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New Officers: Mindy Skura is President



At the annual meeting on Sept. 20, members elected a new slate of officers for the year beginning Oct. 1.

Vice President Mindy Skura was elected President. Her new Vice Presidents are Dawn Turnbull, Melissa Kuehnle, and Mike Bruemmer. Jacqueline Hensley is Secretary and Lou Commisso is Treasurer.

From The New President

If there is one thing we can count on in Life, it is that it's always changing! Change brings opportunity. And opportunity allows us to move ahead.

As your new Chamber President, I am hoping that together we will embrace this realization, and work toward growing the Chamber to be an Organization that is not only strong in members, but which is recognized as one which strives continually to promote and advocate for the Business Community of Patchogue.

Communication and an open door policy are essential to this progress. Over the last few years I have listened to hundreds of comments

Plaza Theatre Is Gone. Is Swezey's Next?



In a very well publicized and very well attended ceremony Brookhaven Town on Sept. 13 began the demolition of the long vacant Plaza Theatre on East Main Street. The building was fully demolished a few days later.

If the sign posted by TRITEC on the long vacant Swezey's Department Store building on the Four Corners, which promises a fall ground breaking, is accurate, that property could also be history before Christmas. TRITEC has village approval for retail development and 291 apartments on the site.



The long awaited demolition of the Plaza Theatre was begun Sept. 13 after a ceremony by Brookhaven Town officials.

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Save These Dates

Saturday, Oct. 8—Franc D'Ambrosio, Patchogue Theatre for Performing Arts, 71 East Main Street, Patchogue, 8 p.m., patchoguetheatre.com.

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

Sunday, Oct. 9—18th Canine Companions for Independence Annual Dogfest, featuring Snoopy® & Friends. Farmingdale State College, 2350 Broadhollow Rd., Farmingdale, 11:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m. rain or shine. Jamie Malloy: jmalloy@cci.org or www.cci.org/dogfest 2011.

Wednesday, Oct. 12—8th Annual Presidential Lecture: "The Politics of Truth," keynote speaker, Joseph Wilson, St. Joseph's College, auditorium, 155 W. Roe, Blvd., 7:30 p.m., free, 631-687-2667.

Thursday, Oct. 13—Book Discussion of Let the Great World Spin, Patchogue-Medford Library, 54-60 East Main Street, Patchogue, 7-8:30 p.m., 631-654-4700.

Saturday, Oct. 15—The Led Zeppelin Experience: Hammer of the Gods, Patchogue Theatre for Performing Arts, 71 East Main Street, Patchogue, 8 p.m., patchoguetheatre.com.

Saturday, Oct. 15—Preview Day: Undergraduate Studies at St. Joseph's College, McGann Conference Center, O'Connor Hall 155 West Roe Blvd., Patchogue, 11:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m. To R.S.V.P. 631-687-4500.

Saturday, Oct. 15—A Touch of Italy Games of Chance, Knights of Columbus, 38 W. First St., Patchogue, 7-11 p.m., full buffet dinner, beer, wine, coffee, cake, \$15.00 to benefit Cemetery Restoration, Andy Oreste, 631-207-7025, fordsvt@verizon.net.

Sunday, Oct. 16—Briarcliffe College 45th Anniversary Brunch & Scholarship Gala, The Woodlands on the Greens, 1 Altessa Blvd, Melville, 11 a.m.–3 p.m., 730-2010 or tdonohue@bcl.edu for more information.

Sunday, Oct. 16—Julius La Rosa and Anna Marie Alberghetti, Patchogue Theatre for Performing Arts, 71 East Main Street, Patchogue, 7 p.m., patchoguetheatre.com.

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

Wednesday, Oct. 19—All That Jazz, musician TBA. Patchogue Theatre for Performing Arts, 71 East Main Street, Patchogue, 7:30 p.m., patchoguetheatre.com.

Thursday, Oct. 20—88th Annual Greater

Patchogue Chamber of Commerce Installation Dinner, Mediterranean Manor, 303 East Main Street, Patchogue, \$75 per person, 6:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m., 631-207-1000 for more information.

Thursday, Oct. 20—New Deal Murals and Sculptures in Nassau and Suffolk Counties. Patchogue-Medford Library Meeting Room 54-60 East Main Street Patchogue, 7:00 p.m. - 8:30p.m. Carrie Locke clocke@pmlib.org.

Thursday, Oct. 20—Hazel Moon Live In the Lobby. Featuring Rorie Kelly, Katie Pearlman, Pauline Salotti, Tara Eberle-Druin. Patchogue Theatre for Performing Arts, 71 East Main Street, Patchogue, 7:30 p.m., patchoguetheatre.com.

Saturday, Oct. 22—5K Run/Walk for Homeless Teens, benefiting Mercy Center Ministries shelters, 9am, Smith Point County Park, Shirley, call 631-447-3978 for more information.

Saturday, Oct. 22—Patchogue-Medford High School Homecoming Activities: Parade 11:00 a.m. from Main Street (4 corners), 12:15-1:30 p.m. class skits in the Auditorium, 2:00 p.m. Football Game vs. Ward Melville at Patchogue-Medford High School, 631-687-6500.

Saturday, Oct. 22—Sunday, Nov. 13—Patchogue Arts Biennial 2011, Long Island Contemporary Art Exhibition, Briarcliffe College, 225 W. Main Street, Patchogue, Reception: Oct. 29, 2-5 p.m., patchoguearts.org.

Saturday, Oct. 22—Salvation Army Hempstead Citadel Band, United Methodist Church of Patchogue, 10 Church Street, 7 p.m., suggested donation \$5.00, 631-475-0381.

Sunday, Oct. 23—4th Annual Patchogue Arts Festival, a celebration of Long Island's visual artists, poets, singer-songwriters, filmmakers, and performers, Patchogue Theatre for the Performing Arts, 71 East Main Street, Patchogue, Time TBA. www.patchogueArts.org.

Wednesday, Oct. 26 — Long Island Fall Business Expo, 10am-2pm, Shandon Court, 115 East Main Street, East Islip, www.longislandbusinessevents.com.

Thursday, Oct. 27—Annual Artist-in-Residence Week: Tamara Fielding and the Shadow Theater of Java, St. Joseph's College, D'Ecclesiis Auditorium, O'Connor Hall, 155 West Roe Blvd, Patchogue, 12:40-1:30 p.m., 631-687-1434 or visit www.sjcny.edu/cfa.

Thursday, Oct. 27—Information Session: Graduate Program Studies, Meet with faculty, admissions staff and students to learn more about graduate programs at St. Joseph's College, McGann Conference Center, O'Connor Hall, 155 West Roe Blvd., 6:30 p.m., To R.S.V.P. call 631-687-4501 or email vrus-so2@sjcny.edu.

Thursday, Oct. 27—Religious Leture: "Half the Sky: Turning Oppression into Opportunity for Women Worldwide" featuring Pulitzer Prize-winning author Sheryl WuDunn, St. Joseph's College, D'Ecclesiis Auditorium, O'Connor Hall, 155 West Roe Blvd., 7:30 p.m., 631-687-2681 or e-mail pginnetty@sjcny.edu.

Sunday, Oct. 30—Music on Main Street—Musician TBA, Patchogue Theatre for Performing Arts, 71 East Main Street, Patchogue, 3 p.m., www.patchoguetheatre.com.

Monday, Oct. 31—Halloween Happenings on Main Street, for children, 3-10 years in costume, children find the stores with Halloween cut-outs on the door for a treat, free, 3-6 p.m., 631-207-1000.

Tuesday, Nov. 1 & Wednesday, Nov. 2—Auditions for "Patchogue Pizzazz Talent Search", Information and Audition Forms are available online or at the Patchogue Theatre Box Office, 71 East Main Street, Patchogue, 5:30-8:00 p.m., 631-207-1313, www.patchoguetheatre.com.

Thursday, Nov. 3—Chinese Auction, United Methodist Church of Patchogue, 10 Church Street, 6 p.m., 631-475-0381.

Friday, Nov. 4—Sunday, Nov. 20—God of Carnage by Yasmina Reza, Clare Rose Playhouse, St. Joseph's College, 155 West Roe Blvd. Fridays & Saturdays 8:00 p.m.; Sundays 3:00 p.m., Tickets \$15; \$12 for students and seniors, to purchase tickets 631-654-0199, www.sjcny.edu/clarerose.

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

Sunday, Nov. 6—26th Annual Cocktail Party, Mercy Haven, Inc. Southward Ho Country Club, Bay Shore, 4 -6 p.m. 631-277-8300.

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

Saturday, Nov. 12—2011 Hospital Ball, Brookhaven Memorial Hospital, East Wind Inn, Wading River, 631-687-2900.

Saturday, Nov. 12—Mickey B'S Saturday Night Disco Fever, Patchogue Theatre for Performing Arts, 71 East Main Street, Patchogue, 7:00 p.m. Tickets \$42 - \$75.

Tuesday, Nov. 15—Free Solar Energy Seminar. 7-9pm. Majestic Son & Sons, Inc., 508 Route 112, Patchogue. Call to reserve your seat: 631-758-0792.

Thursday, Nov. 17—All That Jazz, Patchogue Theatre for Performing Arts, 71 East Main Street, Patchogue, 7:30 p.m. Tickets \$10.



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The Home Depot, John Weiss, 10 Gateway Blvd., 631-286-4665, homedepot.com.

Yoga Yama, Peg Koller, *Yoga Studio*, 13 N. Ocean Avenue, 516-902-7297, .yoga-yama.com.

New President (from Page 1)

from the Business Community-Chamber Members, non Members as well as former Members. I want you to know, I have heard you, and you can expect to see many of your suggestions, changes and improvements to our Chamber implemented, in the very near future. All of these changes will help to make The Greater Patchogue Chamber of Commerce, a more responsive, aggressive and effective asset to the Business Community of Patchogue.

Communication is an ongoing process, so please don't ever hesitate to call, E-mail or stop by my store, Remember Yesteryears, 46 East Main St. (next to the Library), to discuss an idea you have, a problem you've incurred, or a question you may have. Our vision for our future together, cannot be accomplished without your participation, thoughts, and viewpoints.

Our new Web site is my vision and personal goal. It has the capability of showcasing our goods or services globally, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. It improves our internal efficiency by allowing Members to join our Organization with a few clicks of their mouse. Information such as local Events, our Business Directory, New and Featured Members, "Chamber Deals", and Job Postings are just a few of its many advantages.

They say progress stems from hope. I believe TOGETHER we need to add just a few more ingredients-explosive energy, adaptability, hard work and determination!

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88th Patchogue Chamber of Commerce Installation Dinner

Please join us for dinner and dancing as we celebrate the 88th Anniversary of the Patchogue Chamber and the accomplishments and awards of the Patchogue-Medford Library.

Mediterranean Manor

Thursday, October 20, 2011

6 p.m.—Cocktails and Hors d'oeuvres

7 p.m. Dinner and Dancing

You should have received your invitation by now.
Please contact the office if you did not receive one.

Hope to see you there.



The third annual St. Liberata festival was held on Oct. 1. The bocce courts at N. Ocean and Oak St. were a big draw. Lenny Locantore was honored as the Italian of the Year and the venerated St. Liberata statue received its usual dollar blessings. Funds go the Our Lady of Mt. Carmel outreach program.

