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From The New President

I thank you for all the well wishes I received as I begin my Presidency.

First of all, my hat is off to the Cultural Heritage Committee! Tom Keegan and Mindy Skura assisted by runners Jim Romeo and Mike Bruemmer and many other volunteers enjoyed a very successful St. Liberata Italian Festival. Put together in six short weeks! Phil Butler was the Knights of Columbus contact and Vitro Rizzi was selected to be the Italian Man of the Year by the committee. The event will be held again next year, bigger and better! Watch for the date and mark your calendar and plan to be a part of a great Tribute that began in 1919 on Waverly Avenue. Volunteer Lenny Locantore reported that the money pinned on the Saint was donated to the Outreach at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church. Thanks committee and helpers one and all.

I do hope you had an opportunity to attend the Patchogue Arts Council Biennial at Briarcliffe College this month. A very classy event! The Council also has a walking tour of art displayed throughout the Village through December. Come See!

The 86th Annual Chamber dinner was a wonderful evening! All in attendance were happy to honor and

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New Chamber Officers Are Sworn In



At the annual Chamber Installation Dinner Oct. 22 at Mediterranean Manor, Lorie "Lari" Fiala was sworn in as the new President. The other officers, installed by State Senator Brian Foley, are 1st VP Mindy Skura, 2nd VP Janet Pickett, 3rd VP Susan Berner, Secretary Kathleen Quinn, and Treasurer Louis Commisso.

The dinner honored the YMCA and Executive Director Donna Boyle accepted from the chamber the gift of a tree to be planted at the new Y under construction on West Main St.



Bocce is St. Liberata Hit

John Giaccio manned the Bocce court on South Ocean Avenue during the St. Liberata festival. The brown cut pile carpet was donated by Mohawk Industries through the efforts of Chris Capobianco, Executive Director of the Long Island Floor Covering

Plaza Demise Advances

The Brookhaven Town Board Oct. 26 voted unanimously to proceed with the condemnation of the old Plaza Theatre on East Main St. Under the town plan, the building would eventually be demolished and replaced with new businesses.

Artspace May Start Soon



The ground-breaking for Artspace, the 45

unit, 103,000 square foot affordable housing and art gallery development on Terry Street reportedly could come before the end of the year.



Well Dressed For Halloween

At Tricia's Hair Galleria (left to right): Jaclyn Palazzo, Jennifer Nizza, Jackie Larontardo, Tricia Tripi, Staci Palazzo, Chris Lagan, Bridgette Griesher. Halloween Happenings at downtown businesses attracted scores of children and their parents.

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 November 24—"Art Exhibit: The Occupation of Poland and the Extermination of Polish Jews". Presented by St. Joseph's College Council of the Arts. Located in the Board Room, O'Connor Hall from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., 631-687-5100.

Thursday, November 5—Free Grass Union, Live In The Lobby, Patchogue Theatre, 7:30 p.m., \$10, 631-207-1313.

Thursday, November 5—St. Joseph's College 27th Annual Dinner Dance/ Monte Carlo Night, Crest Hollow Country Club, Woodbury.

Friday, November 6—Best Bargain Books Presents Tonya Hurley Book signing & Discussion of Ghostgirl: Homecoming, starting at 7:00 p.m. at Best Bargain Books in Centereach, 217 Centereach Mall, 631-207-5500.

Friday, November 6–Sunday, November 22—"The Last Night of Ballyhoo", By Alfred Uhry. Presented by St. Joseph's College, 155 Roe Boulevard, Patchogue, Clare Rose Playhouse. 8:00 p.m. on Nov. 6, 7, 13, 14, 20, 21; and at 3:00 p.m. on Nov. 8, 15, and 22, 631-654-0199.

Friday, November 6—Patchogue-Medford Youth & Community Services Man & Woman of the Year Dinner, Sunset Harbour, 7:00 p.m., honorees: George Hoag & Donna Boyle, 631-758-4100.

Saturday, November 7—Boy Scout Troop 270, Yard Sale, Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church Yard, 495 North Ocean Avenue, Patchogue, 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Saturday, November 7—Patchogue Cooperative Nursery School First Annual Family Fall Fun Fest, 11:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m. Visit our open classrooms, enjoy hay play and pony rides, an inflated obstacle course, games, crafts, food and more! Admission is \$7 per child OR \$5 with a non perishable food item. ADULTS FREE. Rain date: Sunday November 8, 12:00–4:00 p.m., 10 Church Street, Patchogue, www.patchoguenurseryschool.com.

Saturday, November 7—C² Fine Art Gallery, Opening Reception, 22 W. Main Street, Patchogue, 4:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m., 631-714-4700.

Saturday, November 7—Vigil in Memory of Marcelo Lucero, Railroad Avenue, Patchogue, 6:00 p.m., walk follows to Congregational Church of Patchogue, 95 East Main Street, religious service, 7:30 p.m. Please wear white in Solidarity.

Saturday, November 7—Best Bargain Books Presents Dina & Daniel Nayeri Book Signing,

Discussion of Another Faust, starting at 7:00 p.m. at Best Bargain Books in Centereach, 217 Centereach Mall., 631-207-5500.

Saturday, November 7—Mickey B's Saturday Night Disco Fever Concert & Dance Contest, The Tramps, France Joli, Sweetwater Orchestra, Harold Melvin's Blue Notes, Phil Francavilla, and Special Appearance by Karen Lynn Gorney, Co-star of "Saturday Night Fever, Patchogue Theatre, 7:00 p.m. 516-822-9612.

Sunday November 8—Free Radiological Services, Zwanger Pesiri Radiology, Smithtown Office, 80 Maple Avenue. For more information go to ZPgivebacksundays.org. For appointments call 631-930-9460.

Sunday, November 8—Patchogue Autumn Arts Festival, a day of Art , Poetry and Music, Live In The Lobby featuring Long Island Uncovered, www.patchoguearts.org, 631-207-1313.

Monday, November 9—An Evening of Jewish/Christian Dialogue in Remembrance of Kristallnacht, St. Joseph's College, McGann Conference Center, O'Connor Hall, 155 West Roe Blvd., Patchogue, 6:00 p.m. Kosher buffet, 7:00 p.m. presentation & discussion: The Occupation of Poland and the Extermination of Polish Jews, 8:00 p.m. Kristallnacht memorial service led by Rabbi Joel Levinson of Temple Beth El, \$10.00, 687-5100.

Tuesday, November 10—Best Bargain Books Presents Gitty Danneshvari Book Signing, Discussion of School of Fear, starting at 7:00 p.m. at Best Bargain Books in Centereach. 217 Centereach Mall, 631-207-5500.

Tuesday, November 10—The Town of Brookhaven Presents "Success Builders Gala". The event will Honor: Felix Grucci, Susan Murphy, Geraldine Sheridan and Priscilla Teich at the Bellport Country Club, South Country Rd. Bellport, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Tickets for the event, including Cocktail Reception, Basket Raffle & 50/50 are \$50.00. RSVP for event by November 4th, for more information and reservation please call 631-451-9127.

Wednesday, November 11—Healthy Hearts series, "Heart Healthy Nutrition". Presented by the Knapp Cardiac Care Center Brookhaven. Classes located at 100 Hospital Road Conference room 206 (across from the Hospital) from 6:00p.m. to 7:00 p.m., 631-654-7240.

Wednesday, November 11—New Beginnings Community Center for Brain Injury Rehabilitation, Veterans Day Dinner Dance, Leonards of Great Neck, 6:00-11:00 p.m., \$175.00 per person, 631-245-0333, 631-806-2091, www.nbl.org.

Thursday, November 12—Brookhaven Chambers of Commerce Coalition, Small Business to Business Networking Event, 6:00–9:00 p.m., Miller Place Inn, 195 N. Country Rd., 631-928-7642.

Friday, November 13—A Night of Comedy with the New York Hysterical Society, Mediterranean Manor Caterers, 303 East Main Street, 7:00p.m.-11:00 p.m., complimentary cocktail hour, 3 course sit down dinner, cash bar, \$55.00, 289-5857, medmanor.com.

Saturday, November 14—Holiday Craft Fair, United Methodist Church of Patchogue, 10 Church St., 9:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m., 631-475-1792.

Saturday, November 14—Best Bargain Books Presents "Story Time with Jungle Bob: Autumn Theme." Book reading & Live animal Demonstrations starting at 10:00a.m. at Best Bargain Books in Centereach, 217 Centereach Mall. 631-207-5500.

Saturday, November 14—20th Annual Diamonds & Burlap Auction & Dinner Dance, YMCA of Long Island, Villa Lombardi, Holbrook, 516-674-8091.

Saturday, November 14—Dominic Chianese Benefit for Joy Through Art Foundation, Patchogue Theatre Lobby, 7:00 p.m., 631-207-1313.

Sunday, November 15—Best Bargain Books Welcomes Back "Lidia Matticchio Bastinaich & Tanya Bastianich Manual", Book Signing, Discussion starting at 1:00 p.m. at Best Bargain Books in Centereach, 217 Centereach Mall, 631-207-5500.

Sunday, November 15—Temple Beth El of Patchogue presents Health Care Proxies, Living Wills & Advanced Directives Made Simple. Presenters Dr. Robert Chernaik, MD, Lawrence N. Berwitz, Esq., Rabbi Joel Levinson, BCC, 3:00 p.m., 45 Oak Street, Patchogue, Free, 631-475-1882.

Sunday, November 15—Shangri-La Chinese Acrobats, Patchogue Theatre, 4:00 p.m., 631-207-1313.

Wednesday, November 18—Healthy Hearts series, "Stress Management". 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, November 19—Business Networking Seminar. Briarcliffe College, 6:30–8:30 p.m., RSVP by Nov. 15: 631-730-2019.

Friday, November 20—Long Island Philharmonic, Frank D'Ambrosio's Broadway, Patchogue Theatre, 8:00 p.m., 631-207-1313.

Saturday, November 21—Patchogue 725 Columbiettes Vendor Craft Fair & Bake Sale, 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m., Knights of Columbus, 38 West 1st Street, Free admission, for info call Terri 569-2729 or Cynthia 730-3691. Vendors wanted: deadline November 15th.

Saturday, November 21—Best Bargain Books Presents Coretta Scott King Award Winner "Colin Bootman" Book reading & signing starting at 10:00 a.m. during Story time. Best Bargain Books in Centereach. 217 Centereach Mall, 631-207-5500.

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Meetings

Nov. 6—Grants Committee, 4:00 p.m., Patchogue-Medford Library

Nov. 10—Foundation Board, office, 8:00 a.m.

Nov. 12—Brookhaven Coalition of Chambers Networking, Miller Place Inn, 6:00-9:00 p.m.

Nov. 17—Board of Directors, Temple Beth El, 8:00 a.m.

Nov. 19—Networking, Briarcliffe College, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

New Member in October

Rolling Rock Landscaping Inc., Phillip A Weaver, 49 N. Pine Lake Dr., Patchogue, NY 11772, 631-897-6878.

President's Message (from Page 1)

welcome the YMCA to Patchogue. The J.P. Brown Spirit Award in memory of Past President J.P. Brown was awarded to Mindy Skura for having exemplified the commitment and service shown by J.P. to the Chamber! Well deserved Mindy!

A must see—stop in at Rose Jewelers, 74 East Main Street. They have a display showcase featuring pictures of the Rosenblatt family and their business history in Patchogue. I can identify many of the chamber members in the pictures, can you??? Oh, and if you see a trinket you would like, go for it!!

I am looking forward to the Halloween Happenings in our Village, sponsored by the Village Business Promotion Committee led by Lori Belmonte. I'll report on this event next month.

Lorice Fiala, "Lari"—President

P.S. Paula Murphy and her beautification committee have the fall pansies in the planters. Looks Good! Thank you!

An SOS from The Business Promotion Committee

We need help! We have just about depleted our funds on the Halloween Happenings, a great event which brings Mom & Dad into Patchogue and the various stores and businesses.

Now Mr. & Mrs. Santa will arrive at our annual breakfast with Santa on Dec. 5 and our funds are low. So—Please be an Elf, either Silver for \$50 or Gold for \$100. The committee will acknowledge your help at the breakfast and beyond. Call Lori at the Colony Shop, 475-0070.

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Dates (from page 2)

Saturday, November 21—Tickets on sale, Noon, for Ronan Tynan Feb. 27 concert at Patchogue Theatre, theatre box office, www.patchoguetheatre.com.

Saturday, November 21—Second Patchogue Folk Festival with Judy Collins, Patchogue Theatre, 7:00 p.m., 631-207-1313.

Saturday, November 21—Brookhaven Memorial Hospital Medical Center Hospital Ball, Hyatt Regency Wind Watch, Hauppauge, 7:00 p.m., 631-654-7759.

Sunday, November 22—Best Bargain Books Welcomes Back Lidia Matticchio Bastinaich & Tanya Bastianich Manual Book Signing, Discussion starting at 1:00 p.m. at Best Bargain Books in Centereach, 217 Centereach Mall, 631-207-5500.

Sunday, November 22—Sousa Salutes Our Veterans, Patchogue Theatre, 3:00 p.m., 631-207-1313.

Sunday, November 22—Christmas Holiday Boat Parade, Patchogue River, viewing at Brookhaven Town Sandspit, Brightwood St., 6:00 p.m., 631-804-0595.

Wednesday, November 25—Community Thanksgiving Eve Service, Temple Beth El, 7:00 p.m.

Friday, November 27–December 21—Brookhaven Town Interface Program, Toy Drive, collection of toys for Brookhaven Town's children. Drop-off at Patchogue Chamber Office, 15 North Ocean Avenue, Monday-Friday, 10 a.m.-4:00 p.m., 631-207-1000.

Saturday, November 28—Christmas Parade on Main Street, Patchogue, 6:00 p.m., 631-475-4302.

Saturday, November 28—My Mother's Italian, My Father's Jewish & I'm In Therapy, Patchogue Theatre, 8:00 p.m., 631-207-1313.

Sunday, November 29—Big Bear Band, Patchogue Theatre, 3:00 p.m., 631-207-1313.

Tuesday, December 1 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.

Wednesday, December 2—"Career Fair" Briarcliffe College Patchogue Campus. 10:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. For more information please contact Career Services Office at 631-730-2043

Wednesday, December 2—Healthy Hearts series, "Be Smart Exercise Your Heart". Presented by the Knapp Cardiac Care Center Brookhaven. Classes located at 100 Hospital Road Conference room 206 (across from the Hospital) from 6:00p.m. to 7:00p.m., 631-654-7240.

Thursday, December 3—Brookhaven Memorial Hospital Medical Center Tree of Life Lighting.

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, Greater Patchogue Chamber of Commerce, Inc., 631-207-1000.

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.

Thursday, December 10, Saturday, December 12 & Sunday, December 13—The Nutcracker Suite, presented by Ovarions 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.