

# Recycle: Ready, set, sort

In Brookhaven, new rules kick in on Wednesday

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Officials in Brookhaven, Smithtown and Southold are racing to fill airwaves, social media sites and newspapers with announcements promoting changes in their recycling programs that will start taking effect as soon as this week.

Those towns are switching to dual-stream recycling programs that will require residents to separate cardboard and mixed paper from plastics, aluminum and other metals. Glass no longer will be accepted in their curbside recycling programs.

And Brookhaven and Smithtown officials say the towns will no longer accept pizza boxes soiled by grease.

Brookhaven's dual stream program will kick off Wednesday. Southold and Smithtown will start in January, with one exception: In Smithtown, officials are asking residents to stop putting glass in their curbside recycling bins starting Monday.

"We need to give the public time to adjust to go back to old



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In Southold and Smithtown, most sorting will begin in January.

habits," Southold Supervisor Scott Russell said.

The major change for residents will be placing recyclables out at the curb on alternating weeks: paper and cardboard one week, plastics and metals the following week. Over the past four years, residents of those three towns have placed all recyclables out at the same time each week.

Brookhaven Supervisor Edward P. Romaine said he had recorded messages for the town's cable-television channel announcing which recyclables would be collected each week. The town is sending a "blast email" to 70,000 residents outlining the new pickup schedule, and has budgeted about \$10,000 for radio ads, he said.

Brookhaven officials plan to

purchase bins for paper-only material and make them available to residents through the offices of the town's six town council members. The town also is setting up locations at town facilities in Farmingville, Manorville, Holtsville, Mount Sinai and the town landfill where residents can drop off glass.

Brookhaven will also no longer collect foil or paper milk cartons.

Southold plans to create separate "bunkers" at the town solid waste facility in Cutchogue where residents can deposit paper and cardboard in one area and plastics and metals in another area, Russell said. Southold offers curbside recycling, though not in some parts of the town. In addition to radio and TV ads, announcements will be made on the town's cable-TV channel, he said.

In Smithtown, where glass is no longer being picked up, residents can throw glass into the garbage or recycle it by dropping it off at a town facility at 85 Old Northport Rd., town hall or the town's highway department, 758 Smithtown Bypass.

One of the effort's aims is to reduce what Russell Barnett, Smithtown's solid waste management chief, called "wishful" recycling. Residents who put a breakable glass bottle into a curbside bin can end up spoiling the load and costing taxpayer money.

## Glen Cove resignation opens seat

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The Glen Cove City Council is to consider Tuesday a replacement for Councilman Michael Zangari, who resigned his post, citing health reasons.

In a statement read by City Clerk Tina Pemberton at the Tuesday council work session, Zangari said that for the past few months he has been receiving treatment for cancer and "unfortunately recent test results have revealed that a more aggressive treatment plan prior to surgery is needed and will result in an extended period of postoperative recovery."

"As a result of my medical condition, I must now dedicate 100 percent of my energy on my health and family," he said



RAYCHEL BRIGHTMAN

Michael Zangari quit the council to undergo cancer treatment.

in the letter.

Zangari said in an interview that "a very aggressive bladder cancer" was discovered after a June biopsy.

"I can't devote the time I used to, to the people of Glen Cove," he said.

After Zangari's statement was read, Councilman Joseph Capobianco, a Republican, proposed that Donna McNaughton, the chairwoman of the zoning board of appeals and a Republican, replace Zangari, 59, who was elected to the council as a Republican last year after running unsuccessfully as a Democrat in 2015.

Democratic Mayor Timothy Tenke said he would "possibly like to put some names up," and he proposed discussing successors at the Dec. 4 work session.

Capobianco said "we need to get a replacement as quickly as possible" and that he would put McNaughton's name up for a vote on Tuesday.

"You know this person, you've worked with her," Capobianco said. "She's a level-headed per-

son you thought highly enough to appoint chairman of the zoning board" in early 2018.

Capobianco said in an interview that because Zangari is a Republican, McNaughton should replace him.

"The electorate elected a Republican and those wishes should be honored," he said.

McNaughton, 72, an attorney, said in an interview that she is an eighth-generation Glen Cove resident who for years has been involved with city government and with nonprofits such as the Glen Cove YMCA. She unsuccessfully ran for the council in the early 1990s on the GOP slate with Capobianco.

"I care about Glen Cove," she said. "I know a lot of people. I care about all their concerns and I try to be fair."

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**1825** The first college social fraternity, the Kappa Alpha Society, was formed at Union College, Schenectady.  
**1883** Former slave and abolitionist Sojourner Truth died in Battle Creek, Mich.  
**1942** "Casablanca," starring Humphrey Bogart and Ingrid Bergman, had its world premiere at the Hollywood Theater in New York.  
**1950** China entered the Korean War, launching a counteroffensive against soldiers from the U.N., the U.S. and South Korea.  
**1973** President Richard Nixon's personal secretary, Rose Mary Woods, told a federal court that she'd accidentally caused part of the 18½-minute gap in a key Watergate tape.  
**1986** President Ronald Reagan appointed a commission headed by former Sen. John Tower to investigate his National Security Council staff in the wake of the Iran-Contra affair.  
**1992** The British government announced that Queen Elizabeth II had volunteered to start paying taxes on her personal income and would take her children off the public payroll.