

CORAM CIVIC ASSOCIATION COMMUNITY UPDATE...

Saturday Night – Before you go to bed...



Daylight Saving Time The time change officially takes place at **2 a.m., Sunday, March 13th**, but you don't have to spring out of bed and move the big hand on your clock ahead an hour. The change is automatic for most smartphones, computers, tablets and other digital devices.



St. Patrick's Day

Parade Alert!

Sunday, March 13

Rocky Point-Miller Place St. Patrick's Day Parade – Starts at 1:00 pm.

Parade Route: Along Route 25A from Miller Place to Broadway in Rocky Point

The Beginning of the Parade is at: Rt. 25A & Harrison Ave. Miller Place

Goes East along Rt. 25A. The End of the Parade is at: Broadway & Prince Rd. Rocky Point

Sunday, March 13

Center Moriches St. Patrick's Day Parade – Starts at 2:00 pm.

Parade Route: Route runs on Main Street from Lake Avenue east to South Avenue

Thursday, March 17

NYC St. Patrick's Day Parade – Starts at 11:00 am.

Parade Route: Parade starts at 44th Street and 5th Avenue. Ends at 79th Street and 5th Avenue.

Saturday, March 19

Patchogue Village St. Patrick's Day Parade - Starts at 10:00 am.

Parade Route: Parade starts on Route 112 and East Main Street and runs west to the corner of West Avenue and West Main.



CORAM CIVIC ASSOCIATION **Community Service Scholarship**

The **Coram Civic Association** will award the **\$500 Community Service Educational Scholarship** to a high school student who is a resident of Coram (zip 11727), is completing the senior year of high school, demonstrated a record of volunteer services within the town, and has applied for acceptance in a post high school formal education program such as college or the Adult Education Programs at BOCES including CTE, Health, and Literacy. The specific criteria of and application for the Scholarship can be found at [Coram Civic Scholarship](#). The deadline for applying for the Scholarship application is **3/31**.



In the news for...

LONGWOOD CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Students Chosen to Participate in My Brother's Keeper Initiative

Ten high school students were chosen to attend a very special event at Brookhaven National Laboratory to celebrate the second anniversary of the My Brother's Keeper initiative. My Brother's Keeper is a public-private initiative launched by President Barack Obama in February of 2014 to address persistent opportunity gaps faced by young men of color...[read press release](#)

Kindergarten Registration

Registration for Longwood School District is scheduled for Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, March 14, 15 and 16 for children who will be five years of age on or before December 1, 2016...[full details](#)

Longwood announces the 2016-17 School Calendar

For those of you who like to plan ahead, here is the [calendar](#).

Editor's Note: The school calendar is a negotiated labor union item which limits changes once adopted,

LONGWOOD PUBLIC LIBRARY

Welcome home!

Your library has returned to its transformed building at
800 Middle Country Road in Middle Island.

...borrow free digital videos, digital magazines, free museum passes, search local history, join the winter reading program, and so much more! All you need is a library card! Need one? [Get one here!](#)

- Learn about the *new children's programs* from librarian Tiffany Russo-Malone...[Children's Programs](#)

Read the Longwood Public Library current [Newsletter](#).

NEW YORK STATE

Advocates press for support of Dream Act in Cuomo's budget NEWSDAY; Mar 9, 2016

Senator John Flanagan's spokesman Scott Reif said the Republican leadership's position hasn't changed. "We don't support giving free college tuition to people who are here illegally while middle-class New Yorkers take out massive student loans to pay for college," Reif said...[read article](#)

Offer robocall-blocking tech to all, says Schumer NEWSDAY; Mar 7, 2016

Some service providers offer access to the Long Island- based robocall blocking company Nomorobo...[read article](#)

Judge temporarily blocks new PSC rules for energy companies NEWSDAY; Mar 5, 2016

A state Supreme Court justice yesterday agreed to temporarily block a recent Public Service Commission order that placed strict new rules on [ESCO's-Energy Service Company] that offer energy services to compete with established utilities...[read article](#)

LONG ISLAND

LIPA refinances with \$636.7M bond sale NEWSDAY; Mar 9, 2016

LIPA's current \$7.8 billion in debt has crept up from a low \$6.6 billion at the end of 2009, and is expected to climb to \$8.2 billion by the end of 2018...[read article](#)

LIPA committee makes CEO pick NEWSDAY; Mar 9, 2016

LIPA board of trustees will recommend that Tom Falcone, the utility's finance chief, be appointed chief executive officer. Former CEO John McMahon made \$275,000 as CEO, but when LIPA was advertising to fill the post, it listed the salary as up to \$350,000. Falcone last year was paid a base salary of \$250,000...[read article](#)

Sound endorsement NEWSDAY; Mar 9, 2016

Gov. Andrew M. Cuomo yesterday endorsed a state examination of the feasibility of a Long Island Sound bridge as well as a tunnel. He also said a study of a deep-water port for the Island should include locations besides Shoreham...[read article](#)

18,700 LI jobs added NEWSDAY; Mar 4, 2016

Lower-wage sectors added the most jobs. Health care accounted for almost all of that growth. Leisure and hospitality came in second, with a 4,500-job gain. The higher-wage government sector posted the third-biggest employment gain in January, with 4,000 jobs. The increase resulted mostly from stepped-up hiring at public schools...[read article](#)

LI hospitals' new front in fighting addiction NEWSDAY; Mar 6, 2016

LI facilities join state program to screen all emergency room patients for drugs, alcohol, smoking. All 11 hospitals in Suffolk will be offering the same program over the next 18 months as part of the state's Delivery System Reform Incentive Payment program, or DSRIP...[read article](#)

SUFFOLK COUNTY

Suffolk County Water Authority approves 4.2% rate increase NEWSDAY; Mar 10, 2016

The five-member board voted unanimously for the rate increase, which will bring in about \$5 million in revenue and increase the bill for homeowner who use 160,000 gallons annually by about \$15 a year...[read article](#)

5 school districts seek to bust cap in Suffolk NEWSDAY; Mar 4, 2016

Sachem, Amagansett, Shelter Island, Bridgehampton and Greenport told state officials they will seek an override this year. "School districts are feeling the impact of a historically low tax levy limit," said Thomas DiNapoli, NYS Comptroller. In 2015, only the Patchogue-Medford school system. Patchogue-Medford voters rejected it and later passed a budget that fell within the tax cap. "As school budget planning continues over the next few weeks, we may see additional districts deciding to seek voter approval for an override," DiNapoli added...[read article](#)

TOWN OF BROOKHAVEN

Farmingville: Hamlet overhaul NEWSDAY; Mar 7, 2016

"People always drive through Farmingville, but don't come to Farmingville," said Marisa Pizza, executive director of the Farmingville Residents Association. But that will change if Brookhaven Town Councilman

Kevin LaValle has his way...[read article](#)

From the offices of...**Sup. Ed Romaine & Hwy. Sup. Dan Losquadro**

FREE Interactive Distracted Driving Course

A free, interactive Distracted Driving Course is being offered by the Town of Brookhaven. A comprehensive curriculum will be provided for new and young drivers. Instructors will discuss the dangers of driving impaired and distracted, while also demonstrating with state of the art equipment what the negative impacts are.

When: Wednesday, April 13, 2016

Time: 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Where: Brookhaven Town Hall, Second Floor Conference Room 1 Independence Hill, Farmingville, NY 11738

RSVP: By Tuesday, April 5, 2016; Brookhaven Youth Bureau (631) 451-8011

For more information, click on [Distracted Driving Course](#).

Special Event Calendar: E-Waste & Paper Shredding...[see calendar](#)

6-Week Smoking Cessation Program...[learn more](#)

Prom boutique to aid needy teenagers NEWSDAY; Feb 9, 2016

The Town of Brookhaven plans to open its prom boutique on March 7 to help teens of limited financial means get a dress and attend their school proms...[read article](#)



Town Announces Pre-Season Resident Parking Sticker Sale

The 2016 Seasonal Resident Parking Sticker at selected locations throughout the town has begun. The price of the 2016 Seasonal Parking Sticker is \$15.00 and is good for the entire 2016 season. If purchased before Monday, May 23rd, the sticker cost will be \$10.00. Resident Senior Citizen, Handicapped and

Veteran's seasonal stickers will be \$5.00 throughout the season...[location info](#)

EDUCATION

*"Education is not the learning of facts,
but the training of the mind to think."* - Albert Einstein

King Calls for Reauthorization of Perkins Act for Career and Technical Education

Acting U.S. Education Secretary John B. King Jr. today called on Congress to reauthorize the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act, which provides more than \$1.1 billion for the nation's career and technical education programs in grades 7-12 and also in post-secondary institutions...[read press release](#)

Will the Common Core step up schools' focus on grammar? EDUCATION WEEK; Feb 23, 2016

Interestingly, the grammar skills in the content standards don't differ too much from most previous state standards, the writers say. For instance, they ask students to "use an apostrophe to form contractions" and "form and use regular and irregular verbs"—benchmarks that shouldn't much surprise teachers. The standards do, however, focus more on grammar application than most previous state standards, some say—which could encourage more authentic grammar work. "Whereas before it was OK for a kid to identify nouns, now, it's that they actually have to be able to use them and use them correctly," said Everette, an Alabama teacher. "A lot of the skills do overlap from what we had before, but you're taking it to the next level and applying it to your real writing."...[read article](#)

LI students grade the [SAT] test NEWSDAY; Mar 6, 2016

“The reading was better, but the math was challenging,” said Justus Hemingway, 18, of Lynbrook. “I feel like it was better to take this one than the last one.” There were fewer sections, so there were fewer clocks counting down. The essay question was optional, and he opted to skip it...[read article](#)

Stimulating STEM NEWSDAY; Mar 3, 2016

“It really pushes you in the right direction, especially coming from an area where you don’t see too many African-Americans in the sciences,” said Jourvonn Skeen, 19, an Old Westbury student after Camino’s demonstration at Brookhaven national Lab. “I was already thinking about being pre-med, but this makes me think of doing an M.D./Ph.D.” The “My Brother’s Keeper” initiative is focused on addressing opportunity gaps that face young people of color by connecting them to science-related mentoring and other support networks, which can be conspicuously absent in economically disadvantaged areas...[read article](#)



Give New Yorkers smart family leave NEWSDAY OPINION-Gov. Cuomo; Mar 3, 2016

Policy of 12 weeks of paid family leave that would support working parents who need time off to bond with a new child or others who need to care for a loved one facing a serious illness...[read article](#)

Illegal callers still a problem NEWSDAY EDITORIAL; Mar 9, 2016

Federal regulators received 3.6 million complaints regarding violations of the National Do Not Call Registry last year alone; about 49,000 came from area codes 516 and 631...[read article](#)

RANDOM STUFF

Kyra’s tribute NEWSDAY; Mar 6, 2016

Names on a high school memorial plaque prompt a teen to explore the too-short lives of young West Babylon soldiers. “They were all high schoolers and they had friends and were on sports teams, and they sacrificed their lives,” said Kyra Duke, 13...[read story](#)

The high cost of caregiving NEWSDAY; Mar 7, 2016

Caregiving can come with a heavy financial cost along with the emotional toll, and it’s not like struggling families have much to fall back on...[read article](#)

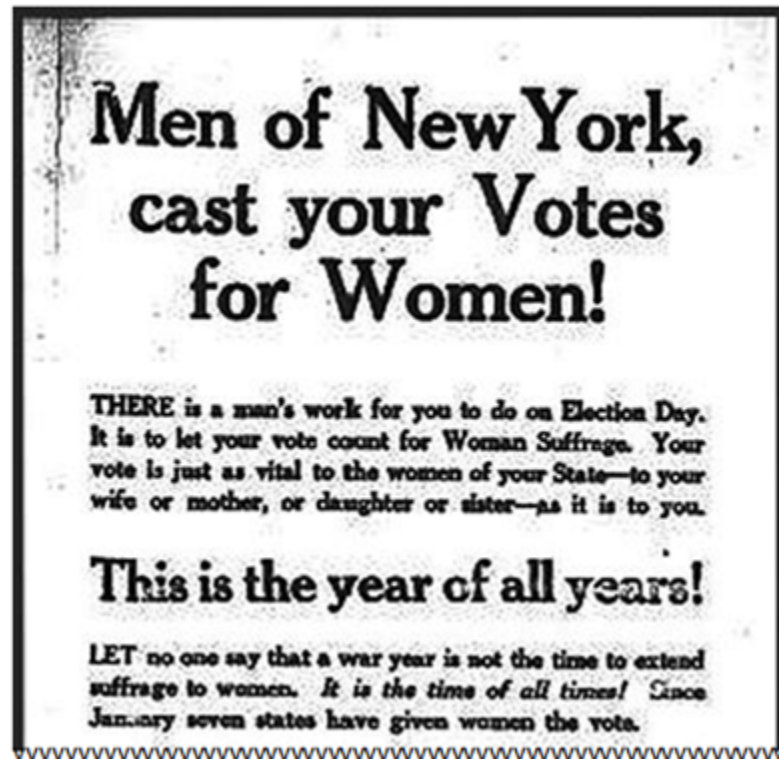
10 health conditions to watch for as you age EVERYDAY HEALTH; Mar 7, 2016

The “golden years” aren’t what they used to be — they’re getting even better, thanks to advances in medicine and nutrition. But that doesn’t mean those run-of-the-mill senior health threats (such as osteoporosis and Alzheimer’s) are going away. On the contrary: It’s more important than ever to keep your bones, belly, and brain in tip-top shape. Your first step? Know which common conditions — and symptoms — to watch out for, so you can take steps to prevent or treat them...[here they are!](#)

School Issues for Bipolar Children EVERYDAY HEALTH; Mar 7, 2016

School can be stressful for all children, but for children and teens with bipolar disorder, the stresses of the educational process can be overwhelming. Find out what accommodations are mandated by law for young bipolar children and bipolar teens in the classroom...and other helpful guidance...[read article](#)

From the **SUFFOLK COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY** library archives...



(Advertisement, 1917). This **New York State Woman Suffrage Party** advertisement appealing to "Men of New York" appeared in the *Babylon South Side Signal* on November 2, 1917. Four days later, on Nov. 6, 1917, women won the right to vote in New York State. Three years later, that right was granted to women nationwide. During **Women's History Month**, we celebrate one of the most remarkable and successful civil rights efforts in our nation's history. The year 2016 marks the **96th anniversary of the Woman Suffrage Movement's great victory**: the ratification of the Nineteenth Amendment to the U.S. Constitution.

March is **Women's History Month!** Visit [SCHS-Men of New York Ad](#) to read the full article!



ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

North Shore Community Band at Longwood

A poster for a concert by the North Shore Community Band at Longwood. The background is a light, textured grey. At the top, it says "North Shore Community Band at Longwood presents...". To the left, "FREE ADMISSION" is written in a bold, sans-serif font, slanted upwards. In the center, a large green treble clef is drawn with a brushstroke effect. Inside the curve of the treble clef, the words "March out of Winter" are written in a cursive, green font. Below the treble clef, the word "Concert" is written in a small, simple font. To the right of the treble clef, the date and time "Friday, March 18th 7:30pm" are written in a large, bold, black serif font. Below that, the location "Longwood High School 100 Longwood Road Middle Island, NY 11953" is written in a smaller, bold, black serif font.

For more information, click on [North Shore Community Band](#).

Nikon at Jones Beach Theater

Starting in June...Dave Matthews Band, Sting and Peter Gabriel, Janet Jackson, Journey with The Doobie Brothers, Yanni, Darius Ricker, Jimmy Buffet, Rascal Flatts...

...[full schedule and tickets](#)



76 Main Street • Westhampton Beach, NY 11978 • Box Office: 631-288-1500

See The Ann Wilson Thing, Graham Parker Duo, Jim Breuer,

Elayne Boosler, Tracy Morgan: Picking Up The Pieces Tour

...for more information see [WHBPAC Upcoming Events](#)

NYCB THE THEATRE AT WESTBURY

960 Brush Hollow Road • Westbury, NY 11590

See Lauryn Hill, Howie Mandel, Patti LaBelle, Sinbad, Kansas, Martin Short, Kool & the Gang

...for more info on the [Performance Calendar and Tickets](#)

THE PARAMOUNT

370 New York Avenue • Huntington, NY 11743 • 631-673-7300

See Tracy Morgan, Meat Loaf, Marshall Tucker Band, Carly Rae Jepsen, Belinda Carlisle, Ace Frehley

... Access Full Paramount Concert/Show [Schedule](#)

THE SUFFOLK THEATER

118 E. Main Street • Riverhead, NY 11901 • 631-727-4343

See The Music of Frankie Valli, Judy Collins, Jefferson Starship, Songs In The Attic, David Cassidy,

The Lovin' Spoonful... see [Event Schedule](#)

Join or Renew Your Coram Civic Membership for 2016 Now!



Our Mission Statement:

"Offering a Unified Voice towards Bettering the Quality of Life in Coram."

Let's hear *your* vision for *your* community!
Influence plans affecting Coram *before* the decisions are made. Be part of the solution!

To download an application, click on [Membership!](#)

...and while you are at it, please join or renew your membership with the



Davis Town Meeting House Society, Inc.

Stewards of the
Lester H. Davis House

(Corner of Coram-Mt. Sinai & Middle Country Rds.)

...for more information, visit the [Davis Town Meeting House Society!](#)



Upcoming Events!!

Tuesday, March 15th

Open Invitation to the **2016 STATE OF THE TOWN ADDRESS**

Supervisor Edward P. Romaine will be presenting his “A Blueprint For The Future” address on Tuesday, March 15th at 4:00 PM at the Brookhaven Town Hall Auditorium located at 1 Independence Hill in Farmingville. Please RSVP by calling 451-9000 or email at RSVO@Brookhaven.ORG.

Monday, March 28th



**March General Meeting of your Coram Civic
Monday, March 28th at 7:30 PM**

Comments, Questions, Observations? Editor: Christopher D. Reilly CDReilly@CoramCivic.org

Please visit the [Coram Civic Association](#) online for more information on your community!
Want to report an unkempt vacant house or building to the Town of Brookhaven? [REPORT](#)



“Single Stream Recycling” is now in effect! Click on Curby for details!



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