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**CORAM CIVIC ASSOCIATION COMMUNITY UPDATE...**

Monday, May 30<sup>th</sup>



*Have fun...Be safe...Be grateful...*

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Congratulations to our...

**2016 Coram Civic Association Community Service Scholarship Winners!**



(L-R) Erma Gluck, civic president; **Alexander Velazquez**-Longwood HS, **Amanda Howard**-Newfield HS; **Jennifer O'Connor**-Longwood HS; Suffolk County Legislator Sarah Anker.

# "The Great Brookhaven Clean Up!"



**Saturday, May 21<sup>st</sup>:** Members of your **Coram Civic Association** doing their share to keep Coram and Brookhaven clean by cleaning up the 'encampment' grounds in Coram Plaza by Home Depot and the Capital One bank building during **The Great Brookhaven Clean Up!**



*In the news for...*

## **LONGWOOD CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**Remember:** Longwood schools closed **Friday, May 27<sup>th</sup>** to accommodate an unused emergency closing day.

*(As if your kids wouldn't remind you!)*



# Longwood Announces 2016 Valedictorian and Salutatorian

## Two Outstanding Students Receive Top Honors



(L-R): High School Principal Scott Schuster, Valedictorian Ruoqing (Jenny) Fang, Salutatorian Andrew Mok and Superintendent of Schools Dr. Michael R. Lonergan.

Longwood High School is proud to announce **Ruoqing (Jenny) Fang** and **Andrew Mok** as the Class of 2016 valedictorian and salutatorian, respectively. A semifinalist in the prestigious 2016 U.S. Presidential Scholars Program and an AP Scholar with Distinction, Jenny Fang has a weighted GPA of 103.2 and earned perfect scores in the mathematics section on both the SAT and the ACT. She was named Outstanding High School Chemistry Student and is the regional winner of the Bausch & Lomb Honorary Science Award. As a member of the Advance Science Research program, she won a research grant for the ASE AstroSat

grant for the ASE AstroSat Challenge, sponsored by the Association of Space Explorers...[read more](#)

## LONGWOOD PUBLIC LIBRARY

**800 Middle Country Road • Middle Island • 631-924-6400**

...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!](#)

**Discounted Tickets for Local Attractions**

The library has a limited number of discounted tickets available for the Bronx Zoo, Long Island Game Farm and Long Island Aquarium.

- **BRONX ZOO:** tickets cost \$21 and will expire on December 31
- **LI GAME FARM:** tickets cost \$10.50 and do not expire
- **LI AQUARIUM:** tickets cost \$16.50 (includes aviary and butterfly exhibit) and do not expire

Stop by the Circulation Desk after May 1 to purchase your tickets with cash only (exact change please). There is a limit of six tickets per venue per person, and the person who purchases the tickets must have a valid Longwood Public Library card.

LPL NEWSLETTER [May/June 2016](#)

## MEMORIAL DAY:

## A DAY TO REMEMBER CORAM'S EIGHT HISTORIC CEMETERIES

By Jeffrey Davis

Right here in Coram there are eight historic cemeteries that are not only the final resting places of

some of the oldest and most prominent families in Coram, but where many veterans from Coram are buried. Learn all about our Coram historic cemeteries as well as many other cemeteries in our Longwood community by reading [this article](#).

## NEW YORK STATE

### **One company for school solar** NEWSDAY; May 24, 2016

New York State has granted SolarCity Inc. the right to bring solar energy to as many as 65 Long Island school districts, and elsewhere in the state, following the bankruptcy last month of another state designated developer, Sun Edison...[read article](#)

### **Sports Authority: Starting liquidation sales** NEWSDAY; May 25, 2016

Sports Authority begins going-out-of-business sales in preparation of closing all of its 460 stores, including eight on Long Island...[read article](#)

### **Spotlight on manufacturing** NEWSDAY; May 24, 2016

“If you [ask] a sixth-grader what manufacturing is, they probably have no idea,” said Teresa Ferraro, president of East/West Industries Inc.....[read article](#)

## LONG ISLAND

### **Power cable linking LI to upstate grid fails** NEWSDAY; May 22, 2016

A major power cable connecting Long Island to the upstate grid has failed, the third time it has gone out of service in two years...[read article](#)

### **Jobless rate dips** NEWSDAY; May 25, 2016

Unemployment rate hits 9-year low: 3.9%. Despite the employment market’s improvements, wages here continue to stagnate, following a nationwide trend that has confounded economists...[read article](#)

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**Winners, losers in LI job market...**[info by job classification](#)

### **LIPA hires CFO** NEWSDAY; May 23, 2016

Joseph A. Branca, a managing director at Bank of America’s Merrill Lynch unit, will earn \$250,000 when he joins the authority in three months, replaces Tom Falcone, who in March was promoted to become the Long Island Power Authority’s chief executive officer...[read article](#)

### **Dowling “Day to day”** NEWSDAY’ May 24, 2016

Dowling College is rushing to find an academic and investment partner after a deal to help the debt-ridden liberal arts school stalled, threatening both the school’s existence...[read article](#)

## SUFFOLK COUNTY

### **Crime data ‘Right in your living room’** NEWSDAY; May 25, 2016

Suffolk County residents now have access to “crime stats right in your living room” via the police department’s website, officials said yesterday...[read article](#)

### **Opioid prevention classes to begin** NEWSDAY; May 25, 2016

Several training classes on responding to opioid overdoses will be held in Suffolk County starting May 25<sup>th</sup> ...[read article](#)

## Walsh's pension problems here to stay NEWSDAY COLUMNIST; May 22, 2016

A day after his conviction on federal corruption charges, the state retirement system on April 1 issued a \$6,794 check to Walsh, the first of what he thought would be a lifetime of monthly pension payments...[read column](#)

## TOWN OF BROOKHAVEN



Council Dist 2

From the desks of...

Councilwoman Jane Bonner &  
Councilman Mike Loguercio



Council Dist 4

**Thru June 17th - Prom Boutique** to aid needy teenagers...[more info](#)

**Saturday, June 18<sup>th</sup> – Juneteenth Picnic** at the Longwood Estate...[more info](#)

**Thursday, June 23<sup>rd</sup> – Town of Brookhaven Job Fair**...[more info](#)

**Help Prevent Drowning - A Message about Pool Safety**...[more info](#)

**Summer 2016 TOB Parks & Recreation Guide** - [...see guide](#)

**Summer Recreation Camp** – Ages 5-12 • July 11 – Aug 12 • Deadline Jun 17...[more info](#)

## EDUCATION

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

### Review of New York State P-12 Learning Standards in English Language

**Arts/Literacy and Mathematics** Mary Cahill Director, NYSED Office of Curriculum and Instruction

“I am writing to provide you with an update on the State Education Department's comprehensive review of the New York State P-12 Learning Standards in English Language Arts/Literacy and Mathematics. I am pleased to announce that we have selected the members for our ELA and Math Standards Review Committees. Interested parents were able to apply to be a member of the Committees from March 31 to April 15. In that time, we received almost 400 applications from dedicated parents seeking to be a part of this work. Thank you to all who applied. Such an enthusiastic application pool made this selection process very difficult. A total of 16 New York State parents have been chosen to participate in our Committees. Those who have been selected have been notified and have accepted the invitation to participate.”

#### Standards Review: Who applied for the committees?

- 1,048 applicants for ELA •744 applicants for Math
- From across all New York geographic regions and types of schools (urban, suburban, and rural)
- Prekindergarten-Grade 12 teachers
- School administrators, curriculum specialists, and instructional coaches •Parents •Bilingual & ELL
- Special education teachers •Higher Education

You can read more about the standards review process in this [presentation](#).



## POINTS TO PONDER

### Disconnects in LIPA reforms NEWSDAY EDITORIAL; May 19, 2016

The easiest and fairest way to stop LIPA rate increases is to stop fighting to maintain the painfully inflated property tax assessments on aged power plants. They cost ratepayers hundreds of millions

of dollars a year. But LaValle, who represents voters in Port Jefferson whose property-tax bills are kept artificially low by the overpayments for a power plant in his district, won't support that...

...[read editorial](#)

### **More of the same in Hiroshima trip** NEWSDAY OPINION; May 23, 2016

"I don't fully understand our fixation on Hiroshima. The atom bomb was no more devastating than conventional U.S. air attacks. Given its aggression, and its systematic war crimes, Japan was no victim, and shouldn't pretend it was." ...[read opinion](#)

### **Better laws in heroin fight** NEWSDAY EDITORIAL; May 23, 2016

What exactly can lawmakers do to combat the problem? A lot. There are no quick or easy fixes to prevent addiction or to guarantee recovery from it, but stronger policies would help...[read editorial](#)

### **Albany doing as little as possible** NEWSDAY EDITORIAL; May 22, 2016

There are no serious efforts to reform ethics, elections, but here are four measures lawmakers should approve...[read editorial](#)

### **When not to do IDA tax breaks** NEWSDAY EDITORIAL; May 25, 2016

D'Amato went in front of the Nassau legislature because it approves IDA board members the county executive selects. This project is by far the most contentious tax break to come before the IDA, because of its size, but the agency often gives out inappropriate and unnecessary deals to projects big and small...

...[read editorial](#)

## **DOWN MEMORY LANE**



### *The History of the* **Coram Pond**



**Coram Pond** in earlier times was called *Cornucopia Lake*. It was formed by a glacier and is commonly referred to as a kettle hole. Its bottom was 96 feet, which brought it to sea level...[read article](#)



**ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT**

## **Nikon at Jones Beach Theater**

*Starting in June...* Lynrd Skynrd & Peter Frampton, Dave Matthews Band, Sting and Peter Gabriel, Journey with The Doobie Brothers, Def Leppard, Yanni, Josh Groban, Counting Crows & Rob Thomas, Black Sabbath, Jimmy Buffet...[full schedule and tickets](#)





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

See Tracy Morgan (**SOLD OUT**), Jim Norton, Ziggy Marley, Melissa Etheridge, Paul Anka, Gladys Knight, Peter Cetera...more info at [WHBPAC Upcoming Events](#)



**MAIN STAGE**

**SHREK** 5/21-6/25 **THE EMPEROR'S NEW CLOTHES** 7/8-30  
**THE MISADVENTURES OF ROBIN HOOD** 8/5-13

**CHILDREN'S THEATER**

**CINDERELLA** NOW THRU 6/11

## NYCB THE THEATRE AT WESTBURY

960 Brush Hollow Road • Westbury, NY 11590

See Peter Cetera, Johnny Mathis, Jackson Browne, Don Rickles & Regis Philbin, Boyz II Men, Neil Sedaka, Charlie Daniels Band...

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

## THE SUFFOLK THEATER

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

See Tribal Games 3, Country Night!, Ultimate Elvis, Sinatra-Swing Into Summer, Jay & The Americans, Mickey Dolenz... see [Event Schedule](#)

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## 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!](#)



## Upcoming Events!!

**Tuesday, June 7<sup>th</sup>**

Brookhaven Supervisor Ed Romaine & the Youth Bureau *present...*



**Join us Tuesday, June 7<sup>th</sup>**

**Brookhaven Town Hall**

5:30-6:30 PM – Substance Abuse Treatment Information

6:30-7:30 PM – NARCAN Training

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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](#)



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