

CORAM CIVIC ASSOCIATION COMMUNITY UPDATE...

Saturday, September 24th

Join Us For Our 11th Annual



The Original And Still The Best!!

Saturday, Sept. 24th (doors open @ 3pm)
\$40 Per Person (21 and over)
All you can Eat and Drink!
Live music by Nitework and Common Ground
Authentic German Cuisine



*A portion of the proceeds will go to the family of Staff Sgt. Louis Bonucasa
Killed In Action on December 21st 2015, Afghanistan*



In the news for...

LONGWOOD CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Longwood Celebrates Grand Opening of ALP Career Center

The Longwood Board of Education, central administration, students and staff attended a ribbon cutting on Thursday, September 1 to celebrate the opening of a new state-of-the-art facility that will provide a simulated work environment for high school students in the Alternate Learning Program (ALP)...[read press release](#)

LONGWOOD PUBLIC LIBRARY

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

Longwood Library renovation cited NEWSDAY; Sep 13, 2016

An \$18 million renovation of the Longwood Public Library has been honored by a statewide library organization. "We are thrilled to receive this recognition for our community-focused library transformation," Longwood library director Suzanne Johnson said in a statement...[read article](#)

"Have a wonderful and well-earned retirement Suzanne Johnson!"



Suzanne Johnson

Lisa Jacobs

Longwood Public Library Director Suzanne Johnson retiring

After 29 years of working at the Longwood Public Library and serving the people of the Longwood community, Suzanne Johnson is turning over the reins to Assistant Director Lisa Jacobs.

...read story in ["A Message from the Director"](#)

- **September is Library Card Sign-up Month!** LPL's Children's Department wants to make sure that your child is among the two-thirds of Americans who carry the smartest card of all – a library card. Studies show that children who are read to in the home and who use the library perform better in school and are more likely to continue to use the library as a source of lifetime learning. So, sign up for a library card! Every child who signs up for their first library card will receive a "Welcome to the Library" bag filled with a special treat. For those children who already have their own library card, show us and pick a prize from the treasure box!

- **The library now subscribes to Lynda.com**, a premiere learning tool with high quality tutorials and lectures. Subject coverage includes technical and business topics (website design, entrepreneurship, selling on Etsy) and also productivity lectures on things like photography, Microsoft Excel, Dreamweaver, WordPress and more. There's something for everyone! Create an account with your Longwood Public Library card and let the learning begin.

- **LPL Newsletter...[Sep/Oct 2016](#)**

NEW YORK STATE

Economists pare growth outlook NEWSDAY; Sep 13, 2016

The median estimate from economists surveyed by the National Association for Business Economics calls for gross domestic product growth of 1.5 percent this year, down from the 1.8 percent they forecast in June. The panel is now predicting flat corporate profits in 2016— better than the median 2percent decline projected in June....[read article](#)

Income up 5.2% NEWSDAY; Sep 14, 2016

Median household income in the nation rose 5.2 percent from 2014 to 2015. The 5.2 percent increase in median household income doesn't mean that individual wages have gone up by that amount. Household income is affected by wages, and also by how many people in a household are working...[read article](#)

Online course expansion OKd NEWSDAY; Sep 14, 2016

New York, by signing the State Authorization Reciprocity Agreement, or SARA, will allow public and private colleges and universities— both nonprofit and for profit— to join in interstate offering of post-secondary online education courses and programs...[read article](#)

LONG ISLAND

It's a seller's market NEWSDAY; Sep 14, 2016

Suffolk County homes sold for a median price of \$355,000 in August, a gain of 2.9 percent compared with a year earlier...[read article](#)

LI School Districts Told: Plan for tight tax cap NEWSDAY; Sep 13, 2016

NY Comptroller DiNapoli says it's likely to be below 1%—and superintendents say something has to give...[read article](#)

'Campus Village' eyed at Stony Brook University NEWSDAY; Sep 13, 2016

University would create public-private development to ease housing shortage...[read article](#)

SUFFOLK COUNTY

Program for seaweed cultivation explored NEWSDAY; Sep 13, 2016

Suffolk County is now authorized to begin a pilot program to see if underwater land can be used to cultivate seaweed as a lucrative crop popular in high-end restaurants...[read article](#)

Suffolk audit: Shelter owes county \$1.26M NEWSDAY; Sep 13, 2016

Penates Inc., a nonprofit homeless shelter, owes Suffolk \$1,267,471 because the county overpaid for the group's operations and the agency paid more than budgeted for employee salaries, according to a new audit from Suffolk Comptroller John M. Kennedy Jr....[read article](#)

Editor's Thoughts: Could it be that an actual leader is emerging from the public employment pile that has the interest of the residents in the forefront of his mind? Bravo Comptroller Kennedy!

Project revived NEWSDAY; Sep 14, 2016

After several false starts with previous suitors, Riverhead officials are hoping a \$45 million deal with a Melville firm will finally bring business to the long-dormant Enterprise Park at Calverton...[read article](#)

TOWN OF BROOKHAVEN

Going Places Network (GPN) TOB; Sep 13, 2016

A seminar series for Women Seeking Employment, GPN is a free program presented by Dress for Success® Brookhaven, servicing both Nassau and Suffolk Counties. Participants will learn to create their best cover letter and resume, as well as how to polish their interview skills through mock interviews with local business professionals...[more info](#)

Brookhaven Highway Safety Day **Sat Sep 24th**

FREE Car Seat Inspection (8:00am-noon) FREE Bicycle Safety Rodeo (noon-3:00pm)...[more info](#)



Council Dist 2

From the desks of...

Councilwoman Jane Bonner &
Councilman Mike Loguercio



Council Dist 4

Oct 1 – Women’s Conference & Expo To promote wellness and personal growth in the lives of women of our community...[more info](#)

Oct 7 – Celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month...[more info](#)

Oct 18 - 12th Annual Building Business In Brookhaven Expo Networking and Business Trade Show • Free General Admission and Complimentary Food from Brookhaven Town Businesses...[more info](#)

Oct 25 - Second NARCAN Training Free Substance Abuse Awareness and Opioid Overdose Prevention Program Training Class (NARCAN). Tuesday, October 25 from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. ...[read press release](#)

“Test, Don’t Guess” Free Drug Testing Kits from Sheriff DeMarco & Sup Ed Romaine...[more info](#)

2016 Parks & Recreation Fall Guide...[view guide](#)

TOB Hurricane Survival Guide – From the Office of Emergency Management...[more info](#)

Report a Vacant Building...[more info](#)

Pickle Ball Clinic for Beginners...[not a clue folks]...read below

The Town of Brookhaven Presents:
PICKLEBALL CLINIC FOR BEGINNERS

Pickleball is the nation's fastest growing sport. It's a great way to engage in healthy activity while enjoying the company of friends and fellow players on the only outdoor dedicated pickleball courts in Suffolk County. Learn all the basics during two fall sessions. This course will prepare players for open court play with others of similar ability.

Visit us at:
www.brookhaven.org
www.brookhaven.org/parksfacebook

*Loaner paddles and balls will be available for use.
*Proper sportswear and sneakers/court shoes required.
*Please remember to bring water!
*15 player limit.

Dates: Thursday, October 13th (Rain Date October 20th)
Friday October 14th (Rain Date October 21st)

Time: 4:00 pm–6:00pm

Location: Centereach Pool Complex–Pickleball Courts

Fee: \$25.00/person (min 8 max 15)
* Must be 18 years or older.
Registration must be received by Friday, October 7th

EDUCATION

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

More time for play NEWSDAY; Sep 12, 2016

Patchogue-Medford doubles time for recess in grades K-5, bucking trend. Local school officials described the initiatives as part of broader efforts within the district to promote development of the "whole child." That buzzword is popular among educators and parents worried about pressures exerted on youngsters by an array of programs, ranging from standardized Common Core testing to competitive sports...[read article](#)

A Texas School District Plans to Mandate Daily Recess for Elementary

Students EDUCATION WEEK; Sep 13, 2016

Elementary students in Austin, Texas, may soon get to enjoy 30 minutes of unrestricted recess every day. Currently there is no policy on the books regarding recess. So the decision to offer recess was left up to individual schools. But to make 30 minutes of daily recess happen, the district has to work on getting buy-in from the staff at the schools. He explained that adding more time for recess might seem counterintuitive to staff members at first...[read article](#)

Texas Teacher's 'No Homework' Rule Strikes a Chord With Parents

EDUCATION WEEK; Aug 26, 2016

By now, you've probably seen the note a 2nd grade teacher in Godley, Texas, sent home with her students saying she would not give any assigned homework this year. Many parents praised the move and used the opportunity to lament their young children's 'long, arduous' homework assignments. Cathy Vatterott is a professor of education at the University of Missouri-St. Louis. She's written about this topic extensively. "The schools that seek to limit homework often encourage teachers to abide by what's known as the **10-minute rule**, which is advocated by the national PTA and the National Education Association. It calls for students to have 10 minutes of homework per grade level. So students in 1st grade would have 10 minutes of homework, while students in 2nd grade would have 20 minutes and so on."...[read article](#)

Parents Across America Group Outlines Ed-Tech 'Threats'

EDUCATION WEEK; Sep 6, 2016

An influential parent-advocacy group that has vocally opposed high-stakes testing, the Common Core State Standards, and charter school expansion has its sights on a new target: education technology. Launched in 2010, Parents Across America is run on a small annual budget, with funding provided in part by a foundation associated with the Chicago Teachers Union....[read article](#)



What price for police? NEWSDAY EDITORIAL; Sep 12, 2016

County Executive Steve Bellone's 2017 budget is due to the Suffolk County Legislature on Friday, and it's unclear how he plans to balance it. Suffolk's revenue is flat, and its expenses are growing, particularly the cost of maintaining its highly paid police force. The result is a huge recurring annual budget gap. This year, the projected shortfall will be \$140 million to \$180 million. Last week, Bellone met with legislative leaders to discuss potential fee increases and cuts in services, none of which sound like very good ideas. He has used some of these tricks before, and will use them again, such as borrowing to pay pension contributions and borrowing from a sewer stabilization fund. Endless borrowing and budget trickery

don't work. Cutting essential services is neither wise nor fair. And endless fee hikes are just an evasion of sensible policy. We need an honest discussion about how much Suffolk residents are willing to pay for their police...[read editorial](#)

Can shame help an addict recover? NEWSDAY OPINION; Sep 14, 2016

Can images of a couple overdosed in the front seat of a car and a 4-year-old left helpless in the back awaken a community to the seriousness of an epidemic that crushes lives every day?...[read opinion](#)

Albany must act to clean LI water NEWSDAY EDITORIAL; Sep 14, 2016

But the problems are well known by now. The difficulty is how to solve them, and how to find the money to do that. So we were heartened to hear a healthy exchange between lawmakers and Suffolk officials about a county proposal for a public referendum for an annual fee on water usage...[read article](#)

DOWN MEMORY LANE

From the Library of the *Suffolk County Historical Society*...

“Camp Upton - World War II”



Looking north between the barracks, 4th receiving center area. (Image from the Camp Upton / World War II Pictorial Collection of the Suffolk County Historical Society Library Archives. Copyright © Suffolk County Historical Society. All rights reserved.)

The site on which the present-day **Brookhaven National Laboratory** now stands was originally an Army camp – Camp Upton, which was named after Emory Upton, a Union general in the Civil War. Located near Yaphank, in the heart of the Pine Barrens, Camp Upton was built in 1917 as an induction and training facility for the 30,000 soldiers who went on to fight in World War I. Between the world wars, the camp was used by members of the Civilian Conservation Corps, who planted many of the trees on the site. In 1940, on the eve of World War II, the camp was reopened, serving its original purpose as a military training ground. In 1944, Camp Upton was used as a hospital to treat wounded veterans of the war. It also served as a prisoner of war camp, when in 1945, five hundred German prisoners were sent to Camp

Upton. In 1947, the camp was replaced by Brookhaven National Laboratory.

RANDOM STUFF

Smart connections NEWSDAY; Sep 12, 2016

This is the “internet of things,” [IoT]the wireless network that allows devices ranging from coffee makers to thermostats to jet engines to automobiles—all of which contain electronics—to transmit data. Then people can, for example, remotely turn up the heat before they arrive home, or do preventive maintenance on equipment...[read article](#)





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

See Graham Nash 10/7, David Bromberg 10/14 , The Weight Band 10/22, Dave Mason 11/12, John Hiatt 11/19...more info at [WHBPAC Upcoming Events](#)

Arts Academy Classes: Legally Blonde Jr., Sound of Music...[more info](#)



MAIN STAGE

LEGALLY BLONDE Sep 17 – Oct 29,

A CHRISTMAS CAROL Nov 19 – Dec 30,

SYLVIA Jan 14 – Feb 4.

RESPECT: A Musical Journey of Women Feb 25 – Mar 25.

CHILDRENS THEATER

PUMPKIN PATCH MAGIC Oct 1 – Oct 29.

BARNABY SAVES CHRISTMAS Nov 25 – Dec 30.

THE THREE LITTLE PIGS Jan 21 – Feb 4.

RAGGEDY ANN & ANDY Mar 4 – Mar 25

Access Theatre Three [event schedules](#)

The Gateway Playhouse

215 So. Country Road • Bellport • 631-286-1133

Legends in Concert Nov 16 – Nov 27

Mooseltoe Dec 3

NYCB The Theatre at Westbury

960 Brush Hollow Road • Westbury, NY 11590

See Charlie Daniels Band 9/17, The Wiggles 9/18, D.L. Hughley & Charlie Murphy 9/23,

TLC & En Vogue 9/25, The Band Perry 9/30, Gladys Knight 10/2...[Calendar and Tickets](#)

THE SUFFOLK THEATER

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

See Earth, Wind & Fire Tribute band 9/16, The Brooklyn Bridge 9/23, Robby Krieger of THE DOORS 9/24, Chapin Family Reunion 10/15, The Music of Frankie Valli 10/21, Roomful of Blues 10/23, Rocky Horror Picture Show 10/29, Zombie Wedding 10/30...see [Event Schedule](#)



Upcoming Events!!

September 17th ...

Come Join the Party!

Blessings in a
Backpack
Feeding The Future Of America®



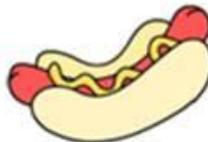
Longwood Chapter
Kickoff 2016/2017



VENDORS

Backpack packing competition
between Longwood Administration,
Board of Education members and
local officials...come see who
competes!!!

"Tailgate"
Basket
Raffle



...and more!!!

September 17, 2016

10am - 2pm

Yaphank Firehouse
451 Main Street
Yaphank, NY 11980

For more information
contact Trisha Ewald
phone (631) 379-9838

September 24th

October 2nd



*Yaphank Historical
Society's Fall*

Community Yard Sale

Saturday, September 24, 2016

9:00am - 4:00pm

Rain Date: Sunday Sept. 25

Donation: \$5.00 per vendor

- Setup on Hawkins House Lawns
- No Reservations Needed
- Call 631-924-4803 if you have questions



G.A.S.L.
ANNUAL OCTOBERFEST
 Sunday, October 2, 2016
 2PM – 6PM
At
The Clubhouse
Yaphank, NY
 Dinner served 3-4 PM

Menu: Sauerbraten, Potato Pancakes, Red Cabbage
 String Beans, Applesauce & Dessert
 Free Beer/Soda from 2-5PM

Tickets: Adults-\$25.00 Children under 12-\$5.00

For additional info or to reserve a table
 Please contact: Robert & Audrey Kessler
 631-924-0418

This affair is being held for the benefit of the German American Settlement League, Inc.

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](#)



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