

# R-UTN Newsletter

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# **SPRING LUNCHEON**

Thursday MAY 18, 2017 12:00pm

# Long Island Museum Formerly The Carriage House 1200 NY-25A Stony Brook, NY 11790 631-751-0066



# Menu

Heroes, wraps and salads

Includes Soft Drinks, Coffee, Tea and Dessert No Alcoholic Beverages Permitted

\$25 per person –Includes Museum Building Passes

Make checks payable to R-UTN for \$25 and mail to Dave Hosie, 19 Jay Court, Northport, NY 11768. If bringing a guest, please send name(s) to Dave.

**RSVP by May 8, 2017** 

If you are bringing a raffle prize be there by 11:30 am

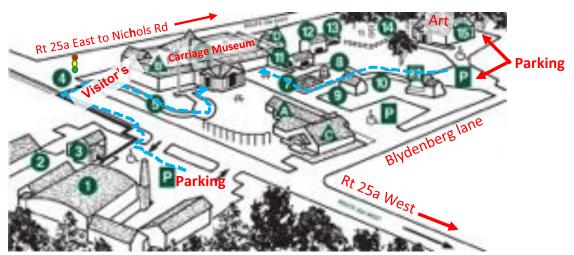
### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE Frances La Duca

Welcome Spring - and I hope to welcome you to our Annual Spring Luncheon May 18<sup>th</sup>. This year we are trying something new. Thanks to <u>Larry and Anne Ryan</u> (docents at the Long Island Museum) we have arranged for a buffet lunch at the Long Island Museum in Stony Brook. In addition to our lunch and traditional raffles, attendees will receive free passes to the museum. The museum closes at 5:00, so there will be plenty of time to explore the exhibits. The galleries featuring horse-drawn carriages were recently renovated – and they are gorgeous. Three special exhibits will be open for viewing as well. "Brilliant Partners" focuses on the creative endeavors of Judith Leiber and Gerson Leiber. The exhibit will include about 130 of Judith's world famous handbags and about 50 works of abstract art by Gerson. "Edible Eden" celebrates in art the agricultural and maritime history of Long Island. About 20 works depicting farming life on Long Island in the Nineteenth Century will be on display. The third exhibit "Midnight Rum" provides an opportunity to look at the Prohibition era and its impact on those living on Long Island.

Because of the fragile nature of the carriage collection, there are special conditions for our luncheon. We cannot serve alcohol and **potted plants as raffle gifts or table decorations are not allowed**. Obviously, there is no smoking anywhere on the property.

Those who are bringing raffle items should call Fran 631-368-1545 by May 11<sup>th</sup> to reserve space on the raffle table. Please arrive at the Museum by 11:30. This will give us time to arrange how much space we need for display and to have everything in place before others arrive. This makes selling tickets more efficient. Thanks for your cooperation.

### Parking is available at the visitor's building and behind the Art Gallery -



Guides will be available to help you find your way to the luncheon site.

# Simplifying your life insurance options

As an educated consumer, you realize the earlier in life that you purchase life insurance, the cheaper the premiums will likely be. You're also aware that life insurance offers financial protection for your dependents upon your death, helping to cover the costs of funeral and burial expenses; assistance to help with your children's education; and offering financial assistance with paying debts and other expenses.

It can be overwhelming, though, trying to determine the best type of life insurance policy. Let's take a look at some of the different types of life insurance options available.

### **#1: Whole Life Insurance**

- This type of insurance is usually the most costly since policies are guaranteed to remain in force as long as premiums are paid. Whole life insurance offers permanent protection with premiums that never increase and builds cash

value you can borrow against while you are living (like a loan). *Important*: Understand that you will reduce your death benefit if you don't repay loans with interest and will no longer have coverage if you surrender the policy.

#2: Term Life Insurance – This type of insurance pays a benefit in the event of the death of the insured during a specified term, offering a fixed rate of payments during that time period. Once that period ends, coverage at the previous premium rate is not guaranteed and the insured would need to get

further coverage. Term life insurance (and its level term life cousin) is designed only to protect your dependents if you were to die prematurely -- offering NO cash value.

#3: Level Term Life Insurance – Like term life insurance, level term life insurance pays a benefit in the event of the death of the insured during a specific time period. Premiums may not be

increased during the time period due to change in your age or health status.

"Term life and level term life policies are often popular options for those individuals with young families since there is a greater need for life insurance protection. They also tend to be much less expensive than their whole life counterparts. If you are considering a term or level term life policy, make sure to consider how long you would need the coverage."

### #4: Universal Life

Insurance – This type of insurance offers a way to protect your dependents while building tax-deferred cash value. While the cost of a universal life plan needs to be covered so the policy remains in force, the policyholder has the option to adjust how much he or she will pay in premiums each year. Policyholders can also access a portion of the balance without affecting the

guaranteed death benefit as the cash value accumulates over time.

Keep in mind that NYSUT members & their spouses/certified domestic partners can help protect their dependents from life's uncertainties with a variety of NYSUT Member Benefits-endorsed life insurance plans. Many of these plans offer group rates not available to the general public along with additional convenience and savings opportunities.

For more information about these plans, visit the Member Benefits website at *memberbenefits.nysut.org* or call **800-626-8101**.



For information about contractual endorsement arrangements with providers of endorsed programs, please contact NYSUT Member Benefits. Agency fee payers to NYSUT are eligible to participate in NYSUT Member Benefits-endorsed programs.

### In Memorium

**Bill Hall, retired President of the United Teachers of Northport**, passed away on January 7 and the Northport – East Northport community lost one of its most dedicated educators. Bill is survived by his wife Gloria, also a retired Northport teacher.

Bill taught English and Social Studies at Middleville Junior High School and was actively involved in the UTN throughout his career in the classroom. He served as UTN vice president under Mike Barbara and was elected president in 1978, a position he held for the next twenty-one years until retirement in 1999.

Bill is remembered by colleagues as an exceptional teacher who was deeply loved by his students. He was a lifelong educator and advocate for public education. In retirement he worked tirelessly for many causes, most notably his support for the needs of military veterans. As a member of the **R-UTN Executive Board** he chaired the Community Action Committee and was responsible for many charitable endeavors. In his last years Bill was burdened by Parkinson's disease, but as shared by R-UTN Vice President Joann Kroon, "He has always been a caring, funny, bright and articulate gentlemen who never allowed his disease to destroy his compassion and work on behalf of others. He lived life with passion and joy...."

Our community has lost one of the "good guys," and as written in the **Tao Te Ching**, "Those who die without being forgotten get longevity." Bill Hall will live for a very long time.

**BOB HYNES** of Hilton Head Island, SC, passed away on March 3, 2017, at the age of 71.Bob spent four decades as an educator and administrator in the Northport-East Northport (NY) School District. He **taught junior high school physical education**, served as the **district's Athletic Director**, and **coached baseball** during his time in the schools. Bob was a member of numerous community organizations in and around Northport. Whereas he received numerous honors during his professional life, he was always most proud of the role he was able to play in the lives of those young people fortunate enough to have known him. After his retirement, and move to SC, he remained active in the community, including a leadership role with a local golf club, and the delivery of meals to families in need in the low country. He will be dearly missed. Published in *Newsday* on Mar. 19, 2017

ED SORENSON, long-time librarian at Ocean Avenue and Northport Middle School, passed away last October. He was also an adjunct teacher of library science for many years at C. W. Post College. "Ask Ed" requests at Northport Middle led to his many participations in the school newspaper, yearbook, school garden planting, faculty skit shows, and several more.

In retirement, Ed and his wife Helen lived in both Charleston, SC and Niskayuna, NY to be near their adult children. His upbeat personality will be missed by all.

# This and That

**RIDE FOR LIFE:** And the wheels on his chair go 'round, 'round, 'round...once again our beloved <u>Chris Pendergast</u> sets off on his annual Ride For Life beginning on May 4 at Monument Park in Yankee Stadium and finishing up in our nation's capital, Washington, D.C. on May 15.

Twenty-four years ago Chris was diagnosed with ALS (Lou Gehrig's disease), and this Ride will almost replicate his first, TWENTY YEARS AGO!! During this time Chris and his volunteer-run organization, his devoted family, and many friends have helped to raise millions of dollars for research, patient support and care, scholarships for children of family members afflicted with ALS, as well as public awareness of the dreadful disease.

We salute our colleague and wish him well on his journey. Follow his travels on the website (ALSRideForLife.org/) or watch News 12 as reporter Elizabeth Hashagen again highlights his quest. Shoot him a text or email (or even a donation!!) and let him know you're thinking of him! Check out the Facebook page: www.facebook.com/ALSRideForLife

### **Township Theatre Group presents:** <u>MESHUGGAH-NUNS</u> by Dan Groggin

The Little Sisters of Hoboken set sail on an ecumenical cruise. During a storm, most of the passengers become sick, including the ship's entertainers – the cast of *Fiddler on the Roof*. Only the actor playing Tevye is spared from illness, so the Sisters agree to help him put on a show. From Sister Amnesia's attempt at magic to the sing-along "Fiddlerspiel", this installment of the Nunsense series is a humorous collision of religions. A show for anyone who loves a good laugh!

- 2:00 pm Sundays, May 7, 14 and 21, 2017
- 8:00 pm Saturdays, May 13 and 20
- · Production will be presented at
- The Theater at Temple Beth El
- 660 Park Avenue, Huntington, NY 11743
  - Door prices: \$25 Seniors/Students \$22

### To obtain discounted tickets

Call TheatreMania at 1-866-811-4111 or order online at <a href="www.townshiptheatregroup.org">www.townshiptheatregroup.org</a> and receive a \$3.00 discount per full-priced ticket. Not applicable for Senior/Student price which is already discounted. You may also bring this to the box office to receive your discount. Call first to be sure tickets are available: <a href="631-213-9832">631-213-9832</a>

<u>Dr. Renee O'Brien</u>, Professor of Photography, SUNY Adirondack, has a photograph on display at the National Media Museum, UK, in the exhibition *Poetics of Light: Pinhole Photography* (March 16 - June 25) organized by the New Mexico History Museum, Sante Fe, New Mexico. Her publication, *The Post-Romantic Vision of Contemporary Pinhole Photographers*, is included in the Pinhole Resource collection archived at the New Mexico History Museum. Renee moved upstate to "retire", make art, and work part time at local colleges but be it may, she returned to full time teaching in 2008 to head the digital photography program at SUNY Adirondack, gem of a community college minutes from Lake George

<u>Bill Ingui's wife</u>, Dr. Mary Ingui, will soon have a book published titled *Trauma and Tenacity in Vietnam*; a *Surgeon's Story*.



### RETIRED TEACHERS OF NORTHPORT 45 GARFIELD PLACE EAST NORTHPORT, NY 11731

### First Class Mail

TO

## CLASSIC DENIAL

Submitted by Joe Burton

- Global warming is a hoax
- The Holocaust never happened
- Hitler is alive
- Coal-fired plants burn cleanly
- Justice can be bought
- Russians don't hack U.S. computers
- Trump accounting is smart
- Nuclear waste is biodegradable
- Men are smarter than women
- Muslims are terrorists
- Jews rule the world
- WWII had nothing to do with WWI
- There are good times to insult women
- Indians deserved to be annihilated
- Japanese-Americans and German-Americans deserved to be put into U.S. camps
- Teachers are over-paid

### **Child Abuse Prevention Services**

(CAPS)

32<sup>nd</sup> Annual Spring Luncheon
Thursday, April 20, 2017
11 a.m. to 2 p.m.
The Carltun Eisenhower Park, East Meadow

CAPS Community Leadership Award Honoree and Speaker: **Emily Lindin** 

 Author Filmmaker, and Founder of The UnSlut Project

CAPS Champion for change Award Honoree and Speaker: Allyson Pereira

Anti-bullying/Sexting Advocate

CAPS Corporate Citizen Award: Campolo, Middleton & McCormick, LLP