

THE CORAM CIVIC ASSOCIATION

General Membership Meeting

November 24, 2014

The meeting was called to order at 7:45 PM by President Erma Gluck, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence for our troops. Board members present: Erma Gluck, Martin Bailey, Chris Reilly, Bob Gluck, Paul Ziems, Kathrine Soscia and Jean Hartling.

OFFICER REPORTS:

President: Erma Gluck announced: the Dickens Festival House Tour, Port Jefferson Village, December 6th, 4:30 to 8:30PM; the "It's All About the Troops" Military Care Package Pack-Out Event at the Emporium in Patchogue, November 30th, 2:00 to 8:00PM; the Civic 7th Annual Tree Lighting Event of December 7th 2:30PM (flyers distributed) and the Pack 64 Toy Drive to take place at the Tree Lighting. Two scouts representing Pack 64 gave a presentation about the Toy Drive and encouraged all attending to bring a toy for a needy child.

GUEST SPEAKERS:

County Legislator Sarah Anker (District 6) provided an update on current legislative activities. As chair of the Education Committee she focuses on children and families, public schools and colleges in Suffolk. Current efforts include 1) the Save Hotline, in which schools sign up, submit their floor plans to the police and have an eight-second priority response in case of emergencies 2) Bully Awareness program for students (suffolkstopbullying.org) formed jointly with Suffolk Police, Health and IT departments 3) Planned Young Adult Communities located near colleges for affordable housing 4) the Job Opportunities Board connecting colleges and businesses with graduating students and 5) a one-stop Job Employment Center providing tours for senior high school students with information on careers, resume writing and interview skills.

Debra Winter, Longwood School District Health and Community Services Program, gave an overview of the program, the only one on Long Island located in a high school. It is funded under New York State and is affiliated with Just Kids and Stony Brook University. There are no fees, no co-pays and no cost to parents or the school. Preventative care is provided by pediatricians, nurse practitioners, psychiatric nurse practitioners, and third year medical students at Stony Brook. Parental consent is needed for care of students below eighteen years of age. No birth control is provided. Necessary prescriptions must go through a pharmacy; none are handed out. All care is confidential and separate from the school health office.

Jorge Jimenez, Director, Customer Experience & Utility Marketing, PSEG-LI described the company's structure and priorities. The parent company is composed of three parts: 1) PSEG-New Jersey, 2) PSEG-Long Island (under a 12-year contract with LIPA) and 3) PSEG-Power (runs some power plants and services in computing and finance). Safety is a priority and consumer safety information can be found on the company web site. Company goals are customer satisfaction, reliability, effectiveness in storms, and involvement in the community. Customer feedback is welcomed.

50/50 DRAWING:

The 50/50 was drawn by Jorge Jimenez and won by Tom Connelly who took home thirty-one dollars.

MOTION TO ADJOURN:

The meeting was adjourned at 9:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jean Hartling
Recording Secretary