



Wahlburgers is Opening on Long Island (*For Real This Time*) PJ-PATCH; Oct 4, 2016

Wahlburgers—the casual burger chain of the Wahlburger brothers of Hollywood fame and fortune--announced that it set its sights on the former location of Road Trip American Ale House located at 4837 Nesconset Highway in Port Jefferson Station (the old Ground Round for those of us of a certain age)...[read article](#)



In the news for...

LONGWOOD CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

National Merit Semifinalist and Five Commended Students



LHS Principal Scott Schuster and senior Maciej Wlodek

The District is pleased to announce that high school senior **Maciej Wlodek** has been named a National Merit Scholarship Semifinalist in the 2017 National Merit Scholarship Program. Maciej will have an opportunity to continue in the competition for some 7,400 National Merit Scholarships worth more than \$32 million that will be offered next spring. Less than 1% of high school graduating seniors in the U.S. will qualify as a semifinalist. Additionally, five seniors Emily Berry, Zerrin Kamal, Terence Lin, Joshua Radford and Olivia Scott were named Commended Students, placing among the top five percent of more than 1.5 million students by taking the 2015 Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT).

...[read press release](#)

Join us for Homecoming 2016 on Friday, October 14. Homecoming parade begins at 4:30 p.m. at the high school and kick-off is at 6:00 p.m. *Go Lions!*

Students Explore the Life of the Carmans River

Forty-two Longwood High School AP Environmental students and 35 sixth grade middle school students recently visited waterfront locations along the Carmans River to engage in hands-on science exploration with local scientists...[read press release](#)

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49 Halloween Costumes All Book Lovers Will Appreciate

LPL FACEBOOK-BuzzFeed
Have you thought about your Halloween costume yet? BuzzFeed has some great suggestions for literary-inspired costumes. (Lots of adorable suggestions for kids on there!)...[BuzzFeed](#)

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

NEW YORK STATE

Adding mental health class

NEWSDAY; Oct 4, 2016

New York's schools will have to teach about mental health in their state-mandated health classes beginning in two years. The updated curriculum will increase the likelihood that students recognize the signs of mental illness in themselves and others and seek help when it's needed. About 50 percent of students with emotional or behavioral disorders drop out of high school...[read article](#)

LONG ISLAND

Surprise bill for solar users

NEWSDAY; Oct 5, 2016

[PSEG] pays solar customers a fraction of what the credits are worth in the bank when they are cashed out on their anniversary date: around 2.5 cents a kilowatt hour, compared to the 19 cents a kilowatt hour they are worth when they offset his energy bill...[read article](#)

Tesla Time

NEWSDAY; Sep 30, 2016

Leaders of the nonprofit developing the Tesla Science Center at Wardencllyffe, on a 16-acre parcel

Coram Civic Association COMMUNITY UPDATE Oct 6, 2016

along Route 25A [in Shoreham], think Tesla's popularity —seven decades after his death— will help them raise the \$15 million needed to open a temporary museum late next year...[read article](#)

Two LI schools get Blue Ribbon NEWSDAY; Sep 30, 2016

Harborfields High School in Greenlawn and Syosset High School were named National Blue Ribbon schools Wednesday...[read article](#)

LONG ISLAND COMMISSION FOR AQUIFER PROTECTION Oct 3, 2016

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Long Island Commission for Aquifer Protection (LICAP) was created three years ago to address both quality and quantity issues facing Long Island's aquifer system and to advocate for a coordinated, regional approach to groundwater resources management. The purpose of these hearings is to collect public input on this topic and the commission's draft State of the Aquifer report...[more info](#)

SUFFOLK COUNTY

Deputy patrol deal upheld NEWSDAY; Sep 30, 2016

In a 4-0 decision, the court rejected the claims of County Executive Steve Bellone and police unions that the [2011] agreement was not legitimate. If there is no appeal, both sides say the issue will go to binding arbitration. John Becker, president of the 250-member deputies union, said the county must make up for the economic losses union members have suffered...[read article](#)

Editor's Thoughts: As the beleaguered Oliver Hardy (played by SC Comptroller John Kennedy, Jr.) often said to Stan Laurel (played by SC Exec Steve Bellone) " Well , here's another nice mess you've gotten me into!"

Two comptroller aides fail job exam NEWSDAY; Oct 5, 2016

Both men failed to score 70, the passing grade on their exams. Both held their jobs on a provisional basis, meaning there was no civil service list for their posts when they were hired. Each had to take a competitive test to keep their jobs on a permanent basis...[read article](#)

Editor's Thoughts: Both of these folks failed the civil service exam. "Sutherland, a 24-year county veteran" must leave his \$135,772 executive director job, but will take a \$111,000 deputy commissioner position with the county. (BTW, that is his second \$20K salary loss due to position changes in the past few years). Segall must leave his \$65,433 research technician job, but will take an assistant-to-the-comptroller position that currently pays \$94,000. Uhhh...what?

SCWA can collect on unpaid bills NEWSDAY; Oct 4, 2016

While authority officials say they do not expect the change to result in a rate reduction, they say that it could be used to offset future rate hikes...[read article](#)

Editor's Thoughts: You really have to read this article slowly. Cuomo signed a bill allowing the SCWA to issue tax liens on the deadbeats property. The county says that Cuomo's directive says that the county now must advance SCWA the unpaid money when they file the tax lien. The SCWA says that the directive states that the county doesn't pay SCWA the tax lien monies until the monies are paid to the county by the deadbeat. Are these executive directives so convoluted that our highly compensated local leaders and their minions cannot comprehend them?

TOWN OF BROOKHAVEN

Sup Romaine files 2017 Tentative Budget with Town Clerk TOB; Sep 29, 2016

The structurally balanced Budget holds the line on taxes and spending within the cost of living. The 2017 Budget

complies with the New York State Tax Cap, Brookhaven's Spending Cap and Debt Cap, increases snow removal funding by 4.9% and contains no layoffs or cuts in service...[read more](#)



Council Dist 2

From the desks of...

Councilwoman Jane Bonner &
Councilman Mike Loguercio



Council Dist 4

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](#)

Oct 29 – **Barnyard Scare** – Ages 2-8; 11:00 am-1:00 pm – Longwood Estate-\$10.00...[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.

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*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

Data Tool Allows City-by-City Schooling Comparisons EDUCATION WEEK; Oct 4, 2016

Website users, for example, can compare graduation rates, per-pupil spending, teacher salaries, and the availability of early-childhood-education programs in Chicago; Des Moines, Iowa; and San Francisco...[read article](#)

Editor's Thoughts: Sorry folks. Only New York cities on this are NYC, Yonkers, Syracuse and Buffalo. Nothing on Long Island, but it is informative to some degree.

SAT data delivery delayed NEWSDAY; Oct 3, 2016

Sponsors of the SAT college admissions exam have acknowledged systemic delays in providing questions and answers from a newly revamped test to parents and students who paid fees for the information...[read article](#)



POINTS TO PONDER

Don't loosen the tax cap NEWSDAY EDITORIAL; Oct 3, 2016

It's keeping the lid on school spending. From 1982 to 2011, school taxes in New York increased at a rate of 6 percent a year, more than three times faster than inflation. On Long Island, there is an extraordinary burden: Property taxes are quadruple the national average while house values are only double the national average. Taxpayers cannot face a burden that increases faster than inflation and their ability to pay...[read editorial](#)

Creepy clowns and peculiar paranoia NEWSDAY OPINION; Oct 5, 2016

Despite posts on social media, there's no army of baleful buffoons out to get us...[read opinion](#)
Editor's Thoughts: Yes, social media spreads rumors, misinformation and sometimes panic. But our gullibility is nothing new. On October 30, 1938,--the 'golden age of radio'--Orson Welles convinced a large portion of America that the Martians were invading Earth...[google it](#).

LIPA rate hike will help prevent emissions NEWSDAY LETTERS; Oct 4, 2016

"The Sept. 22 news story "Nuke plant subsidy to hike LIPA's bills" fails to mention the benefits that all New York residents, including those on Long Island, receive..." "For less than \$2 a month on the average residential bill, Long Island residents join hands with the rest of New York to prevent an increase of 15 million tons of carbon dioxide..."(The writer is the chair of the state Public Service Commission, which oversees public utilities)...[read letter](#)

Editor's Thoughts: These never-ending LIPA/PSEG/PSC rate increase pronouncements all remind me of the 1985 comedy "Better Off Dead" starring John Cusack in which the newspaper boy is constantly showing up throughout the movie and menacing Cusack with the line "I want my two dollars!" The big difference though is that it was funny in the movie.

DOWN MEMORY LANE



The History of... Hopalong Cassidy



Did Hopalong Cassidy have his first ride in Coram?

Hopalong Cassidy, a 30's, 40's and 50's western star of short stories, comic books, movies, radio and that new-fangled thing called television, was the creation of Clarence E. Mulford ...who had once lived and wrote in Coram...*story by Paul Infranco*...[read more](#)

RANDOM STUFF

Caffeine tied to dementia prevention NEWSDAY; Sep 30, 2016

A new study suggests a significant relationship between caffeine and dementia prevention, though it stops short of establishing cause and effect...[read article](#)



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

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MAIN STAGE

LEGALLY BLONDE Now – 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 Now – Oct 29.

BARNABY SAVES CHRISTMAS Nov 25 – Dec 30.

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See Johnny Rivers and Eric Burdon & The Animals 10/7, O'Jays 10/8, Joan Baez 10/12, Sergio Mendez 10/13, Engelbert Humperdinck 10/14, Peter Frampton Raw 10/19, STYX 10/23...[Calendar and Tickets](#)

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See 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](#)

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