

# Greater Patchogue Chamber of Commerce



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## Patchogue's First Italian Festival Set For Oct. 10



The cultural Heritage Committee of the Greater Patchogue Foundation is sponsoring an Oct. 10, Noon to 6, event

called The Patchogue Italian Festival of St. Liberata. The rain date is Oct. 11.

Main Street will be closed and the festival will include Italian music, Italian food, Italian Karaoke on the Four Corners, outdoor dining, a pizza tasting contest, craft and informational vendors, a children's area including the YMCA rock climbing wall and Bocci games.

A statue of St. Liberata, which once resided in a Mt. Carmel R.C. church shrine at the foot of Waverly Ave., recently uncovered in a Patchogue garage, pictured above, will be on display during the afternoon.

Also, on Friday night, Oct. 9, there will be a procession of St. Liberata from Division St. to Capital One Bank Plaza. Vitro Rizzi will be honored as the 2009 Italian American of the year.

Shuttle bus service will be offered between Main St. and the riverfront restaurants.

## Lorice Fiala Is New Chamber President



The Colony Shop's Lorice (Lari) Fiala was elected Sept. 15 as the President of the Greater Patchogue Chamber of Commerce for the one year term that begins Oct. 1. She will also serve as President of the Greater Patchogue Foundation.

Also elected for the 2009-2010 year were Vice Presidents Mindy Skura (Remember Yesteryears), Janet Pickett (Patchogue Printing), and Sue Berner (Civic member). Kathleen Quinn (Irish Crossroads) is Secretary and Lou Commisso (Briarcliffe College) is Treasurer.

The installation dinner is set for Oct. 22 at Mediterranean Manor.

## Plaza Theatre Condemnation Advances



The Plaza Theatre on East Main Street, which showed its last movie more than twenty years ago, may be closer to demolition. Brookhaven Town is considering acquiring the rundown property by eminent domain and will continue a public hearing on the proposal on Oct. 27. The town has 90 days after the

close of the hearing to vote on condemnation. If approved, a judge will eventually decide the price.

Town officials say the owner, Manhattan real estate developer Edmondo Schwartz, has not cooperated in efforts to buy the property which the town has appraised at \$1.4 million. Schwartz reportedly wants a million dollars more. Neighborhood pressure to demolish the building is increasing. About 40 people attended a rally at the site on Sept. 26.

## Save These Dates

**Through October 11**—"Return Engagements"  
By Bernard Slade. Presented by St. Joseph's College,  
155 Roe Boulevard, Patchogue, Clare Rose Playhouse.  
8:00 p.m. on Oct. 9, and 10; and at 3:00 p.m. on Oct.  
11, 631-654-0199.

**Through Oct. 24**—Patchogue Arts Council  
Biennial, Briarcliffe College, 225 West Main St.,  
Patchogue, [www.PatchogueArtsBiennial.com](http://www.PatchogueArtsBiennial.com).

**Wednesday, October 7**—HEALTHY HEARTS:  
Do You Know the Risk Factors for Heart Disease?  
Presented by Brookhaven Memorial Hospital. Class  
located in 100 Hospital Road (across the street from the  
Hospital) Conference Room 26, 6:00 p.m.–7:00 p.m.  
"Cardiovascular Test—Simple Explanation", 631-654-  
7240.

**Wednesday, October 7 & Thursday, October  
8**—"Awe-Filled Wonder: The Interface of Science and  
Spirituality", with S. Barbara Fiand, St. Joseph's  
College, McGann Conference Center, O'Connor Hall,  
155 W. Roe Blvd., Patchogue. Wednesday at 7:30  
p.m., Thursday 12:40 p.m. 631-687-1285.

**Thursday, October 8**—Lennon in the Lobby,  
Long Island Musicians celebrate John's 69th birthday.  
Easy Chief, Reckoning, The Forensics, Rorie Kelly and  
More of the Mess, Ed Travers, Caitlyn Amanda,  
Iridesense, and more to be announced, Live in the  
Lobby, Patchogue Theatre, 71 East Main Street, 7:00  
p.m. 631-207-1313.

**Saturday, October 10**—Patchogue Italian St.  
Liberata Festival, Main St., Noon to 6:00 p.m., 631-207-  
1000.

**Saturday, October 10**—Lesley Gore & Ronnie  
Spector, Patchogue Theatre, 8:00 p.m., 631-207-1313.

**Sunday, October 11**—Pat Cooper's 80th  
Birthday Celebration, Patchogue Theatre, 3:00 p.m.,  
631-207-1313.

**Friday, October 16**—7th Annual New York City  
"Journey of Hope" Community Mental Health Awards  
Luncheon, Federation of Organizations, One  
Farmingdale Road, West Babylon. 631-669-5355.

**Friday, October 16**—Salsa Legends: Conjunto  
Libra & more, Patchogue Theatre, 7:30 p.m., 631-207-  
1313.

**Saturday, October 17**—The Lutheran Church  
of Our Savior Crafty Ladies, Craft and Bake Sale, 231  
Jayne Ave., Patchogue, 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. All goods are  
handmade, 631-475-5725.

**Saturday, October 17**—2nd Annual Swan  
Lake Chili Cook-Off, Swan Lake Community House, 86  
Lake Dr., E. Patchogue, 1:00 p.m., [swan-lakepark@hotmail.com](mailto:swan-lakepark@hotmail.com).

**Saturday, October 17**—Two Men In Skirts,  
Patchogue Theatre, 8:00 p.m., 631-207-1313.

**Wednesday, October 21**— Haunted Movie

Night "Dracula", Best Bargain Books, 217 Centereach  
mall, Centereach, 6:00 p.m., 631-737-7777.

**Wednesday, October 21**— Haunted Movie  
Night "Young Frankenstein", Best Bargain Books, 217  
Centereach mall, Centereach, 6:00 p.m., 631-737-  
7777.

**Thursday, October 22**—Annual Chamber  
Dinner & Installation of Officers, Mediterranean Manor,  
303 East Main Street, 6:00- 10:00 p.m., \$75.00 per per-  
son, 631-207-1000.

**Friday, October 23**— Haunted Movie Night  
"Rocky Horror Picture Show", Best Bargain Books, 217  
Centereach mall, Centereach, 6:00 p.m., 631-737-  
7777.

**Saturday, October 24**—Kerriann Flanagan  
Brosky, Ghosts of Long Island 1 and 2, during story  
time, book signing and discussion. Located at Best  
Bargain Books, 217 Centereach mall, Centereach start-  
ing at 3:00 p.m. Please call 631-737-7777 for more  
information.

**Saturday, October 24**—Patchogue Kiwanis  
Oktoberfest, Greek Orthodox Church, 4360 Sheep  
Pasture Road, Port Jefferson, 5:00 p.m.-11:00 p.m.,  
\$40.00 per person, all inclusive Bavarian dinner buffet,  
Hofbrau beer, music by German Party Band die  
Schlauberger and D'Heimatsgruppe Dance Group with  
special appearance by Long Island Sound, 516-527-  
5326.

**Saturday, October 24**—Hammer of The Gods,  
Patchogue Theatre, 8:00 p.m., 631-207-1313.

**Sunday, October 25**—Halloween dog cos-  
tume parade and contest, Cornell Cooperative  
Extension farm, Yaphank, 1:00–3:00 p.m., 631-207-  
9325.

**Tuesday, October 27**—Hidden Letters, pre-  
sented by Patchogue's Temple Beth El and Hadassah,  
45 Oak Street, 7:30 p.m., A view of intolerance as told  
through the eyes of an 18 year-old victim, a look at  
Nazi hatred and persecution and its tragic effects on  
one young man, to reserve a seat and/or to request  
information call 631-475-1882 or email  
[roselbe@juno.com](mailto:roselbe@juno.com).

**Saturday, October 31**—Halloween  
Happenings, for ages 3-11 years old, Main Street,  
Patchogue, Noon–4:00 p.m., Greater Patchogue  
Chamber of Commerce, 631207-1000.

**Saturday, October 31**—Blue Oyster Cult,  
Patchogue Theatre, 7:00 p.m., 631-207-1313.

**Sunday, November 1**—Katie Pearlman Band,  
Live In The Lobby, Patchogue Theatre, 7:30 p.m., \$10,  
631-207-1313.

**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–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.

**Sunday November 8**—Free Radiological  
Services, Zwanger Pesiri Radiology, Smithtown Office,  
80 Maple Avenue. For more information go to  
[ZPgivebacksundays.org](http://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](http://www.patchoguearts.org), 631-207-1313.

**Saturday, November 14**—Holiday Craft Fair,  
United Methodist Church of Patchogue, 10 Church St.,  
9:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m., 631-475-0381.

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

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

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

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

**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 [amal-zone@sjcny.edu](mailto:amal-zone@sjcny.edu).

**Wednesday, December 2**—Rotary Club of  
Patchogue 75th Anniversary, Lombardi's On The Bay,  
6:30 p.m.

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

**Saturday, December 5**—Breakfast with Santa,

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## Meetings

October 13—Foundation Board, office, 8:00 a.m.

October 20—Board of Directors, Temple Beth El,  
8:00 a.m.

October 22—Annual Dinner Dance & Installation of  
Officers, Mediterranean Manor, 6:30 p.m.

## New Members in September

**Above All Electric Corp.,**  
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Oakdale, NY 11769, 631-319-6492.

**New Beginnings,** Allyson Scerri,  
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Box 407, Medford, NY, 11763, 631-  
806-2091,  
[www.nbcommunitycenter.org](http://www.nbcommunitycenter.org).

**Tall Tree Florist,** Andrea Boyson  
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Medford Ave., Patchogue, NY 11772,  
631-475-4894, [www.talltreeflorist.com](http://www.talltreeflorist.com).

**The Retired Senior Volunteer  
Program,** Pegi Orsino, 811 West  
Jericho Tpke., Suite 103, Smithtown,  
NY 11787, 631-979-9235.



## Congressman Bishop Speaks To Chamber

Chamber members got their own briefing on proposed federal health care legislation at a breakfast meeting Sept. 21 at West Lake Inn.

Congressman Tim Bishop stressed the importance to small business of making health insurance more affordable and taking steps to restrain health care spending which is rising at a rate far faster than inflation.

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## Dates (from page 2)

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**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.

**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.

**December 18-27**—Gateway Playhouse presents A Holiday Spectacular on Ice, Patchogue Theatre, 631-286-1133.

**December 31-January 1**—Gateway Playhouse presents Cirque Le Masque, Patchogue Theatre, 631-286-1133.

**Thursday, January 7**—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](http://www.nrf.com/annual10).

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**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.

**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 27**—Ronan Tynan Concert at the Patchogue Theatre, 8:00 p.m.

**Thursday, March 4**—Fathom, Live In The Lobby, Patchogue Theatre, 7:30 p.m., \$10, 631-207-1313.



## Patchogue Biennial

The Patchogue Arts Council presents the work of 44 artists in a 12,000 square foot space at Briarcliffe College through Oct. 24.