of the aforesaid Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale; Index # 11-19311 Kevin R. Johnston, Esq., Referee. McCabe, Weisberg & Conway, LLC, 10 Midland Avenue, Suite 205, Port Chester, NY 10573 Dated: 12/6/2022 File Number: 560-1966 LD
LIA, 11091, 1/5, 12, 19, 26 |

SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK - COUNTY OF SUFFOLK

BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON TRUST COMPANY, N.A. AS TRUSTEE FOR MORTGAGE ASSETS MANAGEMENT SERIES I TRUST, V.

RICHARD SPISTO, AS HEIR AND DISTRIBUTE OF THE ESTATE OF JUSTIN SPISTO, ET AL.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated March 12, 2020, and entered in the Office of the Clerk of the County of Suffolk, wherein BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON TRUST COMPANY, N.A. AS TRUSTEE FOR MORTGAGE ASSETS MANAGEMENT SERIES I TRUST is the Plaintiff and RICHARD SPISTO, AS HEIR AND DISTRIBUTE OF THE ESTATE OF JUSTIN SPISTO, ET AL. are the Defendant(s). I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction

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at the BROOKHAVEN TOWN HALL, 1 INDEPENDENCE HILL, FARMINGVILLE, NY 11738, on February 9, 2023 at 9:30AM, premises known as 115 MIRAMAR AVE, EAST PATCHOGUE, NY 11772: District 0200, Section 981.40, Block 07.00, Lot 018.000:

ALL THAT CERTAIN PLOT, PIECE OR PARCEL OF LAND, WITH THE BUILDINGS AND IMPROVEMENTS THEREON ERECTED, SITUATE, LYING AND BEING IN THE TOWN OF BROOKHAVEN, COUNTY OF SUFFOLK AND STATE OF NEW YORK

Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index # 061170/2014. Brian Egan, Esq. - Referee. Robertson, Anschutz, Schneider, Crane & Partners, PLLC 900 Merchants Concourse, Suite 310, Westbury, New York 11590, Attorneys for Plaintiff. All foreclosure sales will be conducted in accordance with Covid-19 guidelines including, but not limited to, social distancing and mask wearing. *LOCATION OF SALE SUBJECT TO CHANGE DAY OF IN ACCORDANCE WITH COURT/CLERK DIRECTIVES. **LIA, 11094, 1/5, 12, 19, 26 |**

NOTICE OF SALE

SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF SUFFOLK, SELENE FINANCE LP, Plaintiff, vs. GAIL I. MURRAY A/K/A GAIL MURRAY; ROBERT P. MURRAY A/K/A ROBERT MURRAY, ET AL., Defendant(s).

Pursuant to an Order Confirming Referee's Report and Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly filed on February 15, 2022, I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Brookhaven Town Hall, 1 Independence Hill, Farmingville, NY on February 8, 2023 at 2:00 p.m., premises known as 14 Henry Street, Mastic, NY 11950. All that certain plot, piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements thereon erected, situate, lying and being in the Town of Brookhaven, County of Suffolk and State of New York, District 0200, Section 824.00, Block 07.00 and Lot 017.000. Approximate amount of judgment is \$447,102.48 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index # 06493/2012. Cash will not be accepted. COVID-19 safety protocols will be followed at the foreclosure sale. Timothy Mattimore, Esq., Referee Knuckles, Komosinski & Manfro, LLP, 565 Taxter Road, Suite 590, Elmsford, NY 10523, Attorneys for Plaintiff **LIA, 11097, 1/5, 12, 19, 26 |**

Notice of Formation of SAUCE'D LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 2022-09-14. Office Location: Suffolk County. SSNY designated as agent of Limited Liability Company (LLC) upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY should mail process to SAUCE'D LLC: 10 Montauk Highway, Unit B, Blue Point, NY 11715. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. **LIA, 11099, 1/5, 12, 19, 26 - 2/2, 9 |**

Notice of formation of Details Please, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 04/14/22. Office located in Suffolk. SSNY has been designated for service of process. SSNY shall mail copy of any process served against the LLC 22 Surrey Drive, C. Moriches, NY 11934. Purpose: any lawful purpose. **LIA, 11101, 1/5, 12, 19, 26 - 2/2, 9 |**

Notice of Formation of HABITAT BUILDING LLC Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of the State of New York (SSNY) on 11/02/2022 Office location; Suffolk County. SSNY designated for service of process. SSNY shall mail a copy of any process served against the LLC to c/o: THE LLC, 72 OLD RIVERHEAD RD, HAMPTON BAYS NY 11946. Purpose: All Lawful Purposes. **LIA, 11103, 1/12, 19, 26 - 2/2, 9, 16 |**

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING Mark Soriano, President, Soriano Enterprises Inc., 151 Dominion Blvd, Ronkonkoma, NY 11779, has made application to the Town of Brookhaven Planning Board for approval of a site plan for a proposed 1 story

office/retail building with associated site improvements, with variances. This proposal is known as Soriano Enterprises, Inc. @ Centereach, located on the N/S Middle Country Rd, 171.28' W/o Wood Rd., Centereach, N.Y., Town of Brookhaven, Suffolk County, New York and described as follows:

NORTH: Now or Formerly SORIANO MARK;

WEST: Now or Formerly TOWN OF BROOKHAVEN C/O DEPT OF FINANCE;

SOUTH: Middle Country Road (NYS Route 25);

EAST: Now or Formerly AINECHI LLC.

Notice is hereby given that the Town of Brookhaven Planning Board will hold a public hearing in the Town Hall 2nd floor auditorium, 1 Independence Hill, Farmingville, New York on Monday, January 23, 2023 at 4:00 P.M., when adjacent property owners and/or others interested in any way in the proposal may appear before the Board to be heard. A more detailed diagram of the subject property shall be made available virtually at <https://www.brookhavenny.gov/1159/Meetings>

At said public hearing, any persons interested shall be given the opportunity to be heard. Anyone interested in submitting written comments to the Board may also do so via email at emccallion@brookhavenny.gov.

DATED: December 28, 2022
Steven Wilitus, Chairman
LIA, 11104, 1/12 |

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Holtsville Energy Storage, LLC, 422 Admiral Boulevard, Kansas City, MO 64106, has made application to the Town of Brookhaven Planning Board for approval of a site plan for a 110 MW battery energy storage system with related site improvements, requiring variances for land development standards. This proposal is known as Holtsville Energy Storage, LLC @ Holtsville, located at the southwest corner of the Long Island Expressway South Service Road and Morris Avenue, Holtsville, Town of Brookhaven, Suffolk County, New York and described as follows:

NORTH: Long Island Expressway South Service Road;

WEST: Now or Formerly MARKETSPAN GAS CORPORATION;

SOUTH: Now or Formerly MARKETSPAN GAS CORPORATION;

EAST: Morris Avenue

Notice is hereby given that the Town of Brookhaven Planning Board will hold a public hearing in the Town Hall 2nd floor auditorium, 1 Independence Hill, Farmingville, New York on Monday, January 23, 2023 at 4:00 P.M., when adjacent property owners and/or others interested in any way in the proposal may appear before the Board to be heard. A more detailed diagram of the subject property shall be made available virtually at <https://www.brookhavenny.gov/1159/Meetings>

At said public hearing, any persons interested shall be given the opportunity to be heard. Anyone interested in submitting written comments to the Board may also do so via email at emccallion@brookhavenny.gov.

DATED: December 19, 2022
Steven J. Wilitus, Esq., Chairman
LIA, 11105, 1/12 |

NOTICE OF SALE

SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF SUFFOLK, WILMINGTON SAVINGS FUND SOCIETY, FSB, D/B/A CHRISTIANA TRUST AS TRUSTEE FOR PNPMS TRUST I, Plaintiff, vs. CAROL PENNA, INDIVIDUALLY AND SURVIVING SPOUSE OF FRANK PENNA, ET AL., Defendant(s).

Pursuant to an Order Confirming Referee Report and Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly entered on May 26, 2022, I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Brookhaven Town Hall, 1 Independence Hill, Farmingville, NY on February 14, 2023 at 9:30 a.m., premises known as 11 Islip Street, Holtsville, NY 11742. All that certain plot, piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements thereon erected, situate, lying and being in the Town of Brookhaven, County of Suffolk and State of New York, District 0200, Section 767.00, Block 01.00 and Lot 012.000. Approximate amount of judgment is \$690,110.64 plus interest and costs. Premises

will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index #024580/2013. COVID-19 safety protocols will be followed at the foreclosure sale.

Michael J. Cahill, Esq., Referee
The Frank Law Firm P.C., 333 Glen Head Road, Suite 145, Old Brookville, New York 11545, Attorneys for Plaintiff
LIA, 11106, 1/12, 19, 26 - 2/2 |

Please take notice that the Yaphank Fire District of the Town of Brookhaven, County of Suffolk, New York, 2023 regular meetings will be held at Fire District Headquarters, 31 Main Street, on the first Tuesday, commencing at 7:30 P.M., and the Third Wednesday, commencing at 7:00 P.M.

This notification is being given to the news media pursuant to the provisions of Section 94 of the Public Officers Law of the State of New York.

By order of the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Yaphank Fire District.

Paulamarie Rosso-Thompson
Secretary
Yaphank Fire District
LIA, 11107, 1/12 |

LEGAL NOTICE

SPECIAL ELECTION
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, that a special Election/ mandatory referendum of the YAPHANK FIRE DISTRICT will take place on January 17, 2023, between the hours of 6:00 P.M. and 9:00 P.M. at the Yaphank Fire Department Headquarters Building, located at 31 Main Street, Yaphank, New York.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE, that pursuant to the Town Law of the State of New York, a mandatory referendum will be held for the purpose of voting upon the following resolution. Every person who shall be a registered voter and who shall have resided in the Yaphank Fire District for a period of thirty (30) days next preceding this election shall be eligible to vote. Only those persons who have registered with the Suffolk County Board of Elections on or before the 23 rd day before the election shall be eligible to vote. For this election, such registration must take place on or before December 26, 2022.

PROPOSITION
"Shall the Resolution of the Yaphank Fire District in the Town of Brookhaven, County of Suffolk, State of New York, adopted by the Board of Fire Commissioners on December 6, 2022, authorizing and empowering the purchase of a pumper and associated equipment an estimated maximum cost of \$1 and authorizing the financing of such equipment by an installment purchase contract for the purchase price over a five year term of level payments at an interest rate of 4.74% or at such higher rate of interest as financial markets forces will require given the time necessary to conduct this mandatory referendum in accordance with the requirements of Section 109-b of the General Municipal Law and that the annual spending limitation of the District set under Section 176 of the Town Law be raised by the amount of such annual payment for such seven year period, be approved?"
Dated: Yaphank, New York
December 6, 2022

ATTEST:
Paulamarie Rosso-Thompson
Secretary Yaphank Fire District

AVISO LEGAL
ELECCIÓN ESPECIAL

TENGA EN CUENTA que una elección especial / referéndum obligatorio del DISTRITO DE BOMBEROS DE YAPHANK tendrá lugar el 17 de enero de 2023, entre las 6:00 p.m. y las 9:00 p.m. en la sede del Departamento de Bomberos de Yaphank Edificio, ubicado en 31 Main Street, Yaphank, Nueva York.

TENGA EN CUENTA que, de conformidad con la Ley Municipal del Estado de Nueva York, se llevará a cabo un referéndum obligatorio con el propósito de votar sobre la siguiente resolución. Toda persona que sea un votante registrado y que haya residido en el Distrito de Bomberos de Yaphank por un período de treinta (30) días antes de esta elección, podrán votar Solo aquellas personas que se hayan

registrado en la Junta Electoral del Condado de Suffolk en o antes del día 23 antes de la elección serán elegibles para votar. Para esta elección, dicho registro debe tener lugar en o antes del 26 de diciembre de 2022.

PROPOSICIÓN

"Será la resolución del Distrito de Bomberos de Yaphank en la ciudad de Brookhaven, Condado de Suffolk, Estado de Nueva York, adoptado por la Junta de Bomberos Comisionados el 6 de diciembre de 2022, autorizando y autorizando la compra de una bomba y equipo asociado con un costo máximo estimado de \$1000,000.00 y autorizando el financiamiento de dicho equipo mediante un contrato de compra a plazos por el precio de compra durante un plazo de cinco años de pagos nivelados a una tasa de interés de 4,74% o a una tasa de interés tan alta como las fuerzas de los mercados financieros requerirán dado el tiempo necesario para llevar a cabo este referéndum obligatorio de acuerdo con los requisitos de la Sección 109-b de la Ley General Municipal y que la limitación de gastos anuales del Distrito establecida en la Sección 176 de la Ley de la Ciudad sea planteada por el se apruebe el monto de dicho pago anual por ese período de siete años?"

Fecha: Yaphank, Nueva York 6 de diciembre de 2022

ATESTIGUAR:
Paulamarie Rosso-Thompson
Secretario del Distrito de Bomberos de Yaphank
LIA, 11108, 1/12 |

NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF SUFFOLK FREEDOMMORTGAGE CORPORATION, Plaintiff AGAINST MICHAEL IMBESE, ET AL., Defendant(s) Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly entered May 27, 2020, I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Brookhaven Town Hall, 1 Independence Hill, Farmingville, NY 11738 on February 10, 2023 at 9:30AM, premises known as 7 SUNSET DRIVE, SHIRLEY, NY 11967. All that certain plot piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements erected, situate, lying and being at South Haven, in the Township of Brookhaven, County of Suffolk and State of New York, District 0200, Section 746.00, Block 01.00, Lot 034.000. Approximate amount of judgment \$208,003.52 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index #604482/2017. The aforementioned auction will be conducted in accordance with the SUFFOLK County COVID-19 mitigation protocols and as such all persons must comply with social distancing, wearing masks and screening practices in effect at the time of this foreclosure sale. William R. Garbarino, Esq., Referee Gross Polowy, LLC 1775 Wehrle Drive Williamsville, NY 14221 18-001805 74553 **LIA, 11109, 1/12, 19, 26 - 2/2 |**

Notice is hereby given that the annual inspection of the Woodhull School and Bus Maintenance Garage of the Fire Island Union Free School District, for fire hazards which might endanger the lives of students, teachers, and employees therein, has been completed and the report is available at the office of the District Clerk at the Fire Island Union Free School District for inspection by all interested persons.

Board of Education
Fire Island Union Free School District
Towns of Islip and Brookhaven
Suffolk County, New York
Traci Murphy
District Clerk
January 3, 2023
LIA, 11110, 1/12 |

SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF SUFFOLK-BROOKHAVEN BOARD OF MANAGERS OF FAIRVIEW AT ARTIST LAKE CONDOMINIUM I, Plaintiff -against- MARK C. ARENA, DANA M. ARENA, et al Defendant(s). Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale dated November 6, 2019 and entered on November 19, 2019, I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Brookhaven Town

Hall, 1 Independence Hill, Farmingville, NY on February 15, 2023 at 3:00 p.m. premises situate, lying and being in the Town of Brookhaven, County of Suffolk and State of New York, known and designated as Unit 145U, Building No. 14, together with 1/202 fractional interest in common elements. District: 0200 Section: 403.00 Block: 08.00 and Lot: 029.000 All bidders must wear a face mask/shield at all times and social distancing must be observed by all bidders at all times. Bidders who do not comply with the face mask and/or the social distancing mandate will be removed from the auction. Said premises known as 6 FAIRVIEW CIRCLE, UNIT 145U, MIDDLE ISLAND, NY

Approximate amount of lien \$11,161.08 plus interest & costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment and Terms of Sale. Index Number 604460/2018.

PETER MCGREEVY, ESQ., Referee
Schneider Buchel LLP
Attorney(s) for Plaintiff
666 Old Country Road, Suite 412,
Garden City, NY 11530
[* LI Advance*]
LIA, 11111, 1/12, 19, 26 - 2/2 |

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Board & the Architectural Advisory Committee of the Incorporated Village of Patchogue, NY will meet at the Municipal Building, 14 Baker Street, Patchogue, NY on Tuesday, January 24, 2023 at 6:00 pm for the purpose of a public work session.

January 12, 2023
John Rocco, Chairman
Planning Board
LIA, 11112, 1/12 |

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Public Hearing will be held on 24th of January, 2023, at 7:00 p.m., Planning Board of the Village of Patchogue will meet at 14 Baker Street, Patchogue, NY for the application of James Drago, 87 Hill Street, seeks permission to construct an attached two car garage and second story addition with proposed interior renovations. Subject premises located in the A-Residential Zone.

23-01
For all persons desiring to be heard either for or against the application will be afforded an opportunity during public meeting. The meeting can also be viewed on the Village's You Tube channel.
January 12, 2023

John Rocco, Chairman
Planning Board
LIA, 11113, 1/12 |

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Public Hearing will be held on 24th of January, 2023, at 7:00 p.m., Planning Board of the Village of Patchogue will meet at 14 Baker Street, Patchogue, NY for the application of Nicola Capital, LLC, 238-254 West Main Street, seeks site plan approval for (2) two story one bedroom apartment buildings with total of 26 units. Subject premises located in the D-2 Business Zone and E-Industrial Zone.

23-03
For all persons desiring to be heard either for or against the application will be afforded an opportunity during public meeting. The meeting can also be viewed on the Village's You Tube channel.
January 12, 2023

John Rocco, Chairman
Planning Board
LIA, 11114, 1/12 |

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Public Hearing will be held on 24th of January, 2023, at 7:00 p.m., Planning Board of the Village of Patchogue will meet at 14 Baker Street, Patchogue, NY for the application of Underworld Productions, 29 South Ocean Avenue, seeks permission to open a photoshoot and video production studio. Subject premises located in the D-3 Business Zone.

23-04
For all persons desiring to be heard either for or against the application will be afforded an opportunity during public meeting. The meeting can also be viewed on the Village's You Tube channel.
January 12, 2023

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John Rocco, Chairman
Planning Board
LIA, 11115, 1/12 |

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23-02

For all persons desiring to be heard either for or against the application will be afforded an opportunity during public meeting. The meeting can also be viewed on the Village's You Tube channel.
January 12, 2023

John Rocco, Chairman
Planning Board
LIA, 11116, 1/12 |

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Village of Bellport Architectural Board will hold a public hearing on Thursday, January 26, 2023 at 7 pm in the Bellport Community Center, 4 Bell Street, Bellport, NY to consider the following application:

James Avino, 17 S. Country Road, Bellport is seeking to construct first and second story addition and a covered front porch along with doing interior renovations. The siding will be white shingles; the roofing will be dark grey cedar shingles; the trim and the columns will be white Azek and the windows will be white, double hung.

The single-family dwelling is located in the "B" Residence District. The Suffolk County Tax Map Number is 0202-7-2-12.

All persons with an interest may attend and will be heard. The Community Center is handicapped accessible.

BY ORDER OF THE VILLAGE OF BELLPORT ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD; MARGE CROWLEY AND MATHEW BOALS, CO-CHAIRPERSONS
LIA, 11117, 1/12 |

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Village of Bellport Architectural Review Board will hold a public hearing on Thursday, January 26, 2023 at 7 pm in the Bellport Community Center, 4 Bell Street, Bellport, NY to consider the following application:

Robert Huntsman and Natalie Weder-Huntsman, 20 Bieselin Road, Bellport, are seeking to construct a second story addition, demolish an existing, enclosed porch and renovate a single-family dwelling. The siding will be white, board and batten vertical siding; the roof will be black metal; the trim will be white Versatek and the windows will be casement and awning.

The single-family dwelling is located in the "B" Residence District. The Suffolk County Tax Map Number is 0202-7-2-2.

All persons with an interest may attend and will be heard. The Community Center is handicapped accessible.

BY ORDER OF THE VILLAGE OF BELLPORT ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD; MARGE CROWLEY AND MATHEW BOALS, CO-CHAIRPERSONS
LIA, 11118, 1/12 |

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE the Village of Bellport Architectural Review Board will hold a public hearing on Thursday, January 26, 2023 at 7 pm in the Bellport Community Center, 4 Bell Street, Bellport, NY to consider the following application:

Justine Muller, 28 New Jersey Avenue, Bellport is seeking to construct a new one and one-half story, single-family dwelling with a covered front porch. The siding will be white vinyl; the roof will be charcoal blend, asphalt shingles; the trim will be white Azek; the shutters will be a wood composite, black and the windows will be white, Anderson 400 series.

The property is located in the "B" Residence District. The Suffolk County Tax Map Number is 0202-

5-2-37. All persons with an interest may attend and will be heard. The Community Center is handicapped accessible.

BY ORDER OF THE ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD; MARGE CROWLEY AND MATHEW BOALS, CO-CHAIRPERSONS
LIA, 11119, 1/12 |

NOTICE TO BIDDERS H2M EASTPORT-SOUTH MANOR CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT ATHLETIC FIELD ELECTRICAL WORK AT EASTPORT SOUTH MANOR JUNIOR-SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL AND DAYTON AVENUE
Notice is hereby given that SEALED BIDS for:

CONTRACT 'EC-2'
EASTPORT-SOUTH MANOR CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT ATHLETIC FIELD ELECTRICAL WORK AT THE EASTPORT SOUTH MANOR JUNIOR-SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL
SED No: # 58-09-12-06-0-011-007
Contract 'EC-2.1'
ATHLETIC FIELD ELECTRICAL WORK AT DAYTON AVENUE
SED No: # 58-09-12-06-0-014-009
Contract 'EC-2.2'

will be received until 1:00PM on February 17, 2023 at the Administration Office, located at 149 Dayton Avenue, Manorville, New York 11949. The opening will be held at 1:30PM in the Board of Education Conference Room of the High School, located at 543 Moriches-Middle Island Road, Manorville, New York 11949.

Hard copies and electronic bid documents will be available beginning on January 16, 2023.

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By Order of the Board of Education Eastport-South Manor Central School District
149 Dayton Avenue
Manorville, New York 11949
LIA, 11120, 1/12 |

NOTICE TO BIDDERS H2M EASTPORT-SOUTH MANOR CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT ATHLETIC FIELD SITE WORK AT EASTPORT SOUTH MANOR JUNIOR-SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL AND DAYTON AVENUE
Notice is hereby given that SEALED BIDS for:

CONTRACT 'SC-2'
EASTPORT-SOUTH MANOR CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT ATHLETIC FIELD SITE WORK AT THE EASTPORT SOUTH MANOR JUNIOR-SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL
SED No: # 58-09-12-06-0-011-007
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149 Dayton Avenue
Manorville, New York 11949
LIA, 11121, 1/12 |

NOTICE TO BIDDERS H2M EASTPORT-SOUTH MANOR CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT MECHANICAL SCOPE AT EASTPORT SOUTH MANOR JUNIOR-SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL
Notice is hereby given that SEALED BIDS for:

EASTPORT-SOUTH MANOR CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT MECHANICAL SCOPE AT THE EASTPORT SOUTH MANOR JUNIOR-SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL
SED No: # 58-09-12-06-0-011-007
Contract 'H-1'

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149 Dayton Avenue
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LIA, 11122, 1/12 |

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS H2M EASTPORT-SOUTH MANOR CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT ROOF REPLACEMENT AND MECHANICAL SCOPE 'GC' WORK AT EASTPORT SOUTH MANOR JUNIOR-SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL
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EASTPORT-SOUTH MANOR CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT ROOF REPLACEMENT AND MECHANICAL SCOPE 'GC' WORK AT THE

EASTPORT SOUTH MANOR JUNIOR-SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL
SED No: # 58-09-12-06-0-011-007
Contract 'RC-1'

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LIA, 11123, 1/12 |

NOTICE TO BIDDERS H2M EASTPORT-SOUTH MANOR CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT MECHANICAL SCOPE ELECTRICAL WORK AT EASTPORT SOUTH MANOR JUNIOR-SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

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EASTPORT-SOUTH MANOR CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT MECHANICAL SCOPE ELECTRICAL WORK AT THE EASTPORT SOUTH MANOR JUNIOR-SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL
SED No: # 58-09-12-06-0-011-007
Contract 'EC-3'

will be received until 1:00PM on February 17, 2023 at the Administration Office, located at 149 Dayton Avenue, Manorville, New York 11949. The opening will be held at 1:30PM in the Board of Education Conference Room of the High School, located at 543 Moriches-Middle Island Road, Manorville, New York 11949.

Hard copies and electronic bid documents will be available beginning on January 16, 2023.

Complete digital sets of Bidding Documents, drawings and specifications, may be obtained online as a download at the following website: melville.h2mplanroom.com.

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may be obtained from REVplans, 28 Church Street, Unit 7, Warwick, NY 10990 Tel: 1-877-272-0216, upon depositing the sum of \$100 (One Hundred Dollars) for each combined set of documents. Checks or money orders shall be made payable to Eastport-South Manor Central School District. Plan deposit is refundable in accordance with the terms in the Instructions to Bidders to all submitting bids. Any bidder requiring documents to be shipped shall make arrangements with the printer and pay for all packaging and shipping costs.

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Bids must be made on the standard proposal form in the manner designated therein and as required by the specifications that must be enclosed in sealed opaque envelopes bearing the name of the job and name and address of the bidder on the outside, addressed to: "PURCHASING AGENT, EASTPORT-SOUTH MANOR CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT", clearly marked on the outside: Bid For: "BUILDING UPGRADES AT THE EASTPORT SOUTH MANOR JUNIOR-SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL".

The School District is not responsible for bids opened prior to the bid opening if bid number and opening date do not appear on the envelope. Bids opened prior to date and time indicated are invalid. The bidder assumes the risk of any delay in the mail, or in the handling of the mail by employees of the Eastport-South Manor Central School District, as well as of improper hand delivery.

Each proposal submitted must be accompanied by a certified check or bid bond, made payable to the "EASTPORT-SOUTH MANOR CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT", in an amount equal to ten percent (10%) of the total amount of the bid, as a commitment by the bidder that, if its bid is accepted, it will enter into a contract to perform the work and will execute such further security as may be required for the faithful performance of the contract. CERTIFICATION OF BONDING COMPANY IS REQUIRED FOR THIS BID, SEE INSTRUCTIONS FOR BIDDERS.

Each bidder shall agree to hold his/her bid price for forty-five (45) days after the formal bid opening.

A pre-bid meeting and walk thru is scheduled for 3:00PM on February 3, 2023. Potential bidders are asked to gather at the main entrance of the Eastport South Manor Junior Senior High School. Although the pre-bid meeting and walk-thru are not man-

datory, it is highly recommended that all potential bidders attend.

It is the Board's intention to award the contract to the lowest qualified bidder in compliance with the specifications providing the required security who can meet the experience, technical and budget requirements. The Board reserves the right to reject any or all bids, waive any informality and to accept such bid which, in the opinion of the Board, is in the best interests of the School District.

By Order of the Board of Education Eastport-South Manor Central School District
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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Board of Fire Commissioners of the North Patchogue Fire District in the Town of Brookhaven, County of Suffolk, State of New York, will hold its Regular Monthly Meetings for the fiscal year 2023 on the first Monday of each month, with said meetings being called to order at 7:00 PM unless otherwise stated. Such meeting will be held at the North Patchogue Fire District's Station #1 located at 33 Davidson Avenue, North Patchogue, New York. All meetings of the Board of Fire Commissioners are open to the public.

This notice is being publicized and posted in accordance with the provisions of Section 104 of the Public Officers Law of the State of New York by order of the Board of Fire Commissioners of the North Patchogue Fire District.

Dated: North Patchogue, New York
January 9, 2023
LAUREN GONNELLY
Secretary
North Patchogue Fire District
LIA, 11127, 1/12 |

PUBLIC NOTICE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Board of Fire Commissioners of the North Patchogue Fire District, Town of Brookhaven, County of Suffolk, State of New York at its Annual Organizational Meeting held on January 9, 2023, has determined that the North Patchogue Fire District shall not be used by any person or business as the primary emergency responder of record for confined space rescues [29 CFR 1910.146] unless the person or business receives written authorization from the Fire District and the Fire Department Chief. This does not limit it, in any way, the North Patchogue Fire Department's resolve to respond to emergency situations. In the event of any request to provide confined

space rescue services in advance of an actual emergency existing, the person making such request must contact the Chief of the Department and the Board of Fire Commissioners of the North Patchogue Fire District and they will advise the requester of the position which the Fire Department and Fire District will take on the matter.

Dated: North Patchogue, New York
January 9, 2023
LAUREN GONNELLY
Secretary
North Patchogue Fire District
LIA, 11128, 1/12 |

VILLAGE OF BELLPORT BOARD OF TRUSTEES NOTICE OF 2023/2024 BUDGET WORKSHOP MEETINGS

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Village of Bellport Board of Trustees shall be holding work sessions regarding the preparation of the proposed budget for the 2023-2024 fiscal year at 6:00pm at Bellport Village Hall, located at 29 Bellport Lane, Bellport NY 11713

Tuesday, January 17, 2023 (Kids Camp & DPW)

Thursday, January 19, 2023 (Golf & Tennis)

Tuesday, January 24, 2023 (Building Dept, Village Hall/Community Center, Justice and Code)

Thursday, January 26, 2023 (Beach, Ferry & Dock)

Thursday, February 9, 2023 - Review the Tentative Budget

All interested person are invited.
Katie Mehrkens
Deputy Clerk

LIA, 11129, 1/12 |

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Public Hearing will be held by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Patchogue on Monday, January 23, 2023 at 6:00 p.m., at 14 Baker Street, Patchogue, New York, 11772, TO CONSIDER AN APPLICATION, PURSUANT TO VILLAGE LAW 6-632, BY RICHARD CAMMARATA, TO CONSTRUCT A SECOND-FLOOR JULIET BALCONY ENCRACING ON VILLAGE PROPERTY AT 39 SOUTH OCEAN AVENUE.

Documents relating to the application are on file at the Office of the Village Clerk, 14 Baker Street, Patchogue, New York.

At said Public Hearing any person interested will be given the opportunity to be heard.

Lori B. Devlin
Village Clerk
LIA, 11130, 1/12 |

LEGAL NOTICE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Public Hearing will be held on Monday, January 23, 2023, at 6:00 p.m., in the Municipal Building, 14 Baker Street, Patchogue, New York, 11772, by the Village Board of the Incorporated Village of Patchogue TO AMEND SECTION 415-14 OF THE VILLAGE CODE TO PROHIBIT PARKING ALONG A SECTION OF EAST SIXTH STREET. A copy of this proposed local law is on file at the Office of the Village Clerk.

At said Public Hearing any person interested will be given the opportunity to be heard.

Lori B. Devlin, Village Clerk
Dated: January 12, 2023
LIA, 11131, 1/12 |

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The press release stated that Westfield South Shore is 89 percent leased.

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-Mariana Dominguez



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"Participation in this certification benefits the patient and the facility by standardizing care practices," said

Cory Woods, DNP, MHA, MSN, RN, volunteer chair of the American Heart Association's Quality Certification Business Management Committee and assistant chief clinical officer at Rockport Healthcare Services in Los Angeles. "When there are clear processes during every phase of care, patients have the best opportunity for positive outcomes."

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