# **Greater Patchogue Chamber of Commerce**



# President's Message

I am happy to report on the success of the Business Promotion Halloween Happenings. This year over 450 Trick or Treaters and their parents participated. Main Street and Ocean Avenue were filled with the Treasure Hunt seekers. What a great way to identify our businesses for future customers. While the children were in the stores, Mommy & Daddy were outside looking in and seeing our businesses. Thank you to chairperson Lori Belmonte and her committee, and to Mindy Skura of Remember Yesteryears for hosting the Pumpkin Patch with helpers Elaine Borowski and Susan Berner.

Thank you to the Patchogue-Medford Library for hosting the Grants committee meeting this month. Kristen Walsh, Long Island representative for Senator Kirsten Gillibrand was most informative! Patricia Whitlock, chairperson, her committee and I were very impressed and look forward to our community being improved with the various grants we have already received and the prospect of future grants.

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December 2009

# **Community Christmas Tree**

Thanks to Capital One Bank, Ron Leone who donated the tree, Tom's Yard Works, Parks & Recreation, Public Works, J Signs, Mindy Skura and Lori Belmonte.

### **Save These Dates**

Sundays Through December 20—The Art Boutique at WH Design Studio—Affordable Art, Antiques & Handcrafted Home Furnishings—11 N. Ocean Ave. Patchogue (next to the Greater Patchogue Chamber of Commerce), Noon–4:00 p.m., www.theartboutique.blogspot.com, open 1st Sunday of every month starting January 3, 2010, Noon–4:00 p.m.

Through Monday December 21—Fall Student Art Show. Paintings, Drawings, Photographs, sculptures, and more created by St. Joseph College Students, Board Room Gallery of O'Connor Hall, 631-687-1434 or email amalzone@sjcny.edu.

Thursday, December 3—Brookhaven Memorial Hospital Medical Center Tree of Life Lighting, in front of hospital, 7:00 p.m.

Friday, December 4—Christmas Tree Lighting, Brookhaven Town Hall, One Independence Hill, Farmingville, 7:00 p.m., 631-451-6100.

Saturday, December 5—Breakfast with Santa, sponsored by the Business Promotion Committee of Greater Patchogue Chamber of Commerce, S.Ocean Avenue, 9:00a.m.-11:00a.m., \$5.00 Through Nov. 30th, \$6.00 beginning December 1st. Tickets Available at The Colony Shop, 31 East Main Street, Weiner's Shoe Store, 66 East Main Street, and the Chamber Office, 15 N. Ocean Ave. 631-207-1000.

Saturday, December 5 to Friday January 15—2009 Artists Showcase & Winter Exhibition". Presented WH Design Studio Architect + Gallery. Reception on Friday December 5 from 1:00p.m., to 5:00 p.m., 631-289-0033.

Saturday, December 5 & Sunday, December 6—"A Winnie-the-Pooh Christmas Musical", From the Stories by A.A. Milne. Presented by St. Joseph's College, 155 Roe Boulevard, Patchogue. Clare Rose Playhouse, 11:00 a.m.; 1:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m. All tickets \$6.00, 631-654-0199.

Saturday, December 5 & Sunday, December 6—Clara's Dream—The Nutcracker, presented by American Dance Theatre of Long Island, Patchogue Theatre, Sat.: 2:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m., Sun.: 1:00 p.m. & 6:00 p.m., 631-207-1313.

Sunday, December 6—Pet Family Photos with Santa, 1:00–4:00 p.m. by appointment at Paumanok Veterinary Hospital at 639 Rt 112, Patchogue. Donations support the work of Canine Companions for Independence in Medford. Photo session is \$20.00. Dogs should be leashed and cats/small critters in carriers, 631-475-1312.

Wednesday, December 9—Chamber Holiday Party, TD Bank 251 East Main Street, complimentary food and beverages, please bring an unwrapped toy for Brookhaven Town Toys for Kids. Spouses and significant others and employees are welcome, 6:00 p.m.–8:00 p.m., 631- 207-1000 or email us with your reservation at info@patchoguechamber.com.

Wednesdays, December 9 & 16—Free Organ Recital, Congregational Church of Patchogue, noon. A lunch is available for \$7 that includes breads, soups, dessert, and coffee, 631-475-1235.

Thursday, December 10, Saturday, December 12 & Sunday, December 13—The Nutcracker Suite, presented by Ovations Dance Repertory Company, Patchogue Theatre, Thur.: 1:00 p.m., Sat.: 1:00 p.m. & 7:30 p.m., Sun.: 1:00 p.m. & 6:00 p.m., 631-207-1313.

Wednesday, December 9—Healthy Hearts series, "Medication LifeSavers". Presented by the Knapp Cardiac Care Center Brookhaven. Classes located at 100 Hospital Road Conference room 206 (across from the Hospital) from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., 631-654-7240.

Thursday, December 10—Love In The Lobby—The John Brzoza Band in Concert featuring Jessie Haynes & Friends 6th Annual Toys for Tots—Join The John Brzoza Band, Jessie Haynes, Jordan Hope, Satchel Boogie and more, Patchogue Theatre, 71 East Main Street, 7:00 p.m., 631-207-1313.

Friday, December 11—Alice in Winterland, Patchogue Theatre, 7:30 p.m., 631-207-1313.

Saturday, December 12—Santa Comes to Longwood Estate in Ridge from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00p.m. This free family event will include hot cocoa, holiday craft, a train display and more! Bring your camera and a self-addressed, stamped envelope for a letter from Santa, 631-924-1820.

Saturday December 12—7th Annual Reenactment of the Flying Santa - Fire Island Lighthouse 11:30 a.m. (Free 1-hour program: for more information, call 631-661-4876) Join former Fire Island Lighthouse keeper Gottfried Mahler and his wife Marilyn, who were stationed here in 1953 when the original Flying Santa visited. Great photo opportunity when Santa arrives. Get there early!

Sunday, December 13—Friends of Fire Island National Seashore landscape photography workshop and wilderness walk, Fire Island National Seashore Wilderness Center, Smith Point, 9:00 a.m.–Noon, 631-475-1312.

Sunday, December 13—Annual Hanukkah Menorah Lighting of Candles, Capital One Plaza, 116 East Main Street, Patchogue, Rabbi Joel Levinson of Temple Beth El, 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday, December 16—Brookhaven Town Menorah Lighting, One Independence Hill, Farmingville, 6:00 p.m.

December 18–23—Gateway Playhouse presents A Holiday Spectacular on Ice, Patchogue Theatre, 631-286-1133.

Saturday December 26—Holiday Wilderness Hike - Wilderness Visitor Center 9 a.m.–Noon (Free program; call for directions/information 631-281-3010) Join ranger for a guided 3-mile round-trip hike on the beach and into federal wilderness area.

Thursday December 31—"Blue Moon"
Evening Tower Tour - Fire Island Lighthouse 4:00 p.m.
(\$15 Fee; reservations required: call 631-661-4876)
Experience the lighthouse at night on this New Years
Eve. Sunset and moonrise are at 4:34 p.m.

December 31–January 2—Gateway Playhouse presents Cirque Le Masque, Patchogue Theatre, 631-286-1133.

Wednesday, January 6—Michael Korb, Live In The Lobby, Patchogue Theatre, 7:30 p.m., \$10, 631-207-1313.

Sunday, January 10-Wednesday, January 13—Retail's BIG Show: Presented by the National Retail Federation. For more information visit www.nrf.com/annual10.

Saturday, January 23—Patchogue Jam 3, Patchogue Theatre, 7:30 p.m., 631-207-1313.

Saturday, January 23 & Sunday, January 24—"Fairytale Follies (Fractured Fairytales)", by April Keough & Tony Walker. Presented by St. Joseph's College, 155 Roe Boulevard, Patchogue, Clare Rose Playhouse, 11:00 a.m. & 1:00 p.m. All tickets \$6.00, 631-654-0199.

Sunday, January 24—The Patchogue Doll Fanciers Club of Long Island Presents; "Doll, Teddy Bear & Collectible Toy Show Sale & Doll Competition", Sponsored by the Village of Patchogue, Patchogue Manor, 911 Railroad Ave Patchogue,10:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m, \$5.00, with ticket and seniors \$4.00. Children 14 and under are free. Portions of monies received are donated to charities. For Competition form and more information please call Helen 631-281-3799 or Annette 631-585-2297.

Sunday, January 31—Bonehead & Sunnyland, Sunday Music In The Lobby, Patchogue Theatre, 3:00 p.m., 631-207-1313.

Thursday, February 4—Six Gun Acoustic, Live In The Lobby, Patchogue Theatre, 7:30 p.m.

**Saturday, February 6—Pink Floyd Laser** Spectacular, Patchogue Theatre, 7:00 & 10:00 p.m., 631-207-1313.

Friday, February 19–Sunday, March 7—
"Godspell", By Stephen Schwartz. Presented by St.
Joseph's College,155 Roe Boulevard, Patchogue,
Clare Rose Playhouse, 8:00 p.m. on Feb. 19, 20, 26,
27, March 5, and 6; and at 3:00 p.m. on Feb. 21, 28,
and March 7 at 3:00 p.m., 631-654-0199.

Saturday, February 20—Mickey B's Golden Oldies Spectacular, Patchogue Theatre, 7:00 p.m., 631-207-1313.

Sunday, February 21—Pilot Club of Patchogue Theatre Party, Theatre Three, Port Jefferson, 1 p.m.

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## Meetings

Dec. 5—Breakfast With Santa, South Ocean Middle

School, 9:00–11:00 a.m., \$6 per person.

Dec. 8—Foundation Board, Office, 8:00 a.m.

Dec. 9—Networking, TD Bank, 251 E. Main St.,

6:00–8:00 p.m. Bring an unwrapped toy.

Dec. 13—Menorah Lighting, Capitol One Plaza, 6:00 p.m. Dec. 15—Board of Directors, Temple Beth El, 8:00 a.m.

### **New Member in November**

A Space Place, Stephen Scerri, *Self Storage*, 3220 Horseblock Rd., Medford, 11763, 631-654-2100. www.aspaceplace.com.

# President's Message (from Page 1)

Another "Thank you" to Briarcliffe College for its hosting of the 3rd Annual Business Networking Seminar.

I saw beautification workers Paula Murphy and Karen Ferb busy planting tulip bulbs at the railroad station on a very cold morning. BRR! They were ably assisted by Valentine, courtesy of the Patchogue Business Improvement District. Thank you one and all...

Good Luck to Charlie Baker and Chip Hunter on the opening of their C Squared Gallery and the bringing of fine art to Patchogue.

The Patchogue Riverfront Committee did a great job planning the Christmas Holiday Boat Parade. It was spectacular! Thank you to Mindy Skura for assisting the committee.

I hope your Kwanza, Hanukkah, and Christmas Holidays are filled with joy and good health.

President Lari

P.S. Our Christmas tree at Capital One Bank Plaza is a must to see!

# **Help For The Needy**



The United Methodist Church of Patchogue served a free Thanksgiving Day dinner again this year. Last

year church volunteers served 48 meals. This year they served 268. So the need is great.

You can help by donating to our Brookhaven Town Interface toy drive. We have a box in the office that we want to fill several times. If you don't want to buy a toy, you can contribute money and we'll buy it for you.

Thanks for your generosity. Our best wishes to you and your family for a most wonderful holiday.

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# Dates (from page 2)

Sunday, February 21—Arlo Guthrie, Patchogue Theatre, 3:00 p.m., 631-207-1313.

Saturday, February 27—Ronan Tynan Concert at the Patchogue Theatre, 8:00 p.m., 631-207-1000

**Sunday, February 28**—Stik Figures & L.I. Tuba Quartet, Sunday Music In The Lobby, Patchogue Theatre, 3:00 p.m., 631-207-1313.

Thursday, March 11—7th Annual Patchogue Garden Club Think Spring Luncheon, Mediterranean Manor, Patchogue. Doug Steigerwald of LI. Flower Garden and Florist, speaker, \$35.00 per person, 631-289-0867.

Thursday, March 11—Fathom, Live In The Lobby, Patchogue Theatre, 7:30 p.m., \$10, 631-207-1313.

Saturday, March 27—Long Island Philharmonic, Mozart and More, Patchogue Theatre, 8:00 p.m., 631-207-1313.

Sunday, March 28—St. Patrick Parade on Main Street, Patchogue and "May the Road Rise to Meet Ye" 5K Run, Greater Patchogue Foundation, Inc., 631-207-1000.

Sunday, March 28—Gene Keyes, Clarinet &

Friends, Sunday Music In The Lobby, Patchogue Theatre, 3:00 p.m., 631-207-1313.

Sunday, April 11—"Billy Elliot" a Motor coach trip, \$147.00 per person. For more information Contact the Village of Patchogue, Parks and Recreation: 631-475-4302. Limited space and Availability.

**Saturday, April 17—**Route 66, Patchogue Theatre, 8:00 p.m., 631-207-1313.

Sunday, April 18—Long Island Philharmonic, Bach & All That Jazz, Patchogue Theatre, 8:00 p.m., 631-207-1313.

Friday, April 23–Sunday, May 2—"Boeing, Boeing", By Marc Camoletti. Presented by St. Joseph's College, 155 Roe Boulevard, Patchogue, Clare Rose Playhouse, 8:00 p.m. on April 23, 24, 30 May 1, 7, and 8; and at 3:00 p.m. on April 25, and May 2, 631-654-0199.

Thursday, May 6—New York Funk Exchange, Live In The Lobby, Patchogue Theatre, 7:30 p.m., 631-207-1313.

Saturday, May 8—The Amazing Kreskin, Patchogue Theatre, 8:00 p.m., 631-207-1313.

Sunday, May 16—Lazer Vaudeville, Patchogue Theatre, 3:00 p.m., 631-207-1313.