

Greater Patchogue Chamber of Commerce



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Traffic backs up on the two lane Hospital Road bridge on a Friday afternoon. The Chamber and other Walmart opponents are worried that things will be worse if the proposed 98,000 square foot store is built just to the left in the picture.

Walmart In Focus Again

The Brookhaven Town Planning Board took public comments June 23rd on a Draft Environmental Impact Study to be submitted by Walmart to support its proposal for a 98,000 square foot store near the northeast corner of Hospital Road and Sunrise Highway. A Walmart prepared study, first accepted by the town and then later rescinded, minimizes traffic effects for the project, but opponents, including the Greater Patchogue Chamber of Commerce say it's a serious concern. Freda Eisenberg of the Walmart Free Coalition told the board that the study used old outdated information and does not reflect current conditions.

Supporters pointed to the jobs the store will provide but many of the jobs are temporary and Kathleen Quinn, owner of the Patchogue Main Street store, Irish Crossroads and the Chamber's Secretary said "As many jobs as Walmart provides it also takes away from locals."

In a letter to Town officials, Chamber President Lorice Fiala expressed the Chamber's formal opposition to the project citing traffic and environmental problems and the box store's effects on local retail. She says "The tentacles of a store of this magnitude will reach everywhere...The economic impact will be immeasurable"

Public comments are being accepted by the town until July 5. They may be sent to Michael J. Albano, Division of Environmental Protection, One Independence Hill, Farmingville, NY 11738 or e-mailed to malbano@brookhaven.org.



A new Village ordinance strictly regulates restaurant tables on the sidewalk and charges an annual fee of \$100 per seat for alcohol servers, \$25 otherwise. But it hasn't discouraged this beautiful effort by PeraBell.

Save These Dates

Friday, July 1—Alive After Five®, Main Street, Patchogue, Street festival, 4 live bands, outside dining, craft and informational vendors, food vendors, children's activities, 5-9 p.m., 631-207-1000.

Monday, July 4—Patchogue Lions Club 4th of July Parade, "A Salute to Our Flag", 10:30 a.m. start West Main Street & West Avenue, Patchogue, 631-294-1173.

Monday, July 4—The Neighborhood Band-Howie Seal & Friends, Shorefront Park, Smith Street, Patchogue, 6-9 p.m., Inc. Village of Patchogue, 631-475-4302.

July 7-9—Sidewalk Sales, Main Street and South Ocean Avenue, Patchogue, 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Family Fun Night, July 7th, Main Street, 6-9 p.m., 631-207-1000.

Friday, July 8—Alive After Five® 5-9 p.m., Main Street, Patchogue, 631-207-1000.

Friday, July 8—Kids Konzert-Albert Lee, Shorefront Park, Smith Street, Patchogue, 7-9 p.m., Inc. Village of Patchogue, 631-475-4302.

July 8-24—An Evening of One Act Comedies, Clare Rose Playhouse, St. Joseph's College, 155 Roe Boulevard, Patchogue, 631-654-0199.

Saturday, July 9—11th Annual Garden Tour, Patchogue Garden Club, Community Garden Gazebo, S. Ocean & Terry St., Patchogue, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., \$15 in advance, \$20 day of tour, 631-289-0234.

Saturday, July 9—Free Solar Energy Seminar, 10 a.m.-12 p.m., Majestic Son & Sons, Inc., 508 Route 112, Patchogue. Call to reserve your seat: 631-758-0792.

July 13-30—The Gateway presents Spamalat, Patchogue Theatre, 631-286-1133.

July 15-17—Great South Bay Music Festival, Friday 5-11 p.m., Saturday noon-11 p.m., Sunday, noon-9:30 p.m., Smith Street, Shorefront Park, Patchogue, James Faith: jfaith@optonline.net, 631-331-0808, greatsouthbaymusicfestival.com.

Saturday, July 16—The Gateway presents Peter Rabbit, Patchogue Theatre, 10:30 a.m., 631-286-1133.

Tuesday, July 19—Free Solar Energy Seminar. 7-9 p.m. Majestic Son & Sons, Inc., 508 Route 112, Patchogue. Call to reserve your seat: 631-758-0792.

Friday, July 22—The Gateway presents Jack And The Beanstalk, Patchogue Theatre, 10:30 a.m. & 1:00 p.m., 631-286-1133.

Saturday, July 23—Just Sixties Band, Shorefront Park, Smith Street, Patchogue, 7-9 p.m., Inc. Village of Patchogue, 631-475-4302.

Monday, July 25 to Friday, July 29—Rock band Camp Coming to our School, Music & Arts in a partnership with DayJams brings to Emanuel Lutheran School a one week rock music day camp for children 8-15. Register at www.dayjams.com or 800-295-5956.

Friday, July 29—The Gateway presents Dinosaurs, Patchogue Theatre, 10:30 a.m., 631-286-1133.

Friday, July 29—Alive After Five®, 5-9 p.m., Main Street, Patchogue, 631-207-1000.

Saturday, July 30—Play for Peace Soccer Tournament, Patchogue-Medford Youth Soccer Fields, Sipp Avenue, Medford, 9:30 a.m., Office of Legislator Jack Eddington 631-854-1400.

Saturday, July 30—Six Gun Live, Shorefront Park, Smith Street, Patchogue, 7-9 p.m., Inc. Village of Patchogue, 631-475-4302.

August 4-6—August Sidewalk Sale Days, Main Street, 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Oldies Family Fun Night, 6-9 p.m., 631-207-1000.

Saturday, August 6—Free Solar Energy Seminar, 10 a.m.-12 p.m., Majestic Son & Sons, Inc., 508 Route 112, Patchogue. Call to reserve your seat: 631-758-0792.

Saturday, August 6—Milagro, Santana Tribute, Shorefront Park, Smith Street, Patchogue, 7-9 p.m., Inc. Village of Patchogue, 631-475-4302.

August 12-13—Ovations Dance Repertory Company presents Blue's Clues—The Most Spectacular Place, Patchogue Theatre, 10:30 a.m., 631-207-1313.

Friday, August 12—Alive After Five® 5-9 p.m., Main Street, Patchogue, 631-207-1000.

Saturday, August 13—Jay Scott Band, Shorefront Park, Smith Street, Patchogue, 7-9 p.m., Inc. Village of Patchogue, 631-475-4302.

August 13-14, 18—Ovations Dance Repertory Company presents RENT, Patchogue Theatre, 7:00 p.m., Also Tuesday, Aug. 16, 8:00 p.m., 631-207-1313.

Saturdays, August 13-September 4—T'ai Chi in the Park, Water Tiger School, Shorefront Park. (8/13, 8/27 & 9/4), Father Tortora Park (8/20), free, 631-475-5730.

August 14, 16—Ovations Dance Repertory Company presents Pinckalicious—The Musical, Patchogue Theatre, 12:00 p.m., Also Tuesday, Aug. 16, 10:30 a.m., 631-207-1313.

Sunday, August 14—Twilight Run Grand Prix, Kiwanis Club of Patchogue, 6 p.m.

Tuesday, August 16—Free Solar Energy Seminar. 7-9 p.m. Majestic Son & Sons, Inc., 508 Route 112, Patchogue. Call to reserve your seat: 631-758-0792.

Saturday, August 27—Ed Travers, Jimmy Buffet Tribute, Shorefront Park, Smith Street, Patchogue, 7-9 p.m., Inc. Village of Patchogue, 631-475-4302.

Monday, August 29—Tournament of Tournaments, Brookhaven Memorial Hospital Medical Center, Honoring Gary Brown, Hamlet Golf and Country Club, 631-687-2900.

Thursday, September 1—Live in the Lobby: Bowie In The Lobby, Patchogue Theatre, 7:30 p.m., 631-207-1313.

Saturday, September 10—Free Solar Energy Seminar, 10 a.m.-12 p.m., Majestic Son & Sons, Inc., 508 Route 112, Patchogue. Call to reserve your seat: 631-758-0792.

Sunday, September 11—Hospice Cocktail Party, Brookhaven Memorial Hospital Medical Center.

Saturday, September 17—Sensational Tony B & The NY Rat Pack, Patchogue Theatre, 7:30 p.m., 631-207-1313.

Tuesday, September 20—Free Solar Energy Seminar. 7-9 p.m. Majestic Son & Sons, Inc., 508 Route 112, Patchogue. Call to reserve your seat: 631-758-0792.

Saturday, September 24—Brookhaven's Health Awareness and Family Fun Day, Brookhaven Memorial Hospital, 101 Hospital Rd., Patchogue, 11 a.m.-3:30

p.m., 631-687-2900.

Saturday, September 24—Mickey B's Golden Oldies Fall Spectacular, Patchogue Theatre, 7:00 p.m., 631-207-1313.

Sunday, September 25—Music on Main Street—Double Entendre Music Ensemble, Patchogue Theatre, 3 p.m., patchoguetheatre.com

Saturday, October 1—3rd Annual Italian St. Liberata Feast, Main St., Patchogue.

Saturday, October 1—Danny Aiello, Patchogue Theatre, 8:00 p.m., 631-207-1313.

Sunday, October 2—Atlantic Wind Symphony, Patchogue Theatre, 3 p.m., patchoguetheatre.com

Saturday, October 8—Free Solar Energy Seminar, 10 a.m.-12 p.m., Majestic Son & Sons, Inc., 508 Route 112, Patchogue. Call to reserve your seat: 631-758-0792.

Saturday, October 8—Franc D'Ambrosio, Patchogue Theatre, 8:00 p.m., 631-207-1313.

Saturday, October 8 to Sunday November 6—2nd Patchogue Arts Biennial. A four week event showcasing the work of Long Island artists from various Disciplines and media. www.patchogueArts.org.

Saturday, October 15—The Led Zeppelin Experience: Hammer of the Gods, Patchogue Theatre, 8:00 p.m., 631-207-1313.

Saturday, October 16—Julius LaRosa & Anna Marie Alberghetti, Patchogue Theatre, 7:00 p.m., 631-207-1313.

Tuesday, October 18—Free Solar Energy Seminar. 7-9 p.m. Majestic Son & Sons, Inc., 508 Route 112, Patchogue. Call to reserve your seat: 631-758-0792.

Thursday, October 20—Hazel Moon Live In the Lobby. Featuring Rorie Kelly, Katie Pearlman, Pauline Salotti. and Tara Eberle-Druin, Patchogue Theatre, 7:30 p.m., patchoguetheatre.com

Sunday, October 23—Patchogue Arts Festival, a celebration of Long Island's visual artists, poets, singer-song-writers, filmmakers, and performers. www.patchogueArts.org.

Monday, October 31—Halloween Happenings on Main Street, for children, 3-6 p.m., 631-207-1000.

Saturday, November 5—Free Solar Energy Seminar, 10 a.m.-12 p.m., Majestic Son & Sons, Inc., 508 Route 112, Patchogue. Call to reserve your seat: 631-758-0792.

Saturday, November 5—Patti Page, Patchogue Theatre, 7:00 p.m., 631-207-1313.

Sunday, November 6—Annual Cocktail Party, Mercy Haven, Inc. Southward Ho Country Club, Bay Shore, 4 - 6 p.m. 631-277-8300.

Thursday, November 10—Stayin' Alive, Third Annual Veterans Day Gala, honoring James and Carol Dunne, New Beginnings Community Center, Leonard's of Great Neck, 555 Northern Boulevard, Great Neck. 7 p.m. Tickets \$175. For more info: 631-6166 Or 631-624-5651. www.nbli.org.

Thursday, November 10—Kerry Kearney & Friends Live in the Lobby, Patchogue Theatre for Performing Arts, 71 East Main Street, Patchogue, 7:30 p.m. Tickets \$10.

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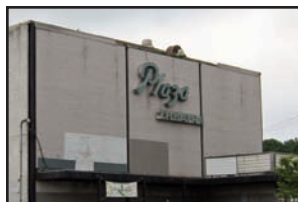
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demolition a step closer. It may happen later this summer.

The town acquired the long time eyesore through condemnation earlier this year.

Suffolk County has agreed to pay \$350,000, about half the cost, for the demolition of the Plaza Theatre on East Main Street. The funding, approved by the County Legislature, moves the

New Members In June

Burger Shack, Tom Beebe,
Restaurant, 411 West Mail St.,
Patchogue, NY 11772, 631-627-6677,
burger Shackpatchogue.com.

Latinos Unidos de America, Inc. (LUDA), Jeannie Daal, *Business Service*, 180 West Main St., Patchogue, NY 11772, 631-251-6223.

Northern Benefits, Patricia Connelly, *Insurance*, P.O. Box 745, Moriches, NY 11955, 631-316-9760, northernbenefitsny.com.

Office 2 Go, Wendy Brunquell, *Business Services*, 146 Highland Ave., Patchogue, NY 11772, 631-251-6223.

The Tap Room, Jaime Bonnano, *Pub*, 114 West Main St., Patchogue, NY 11772, 631-569-5577, thetaproom-li.com.

From The President

Bright Shiny Halos to all the members involved in getting our new ChamberMaster website up and running. Kelleen, Mindy, Melissa, Sue, Marc, Jon, Gail and George, Thank you.

Don Lizak, the Athletic Director at St. Joseph's College spoke at our monthly meeting. We are now well informed and excited about the soon to be opening of their new state of the art athletic center in East Patchogue.

It doesn't seem possible that the BrickHouse Brewery has been in business 15 years already. Best wishes for your continued success.

Congratulations to Bobbique on its 5th anniversary June 14th.

Congratulations are in order for long time Chamber member and Past President Artie Fuccillo. Artie was honored last month for his 60 years of dedication and service to the Patchogue Lions Club. Artie is still very much involved with the Patchogue business scene.

The officers and directors of the Chamber have gone on record with the Planning Board of the Town of Brookhaven opposing the proposed Walmart



store in East Patchogue, citing the economic, traffic and environmental impact on our community.

—President Lari

August Networking
Aug. 12, 6-8 PM, Off
Key Tikki, Baker St.

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Burger Shack owners (left to right) Tom Beebe, Brian Kearns and Nick Russo celebrate the 100th anniversary of their West Main Street building.



The fleet is blessed. Rev. Ernesto Sanchez of the United Methodist Church and Fr. Tom Peres of St. Francis de Sales did the honors on June 5.

Alive After Five® 2011: July 1, 8, 29, August 12