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CORAM CIVIC ASSOCIATION COMMUNITY UPDATE...

Saturday, June 4th

Staff Sgt. Louis Bonacasa Memorial Chinese Auction



Coram Firehouse, Rte. 25, Coram, NY

Saturday, June 4th

Doors Open at 5:00 PM

Admission \$10 (includes 25 auction tickets)

Children under 5 free

Gift Certificates • Collectibles • Lottery Baskets • Gift Baskets • 50/50 Raffle

Reasonable priced food and drink will be sold at this event

Love, loss and devotion NEWSDAY; May 30, 2016

Through grief and pain, wife of LI airman, **Staff Sgt. Louis Bonacasa** killed in Afghanistan on Dec 21, 2015, vows to honor his sacrifice...[read her story](#)



In the news for...

LONGWOOD CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Mock Trial HS Students Shine at Competition



The Longwood High School's Mock Trial Team was named second place finalists in the **41st Annual New York State Metropolitan Area Civil Law One-On-One Mock Trial Competition**. Students participated in six consecutive rounds of civil law tournaments, competing against schools throughout Suffolk County. With only ten minutes to prepare, a team of three students including one witness and two attorneys, conducted legal research and case preparation on either Personal Injury Law or Contract Law. The team was assigned a side and performed the case against a

random team. After a complete 30-minute court case performance in front of a panel of judges, including opening statements, direct exams, cross exams, and closing arguments, the judges gave a verdict. The competition, which was held at Northport-East Northport School District, was sponsored by The Law, Youth & Citizenship Program of the NYS Bar Association.

And based on a vote by all the K-4 class members from WMI, CEW, Ridge, and Coram the winner of the 'favorite food group character' is....???

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LPL NEWSLETTER [May/June 2016](#)

NEW YORK STATE

LGA Airport lot closing NEWSDAY; June 1, 2016

Lot P3, with 920 spaces just to the east of Terminal B, will close today, and the 2,700-space parking garage near Terminal B will close in July, said the Port Authority, which operates the airport...[read article](#)

Home prices continue to see steady gains NEWSDAY; June 1, 2016

Prices rose in all 20 cities, but at a slower pace in the Northeast and Midwest. The cities with the smallest year-over-year increases were Washington, D.C., Chicago, **New York** and Cleveland...[read article](#)

Feds casting wider net NEWSDAY; June 1, 2016

Beyond the governor's office, investigators have subpoenaed agencies that regulate solar power and implement solar initiatives...[read story](#)

Facing some hard choices NEWSDAY; May 30, 2016

Small businesses weigh how to handle new OT rules. Some owners say they'll have to limit hiring or cut other costs...[read article](#)

Little guys invest in startups NEWSDAY; May 31, 2016

Usually only rich people and venture capitalists invest in startups. But now more regular folks are getting the chance...[read story](#)

LONG ISLAND

Hurricane Season: Weathering what's next NEWSDAY; June 1, 2016

Long Island's county executives urged residents to prepare hurricane emergency kits and evacuation plans, but said officials are better prepared for a major storm than they were before superstorm Sandy...[read article](#)

Dowling College Closing NEWSDAY; June 1, 2016

In the midst of massive debt and declining enrollment, Long Island's Dowling College will shut down on Friday, June 3, the college announced on Tuesday. College officials say they are working on a teach-out agreement with Rockville Centre-based Molloy College that would allow current Dowling students to finish their degrees at Molloy...[read article](#)

LIPA payroll declines NEWSDAY; May 31, 2016

The Long Island Power Authority's total payroll declined to \$5.03million in 2015, but average pay was up 3.6 percent from 2014, to \$109,328...[read article](#)

New perks for parks NEWSDAY; May 29, 2016

Long Island state parks will offer beach lovers, swimmers, campers, hikers and boaters a bounty of new menus this summer along with improved playgrounds and bathhouses...[read article](#)

At odds on energy future NEWSDAY; May 29, 2016

Two grass-roots coalitions that want a say in Long Island's energy future are supporting polar-opposite alternatives to achieve their goals...[read article](#)

SUFFOLK COUNTY

Gang suspects released NEWSDAY; May 31, 2016

Six suspected gang members arrested on felony charges three months ago in what **Suffolk Police Commissioner Tim Sini** called a "tremendous hit" against two rival factions are no longer in custody, and police and prosecutors are blaming each other...[read article](#)

North Fork's growing pains NEWSDAY; May 31, 2016

How winemaking region is working to balance booming business, bucolic charm...[read story](#)

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](#)

TOWN OF BROOKHAVEN

S&P's Global Rating Upgrades Brookhaven Town to AAA Financial Rating with a Stable Outlook

Brookhaven Earns Higher Rating than U.S. Government; Town commended for very strong management,

with strong financial policies and practices...[read announcement](#)

Editor's Note: Thank you **Supervisor Ed Romaine** and the Town Board for superior fiscal management!



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 18th – Juneteenth Picnic at the Longwood Estate...[more info](#)

Thursday, June 23rd – Town of Brookhaven Job Fair...[more info](#)

Starting July 26th – 6-week Smoking Cessation classes...[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

Proposed ESSA Rules Aim to Walk Fine Line on Accountability EDUCATION WEEK

May 31, 2016 When it was signed by President Barack Obama last December, ESSA shifted more control over things like school turnarounds and academic goals to state and local officials. But in the subsequent months, there was been significant uncertainty over how ESSA accountability regulations being crafted by the department would work, and to what extent they would reinforce or depart from what many saw as ESSA's intent of taking more policy decisions out of Washington...[read article](#)



POINTS TO PONDER

Common Core growing pains NEWSDAY EDITORIAL; May 31, 2016

Last year, only 40 percent of U.S. students who took the ACT entrance examination were found to be college-ready in at least three of four subject categories. Students graduate unprepared even on Long Island, where taxpayers fork over a fortune to provide great schools. It's time for everyone to get past the mistakes and work together to give students the education they need. That's the war that all sides in this battle must band together to win...[read editorial](#)

Restoring gems of Long Island NEWSDAY EDITORIAL; May 29, 2016

Ask a Long Islander to describe a perfect day, and there's a good chance a park is involved...[read article](#)

DOWN MEMORY LANE



The History of the
CORAM SCHOOLHOUSE



The first record we found of Coram hiring a teacher was in 1814 when Elijah Terry¹ was hired to keep a Common English School. The people of Coram agreed to pay him one dollar and seventy-five cents for each student sent to school. Each parent agreed to provide ½ cord of firewood as payment for each child sent to school. Another form of teacher pay that Mr. Terry enjoyed was to receive one week's board at the home of each student who attended the Coram School...[read more](#)

RANDOM STUFF

Hurricane Outlook: Normal season likely NEWSDAY; May 28, 2016

At this point, with an update expected in early August, the prediction is for a total of 10 to 16 named storms, four to eight of them becoming hurricanes, with one to four of them major...[read article](#)



Nikon at Jones Beach Theater

Starting in June... Lynrd Skynrd & Peter Frampton, Bad Company w/Joe Walsh, Dave Matthews Band, Sting and Peter Gabriel, Journey with The Doobie Brothers, Def Leppard, Yanni, Gwen Stefani, Josh Groban, Darius Rucker, Heart with Joan Jett, Counting Crows & Rob Thomas, Brad Paisley, Black Sabbath, Jimmy Buffet, ZZ Top...[full schedule and tickets](#)



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

See Jim Norton, Southside Johnny & The Asbury Jukes, Ziggy Marley (**SOLD OUT**), The Pitchforks, Mario Cantone, Melissa Etheridge, Alan Cumming, The Fab Faux, Dianne Reeves, Paul Anka, Sarah McLachlan, 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, The Temptations & the Four Tops, Beauty and the Beast, Alice in Wonderland, Peter Pan, Neil Sedaka, Bonnie Raitt, The Wizard of Oz, Air Supply, 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, Mickey Dolenz, Jay & The Americans, Tony & Tina's Wedding, The Drifters, David Cassidy, The Lords of 52nd Street, Blue Oyster Cult... see [Event Schedule](#)

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Influence plans affecting Coram before the decisions are made. Be part of the solution!

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Upcoming Events!!

Tuesday, June 7th

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



Join us Tuesday, June 7th

Brookhaven Town Hall

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

6:30-7:30 PM – NARCAN Training

Sunday, June 26th



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

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