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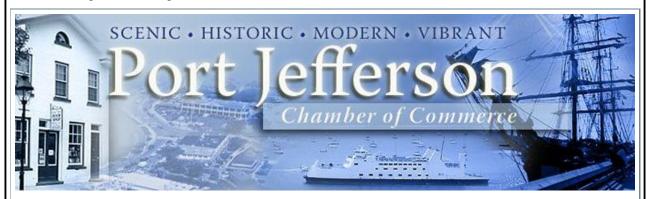
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#### **NEXT MEETINGS:**

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#### Dear Barbara,

# Happy New Year!

2012 was a productive year for the Chamber with consistent and supportive membership, thank you! All remediations and repairs have been completed to the Chamber office due to hurricane Sandy as well as freshening up our upstairs studio apartment with new paint and rugs. Our longstanding tenant Michael moved after 10 years and we are currently advertising for a new renter. Other major items include the complete re-landscaping of the Chamber's grounds, 2 NEW events-our 'Clam Eating & Shucking' contest during the new Boater's Maritime Festival and a dockside reception on the HSM Bounty Tall Ship, and much to our sadness learning of the ship's sinking during hurricane Sandy. In addition we helped produce a Village App and played a strong role in the advancement of the new information kiosks located around the Village.

Luckily our winter season has been very mild. The weather has been sublime! We are now planning some of our 2013 sponsored events. Our Health & Wellness Expo is April 20th and we are accepting exhibitor applications now. In very preliminary discussions there is potential planning for a innovative and exciting event scheduled for 2014-'Dragon Boat' races in our harbor. Stay tuned for further developments!

So, 2013 is off to a great start and the Chamber is always here to serve you. Please renew your membership if you have not already done so. Our Board of Directors works tirelessly to help bring continued benefits to the general membership and to the business community as a whole. Hope to see you all at our next GMM January 22nd at Uncle Giuseppe's in Port Jefferson Station at 8:00 am!

Suzanne Velazquez
Port Jefferson Chamber President

# **CHAMBER CHATTER**

News To Share? Submit to info@portjeffchamber.com

#### **Dickens Festival**



All Dickens Characters



Hot Rods



Santa Coming Down Main St



In case you all have not heard, our Chamber was named 2012 'People of the Year' with director of operations-Barbara Ransome at "the helm and taking care of Village business" by the Port Times Record. A great honor for our Chamber and community.

Look for the Grand Opening for new Chamber Partner, 'La Parrilla' restaurant for the very beginning of March. Located at 9 Traders Cove in Port Jefferson, the cuisine will be traditional Spanish and American food.

Anyone NEED some FREE brand new color ink jets for their printer?? Ron Schlumpf owner of Arame has some for a HP 920 printer because of a current upgrade. Please call him at 631-331-6633.

Our 2013 elections have been completed and congratulations to our NEW Chamber Director, Ilene Fuss owner of Edible Arrangements of Stony Brook. Also the re-election of Chamber Directors-Leah Dunaief publisher of the Times Beacon Record Newspaper and Susan Micklel from Chase Bank. Their formal installation will be at our February 26th general membership meeting at Danfords.

Learn about 'Quickbooks' sponsored by the SBA of Stony Brook. Three workshops, February 12th, 19th, and 26th from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Location: Stony Brook SBDC, room 109. Cost: \$125, call for more information 631-632-9837 or email <a href="mailto:sbdc@stonybrook.edu">sbdc@stonybrook.edu</a>.

The NEW Port Jefferson APP is live! You may get the FREE APP through Apple or other APP stores. There is some tweaking and re-defining for better clarification, but it is live and was a huge partnering effort for the Chamber and the Village. Congrats to US!



# **Candle Light House Tours**



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Interior of Snaden Home



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# **CANDLE LIGHT HOUSE TOUR 2012**

The Chamber sponsored Dickens' House Tour was very successful this year. With 7 private homes and Theatre Three as the hospitality center, the evening was well attended by 400 participants. The weather held out and all the homes were adorned for the holidays including our Jewish home for Hanukah.

Attendees patiently waited to enter each home where the owners were decked-out in period customs and warmly welcomed all their new guests.

This event helps to raise money that goes towards the Chamber's operational budget. This year the Chamber also made an agreement with the Village to give them 20% of the net profit from the tour as well.

Many thanks to the committee, Joy Pipe of East End Shirt Co., Ken Kroncke of L.I. Business News and Jolie Powell of Jolie Powell Realty

# SANTA PARADE

Saturday November 24th brought Santa to the Village in the Chamber's annual Santa Parade. Traditionally by horse and carriage supplied by Jimmy Miller of Miller Marine, Our steed 'Oreo' was appropriately decked out in his reindeer antlers and bells. The parade has doubled in its size these past years and 3 new floats were added.

Other new additions included our Chamber Partners, Friends of the Port Jefferson Library and North Country Animal Hospital, not to forget our constant participants the L.I. Street Rod Association with endless streams of 'hot' cars.

The parade circled the Village and ended at the Santa Workshop on the corner of Barnum and W. Broadway. This magical and whimsical converted historic house is created by Pat Darling. Each room is carefully orchestrated with volumes of detail representing the joys of the holiday season. Santa arrives in his carriage and is received by all the children. Long lines continued

Interior of Glancy Home

### **Ride With Santa Contest**



November 24th Poster Winners

Alex Carman
Parents Veronica & Arthur
Mrs. Zvokel's Class

Morgan Hurney Parents Pearl & Walter Mrs. Kelly's Class



Morgan's Santa Poster



down the block and all children got a treat from Santa. This year our new Santa was played by Richard Murphy and he did an outstanding job!

Our thanks go to our special parade coordinators and Chamber Directors, Maryanne Douglas and Joanne Frischling. Mrs. Claus played by Chamber Director Joanne Cornell and to our parade mascot Oreo and his owner Jimmy Miller.

# **BCCC AWARD**

The Brookhaven Chamber of Commerce Coalition is once again offering their 'Small Business Improvement Award Grant. The Port Jefferson Chamber and their members are eligible to submit their letters of request. Guidelines and contact info are below.

#### **Small Business Improvement Award-\$1,200:**

- Business may not be larger than 50 employees
- Business must be a member of their local chamber or any chamber in the Town of Brookhaven.
- That chamber must be a member of the BCCC in good standing.
- Only Business owners or main principles of the business may submit an application for the award.
- Proof of ownership or entitlement (manager, executive) must be presented with the application.
- Requests for the award will be judged by how beneficial the money will be used to improve the business. i.e. updating and purchasing equipment, capital improvements, professional services; i.e. consulting evaluations, business plans, marketing strategies, promotional advertising, signs, energy efficient improvements-lighting, insulation etc.

\*Money may not be used to supplement operating expenses of the business.

\*Proof of expenditure must be presented 6 months after the award, unless other pre-approved arrangements have been made.

Letters of request must be emailed to <a href="mailto:bransome@optonline.net">bransome@optonline.net</a> with BCCC 'Small Business Improvement Award' in the subject area. ALL requests MUST BE EMAILED BY MARCH 1st DEADLINE.

All awards will be given out at our Annual Member of the Year Reception to be held April 18, 2013 at Windows on the Lake, in Ronkonkoma.

All questions can be directed to Barbara Ransome at 631-474-5019 or email at <a href="mailto:bransome@optonline.net">bransome@optonline.net</a>



Alex's Santa Poster

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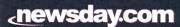


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