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by Debbi Spiegel

Sweet Soul Bakery’s owners Michael Strahl and Pat Charity are on a mission to make plant-based, vegan and gluten-free foods that are both delicious and nutritious. Now for a little education about what this all means.

By definition, Vegan foods do not contain dairy, eggs, honey or animal products. Gluten-Free excludes proteins found in wheat, barley, and rye or any derivative of these gluten-containing grains.

Sweet Soul bakes with agave, dates, coconut sugar, maple syrup, tahini, gluten-free oats, chickpeas, avocado, baking powder, black beans, dates, walnuts, cashews, almonds, macadamia nuts, sunflower seeds, pumpkin seeds, flax seeds, pecans, peanuts, almond milk, coconut oil, vanilla extract, cacao powder, espresso, and Himalayan pink salt to name a few.

Watch the magic happen in the open kitchen as these whole food ingredients are combined into indulgent tasting pastries, doughnuts, cupcakes, granola and cakes. The menu also includes Blondies, Breakfast Bars, Brownies, Chocolate Chip such as Cookies, Salted Caramels, and The Raw Cookie (Rawkie). There are 16 flavors of cashew cream cheesecakes available in both mini and full size. Some of the most popular are the Key Lime, Peanut Butter Chocolate Swirl, White Chocolate Caramel, and Vanilla Brownie. Valentine’s Day cheesecake orders are now being taken. Surprise your sweetie with a cheesecake made for two.

Sweet Soul’s logo Ganesh is the Hindu God of “success, wealth, and new beginnings.” Ganesh is said to be “the remover of obstacles” and “patron saint of small businesses.” The grand mural on the side of the shop was painted by local artist Christina Paladino. She captured Ganesh’s intense eyes and hopes to be an integral part of revitalizing Lake Avenue. Sweet Soul Bakery has been talking to restaurants around town about adding vegan-friendly options and dreams that St. James will become a “Vegan Mecca.”

Quench your thirst with a selection from Sweet Soul’s beverage menu... cappuccino, hot chocolate, herbal tea. All drinks can be made with almond or oat milk. Ace Coffee Company’s Cold Brew and Nitro Cold Brew are available on tap. Coastal Craft Kombucha is on tap as well. Delicious handcrafted smoothies are blended to perfection.

Visit Sweet Soul Bakery’s website www.sweetsoulbakery.com. They are also on Facebook and Instagram as sweetsoulbakeryny. Daily specials are posted along with mouthwatering pictures. Their most popular hashtag is #HowSweetIsYourSoul

Pat has added to the savory menu with her healthier clean eating versions of soups. They change daily and Sweet Soul has a unique group of soup followers.

The shelves are lined with merchandise from local businesses. JD Candle Co. candles are made of natural soy wax. The wicks are all cotton and are lead-free. Natural Way Certified Organic Herbs are grown right in Brentwood. Beautiful and meaningful stone bracelets are for sale from Karmic Stones. Artwork by Ruth McDade and Paul Warren can also be purchased.

Sweet Soul’s ultimate goal is to, “lower the bar to eating gluten-free and vegan... so low that people don’t even realize they’re stepping over it.”

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OUR TOWN • JANUARY 2020
The St. James Chamber of Commerce celebrated its 32nd annual Christmas Tree Lighting on Saturday, December 7, 2019 at Deepwells Farm County Park in St. James.

Santa Claus was on hand, with plenty of time to take pictures with the kids and give out little holiday plush toys. Special thanks to Scott Posner who provided the holiday music and to the Smithtown High School East Chamber Choir for lending their beautiful voices and music to the festivities along with the Kings Park Orchestra and Shine Dance School. Hot chocolate and cookies were enjoyed by all, compliments of the St. James Chamber. A big thank you to the Philly Pretzel Factory for providing a special treat this year with freshly made pretzels for all to enjoy.

Santa arrived on a sleigh decorated with sparkling lights. The sleigh, which is 120 years old, had been painstakingly restored to its original glory by the St. James Fire Department. Deepwells Holiday Boutique opened their doors after hours to the adults in attendance who wanted to do a little shopping. Chamber members were invited to participate. Wright Distributors and Light Up Inc. with their sparkling toys were a hit with the kids.

This was the eighth year the Chamber held their Christmas Tree Lighting at Deepwells, which was a huge undertaking. The elves from G. Smith Electric did a fantastic job lighting all three trees in town as well as installing all the decorations along Lake Avenue.

Special thanks to Board Members Denise Davis (Artpix Studio), Ruth Garthe (Our Town), William Garthe (Reliance Real Estate), Scott Posner, (Edward Jones), and Meg Shutka (Eddie's Power Equipment), Dan Jordan (St. James Fire Department), Karen Ricciardi and Erin (Deepwells Board Member), and to Kyra, Kristina and Jessica for serving the hot chocolate and cookies.

It was a great evening with everyone getting in the Holiday Spirit. Be sure to Save the Date for next year’s lighting on December 5... it can only get better.
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HOLIDAY HAPPENINGS

Celebrating Chanukah...The Festival of Lights

Over 100 St. James residents and their families gathered on Sunday, December 22, 2019 at the triangle on Lake Avenue and Route 25A in St. James beginning the celebration of Chanukah with the lighting of the Menorah. Throughout the eight days of Chanukah, residents joined at the Menorah in prayer and song, and goodies for all. Throughout the eight nights all the children in attendance got a chance to light a candle.

The St. James Chamber of Commerce provided food and treats throughout the celebration. Special thanks to Laura Hirsch who coordinated the event again this year.
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Celebrate St. James’ Upcoming Events

2020 is upon us, and Celebrate St. James is ready to launch a year full of cultural and art events – from classic films, lecture series, and art exhibits, to summer concerts and world singing day. And of course, we will top last year’s gala honoring more friends of St. James, with a St. James’ 1920’s speakeasy at the fabulous Flowerfield at the Celebrate St. James Gala on Thursday October 1, 2020.

The year kicked off on January 11 with an art exhibit and cocktail reception “Celebrating St. James.” This free event showcased local artists’ expressions of St. James, its beauty, history, and architecture. On January 12, Comedy, Coffee and Croissants presented the classic film “Some Like it Hot,” with commentary from movie historian Frank Socci. On February 9, 2020 there will be a double feature in honor of Valentine’s Day with films “An Affair to Remember” and “Love Affair.”

Jack Ader, Vice President of Celebrate St. James, in partnership with Studio 455, Watermark Galleries, and many other local St. James artists, has set an exciting lineup of exhibits which will appeal to every art enthusiast. In March, an exhibit dedicated to international women’s month will celebrate women through paintings, sculpture, ceramics, photography and mixed media. The opening reception is March 7, 2020 at 7 p.m. Refreshments will be served and door prizes/raffles will be held.

New to the calendar this year, is a lecture series by Smithtown’s very own Richard Smith. Mayor of Nissequogue, Mr. Smith is a 7th generation descendant of Richard Smith who acquired and first settled Smithtown in 1665. Richard shares some wonderful stories of his amazing family’s history. “Living History with Richard Smith” lecture series continued on facing page.

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Celebrate St. James’ Upcoming Events

continued
will be held March 15 and 29, 2020.
These events take place at the historic Calderone Theater and Gallery at 176 Second Street, off Lake Avenue. Home to Uniquely Natalie Consignment, the theater dates back to the 1920’s and boasts its original tin ceiling and remnants of the live theater stage.

In June, St. James Art Walk will once again turn Lake Avenue into an art mall for a day. Last year nearly 2,000 visitors strolled through our town, enjoying the exhibits, demonstrations and performances. The summertime free concert series, “Sundays at the Gazebo” will begin and run through August. Bands from all over Long Island will perform every other Sunday at 7:30 p.m.
Fall is full of events including Castles and Cottages in September which gives a unique opportunity to local residents to visit some of the most historical, prestigious, and luxurious homes in St. James.

Art exhibits continue with “Remembering 9/11” and “An Evening of Art on Lake Avenue” when many of the art studios on Lake Avenue join together for an exhibit.

In October, another free music event at the Gazebo will celebrate World Singing Day, with live entertainment, bring your lawn chair.

Be sure to visit www.celebratestjames.org, sign up for our monthly newsletter, and like our facebook page to become a part of the Celebrate St. James family, and to keep up-to-date on these wonderful events and much more!

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Work begins on new St. James shopping center

The already-bustling North Country Road in St. James will receive a boost with a new 6,000-square-foot shopping mall. “The community is abuzz with enthusiasm because they see real action to revitalize our downtowns,” Town of Smithtown Supervisor Ed Wehrheim said. “It’s an exciting time for our community.”

The mall is set to be constructed at 421 North Country Road, next to the new Starbucks and across the street from Spuntino St. James. Currently, North Shore Fuel Oil sits on the roughly 30,500-square-foot lot, with the plan being to build out from the structure. Three retail spaces will be attached to the left side of North Shore Fuel Oil, while two office spaces will be built directly across. According to a property description from Daniel Gale Sotheby’s International Realty, the project will include buildings with ten-foot ceilings, ample parking, divisible square footage and available wet and dry spaces. A groundbreaking ceremony took place Wednesday, December 4, signaling that the project is officially underway. The ceremony was attended by Supervisor Wehrheim and Councilmen Tom McCarthy and Thomas Lohmann, as well as St. James Chamber or Commerce President Scott Posner and real estate brokers Marianne Koke, Michael Tucker, Anthony DeGrotta and Denise Voelker. Also in attendance were representatives from Mancini Architecture and Design and Lipski Construction Associates, plus Robert Burger, the owner of the lot. Mr. Wehrheim said that he is encouraged by the project, and stressed that it is just one of many projects going on in Smithtown. “This ceremony is indicative of what’s been happening all over Smithtown,” Mr. Wehrheim said. “Residents are shopping local, the Chambers are investing in streetscape beautification, small businesses are sprucing up storefronts, realtors are promoting our quaint town again and property owners are investing in improvement in ever business district.”

Ms. Koke, one of the realtors for the project, said that they are currently reviewing applications for the shopping center, adding that she believes the project will be a great benefit to the community, both for businesses and consumers. “Mr. Burger spent a great deal of time hiring the right people so that he can add a valuable addition to the commercial landscape of the 25A corridor,” Marianne Koke said. “I think the shopping center will provide a wonderful location for local enterprise and for professional people to conduct their business.”

Written by Matthew Cudahy of Smithtown News
New year, new home

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AROUND TOWN

36th Annual St. Patrick’s Day Parade Set for March 14

The St. James Chamber of Commerce will hold their 36th annual St. Patrick’s Day Parade on Saturday, March 14, 2020 beginning at 1 p.m. The parade will begin at Woodlawn and Lake Avenues and proceed north to the L.I.R.R. Station.

Spectators will be delighted with the many marching bands, representatives from many organizations as well as fire departments from all over – all for your viewing pleasure. Join the fun.

The St. Patrick’s Day Parade Committee members are accepting nominations for Grand Marshall, Princes and Princesses. Nominations for Grand Marshall should be in letter form describing the candidate: some personal history, resident of St. James and association with activities in our town.

Nominations for Grand Marshall, Princes and Princesses Now Being Accepted

Nominations for Princes and Princesses should also be submitted in letter form. The candidates for Princes and Princesses will be selected from Boys and Girls between the ages of 5 and 12 years of age. Candidates need not be of Irish descent. Please submit a recent picture, age, address and general information as to school, activities and hobbies the candidate is involved in.

All nominations are due by February 4, 2020 and should be addressed to: St. Patrick’s Day Parade Nominations and emailed to: info@stjameschamber.org or mailed to: St. James Chamber of Commerce, PO Box 286, St. James NY 11780.

If you are a part of a musical group, band, dance troupe, business (or know of someone who is) and are interested in marching in the St. Patrick’s Day Parade, call the Chamber office at 631-584-8510 or email: info@stjameschamber.org.

So join your friends and neighbors for this most festive event. See you at the parade... March 14th!

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Thank You For Your Service!
Smithtown Food Pantry Donations Still Needed

by William J. Garthe

Once again I would like to thank the very very generous residents of St. James for keeping me busy over the holidays dropping off their donations for the Smithtown Food Pantry. Each week you have really come through with your donations which are greatly appreciated by the Pantry and those who found themselves in need at this special time of year. It was my pleasure to make so many trips to the Pantry. Canned goods, pasta, toothbrushes, toothpaste, rolls of toilet paper, school supplies, diapers (both baby and adult) are some examples of our residents’ generosity.

I am publishing a list of items needed, just in case you have any of these in abundance in your pantry, as there are some folks right here in St. James and Smithtown who could use a little temporary help. This year the pantry has asked for much needed school supplies.

Items needed for the food pantry:

Baked beans, tuna fish, all types canned vegetables, spaghetti, tomato sauce, peanut butter and jelly, snacks, all boxed pastas, baby food and formula.

Other Items:

Soaps - hand & shower, shampoo, toothpaste, toothbrushes, toilet paper, paper towels, baby/adult diapers and baby wipes.

School Supplies

Back packs, composition books, notebooks, glue sticks, crayons, colored pencils, pencils and pencil cases, pencil sharpeners, pens, erasers, color markers, highlighters, pocket folders, index cards and boxes, and Fiskars children’s scissors.

Your donations are much appreciated and can be dropped off at my office:
Reliance Real Estate
359 Lake Ave., St. James
(across from 7-Eleven)

I’m looking for the small donations that don’t warrant a drive to Smithtown; the one can of tuna, or baked beans, a box of pasta, one bottle of shampoo, anything that will help someone in need. I will collect and deliver to the Pantry each week whatever is donated.

Thank you in advance for your generosity. We are generally open to accept donations Monday through Thursday, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. For additional information, call me at 631-862-9000.

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Thank you in advance for your generosity. We are generally open to accept donations Monday through Thursday, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. For additional information, call me at 631-862-9000.
AROUND TOWN

ADAM HARTMANN ACHIEVES THE RANK OF EAGLE SCOUT...

Congratulations to Adam Hartmann of Boy Scout Troop 7 for achieving his Eagle Scout Rank. An Eagle Scout Court of Honor was held for Adam on January 3, 2020. For Adam’s Eagle Scout project he built three sensory stations, and renovated a planter box around a flag pole. The benefactor of his project is the Friends of the Smithtown Library. Pictured is Scoutmaster Anthony Colao and Eagle Scout Adam Hartmann. For more information on how you can join or help support Boy Scout Troop 7 visit troop7sj.scoutlander.com

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The Rotary Club of Smithtown Presents the 27th Annual “GO FOR THE GREEN” 5K Run and 1 Mile Family Fun Run

The Rotary Club of Smithtown will hold their 27th Annual St. Patrick’s Day “GO FOR THE GREEN” 5K and 1 Mile Family Fun Run on Saturday, March 21, 2020. The first 400 registrants will receive special commemorative T-shirts.

The Race kicks off at Smithtown Elementary School, 51 Lawrence Avenue in Smithtown. Registration begins at 8 a.m. The 1 Mile Family Fun Run starts at 9 a.m. and the 5K Run starts at 9:30 a.m.

This is a USATF Certified, relatively flat course through the residential streets of Smithtown on a police controlled route. The Runs are professionally timed by elitefeats with water stops and mile splits.

Day of Race registration and number pickup will take place at the race location from 8 a.m. to 9:15 a.m. Pre-race number pickup on Thursday and Friday, March 19 and 20 from 12 noon to 6 p.m. will take place at Smithtown Running Company, 91 E. Main St., Smithtown.

100% of the proceeds of this event go to the Rotary Club of Smithtown’s charitable efforts for the needy including their Thanksgiving Dinner Basket give-away, their Holiday Movie Party where Santa gives gifts to disadvantaged children, and their annual St. Patrick’s Day Parade.

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This FREE event will be held on Wednesday, January 29, 2020 at the Smithtown Main building of the Smithtown Library, 1 North Country Road, Smithtown, from 10 am. to 12 noon. Snow date is Wednesday, March 25, 2020.

For additional information call 631-360-7517. Parents do NOT need to register for this fair.

“GO FOR THE GREEN” 5K Run and 1 Mile Family Fun Run

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and special needs children.

The Rotary Club of Smithtown also promotes community service by local students, sponsors youth groups, awards scholarships to deserving high school seniors and financially supports worthy non-profit organizations.

Their raffle prizes are legendary and are priced at: 1/$2; 3/$5; 7/$10; 20/$25. Be sure to be a part of this fun and charitable event.

You can register online at www.elitefeats.com/?Smithtown-Rotary5kRun. If you can’t attend the event and would like to make a charitable donation, please make checks payable to: The Smithtown Charitable Fund PO Box 501 Smithtown, NY 11787.

For additional Information, call Glenn Williams at 631-265-5511 or email: glennwms9@gmail.com or go on Facebook.com/SmithtownRotary5kRun

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IN THE NEWS

Pets For Adoption at the Smithtown Animal Shelter

submitted by the
Smithtown Animal
Shelter

The Town of Smithtown Animal Shelter and Adoption Center, located at 410 East Main Street in Smithtown, has pets in need of adoption. The Center is open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Saturday from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.; Sunday by appointment only.

The Smithtown Animal and Adoption Center is proud to introduce this month’s Pets of the month is the doting Smokey, an eight year-old Male pibble who lives to love everyone he meets. Smokey has a cool and laid-back personality and gets along with everyone. He is affectionate and eager to please, and would be a great addition to any home! Sadly, Smokey is often overlooked because of his age, despite having an outstanding personality and plenty of great years ahead. The truth is, he’d make a superb companion for families, seniors, empty nesters, the bachelor/bachelorette… pretty much everyone!

Smokey enjoys working and playing with the staff and volunteers at the Animal Shelter. He walks nicely while on a leash and knows his commands. He grew up in a home that also had a female dog, so he enjoys interacting with other dogs and gets along with them.

Smokey is a true gentleman.

If you are interested in meeting Smokey, please call ahead to schedule an hour to properly interact with him in a domestic setting, which includes the Meet and Greet Room, the dog runs and the Dog Walk trail.

Kitten season is now all-year. Currently, there are a variety of male and female cats and kittens available to adopt or foster. If you are looking for a fun loving, yarn tossing ball of love, stop by the Kitten Nursery or the Cat Condos at the Smithtown Animal Shelter and find a PURR-fect soulmate or two!

All dogs and cats at the shelter are up-to-date on current vaccines and have received full workups by a board certified Veterinarian.

Thinking About Adoption:

The Smithtown Animal & Adoption Center’s primary concern is finding the perfect home for each animal that finds his/her way to the shelter. The Animal Control Officers at the Smithtown Animal & Adoption Center will go out of their way to ensure both the rescued and rescuer are made for one another. If you have other pets, you can arrange to bring your four-legged family member into the shelter or we can set up an at home Meet & Greet to see how your prospective family member does with other family members, pets or the household itself.

To inquire about the pet of the month or to meet your potential soulmate, please call the Smithtown Animal & Adoption Center at 631-360-7575.

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I have been writing about some of the large estates and the people who owned them not so long ago in St. James. This article is about Cornelia Stewart Smith, Judge John Lawrence Smith’s eldest daughter who married Prescott Hall Butler, and had three children. During her lifetime, Cornelia Stewart Smith Butler became a much loved and respected first-lady of Smithtown.

When Judge John Lawrence Smith died in 1889, he was 73 and his oldest daughter Cornelia was 43. Cornelia had been married 16 years to Prescott Hall Butler and they had three children – Lawrence (14), Charles (13), and Susan (10). The Butlers made their home in New York City in a house they owned at 22 Park Avenue. Prescott, a lawyer with the firm of Everts, Choate, and Beaman, was one of the preeminent lawyers of his day and according to the Butler family genealogy “secured a commanding position among the masters of law in New York City.” He seems to have made a comfortable income as a lawyer since in 1879, just four years after being admitted to the bar, he asked his friend and Harvard classmate Charles McKim to design a summer house for him in St. James. He then built the house that we know today as By-the-harbor. This house was gradually expanded into a very large estate where the Butler family spent their summers. The Butler children all became very much attached to their summer home By-the-harbor, and as they grew up and became adults, each of them established their own estate in St. James.

When the Judge John Lawrence Smith died in 1889, he willed the Homestead and 200 acres of land in Smithtown Branch to his sole surviving son, James Clinch Smith. His five daughters did not inherit anything from their father. But when their mother, Sarah Clinch Smith, died a year later in April of 1890, all of the Judge’s children inherited fabulous fortunes. Sarah Clinch Smith was the niece of Cornelia Stewart, the wife of...
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Alexander T. Stewart, the “Merchant Prince of New York City,” who when he died on April 10, 1876, left a fortune estimated to be $50,000,000. His will, probated four days later at Mrs. Stewart’s request, left the entire estate to Mrs. Stewart and her heirs. Since the Stewarts had no children, the heirs were Cornelia Stewart’s brothers and sisters and their children. The will also stipulated that Henry Hilton, Alexander T. Stewart’s attorney, was to close and wind up A.T. Stewart’s business affairs and for this he would receive $1 million dollars. William Libbey, A.T. Stewart’s CEO, was also to receive $1 million dollars when A.T. Stewart was liquidated. This will made Mrs. Stewart, Henry Hilton, and William Libbey executors of the estate.

On the same day that the will was probated, Mrs. Stewart assigned virtually complete control over all her property to Henry Hilton by executing a power of attorney. Another document transferred most of the business interests of A.T. Stewart to Henry Hilton for $1 million dollars. And yet another document created a general partnership between Henry Hilton and William Libbey who joined forces to continue business under the name of A.T. Stewart & Company. For his $1 million dollars, Henry Hilton acquired A.T. Stewart’s assets estimated to be $40 million dollars. The widow was left with the Stewart mansion on 5th Avenue, land in Garden City and Saratoga and other improved parcels of real estate in New York City. The value placed on the remaining assets was thought to be $13 million dollars. Clearly, Henry Hilton did a neat little job of lawyering and found a way to appropriate the lion’s share of Stewart’s fortune.

Miffed by Henry Hilton’s outright theft of Stewart’s fortune, the Stewart heirs joined together and sued Henry Hilton claiming he had taken advantage of the distraught widow and gotten her to sign the documents under duress. Drawing on the Judge John Lawrence Smith’s legal expertise as a surrogate judge, the Stewart heirs seemed to be making headway in court when Henry Hilton agreed to an out of court settlement in 1890. The heirs who brought suit wrestled the following properties from Henry Hilton: “The Metropolitan Hotel

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and Niblo’s Garden Theater, the marble mansion of Mrs. Stewart, the Clarendon, St. James, and Grand Hotels, and several business blocks in Saratoga Springs.”
There were also “two lots of land at Hempstead Plains, one containing 7,170 acres and the other containing 1,062 acres and the Greenfield Cemetery at Hempstead…; various parcels of land in Oyster Bay; also 13 miles of railroad running from Floral Park to Bethpage and all the equipment; also Bleecker Street property, and a great number of buildings in various streets in New York City.” In addition to this real estate, the heirs divided some $12,000,000 which remained of the Stewart fortune. (The information about the assets of the A.T. Stewart estate came from Vincent Seyfried’s The Founding of Garden City, Uniondale, N.Y.: Salisbury Printers, 1969, pp. 43-53, the chapter entitled “Last Years of the Stewart Estate.”)

The inheritance passed through the eight heirs in the Clinch and Butler families to the J. Lawrence Smith family descendants and to the Butler family descendants who were living in Smithtown. The sudden riches that Judge Smith’s children inherited made it possible for them to do what nouveau riche newcomers on Long Island’s north shore were doing – build their own estates. Cornelia and Prescott Butler benefitted from inheriting two shares of the A.T. Stewart fortune – one share through Cornelia’s mother, Sarah Nicoll Clinch, and a second share through Prescott’s mother, Louise Clinch. Cornelia and Prescott were fabulously rich, and in the 1890’s, this fortune made it possible to improve their summer home in St. James. 

Prescott Butler started by building extensions onto Bytheharbor. Then he had a windmill built on St. James Harbor which was used to pump fresh water up the hill to his house near Moriches Road. Then he purchased 800 acres of land that surrounded Bytheharbor and stretched to the south along Fifty Acre Road. And finally he had a new fine stable built for his horses complete with “box stalls and all the fancy fixins.” Lawrence Butler wrote in his own memoirs that his father built the stables at a time when “those sinful automobiles” were just “beginning to creep in” and his continued on facing page

Bytheharbor as it looks today. Cornelia Stewart Smith Butler, the eldest daughter of Smith who married Prescott Hall Butler and had three children: Lawrence, Charles, and Susan. Cornelia was known for her kindness and generosity and became the first-lady of Smithtown society after her husband’s death in 1901.

Bytheharbor, the Butler Estate

The windmill that Prescott Butler had built on St. James Harbor. The windmill was 150 feet high and towered over the bluffs surrounding the harbor making it in 1894 “one of the highest and strongest in the world.” The windmill pumped fresh water from the level of the harbor up to Bytheharbor on Moriches Road.
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father swore that he would never
own an automobile. He never
did since he died of cancer in
1901 at the age of 53. (Barbara
Van Lieu, Head-of-the-Harbor, A
Journey Through Time, Main
Road Books, Inc., Laurel, N.Y.,
2005, p. 37.)

Following her husband’s
death, Cornelia spent more of
her time in St. James where she
felt at home among family and
friends. She continued to live at
Bytheharbor and was there in
1903 when a fire burned the
new stables to the ground. Cor-
nelia then had a guesthouse built
on the foundations of the stable.
This large building which was
built behind Bytheharbor and
further down the hill along Cord-
wood Path, was intended as a
playhouse where large social
functions could be held and ath-
etic activities and events could
be staged. The north end of this
building originally contained a
squash court. Immediately adja-
cent to the squash court was a
central hallway that had showers
and a tiled “plunge” located off
the hall way. After a strenuous
squash match, players could take
dip in the pool. In 1905, Stan-
ford White added a ballroom to
the guesthouse, a huge addition
that was two stories high and
“seventy feet long, with a pan-
elled stage at one end.” The room
was so large, 70’ long and 40’
wide, with a ceiling 22’ above
the floor, that it reminded people
of a casino and it was referred to
as Butler’s Casino. Apparently
Stanford White designed the
ballroom specifically for Corne-
lia Butler since the ballroom was
to become the site of many so-
cial functions in Smithtown—
social functions that were
sponsored and organized by Mrs.
Cornelia Stewart Smith Butler,
and after her death, by her son
Lawrence Butler. (The informa-
tion about the Casino came
from Butler-Smith and Allied.

Family Histories, Genealogical
and Biographical, issued under
the editorial supervision of Ruth
Lawrence, published by National
Americana Publications, Inc.,
New York, 1952, pp. 10, 11,
13,14. The book is in the Long
Island Room of the Smithtown
Library.

Cornelia lived another 14
years after her husband’s death,
and during that time, she be-
came the First Lady of Smith-
town, a real leader in
Smithtown’s society. Cornelia
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was a generous benefactor and helped the people of St. James by contributing $1,000 toward the cost of construction of a new schoolhouse on Three Sister’s Road. She convinced her brother-in-law, Stanford White, to design the school. She also supported the construction of the building known as Assembly Hall for the people of St. James. She generously donated the ½ acre of land in Smithtown Branch upon which the original Smithtown Library was built, and then she loaned the Smithtown Library money to pay for the cost of construction of the building. She persuaded her son, Lawrence Butler, to design the building and oversee its construction. And when the Smithtown Library opened its doors, Cornelia Butler became one of the first members of the Smithtown Library Board of Trustees.

Cornelia Butler became known for her generosity and philanthropy and she quietly helped out many people in Smithtown. She sponsored Christmas parties for the children of St. James and paid for the distribution of Thanksgiving and Christmas turkeys to the firemen of St. James. These things we know she did, but there were many more private and secret acts of kindness that she performed to help those in misfortune or distress that we will never know about. When she passed away from pneumonia at the age of 69 on October 15, 1915, George Zabriskie, who knew of her generosity, was prompted to write the following obituary for the Smithtown Messenger:

“In all the generations of his (Richard Smythe’s) descendants that have lived and died during these two and a half centuries, no name is held now, or will be transmitted in our local traditions to those who come after us, in warmer affection or higher esteem than the name of Mrs. Cornelia Stewart Butler. … She inherited from her father, the late J. Lawrence Smith, a deep love for Smithtown, its woods and fields and waters, its people, and its history, a love which grew with the seventy years she lived among us.”

“Her wide acquaintance among our people and her constant regard for them will be treasured in many households. We have all known her interest in the Public Library, in the Town Hall, in the Assembly Hall, and in the St. James’ Church. Few but the recipients have known of her private and secret acts of kindness to many in misfortune or distress. To everyone in Smithtown she was in unique sense our neighbor. It is not the happiness of many persons to be so universally loved as Mrs. Butler was; not only here, the home of her heart, but also in New York, where every year a part of her life was passed. Those who knew her could not help loving her.”

“No difficult analysis is requisite to discover the reason; she loved other people. A mind free from guile, simple and direct; a charity, that neither spoke nor thought evil of others; a humility, that thought little of herself but delighted to make much of everybody else; a sincere piety that expressed itself in service toward God and man; a sympathetic spirit, not free from anxiety, but chiefly troubled by the cares of others; a friendliness that evoked friendship; such qualities as these made knowing her
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continued from page 28 equivalent to loving her.”

“Mrs. Butler in her gracious and useful life has added much to the happiness of those who came into contact with her. The Town of Smithtown, the City of New York, are better for her living in them.”

Cornelia Stewart Smith Butler must have been a remarkable lady. It is too bad that more of her philanthropic deeds are not known so that we could all truly appreciate what she did for others. An indication of her generosity can be found in her will. Upon her death, it was believed that the Butler estate was worth more than $1 million. “The bulk of the property” was to go to her three children, Lawrence, Charles, and Susan Butler. The St. James Episcopal Church received $5,000 and a “tract of land opposite the Church with the provision that it is to be used as a public park forever.” The Grace Church of New York City received $1,000 “for general purposes.” The Kips Bay Day Nursery received $500 and so did the Smithtown Library. And the “Public School District of St. James” received the “income of $1,000 … to provide an instructive entertainment each spring to the pupils.” (New York Times, “Mrs. Butler’s Will Filed,” November 7, 1915.)

So it can be seen that even after her death, Mrs. Butler’s philanthropic work continued. She had instilled in her children the belief that they were obligated to help others in need and to help make their community a better place to live. Her children would strive to do just that.

Editor’s Note:
Brad Harris is the Town of Smithtown’s official Historian. Brad was a High School Social Studies teacher who spent 30 years teaching in Commack. As Historian he has written many newspaper articles on the history of our town, he has published pamphlets and written histories of Commack, Nesconset, St. James, Kings Park, Hauppauge and Smithtown Branch. He resides in St. James.
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The juror of awards who selected the winners was Dawn Lee, art curator of the Omni Gallery in Uniondale, professor and chair of the art department at St. Joseph’s College, and coordinator of the artist-in-residency program at Fire Island National Seashore.

The public is invited to a Meet-the-Artists opening reception on Saturday, January 25 from 2-4 p.m. Admission to the gallery is always free. Mills Pond Gallery hours are: Wednesday-Friday from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday from 12 noon-4 p.m. Call 631-862-6575 or visit www.millspondgallery.org for more info.

Born in Brooklyn, NY Ross Barbera spent his summers at his family’s homes in Smithtown and Peakville, NY. His work portrays the natural landscape environment. His images communicate a sense of beauty, painterly integrity, and capture specific places in terms of time, light, space and texture.

Kyle Blumenthal’s life is steeped in art. From a very early age, she immersed herself in art books, art prints and art works. Kyle paints with oils on canvas and scrim and at times incorporate fabrics and light. She uses combinations of transparencies, translucent and opaque materials in her work bringing her spiritual visions to life. Her commercial illustrations have been used by Panasonic, CBS and ABC among others.

Julie Doczi has always been drawn to both art and music. She was inspired by her mother’s art work and enjoyed the art classes she had the opportunity to attend as a child. However, life took Julie in the direction of music. She became a flutist and music educator having taught in the Three Village Schools for 31 years. Her journey into painting as an adult began when she encountered the medium of pastel.

A native New Yorker, Elizabeth Kolligs grew up on Long Island with an abundance of horses and riding trails. Her other love was to spend hours drawing with the art supplies borrowed from her father’s studio. She lectures and demonstrates equine painting techniques and anatomy throughout Long Island.

Cliff Miller is a renowned illustrator, portrait artist, and muralist. After studying at NY Phoenix School of Design, Parsons School of Design, School of Visual Arts and Stevenson Academy of Traditional Painting, Cliff Miller embarked on a 25-year career as a freelance Illustrator creating hundreds of book covers for every major publisher in NY, including such best-selling authors as Dean Koontz, Jack Higgins, Sue Grafton, and William W. Johnstone. His commercial clients include Miramax Films, Warner Brothers, Smirnoff and Heineken.
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2020 SEASON PERFORMANCE SCHEDULE

**Shrek the Musical**
**Theater for Kids**
February 1-March 1, 2020
Once upon a time, in a far away swamp, there lived an ogre named Shrek.

**Cast of Beatlesmania**
Friday, February 14 | $50
Beatles Love Songs | 8 p.m.
A beautiful Valentine’s Day performance.

**The Taming of the Shrew**
February 8-29
An ensuing battle of wills sets the stage for this classic comedy of the ages. Written by William Shakespeare

**Legends of Rock: Brian LeBlanc**
March 7, 8 p.m. | $40
Brian LeBlanc – Formerly known as Simply Diamond – returns to Smithtown for a legendary performance.

**Irish Comedy Night**
March 14, 8 p.m. | $40
An uproarious night of Irish comedians performing just for you.

**Green Day’s American Idiot**
March 21-April 26
The two-time Tony Award-winning hit musical Green Day’s American Idiot, based on the Grammy Award-winning multi-platinum album, boldly takes the American musical where it’s never gone before.

**Desert Highway Band**
May 9, 8 p.m. | $40
A tribute to the Eagles

**In the Heights**
May 9-June 28
In The Heights tells the universal story of a vibrant community in New York’s Washington Heights neighborhood. The winner of the 2008 Tony Awards for Best Musical, Best Score, Best Choreography and Best Orchestration.

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There’s always something happening at the Staller Center, University at Stony Brook. The following programs are being offered for your enjoyment. Box Office hours are 12 noon to 6 p.m., Monday through Saturday and 1-hour before ticketed performances. For tickets and information, call the Box Office at 631-632-ARTS (2787). Tickets can also be purchased 24 hours a day at www.STALLERCENTER.COM.

The University Art Gallery (The Paul W. Zuccaire Gallery) hours are 12 noon to 4 p.m., Tuesday through Friday and 7-9 p.m. on Saturday. For further information about Art Gallery shows call 631-632-7240.

The Department of Music features numerous performances throughout the year with over 150 FREE recitals. For further information call the music department at 631-632-7330.

Upcoming events at Staller Center at SUNY Stony Brook:

AT A GLANCE
Programs subject to change.

Bodytraffic
Saturday, February 8, 8 p.m.
MAIN STAGE | $48
World-class contemporary dance.

TAO Drummers
Saturday, February 15, 7 p.m.
MAIN STAGE | $52
High-energy performance showcasing the ancient art of Japanese drumming.

London’s National Theatre
Sunday, February 16, 3 p.m.
MAIN STAGE | $20, $15/Sr., $10/Stu.
The Audience will be screened in HD from London’s National Theatre.

Gala 2020: Kelli O’Hara & Matthew Morrison with the Stony Brook Symphony Orchestra
Saturday, March 7, 8 p.m.
MAIN STAGE | $90

Starry Nights
Tuesday, March 10, 7 p.m.
RECITAL HALL | $44

A Cappella Live
Saturday, March 14, 7 p.m.
MAIN STAGE | $52
Vocals without instrumental accompaniment, that’s a cappella.

Staller Kids: Jack Licita: U are the Music!
Sunday, March 15, 3 p.m.

Russian National Ballet - Giselle
Saturday, March 21, 8 p.m.
MAIN STAGE | $54
Giselle is a romantic ballet, a tale of love, betrayal, forgiveness, and redemption.

Bela Fleck & The Flecktones
Saturday, March 28, 8 p.m.
MAIN STAGE | $54
Jazz you won’t hear anywhere else!

Emerson String Quartet
Beethoven and Bartok
Wednesday, April 1, 7 p.m.
RECITAL HALL | $52

Carol Wincenc
50th Anniversary: Golden International Flute Soloist
Thursday, April 16, 7 p.m.
RECITAL HALL | $44

Diavolo - Architecture in Motion
Saturday, April 18, 8 p.m.
MAIN STAGE | $54
Dance is used to explore the relationship between the human body and its architectural environment.

Doo Wop Project
Saturday, May 2, 8 p.m.
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The Jazz Loft is open Thursday through Saturday, 12 noon to 5 p.m. Tickets: Adults/$10; seniors 62+/$7; students/$5; children 12 and under are free.

For additional information and to purchase tickets visit www.thejazzloft.org or call 631-751-1895. Subject to availability, tickets can be purchased at the door before the event.

Note: The Jazz Loft is closed for the Month of January.

EVENT SCHEDULE

Saturday, Feb. 1, 7 p.m. | $40
Nicole Zuraitis and Steve Salerno - Acoustic in the Living Room
Nicole is a Grammy nominated vocalist, songwriter and pianist. Her album Alive Mind won Best Jazz Album in the International Music and Entertainment Awards. She performs with guitarist Steve Salerno in the intimate setting of the Loft’s Teddy Charles’ room. Limited seating

Wednesdays, Feb. 5, 12, 19, 26
Jazz Loft Trio and Jam
The Jazz Loft Trio performs at 7 p.m. followed by an open jam at 8 pm. Tickets: 7 p.m./$10; 8 p.m./$5

Thursday, Feb. 6, 7 p.m.
Jazz Loft Big Band
The 17-piece Jazz Loft Big Band performs jazz standards and original compositions. Tickets: $25/adults, $20/seniors, $15/students, $10/children, children under 5/free

Thursday, Feb. 13, 7 p.m.
Eli Yamin Trio. Eli Yamin is a pianist, composer, singer and band leader who has performed as a jazz and blues ambassador for the U.S. Tickets: $25/adults, $20/seniors, $15/students, $10/children, children under 5/free

Friday, Feb. 14, 7 p.m. & 8:30 pm.
Here’s To The Ladies Valentines Show. This popular show features a 5-piece band with Ray Anderson trombone, Steve Salerno guitar, Pete Coco bass, Chris Smith drums and Tom Manuel trumpet. Price includes chocolate and champagne. Tickets: $40/adults, $30/seniors, $30/students, $25/children.

Saturday, Feb. 15, 7 p.m. | $40
Allison Rowe and Taylor Ackley - Acoustic in the Living Room. Cellist and vocalist Allison and multi string instrumentalist and vocalist Taylor perform traditional American music from genres of bluegrass, country, western swing and their own compositions. They perform in the intimate setting of the Loft’s Teddy Charles’ room.

Thursday, Feb. 20, 7 p.m.
Bad Little Big Band.
Pianist Rich Iacona leads his 12-piece jazz big band in performing music from The Great American Songbook and original compositions. Vocalist Madeline Kole accompanies.

Thursday, Feb. 27, 7 p.m.
Interplay Jazz Orchestra.
The 17-piece Interplay Jazz Orchestra performs original compositions written by band members. Tickets: $25/adults, $20/seniors, $15/students, $10/children.

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Their mission is carried out through collection, conservation and preservation, research, exhibitions, publications, educational programs, support of regional heritage organizations, living history events, community library and archives.

The Historical Society maintains six houses and eight outbuildings at three locations: Obadiah Smith House, Caleb Smith House and their 22-acre Village of the Branch Historic District Site.

The Smithtown Historical Society, holds a number of events during the year. For further information about any of their programs call 631-265-6768.

EVENTS

Hooked on Crochet
Mondays, 10 a.m. - 12 noon
Caleb Smith House
5 North Country Road
Smithtown | 631-265-6768
Every Monday you can join in with the Crochet Club to help beautify the grounds at the Historical Society. All levels are welcome.

Soup Making & More
Friday, January 24, 7 p.m.
Brush Barn
211 Middle Country Rd.
Smithtown | 631-265-6768
Come to the Brush Barn and create three different soup mixes, homemade butter and old fashioned Johnny Cakes. Registration required
$20/members
$25/non members

Annual Meeting of the
Smithtown Historical Society
Friday, January 3, 5:30 p.m.
239 Middle Country Rd.
Smithtown
The 2020 Heritage Ball honorees – Charles Reichert, Joe Winters, Vincent Puleo and Joan Harris – will be announced and introduced. Please bring a dish or dessert for a pot luck dinner.

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**TALES FOR TOTS**

631-360-2480
Smithtown Historical Society’s
Roseneath Cottage
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FREE
Storytime for children 3-5 years with caregiver. 2nd Friday of each month at 11 a.m.
Discover a new theme through reading each month. Register by calling the Smithtown Library at 631-360-2480.

- February 14 – Let’s Be Friends
- March 13 – Let’s Get Silly
- April 10 – Down on the Farm
- May 8 – Bugs! Bugs! Bugs!
- June 12 – On Your Mark,

August 14 – Things That Go!
September 11 –
A Hungry Storytime
October 9 – Boo!
Halloween Storytime
November 13 –
Leaves are Falling
December 11 – Bedtime Stories

**The Jazz Loft**
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Friday, Feb. 28, 7 p.m. | $40

Saturday, Feb. 29, 7 p.m.
Mala Waldron - Acoustic in The Living Room. Vocalist, composer and pianist. She will be accompanied by guitarist Steve Salerno in the intimate setting of the Loft’s Teddy Charles’ Room.
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Long Island Museum 2020 Calendar

Musica embark on their 6th season of partnership with an outstanding schedule of chamber music performances. Tickets will be available at the door.

February 9, 3 p.m.
Sunday Street Concert Series
GILLESPIE ROOM
The Sunday Street Concert Series continues their fifth year of eclectic music featuring James Maddock.
Visit www.sundaystreet.org for advance discount tickets. If available, tickets may be purchased at the door on the day of the show.

EXHIBITIONS

The museum complex is comprised of nine acres with three modern exhibition buildings and five historic structures. The ART MUSEUM houses a permanent collection of American art and two changing exhibition galleries. The 40,000-square-foot CARRIAGE MUSEUM is home to the finest collection of American horse-drawn transportation artifacts in the world, most on permanent exhibition. THE HISTORY MUSEUM offers changing exhibitions on a wide variety of subjects. Among the five historic structures on museum grounds are a one-room schoolhouse and a blacksmith shop, both used extensively in school programs.

February 21-March 22
The Annual 22nd Annual Colors of Long Island Student Art Exhibit
THE HISTORY MUSEUM
This annual exhibition affords an opportunity for hundreds of students from across Long Island to display their artwork in a museum setting. Traditionally, the theme, “Colors of Long Island,” allows for many creative interpretations. The varying interpretations of this theme will be portrayed through many different media, including watercolors, continued on facing page

PROGRAMS

January 26, 5 p.m.
North Shore Pro Musica Concert Series
GILLESPIE ROOM
The LIM and North Shore Pro Musica embark on their 6th season of partnership with an outstanding schedule of chamber music performances. Tickets will be available at the door.

Please Note: All events are free with museum admission, unless otherwise noted. Call 631-751-0066 x212 to register where indicated. For information about becoming a museum member call 631-751-0066 x246.

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February 22-June 21
A Century After: The Work of William M. Davis
THE ART MUSEUM

It has been a century since the death of artist William M. Davis. Born in Setauket in 1829, Davis was a sailor and apprentice shipbuilder before achieving recognition in his 30s as a talented painter. The 1860s marked his public debut in New York, where he exhibited politically-themed genre paintings to wide acclaim at the National Academy of Design and Brooklyn Art Association. The decade also marked the start of a friendship between the young artist and William Sidney Mount. In the years before Mount’s death in 1868 the men corresponded and visited each other’s studios. After a decade in the city, ill health spurred Davis’ semi-retirement to Long Island. Davis quietly sketched and painted into the 1910s, focusing on the waterfront and nearby ships and buildings. On the centennial of Davis’s passing, this exhibition offers one of the largest surveys of his art in half a century and a chance to reappraise his legacy.

February 22-June 26
Off the Rack: Building and Preserving LIM’s Art Treasures
THE ART MUSEUM

The museum’s art collection, consisting of more than 500 paintings and 2,000 works on paper, is what makes it possible for it to offer a dynamic schedule of exhibitions each year. But much of this collection usually stays out of visitor’s sight, in carefully protected storage spaces. This exhibition allows us to push open the doors and empty our storage areas, to give visitors a rare chance to see some of the outstanding highlights of LIM’s collection. Off the Rack will both highlight some of the outstanding new paintings that LIM has collected over the past 20 years – works from Jane Wilson, Jane Freilicher, David Burliuk, Robert Dash, and many more – and will examine the museum’s continuing efforts to care for its collection.

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The Smithtown Library offers a variety of programs during the upcoming weeks and months. The Library has one number (631-360-2480) which will connect callers to all four Library buildings. The Smithtown Building, is located at 1 North Country Road, Smithtown. The Nesconset Building (Administration Business Office) is located at 148 Smithtown Blvd., Nesconset. The Commack Building is located at 3 Indian Head Road, Commack. The Kings Park Building is located at 1 Church Street, Kings Park. Call for Library hours.

For more information visit the library website at www.smithlib.org.

You may register at the above phone number for programs unless otherwise noted.

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**REGISTRATION INFORMATION**

In-person, online and telephone registration for all programs is required and begins one month prior to program date unless otherwise noted. Programs that require fees can be paid by credit card, cash, check or money order to the Smithtown Library. To pay by credit card, use the online payment option. For more information about paying by credit card, see the library website www.smithlib.org. If paying in cash, please bring exact change only. Program fees are non-refundable and non-transferable. Check the Library’s calendar or contact your local building for availability. Out of district residents should call the Library for program availability.

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**MOVIES AT THE LIBRARY**

**SMITHTOWN**
Friday, Jan. 24, 2 p.m.  
Searching  
Rated: PG-13,  
Runtime: 102 min.
Friday, Jan. 31, 2 p.m.  
Overcomer  
Rated: PG, Runtime: 119 min.

**NESCONSET**
Call for dates, times and movies

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**BOOK DISCUSSION GROUPS**

Night Owl Cafe Book Discussion  
NESCONSET  
Thurs., Jan. 23, 7:15-8:15 p.m.  
The Dress Shop of Dreams by Menna Van Praag. Registration encouraged.

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**Historical Non-fiction**

**Book Discussion Group**

**SMITHTOWN**

Thurs., Jan. 23, 10:30-11:30 a.m.
or 2:30-3:30 p.m

_Last Call: The Rise and Fall of Prohibition_ by Daniel Okrent. In-person registration only.

**Tea-riffic Reads**

**Book Discussion Group**

Tues., Jan. 28, 2:15-3:15 p.m.

_The Things We Cannot Say_ by Kelly Rimmer. Registration encouraged.

**Sports Pages**

**Book Discussion Group**

**SMITHTOWN**

Mon., Feb. 3, 10:30-12:30 p.m.

_Football for a Buck_ by Jeff Pearlman. No registration required.

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**DEFENSIVE DRIVING**

Telephone, online and in-person registration is ongoing.

Classes are open to Smithtown Library cardholders only until one week prior to the program, when, space permitting, all individuals are welcome to register. Open to all adult drivers regardless of age. Bring your license to class. Must have a library card to register; one registration per library card.

**AARP Classes**

**SMITHTOWN**

Thurs., Feb. 13, 9:30 a.m.-4 p.m.

_NESCONSET_  

Sat., Feb. 8, 9:30 a.m.-4 p.m.

_KINGS PARK_  

Call for dates and times

Fee: $20 with an AARP membership card; $25 without. Only checks or money orders made out to AARP will be accepted.

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**ADULT PROGRAMS**

**BUS TRIP TO RIVIERA HOLIDAY AT THE PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW**

**SMITHTOWN**

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Tues., Mar. 3

Depart Show 4:30 p.m.

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and create a Mediterranean
inspired garden of your own. Lunch is on your own at the
Flower Show or visit Reading Terminal Market located across the
street. Registration is ongoing for Library cardholders. Registration
for all regardless of library dis-
trict starts Mon., Feb. 3, 2020. Please note that the itinerary is subject to change.

TRAPKATZ IN CONCERT
SMITHTOWN
Fri., Jan. 24, 7-8:30 p.m.
Local rock-n-roll band Trap-
katz will perform popular hits
from the 60s and 70s.

TRAVEL CLUB
NESCONSET
Thurs., Jan. 30, 7-8:30 p.m.
Learn from others about travel
tips and tricks as you prepare for
your next vacation or write your
travel bucket-list.

HOLIDAY HOME SIGN
SMITHTOWN
Thurs., Jan. 30 & Feb. 6, 6:30-8 p.m.
Fee: $20 per person
In this two-session class you
will make a framed home sign
with interchangeable pieces to
decorate your home all year
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IN SEARCH OF MARIE CURIE
SMITHTOWN
Mon., Feb. 3, 7-8:30 p.m.
Nov. 7, 2019 marked the 152-
year anniversary of Marie Curie’s
birth. She was a wife, mother
and an extraordinary scientist; the
first woman to win a Nobel
Prize and only woman to win
twice. Edward A. Sierra, Pres-
ident Elect of the LI section of
the American Nuclear Society,
will share what he has learned
about Marie Curie – this early
pioneer of radioactivity.

AUTHOR TALK WITH
JEANNIE MOON
SMITHTOWN
Sun., Feb. 9, 2-3:30 p.m.
Jeannie Moon writes fiction for
women, offering them motiva-
tion to succeed in life. She will
talk about her books, writing
process and how to succeed as a
creative and professional female.

RESOURCES FOR SINGLES
NESCONSET
Wed., Feb. 12, 7-8:30 p.m.
This seminar provides attend-
ees the chance to learn about the
myriad opportunities available to
single people. Topics include
finding local singles groups and
venues, online introductions, the
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Did you know that one way to good fortune is timing? As they say, timing is everything! Picking the proper timing to market your home is extremely important in getting the most money out of your home. Most people believe the best time to sell their home is in May or June when the lawn is green and the flowers and trees are blooming... NOT TRUE! Serious prospective buyers start looking in February! The dreary month of February is when prospective buyers are itching to make a change!

In the cold winter months buyers are busy searching the internet for homes and they are also more active - physically going out to view houses. If buyers have school age children they start their search in the cold winter months in order to close and move the family into the new home before or during the summer season.

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So, if you are planning a summer move, don’t wait! Get your home on the market as quickly as possible.

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Adult Writers Group
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Call for dates and times.
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Art Group
SMITHTOWN
Tuesdays, 12-2:15 p.m.
Call for dates and times.
Weekly group will work on independent projects. No registration required.

Open Knit and Crochet Night
SMITHTOWN
Tues., Jan. 28, 5-7 p.m.
Experienced crafters and beginners are welcome to knit and crochet with other enthusiasts. No registration required.

TEEN PROGRAMS

Grades 6-12
The Smithtown Library offers a variety of programs geared toward teens. Join one or join all – you’re sure to have a great time!
(In-person, online or telephone registration for all programs is required and ongoing.)

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

A variety of volunteer opportunities will be offered at the Library throughout the year. One hour of community service will be given. Register for this program. Call for dates and volunteer opportunities.

Chess and Checkers
Buddies Volunteers
NESCONSET
Thurs., Jan. 23, 6:45-7:45 p.m.
Teach younger children how to play chess and checkers. You do not have to be an expert to volunteer but knowledge of the rules is required.

Paper Football Tournament Volunteers
NESCONSET
Sat., Jan. 25, 10:45-11:45 a.m.
Help celebrate the Big Game by volunteering for the Paper Foot-
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ball Tournament. Work alongside younger patrons, helping them to become the Paper Football Champions.

Seed Sorting Volunteers
NESCONSET
Tues., Jan. 28, 7-8 p.m.
Help the Smithtown Library prepare for the upcoming Seed Program by assisting with sorting and labeling seeds into packets.

Library Lab Volunteers
NESCONSET
Thurs., Jan. 30, 4:30-5:30 p.m.
Plug in and connect with younger students as you assist with homework, reaching reading goals and STEAM activities.

CHILDREN’S PROGRAMS
Register in person, online or by phone for all Children’s Programs – 631-360-2480 unless otherwise noted. Call the Library for dates and times and age restrictions for ALL programs.
Visit the Library website at www.smithlib.org for a complete program listing and additional details or go to the Library and pick up a program flyer.
Note: Each child must have his/her own Library card to register for programs.

A variety of literature-based programs which include a wide range of activities are offered throughout the school year. Each children’s department provides specialized programs, unique to each building.

YOUNG AT ART
NESCONSET
(12-30 months w/adult)
Tues., Jan. 28, 10-10:45 a.m. OR 11:15 a.m.-12 p.m.
Explore and discover art with your toddler through hands-on activities and fine motor fun. Children will take home their own masterpieces. Dress to make a mess.

ARTY PARTY
NESCONSET
(18-35 months w/adult)
Fri., Jan. 31, 10:30-11:30 a.m.
Learn, grow, play and create. Explore the art stations with your little artist and join in for free play. No registration required.

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WINTER WONDERLAND
Smithtown (2-4 years w/adult)
Tues., Jan. 28, 10-10:45 a.m.
Celebrate winter with stories
and a variety of crafts. Dress to
make a mess.

Library Programs
pop bubbles and even dance in
bubbles.

WINTER WONDERLAND
 Nesconset (2-4 years w/adult)
Wed., Jan. 29, 11-11:45 a.m. OR
2:30-3:15 p.m.
Join in for stories and crafts all
about bubbles. Blow bubbles,

JUMP AND PLAY
Smithtown (3-5 years w/adult)
Sat., Feb. 1, 10-10:45 a.m.
Meet new friends at the Li-
brary and work on social skills
with fun playground toys.

DINO-STORIES
Nesconset (3-5 years w/adult)
Fri., Jan. 24, 11-11:45 a.m.
Stomp around to some dinosaur
stories and crafts.

LIBRARY LAB
Nesconset (6-10 years)
Thurs., Jan. 30, 4:30-5:15 p.m.
Plug in and connect with teen
volunteers, who are on hand to
assist with homework, reach
daily reading goals and work
with children in various STEAM
projects.

CHESS & CHECKERS BUDDIES
Nesconset (5-12 years)
Thurs., Jan 23, Feb. 6,
7-7:45 p.m.
It’s time for a board meeting;
play chess and checkers with
teen volunteers. A great opportu-
nity to learn a new game or
practice a favorite.

ESCAPE THE ROOM JR.
Smithtown (7-10 years)
Thurs., Jan. 23, 5-5:45 p.m.
Work together to find clues,
solve puzzles and see if you have
what it takes to escape the room.

PAPER FOOTBALL
TOURNAMENT
Nesconset (7-12 years)
Sat., Jan. 25, 11-11:45 a.m.
First downs to touch downs –
celebrate the Big Game by par-
ticipating in the Paper Football
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Tournament. Maybe you have the guts to get the glory of being the Paper Football Champion

ZENTANGLE ART
SMITHTOWN (8-12 years)
Thurs., Jan. 30, 5-5:45 p.m.
Learn how to make Zentangle art: an easy-to-learn, relaxing and fun way to create beautiful images by drawing structured patterns.

WINTER BIRCH TREES
NESCONSET (8-12 years)
Fri., Jan. 31, 4:30-5:15 p.m.
Cozy up with snowy stories and create your own winter birch tree scene using watercolors and salt “snow.”

THE MICKMAGS
NESCONSET
(For families w/children 2-6 years)
Sat., Feb. 1, 11-11:45 a.m.
Keith Maguire (singer/songwriter, musician, elementary music teacher) and Eric McCormack (singer/songwriter, musician) have combined their musical abilities to create an original children’s comedy rock group called The Mickmags. They are joined by Tom Pryor (guitar virtuoso) on drums, Cheerio the Mascot and two smart aleck puppets (Gam & Red) who are always trying to steal the show. They strive to utilize their natural talents to entertain not only children but to reach the child in each of us.

ONGOING PROGRAMS

Construction Zone
NESCONSET (2-4 years w/adult)
Thurs., Jan. 23, 10-10:45 a.m.
Put on your hard hats and bring your little construction workers to build with all types of blocks.

Creation Station
SMITHTOWN (For families)
Saturdays, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.
Come to the Library during these hours and complete some cool crafts. No registration required.

LEGO League
SMITHTOWN (5-12 years)
Sat., Feb. 1, 3-3:45 p.m.
Bring your imagination to this block party and construct your

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own creations using the Library’s LEGO bricks.

**Nursery Rhyme Time**
(birth-35 months w/adult)
**SMITHTOWN**
Sat., Jan. 25, 10-10:30 a.m.
**NESCONSET**
Mon., Jan. 27, 10:30-11 a.m.
A time of nursery rhymes and songs for baby. *Siblings are welcome.*

**Pajama Storytime**
SMITHTOWN (3-6 years w/adult)
Wed., Jan. 29, 7-7:30 p.m.
Come to the Library in your pajamas for stories and songs. Bring a favorite stuffed animal if you’d like. *Siblings are welcome.*

**Paws for Reading**
SMITHTOWN (5-10 years)
Fri., Jan. 31, 6:45 p.m.; 7:15 p.m.;
or 7:30 p.m.
**NESCONSET** (5-10 years)
Mon., Jan. 27, 6:45 p.m.;
7 p.m.; 7:15 p.m.; or 7:30 p.m.
Read to a specially trained and certified therapy dog. Studies show that reading to a dog in a relaxed atmosphere boosts children’s confidence and reading skills. Sign up for one time slot.

**Time for Twos**
SMITHTOWN
Thurs., Jan. 30, 10-10:45 a.m.
**NESCONSET**
(24-35 months w/adult)
Call for dates and times.
Enjoy building social skills in a relaxed, environment; includes free play, songs, stories and a craft.

**Wonderful Ones**
SMITHTOWN
(12-23 months w/adult)
Mon., Jan. 27, 10-10:45 a.m.
**NESCONSET**
(12-23 months w/adult)
Call for dates and times
Engage little ones in language based activities; includes free play and stories. *Siblings are welcome.*
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It’s a New year and a new decade. We all have to get used to writing “2020” and wonder if we will soon have “better vision” enabling us to see our lives and homes, not through rose colored glasses, but as visionaries. Coupling this thought with January as the month of resolve – resolutions to lose weight, get organized, start exercising, etc., we tend to put a lot on ourselves – especially after holidays that are draining and the world around us is coughing and sneezing.

So what’s a person to do? My suggestion? Snuggle down in your warm and cozy home and take some time to put your personal priorities in order. When you come up for air – think about that place that nurtures you and is your safe haven and add another resolution to your list – a fiscal resolution. How fiscally prudent were you last year? Did you spend (or save) your money wisely? Did you invest in, perhaps, your largest investment – your home?

January is one of our busiest “phone call” months. That’s because people have actually been in their homes more often and have had a chance to view first hand “the good, the bad and the ugly.” They are still in the “clean slate” mode and want to ask about how a designer can help them make needed changes. It’s also when a great deal of repeat clients call to say “Hi & Happy New Year” and by the way, “can you stop by to make some updates in rooms ready for a change?”

Alternatively, many folks will turn to the all famous guru of everything – the internet and attempt the “do-it-yourself” method. Those are the month of March calls to fix the problems they created or finally get the project off the ground!

The winter issue of House Magazine was just placed on my desk and in it the editors suggest their readers head to the “must read” section to learn about the wisdom of using a professional interior designer. Entitled, “Why you should not DIY - Learn how the advice of our celebrated experts will actually save you money by getting your project done right the first time.” Check out House Magazine, pp 26 at https://issuu.com/house-magazine/docs/house__issue_1_volume_1_2019_binder.

I have always wondered why people think working with a designer is more costly when the opposite is really true. Good design doesn’t have a price tag and today, with so many offerings, beautiful homes can be created on many different budgets. The art and craft of a designer is honed by education, training and years of experience. Designers research, formulate, find the source, assess the labor needs, create the workable budget, oversee the project, update the client, handle the problems and see the project to completion – all with the goal of meeting the client’s needs, wants, lifestyle and timeframe. Simply stated – it’s not as simple as it looks when it’s all done!

So, this January, be that person with 2020 vision and see how important your home is to your life. Take the right fiscal steps to make it happen.

Best wishes for health, happiness, peace and the home you deserve in 2020!

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PRE PLANNING FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS AVAILABLE
by Sally Wellinger

A new year is a time for new beginnings. If getting your children or yourself more involved in nature is something that interests you, this month I will share some resources and ideas to help make it easy.

The first thing to remember is that it is okay to just go out and enjoy being outside in nature, soaking in the beauty. Other times, you may want to make it a learning experience. When exploring nature for a learning experience, it is good to have a goal in mind, but also be flexible because you never know what you might end up noticing. Plants are usually a good starting point since they are unable to move and run away.

I usually set a goal of learning about one tree, shrub, vine, or flower on my walk. However, that does not mean that I will not be observing birds, animals, or all the other beautiful characteristics of nature. While exploring to learn; I bring these tools or pieces of equipment with me:

1. Small journal book (or clipboard with paper)
2. Pencil
3. Small ruler or a coin to use for scale
4. My phone for a picture and identification apps
5. Binoculars
6. Small magnifying glass
7. Either a small container, baggie, or tape
8. Small portable field guide

While on my walk, I pick the specimen that I would like to focus on. In my journal, I put the date, time, weather and draw a quick sketch. Sometimes, I will even take a leaf or small piece of the plant, as long as I know it is not an endangered or at-risk species. Next, I take a picture of the specimen, usually with my coin or ruler in the picture. Also, taking pictures of parts of the plant is important, for example; the leaves, bark, flowers, buds or any other interesting characteristics. After recording all the information, I am ready to figure out what it is. Below are a list of my favorite small field guides and apps that help me identify what I am looking at. Although, I am referencing plants in this article, the specimen can be anything in nature. It could be a crab on the shore, a bird in a tree, an insect in the soil… Also, do not limit yourself to one each walk if you would like to do more, but I find learning about one new organism each walk is easily manageable.

Here are few field guides that are my favorites to use:

1. The Avalon Park & Preserve Plant & Habitat Guide, available at the Avalon Park office on Harbor Road or at www.avalonparkandpreserve.org
2. Folding Guides which are available in most bookstores and at www.folding-guides.com. Because we live on Long Island, both the guides for Northeast and Mid-Atlantic would be useful.

3. Pocket Naturalist Guides which are available in most bookstores and at www.waterfordpress.com
4. The “Finder” books, like Tree Finder and Fern Finder by Anne C. Hallowell and Barbara G. Hallowell, which are set up as dichotomous keys. These are available in many bookstores and at www.adventurewithkeen.com

The following are my favorite apps which you can download on your phone:

1. The Cornell Lab Merlin Bird ID
2. LeafSnap by Columbia University, the University of Maryland, and the Smithsonian Institution
3. iNaturalist which is a citizen science project by the California Academy of Science and National Geographic

There are many more reliable and easy to use field guides and apps available, but these are my favorites and most utilized resources. I hope you find these resources helpful. Now it’s your turn to go out and enjoy nature!

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I don’t know about you, but I spend too much time making up lists and then forgetting all about them or losing them altogether. This happens most often with grocery lists. I either leave them home or take them with me only to skip right over some critical items as I shop. This I do, so I can yell to my husband while unpacking the bags, that I forgot to get cream cheese to go with the bagels I bought and he has to go back to get them.

“Wasn’t that on your list?”

I make other lists as well: to-do lists, Christmas and holiday card lists and guest lists. I keep membership lists filed away and lately carry around my medication list – just in case. As I was venting about all the various lists I struggle with to my friend Betty, she asked

“What about your bucket list?”

She had me there. That’s one list I hadn’t given much thought about. To me, the term implies impending doom and gloom with a serious deadline involved – pun intended. Where did this idea come from? What goes on it? Who needs it?

It has been suggested that back in the old days, when people wished to commit suicide by hanging, they might stand on a bucket with a rope around their necks and kick the bucket to accomplish the gruesome deed. Some scholars also argue that it goes back to an old religious custom of placing a bucket of blessed water at a dying person’s feet, so visitors could sprinkle holy water all over him/her. Sometimes the person would kick it over during the throes of death. What a happy thought that is!

Whatever the origin, ‘bucket list’ is a term that cropped up in recent history and simply means a list of things a person feels he must do before he kicks the bucket. Items on the list could range from climbing Mount Everest to eating Piranha fresh out of the Amazon. Neither option would appear on my bucket list if I had one.

Then, I saw a blog that explored 10 most popular bucket list items, another for 500 ideas and someone wrote a whole book itemizing 1,000 things we need to do before we die. I didn’t bother to read the last two, because I was afraid I didn’t have enough time left for that. But I did peek at the list of ten. Immediately, I found three I’d pass up.

1. Jumping out of an airplane with a fabric parachute at 10 thousand feet – or even 3 feet. Geeze, I am afraid these days to even enter an airplane.

2. Ride an elephant. No thanks. I haven’t even ridden a horse yet.

3. Search for the Yeti in the Himalayas – or anything else so far removed from the sofa.

“You’re just not a bucket list person.” I was told as I talked the subject up to my daughter who knows me pretty well.

“And just what makes one a bucket list person?” I asked.

“You don’t think that far ahead,” she said. “And you are not adventurous.”

Was that a compliment? I took it as one, and turned my attention to more doable and hopefully more affordable endeavors – like redoing my study. For that, I was able to conjure up a list of contractors that may be able to give me reasonable estimates. The first guy on that list didn’t show up. The second guy wanted to blow out the ceiling and create a loft extending the room upward into the attic to accommodate a library. The third guy, Arlo was honest to a fault.

“I can change out the windows and doors, put up a wall of book shelves, laminate the floor and paint the walls for around $20,000 dollars.” As I contemplated spending that much continued on page 81
Setting Goals for Health

With the start of a new year many of us set resolutions to achieve new goals. Exercise and getting in shape usually finds its way to the top of this list. When establishing these goals it is important to set them to be relevant, specific and measurable within a reasonable time frame. When setting goals to be realistic and attainable you will be rewarded with a sense of accomplishment. Being over ambitious and setting unrealistic short term goals only makes your goals feel unachievable and is more challenging to be committed to.

Keep in mind that the way we think has a strong influence on achieving our goals. When trying to maintain your commitment to your goals take into consideration that positive thinking has been linked to exceeding what is thought to be our physical limits. In a study where men and women gave themselves positive motivational talks while riding a stationary bike, researchers discovered that there was a significant reduction in the rating of perceived exertion and enhanced improvements with endurance performance. This finding supports the psychobiological model in which the mind has a significant influence on our endurance. Our brain is programmed to remember and avoid negative experiences, so when an activity starts to become uncomfortable we tend to want to stop. Focusing on positive thoughts will lead you down the path to accomplishing your goals.

Those who set reasonable and achievable short term goals, think positive and are motivated and committed will push past the restrictions and be successful at accomplishing their long term goal.

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FINANCIAL FITNESS

2020 Financial Resolutions

by Harlan J. Fischer

While I could suggest dozens of financial recommendations that would make sense for most everyone, I will limit my suggestions to what I feel might be the easiest ones.

1. Reduce your credit card debt. The average U.S. household has over $15,000 of credit card debt. Not only are the payments emotionally annoying, but expect to see the interest rates remain high, and the monthly payments with them, even if the Fed continues to keep interest rates low in 2020. Consider eliminating all cards except one or two. This could also save you money by increasing your credit score, thereby lowering your cost for a mortgage, car lease or any other loan.

2. Put some money away on a regular basis. The use of salary savings in a 401(k) or a 403(b) can help you accumulate funds faster than just waiting for the right moment (which never seems to arrive). If you are an employee, consider taking any or all of the additional money in your paycheck as a result of a raise or cost of living increase and saving or investing that amount each pay period. Or, as in #1, use it to pay down any credit card debt.

3. Don’t assume you know everything. Nobody ever said life was simple. If you are thinking about retiring or are retired, it is interesting to note that almost 75% of Americans between age 60 and 75 with at least $100,000 in household assets failed an American College of Financial Services quiz on making money last during retirement years. Interestingly, 61% of those who took the quiz said their knowledge of retirement income was high. Don’t ever be afraid or ashamed to ask for help from a professional.

4. Don’t confuse politics and the economy. Regardless of your political persuasion, capitalism, which is our economic system, works many more times than it doesn’t. While much of the news we receive each day can sometimes be confusing or depressing, if the economy is working well and the stock market along with it, most of the time, don’t let it pass you by. Watching Animal Planet or HGTV should make you feel more positive than any news channel.

5. Resolve to be a better shopper. I don’t suggest that you become a coupon fanatic, although that works, but finding good value in your purchases makes a big difference over the course of a year. For example, many times the prices at outlet stores are higher than the same chain retail locations when those items are on sale there. Keep your eyes open for holiday or birthday presents throughout the year if the price is really good. Of course, you can’t do this with clothing for growing children. Also, learn to be a good negotiator. This could save you thousands when buying a home or leasing a car.

6. If You are over age 70½, your charitable contributions should be made from your IRA distributions. Since the new standard deduction for those over age 65 is now $14,000 or $27,400 for those filing jointly, this method, known as a Qualified Charitable Distribution, is the place to be. 

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Look for Changes in Retirement Plans

by Scott Posner

It might not have made the headlines, but a recently passed piece of legislation could affect the IRAs and 401(k)s of millions of Americans beginning in 2020. So, if you have either of these accounts, or if you run a business, you’ll want to learn more.

The new laws, collectively called the Setting Every Community Up for Retirement Enhancement (SECURE) Act, include these noteworthy changes:

- Higher age for RMDs – Under current law, you must start taking withdrawals – known as required minimum distributions, or RMDs – from your traditional IRA and 401(k) or similar employer-sponsored plan once you turn 70 ½. The new law pushes the date to start RMDs to 72, which means you can hold on to your retirement savings a bit longer.

- No age limit for traditional IRA contributions – Previously, you could only contribute to your traditional IRA until you were 70 ½, but under the SECURE Act, you can now fund your traditional IRA for as long as you have taxable earned income.

- Limitation of “Stretch IRA” provisions – Under the old rules, beneficiaries were able to stretch taxable RMDs from a retirement account over his or her lifetime. Under the SECURE Act while spouse beneficiaries can still take advantage of this “stretch” distribution, most non-spouse beneficiaries will have to take all the RMDs by the end of the tenth year after the account owner passes away. Consequently, non-spouse beneficiaries who inherit an IRA or other retirement plan could have tax implications due to the need to take larger distributions in a shorter timeframe.

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- No early withdrawal penalty for IRAs and 401(k)s when new child arrives. Typically, you must pay a 10% penalty when you withdraw funds from your IRA or 401(k) before you reach 59 ½. But now, with the new rules, you can withdraw up to $5,000 from your retirement plan without paying the early withdrawal penalty, as long as you take the money within one year of a child being born or an adoption becoming final.

Some provisions of the SECURE Act primarily affect business owners:

- Multi-employer retirement plans – Unrelated companies can now work together to offer employees a 401(k) plan with less administrative work, lower costs and fewer fiduciary responsibilities than individual employers now encounter when offering their own retirement plans.

- Tax credit for automatic enrollment – The new law provides a tax credit of $500 for some smaller employers who set up automatic enrollment in their retirement plans. And a tax credit for establishing a retirement plan has been increased from $500 to $5,000.

- Use of annuities in 401(k) plans – It will now be easier for employers to consider including annuities as an investment option within 401(k) plans. Previously, many businesses avoided offering annuities in these plans due to liability concerns related to the annuity provider, but the new rules should help reduce these concerns.

The SECURE Act is the most significant change to our retirement savings system in over a decade. We encourage you to contact your financial advisor, tax professional and estate planning attorney to assess the potential impact on your investment strategies and determine any possible tax and estate planning implications of the SECURE Act.

Editor’s Note:
Financial Focus is a monthly feature written by Scott Posner, CFP, CRPC, A.A.M.S., an investment representative with Edward Jones Investments. This 130-year-old firm has over 10,000 offices around the world with one here in town at 542 North Country Road in the Old St. James School House. Mr. Posner has serviced both personal and institutional investors for over 32 years. For more information, or to request topics for future columns, call 631-862-2020.
The Knox School's Semper Ad Lucem Chapter of the National Honor Society (NHS), located in St. James, donated $1,600 worth of supplies including linens, cleaning products, food, toys, and necessities to the Ronald McDonald House in New Hyde Park, NY, on Monday, December 16, 2019. These supplies were purchased as a result of fundraising efforts conducted by Knox NHS students this fall. Pictured from (L-R): Xavier Acevedo, Vasia Tassiopoulos, Xander Pinto, Laney Link, Diego Coticelli, Walker Harris, Demitria Lutz, Trevor Hubbard, Brandon Persaud, Thomas Murphy, Emily Ahmed, Zainab Waheed, Helen Young, Joyce Yan and NHS Advisor Mrs. Donna Pergola.

ST. JAMES CONTINUES ‘NUTCRACKER’ TRADITION...

St. James Elementary School held its 11th annual “Nutcracker” performance on December 19, 2019. Performed by the first and second graders, under direction of Mrs. Braunreuther, the students showed off their weeks of hard work to friends and family during the dance performances.

Photos courtesy of Smithtown Central School District.
SMIHTOWN EAST'S TRACK TEAM CONNECTS TO COMMUNITY...

The Smithtown High School East boys winter track team, along with their coach Anastasia Byrne, recently collected and delivered presents to Little Flower Children and Family Services in Hauppauge. The team spent time at the center, teaching the children how to skateboard and playing basketball. The entire team played with some of the Little Flower kids “Knock Out,” a basketball shooting game.

Photo courtesy of Smithtown Central School District.

DANISH TEAM SPENDS A DAY IN LIFE OF A SMITHTOWN STUDENT...

On December 4, 2019, the Smithtown High School East boys basketball team hosted the Hjemly Danish basketball team. Each Danish player was assigned to one of the Smithtown players and spent the school day with them followed by a basketball game after school. The two teams had dinner at Smithtown High School East and then spent the night at the boys homes.

Photo courtesy of Smithtown Central School District.
The library at Smithtown High School East serves as more than just a place to check out books. Students are conducting top-level research, finding a quiet place to study or gain valuable insight from library media specialist Jean Marie Kliphuis.

In the atrium portion of the library, students have an opportunity to have discussions and interact. The main area of the library is available for use throughout the day. Ms. Kliphuis said she tried to set the library up similar to a college library, where different sections serve different purposes.

For example, on January 8, the main lab was filled with students in the Introduction to Psychology class.
CAITLIN WILKINSON NAMED REGENERON SCHOLAR...

Smithtown High School East's Caitlin Wilkinson has been named a Regeneron Scholar by the Society for Science and the Public Society for Science. The Regeneron Science Talent Search 2020 is the nation's oldest and most prestigious science and math competition for high school seniors. Wilkinson's research focused on “Rates and Traits: The Potential for Utilizing Above-ground Plant Traits to Predict Denitrification in Long Island Salt Marshes.” Caitlin is pictured with Maria Zeitlin, Smithtown HS East research coordinator and Smithtown HS East Principal, Dr. Kevin Simmons.

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by William Kent

Addressing hearing loss isn’t just about what you hear – it’s about how you feel and function. People of all ages are encouraged to get their hearing tested as a New Year’s resolution. Studies show that when people address hearing loss, it can have a positive effect on their home life, self-confidence, relationships, mood, overall health, job performance and even income. It safeguards quality of life by helping people maintain an active, healthy lifestyle and stay socially and cognitively engaged.

Learning the status of our hearing health and addressing hearing loss are important to quality of life at every age. Gen Xers and youthful-minded baby boomers, in fact, are developing hearing loss in greater numbers, and as older Americans are putting off retirement and staying in the workforce longer, the ability to hear your best is becoming all the more important. Luckily, the vast majority of people with hearing loss can benefit from hearing instruments, and today’s state-of-the art instruments are better than ever. The latest technologies make it easier to hear people and sounds from all directions and are designed to filter out noise, like at crowded restaurants. Various styles sit discreetly and comfortably inside the ear canal and out of sight, making them virtually invisible, some are even waterproof or rechargeable. Perhaps best of all, they’re wireless, helping people of all ages stay connected to their iphones and smart phones, home entertainment systems, and other prized electronics – but most importantly, to life.

So go ahead, make the commitment during the beginning of the New Year, with a hearing test. Whether it’s conversation and laughter around the dinner table, or watching a movie or football game together on the television, let the latest hearing instrument technologies help you hear your best and stay connected with family and friends during the entire year.

A More Promising New Year

Addressing hearing loss really can add to quality of life, year round. Here’s what getting a hearing test and using professionally fitted hearing instruments, if recommended by a hearing care professional, may do for you:

1. Strengthen ties with family and friends. Healthy relationships rest largely on good communication. In one Better Hearing Institute (BHI) study, more than half the respondents said using hearing instruments improved their relationships at home, their social lives, and their ability to join in groups. Many even saw improvements in their romance.

2. Raise your spirits. People with untreated hearing loss often feel angry, frustrated, anxious, isolated, and depressed. But research shows that when they use hearing instruments, many become more socially engaged, feel a greater sense of safety and independence, and see a general improvement in their overall quality of life.

3. Lead you to feel better about yourself. An important perk of using hearing instruments can be enhanced emotional well-being. Research shows that when people with hearing loss use hearing instruments, many feel more in control of their lives and less self-critical. One BHI study found that the majority of people with mild and severe hearing loss felt better about themselves and life overall as a result of using hearing instruments.

4. Keep the mind sharp. Studies out of Johns Hopkins linked hearing loss with accelerated cognitive decline in older adults and found that seniors with hearing loss are significantly more likely to develop dementia over time. BHI studies found that many people with hearing loss report improvements in their cognitive skills with the use of hearing instruments.

5. Unleash your learning potential. Hearing your best at work helps you do your best. One study found that using hearing aids reduced the risk of income loss by 90-100% for those with milder hearing loss, and from 65-77% for those with severe to moderate hearing loss. And people with hearing loss who use hearing instruments are more likely to be employed than their peers who don’t.

We have so much on our mind day to day, give some time to yourself, get a hearing evaluation. The worst thing you can do if you suspect a hearing loss, is nothing.

Editor’s Note:
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Ask Ron Villano

Ron Villano, M.S., LMHC, ASAC, CCH is the leading expert in working through change. As a father who lost his 17-year old son in an auto accident, he always speaks from the heart. As a licensed mental health counselor, he guides others on how to work through difficult times. As a national speaker and author of The Zing, Ron has appeared on TV and radio throughout the world. He will help you to Embrace the Power of Change in your personal and professional life.

Dear Ron,
I am so thrilled that I have this new dream job as a writer but I feel like I just got thrown into the sea without a boat! It seems like there is very little organization to the editorial staff and everyone is kind of doing their own thing in survival mode. When I get my assignments, I am told the deadline and then a day or two later, I am told the article is due. I am also given the length of the article, and then once it’s submitted, I am asked to either extend it or cut it. I like to be organized and on top of my game, but it seems like every moment there is change. I get change happens but it makes me feel like I am not doing the right thing and I’m worried that I will lose my job. I really want to stay so is there any way I can make a dream job like this work?

— Day Dreamer

Dear Day Dreamer
It sounds like you need to create your own life boat if you are going to survive this trip. Start by making sure that your own organization is focused on accomplishing the job. That means good time management with a proper balance between work and your private life. Next, keep a detailed calendar and detailed task list which tracks assignments, deadlines and changes. Creating this system ensures that you are doing “the right thing” in the moment. It also will allow you to see what can switch around when tasks and deadlines change. If you are asked about why certain deadlines or tasks weren’t done, you will be able to use this calendar and task list system to show how you managed when changes were given to you. The last step is one for your own personal side — allow yourself to feel accomplished for each step of the task list done and — no matter how the day went — at the end of the day. Jobs like this rarely ever are fully “complete” at the end of the day. So why feel like you have to leave with everything off your plate? Create your own organization… and see it as the life boat in the middle of the company chaos!

Editor’s Note:
Ron Villano, M.S., LMHC, ASAC, CCH, is the founder and director of Family & Personal Counseling, located at 872 Middle Country Road in St. James. He is an author of the book The Zing, has appeared on national TV, along with appearances on the Verizon FiOS1 network. With offices in St. James, Bohemia, East Islip, Levittown and Maspeth and a staff of 20 therapists from all backgrounds – Family & Personal Counseling addresses individual and family concerns of all ages. For additional information call 631-758-8290 or visit www.FamilyAndPersonalCounseling.com and www.RonVillano.com to listen to his featured interviews.
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Welcome to the New Year, New Decade
It is 2020! The new year has begun. A new decade is upon us.

For many, this calendric event presents an opportunity to reflect on the past and clarify goals for the future. The most common goals at this time of year are weight loss, improving physical health and doing a wellness detox.

Intelligent Design
“The body... is well-controlled and organized to function automatically according to precise and accurate plans.” ~Healing for the Age of Enlightenment, by Stanley Burroughs.

The body has been designed to be self-sustaining. When you cut yourself, this intrinsic intelligence will stop the bleeding, protect from infection, and heal the wound. This awe-inspiring design includes the ability to cleanse impurities from the blood, eliminate toxins, and remove wastes and by-products that build up from cell activity and from digestion. If not removed, your cells can stop working, and you can get extremely sick.

Health is the outcome of working knowingly within this intelligent design. Let’s explore how we can support our body’s natural process of elimination.

The Chimneys of the Body
There are many organs that help to release gas, liquid and solid wastes from the body:

• The liver removes impurities from the blood.
• The lungs remove carbon dioxide.
• The kidneys remove excess water, salts and nitrogen.
• The large intestine removes solid waste.
• The sweat glands of the skin remove water, salts and other wastes.
• The lymphatic system is a major part of the immune system that helps recognize, destroy and remove pathogens in body fluids and cells.

Given the essential functions these organs perform, our health depends on how well they do their jobs. There is no space for a landfill in your body.

Think of these organs as the chimneys of the body. They are more effective in their functions when they are free from debris.

Our daily diet and lifestyle choices determine the quality of the “heat and energy” released, how often we need to “put another log on the fire” and the amount of “soot” that collects as a result of the “burning” of the fuel. Our diet and lifestyle choices also determine how often we need to “clean out the chimney.”

• Refined foods and sugars can be compared to the newspaper which is easy to ignite, provides quick energy, but is dirty and doesn’t last long.
• Fruits are like kindling which can kick start our metabolism but don’t hold us for long.
• Veggies, greens are like the twigs, branches or softer woods which are easy to ignite, last a bit longer than does newspaper, but still burns out fast so we need to refuel often.
• Proteins and healthy fats can be compared to hard woods (oak, hard maple, birch). It takes more effort to get the fire started, but once started, they sustain us for a long time, release more heat, and burn clean.

While we need to support our eliminating organs all year long, it is also wise to clean out the continued on facing page
Principles of a Wellness Detox: What it is and What it is NOT

1. A wellness detox is NOT a diet. Focus is placed on awareness of what to ingest, and how outcomes change with different choices.

2. A wellness detox is NOT about starving yourself. We discover what to eat when hungry and how certain foods can help us feel satiated and energetic.

3. A wellness detox is NOT about drinking green smoothies or celery juice at every meal or even once a day (unless you like that sort of thing).

4. A wellness detox is NOT about bingeing and purging repeatedly, in some YoYo mindset which isn’t sustainable or healthy. We learn how to support the precious functions of our eliminating organs and discover the principles of healthy eating... all year long!

Here are some simple ways to support your liver and other eliminating organs, as suggested by Dr. Mariza Snyder, Essentially You Podcast #154 “How to Optimize Liver Function to Balance Your Hormones”

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- Citrus essential oils are powerful cleansers overall. This group of essential oils like Lemon, Lime, Tangerine and Grapefruit essential oils help to rid the body of congestion, including liver congestion. Yes, your liver can be congested.*

A periodic wellness detox aids our body in eliminating toxins and waste and improves the function of our major organs and systems. This applies also to our emotional wellness. Out with the old, in with the new means we must let go of the past and embrace the future possibilities. How you think and how you feel creates your state of being. Create space for new health by ridding your body of that which no longer serves you, both physically and emotionally.

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Come to a Simply Natural Detox free workshop on January 23 at 7 p.m. Call for info.
Domenick Ercolano

Domenick Ercolano, long time member and past Post Commander of the VFW Post 395 St. James, NY, passed away on December 21, 2019 at the age of 94.

Domenick is survived by his three daughters: Donna Ercolano (Sr. Maria of the Holy Face of Jesus & the Immaculate Heart of Mary, OCD) of Rochester, NY; Debra (William T. Brennan) of East Schodack, NY; and Doreen (Stephen H. Truesdell) of Castleton, NY; seven grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. He is also survived by a brother, Jerry Ercolano, of Naperville, IL. He was predeceased by his wife, Antoinette; a brother, Joseph Ercolano; and a beloved sister, Connie (Ercolano) Polo.

Dominick Ercolano was part of what is referred to as the “GREATEST GENERATION.” He served as a Remote Control Turret Machine Gunner, or Top Gun, for the 435th Bomb Squad aboard a B-29, known as “The Superfortress.” During WW II he served in the South Pacific, including assignments to Kwajalein, Guam, Tinian and Okinawa. He earned the rank of Staff Sergeant and was discharged in March of 1946.

Domenick was a member of the Sgt. John W. Cook Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #395 in St. James, NY for many years, serving as Commander, Quartermaster and Chaplain. To benefit needy veterans, Domenick raised record-breaking funds through the VFW's Buddy Poppy program, earning national recognition for his efforts. At the time of his death, he served as Chaplain for the Peter Andrews Memorial VFW Post #7337 in Castleton, NY. Domenick was a Fourth Degree Knight in the Knights of Columbus.

Domenick was actively involved with the Eagle Scout program and was known for his heart felt rendition of “God Bless America” – Rest in Peace Dominick.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at St. Mary’s Church in Albany, NY, followed by interment at New Sacred Heart Cemetery in Castleton, NY. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in his name to the Eternal World Television Network (EWTN), 5817 Old Leeds Road, Irondale, AL 35210.

Frank J. Henn

Frank J. Henn, of Holtsville, NY, passed away on December 31, 2019 at the age of 93. They Shall Not Be Forgotten. Proud Veteran United States Army WWII. He was the beloved husband of the late Elaine. Cherished father of James (Virginia), Pamela (Patrick) O’Keeffe, Joanne (Thomas) Dethloff, and Kevin (Theresa). Loving grandfather of 12 and great grandfather of five. Dear brother of Dorothy Leskody, Joan Ruberti, and Donald (Barbara) Henn. He is survived by many other family members and friends.

A Funeral Mass was celebrated at St. Mark’s R.C. Church, Shoreham, NY. Interment followed with Military Honors at Calverton National Cemetery. Arrangements were entrusted to the professional care of the Branch Funeral Home of Miller Place and the Vigliante family.

Richard Knickerbocker

Richard Knickerbocker, of Smithtown, NY, passed away on December 22, 2019 at the age of 81. Retired 26 year veteran of the Suffolk County Police Department and a veteran of the U.S. Air Force. Beloved husband of the late Margaret. Loving father of Christopher and the late Richard. Adored brother of Kay Rottela. He is survived by many nieces and nephews and other family members and friends.

A religious service was celebrated at the Branch Funeral Home. Interment followed with Military Honors at Calverton National Cemetery. Arrangements were entrusted to the professional care of the Branch Funeral Home of Smithtown and the Vigliante family.
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A Funeral Mass was celebrated at Saint Anthony of Padua R.C. Church. Interment followed at Calverton National Cemetery.

Arrangements were entrusted to the professional care of the Branch Funeral Home of Miller Place and the Vigliante family.

Edward H.L. Smith

Edward H.L. Smith, (Ned), a long time resident of St. James passed away on December 29, 2019 at the age of 70. He was a direct descendant of Richard Smith, founder of Smithtown. He was active with the Suffolk County Historical Society, New York Historical Genealogical Society, Manhattan and former teacher at the Knox School. Loving son of Catherine and the late Edward H.L. Smith. Cherished brother of Moira Scheuring, Libby Smith, Richard, Edmund, Daniel, Susanne Smith. Adored Uncle to Michael Scheuring, Cathy Smith and Mary Smith. Loving great uncle to Caleb Scheuring.

A Funeral Mass was held at Sts. Philip & James R.C. Church in St. James. Interment followed at St. James Episcopal Cemetery, St. James. In lieu of flowers donations to the Knox School and St. Bonaventure University made in memory of Edward would be appreciated.

Mr. Smith’s funeral arrangements were professionally supervised by the Maher family and staff of the St. James Funeral Home.

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KNOX SCHOOL POETRY COMPETITION...

The Knox School hosted its annual Poetry Out Loud competition. In an all-school assembly, participants were required to recite two poems from memory, one more challenging than the next. Congratulations to Seniors Mateja Markovic and Jaylon Boone for winning the 2019 Poetry Out Loud competition. These young men will compete at the semifinals at Stony Brook University on February 3, 2020 against students from other local high schools. Congratulations to all the participants on their outstanding performances during the competition: Isabella Halpin, Aaron Bogart, Declan Morrell-Smith, Christian Wiggins, Mateja Markovic, Jaylon Boone, Ryan Grigoletto, Mohamed Tandja and Eliza Bashirian.

SMITHTOWN HS EAST STUDENTS DELIVER HOLIDAY CHEER...

Smithtown High School East Family, Career and Community Leaders of America Club made 28 holiday wreaths for residents at Luxor at Mills Pond Nursing and Rehab Center. The club members visited the nursing home on December 10, 2019 and played Pokeno with the residents. The wreaths were prizes for the winners. At the end of the game, all the residents got a wreath. Photo courtesy of Smithtown Central School District.

An Inside Look at Smithtown East High School’s Library

continued from page 66 classes, who were working on their class project. The project has multiple components and the library assisted the students in finding the best resources.

On the other side of the library, the AP Capstone Research students were finalizing their project presentations. Their teacher and Ms. Kliphuis were circulating to assist them with this next phase of their research.
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7. Don’t spend more than you make. This would be the first and foremost resolution each and every year. If you can keep this one, at least you’ll be off to a good start.

Most studies show that only 8% of people keep their resolutions after the first three months of the year. Hopefully, by setting a manageable number of goals, sticking to a plan and congratulating yourself (perhaps with a glass of prosecco) for hitting milestones along the way, your resolutions could last all of 2020 and beyond.

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Even though I knew he was trying to be kind and willing to sacrifice a contract for my benefit, I didn’t appreciate his implication that I wouldn’t be around long enough to enjoy the room.

As soon as Arlo left, I went to work and placed him at the top of one other list that I keep updated and never forget who is on it. Come to think of it, maybe a bucket would be a handy item to have around for this one.

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by John Taratunio
1928 - 2018

When I look at old pictures
It's wonderful to see
Many loved ones from the past
Smiling back at me

The memories I get
From each smile I see
I feel they never left
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