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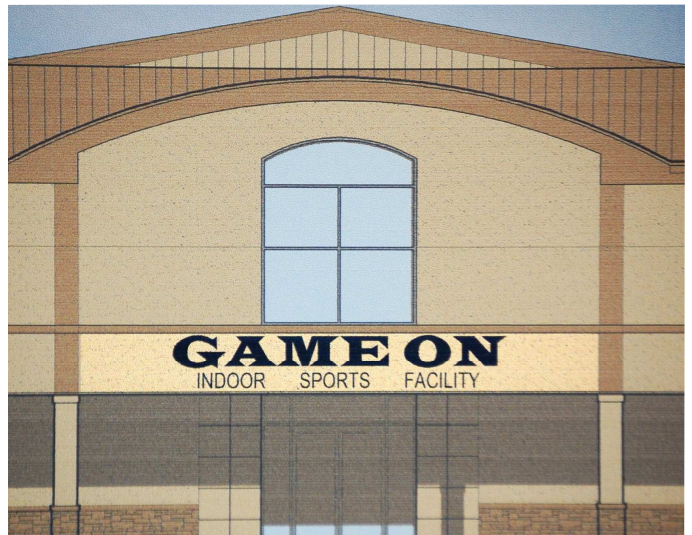
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Each Week in March as we Feature  
Video Coverage of:



Jim Carbone for Amityville Mayor  
Because "It's Time for a Change" March 1<sup>st</sup>-7<sup>th</sup>



Game On **Indoor Sports Facility** Proposal  
by Coach Dean D'Amico March 8<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup>



Paddy's Loft **Pub & Restaurant** Offers a Great Meal,  
Music & Drinks in a Pleasant Environment March 15<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup>



Baseball Season Begins with L.I. Picture Frame & Art  
Gallery's **Autographed Memorabilia** March 22<sup>nd</sup>- 28<sup>th</sup>

From the Editor's Desk

This month, March, so aptly named after the Roman God of War, Mars, may be coming in like a lion, but, as promised by the age old proverb, should go out like a lamb. We steadily "march" on through the cold and wind as we approach the light at the end of the tunnel: Spring. We pause to consider Spring is the time of new hope and fertility. With Mars as our guidance this month, we confront real or perceived hardships in life, whether personal or professional, and conquer.

It is with strength and an optimistic eye that we look toward the renaissance of Spring and its symbolic regeneration of life as we envision it. Seek out goodwill, fortune and opportunity. Carry confidence and vigor in March. Plant seeds of hope and witness your seedlings take root in the hearts and minds of "Pequans" & "Villians." We have much to rejoice in our lives and have each other in interdependence. What better time to celebrate our unity than on St. Patrick's Day on the 17<sup>th</sup>. Set your clocks ahead one hour to reflect Daylight Saving Time on the 8<sup>th</sup> and enjoy the gift of precious time.

-Carah A. Naseem, March 2009



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### Up-Coming **Events** in March (Details on the "Events" Calendar)

- 3/1 Fifth Annual **Polar Bear Plunge** to Benefit The United Cerebral Palsy Assoc. of N.C. **378-2000 Ext.648**
  - 3/1 Tony Ventiera sworn in as **Sons of Italy** President @ Stuart Thomas Manor **845-1151**
  - 3/1 **Natalie Ciappa** "Not My Child" Fundraiser @ Mulcahy's from 3-7 PM. \$25 admission **785-9398**
  - 3/5 Psychic Night at The Victorian **Tea Room**. \$25 for Tarot and \$40 for psychic reading **249-1972**
  - 3/5 Town of Oyster Bay **Blood Drive** @ the Town Hall South **624-6304**
  - 3/6 **John Roper** and the Bob Knight Four at Sergio's – Dinner & Entertainment **541-6554**
  - 3/8 **Purim Carnival** from 1-4 p.m. at the Mid Island Y JCC **822-3535 x317**
  - 3/10 Young Survivor's Network **Breast Cancer** Support Group @ The Praise Tabernacle **731-3553**
  - 3/12 "Take Control of Your **Financial** Future" for **Women** at 12:00 noon with Thomas Raad **797-0243**
  - 3/12 "**Investing** 101 Workshop" Begins at 7:00 p.m. Thomas Raad, Edward Jones Financial Advisor **797-0243**
  - 3/13 A Touch of **Elvis** at Sergio's, Dinner & Entertainment **541-6554**
  - 3/14 **St. Patrick's** Corned Beef & Cabbage Dinner Dance at the American Legion Post 1066 **795-7333**
  - 3/14 Town of Oyster Bay's 21<sup>st</sup> Annual **Dune Grass** Planting @ Tobay Beach 10:00 a.m. **677-5943**
  - 3/15 Soprano Giovanna Fierro Distinguished Artists **Concert** @ Farmingdale Public Library **249-9090**
  - 3/16 General Membership Meeting at the **American Legion**, Post 1066 **795-1504**
  - 3/17 St. Patrick's Day at **Paddy's Loft** **798-7660**
  - 3/18 Incorporated Village of Massapequa Park **Election**
  - 3/18 Incorporated Village of Amityville **Election**
  - 3/19 **Dress for Success** @ The Blue Firmament Holistic Center with Long Island Women in Power **640 8618**
  - 3/22 American Chamber Ensemble Distinguished **Artists** Performance @ Massapequa Public Library **799-0770**
  - 3/24 and 3/25 **FREE** Dinner seminar at IL Classico "Navigating Through Market Volatility"  
with the BP Group Financial Advisory Team of Merrill Lynch **(877) 693-8376**
  - 3/26 Massapequa **Chamber** of Commerce Luncheon @ Hudson's Mill **541-1443**
  - 3/26 "Game On" parking variance hearing @ Town Hall in support of **Coach Dean D'Amico** 7:30 pm **795-8359**
  - 3/27 A Touch of **Elvis** at Sergio's, Dinner & Entertainment **541-6554**
  - 3/28 Massapequa **Philharmonic** presents Korbinian Altenberger @ Berner Middle School **797-6080**
- Vendors WANTED & Applications NOW Available for Chamber of Commerce Annual  
Community Festival on May 24, 2009 541-1443**

# Who's Who & When

Starting the March video line-up on massapequaNEWS.com, amityvilleNEWS.com and LongIslandNEWS.info, we speak with Jim Carbone, the mayoral candidate for the Village of Amityville. From March 1<sup>st</sup> through the 7<sup>th</sup>, Jim discusses the upcoming March 18<sup>th</sup> election and his belief in "It's time for a change!" Voters have an opportunity to help curb wasteful and unnecessary spending, institute rational planning and determine the future course of Amityville Village.

A Merchant Marine Academy graduate with investment banking and real estate experience, Jim announced his candidacy for election as Mayor of Amityville and pledges to (1) bring openness and transparency to local government; (2) stabilize and seek to lower the escalating tax rate; and (3) provide greater assurance of public safety.

The son of a New York City policeman, Jim is a strong advocate of consistent and fair public safety. He emphasizes his concern with the state of the Village as it exists now and cites specifically the potential hazardous conditions of the Village roads. Jim wishes to restore Amityville's status as the ever-inviting "village on the bay," whilst also assuaging tax burdens and laying down a strong management plan allowing for businesses to thrive. With his longtime experience in banking, he is a prime candidate for such a task. He urges Amityville residents to vote for **Jim Carbone** on March 18<sup>th</sup> because "It's time for a change!"

From March 8<sup>th</sup> through March 14<sup>th</sup>, we bring you video footage of Dean D'Amico, a Massapequa dad, husband, business owner and coach. Concerned with the negative influences of substance abuse which were becoming prevalent among the youth on Long Island, Coach Dean is proposing to construct and operate an indoor sports facility on Old Sunrise Highway. The facility will be big enough to enclose a 100'x180' soccer field and will accommodate indoor lacrosse, basketball, baseball, football, as well as speed and agility training! Tentatively named "Game On," it will be located across the street from the Field of Dreams at 5640 Old Sunrise Highway in Massapequa.

One of the main purposes of establishing this sports facility is to make sports readily available to the residents of our community, who in the past have had to travel to other towns to meet their athletic needs. Game On was created as a solution to the ever-increasing concern of residents to keep the youth of our community engaged in positive, healthy behaviors.

This sporting facility will seek to create an alternate route for our children – one more avenue to travel on the road to constructive, health-conscious habits. Coach Dean gives the youth of this community a competitive edge in life to sway them away from harmful influences and toward a healthful lifestyle!

Coach Dean has made an application to the Town of Oyster Bay for a Special Use Permit to build this facility, to be named "Game On" and asks for this community's assistance. Due to the facility's size, there is limited space for on-location parking. A hearing will be held on March 26<sup>th</sup> at Town Hall at 7:30 p.m. to appeal for a parking variance, which would allow Game On to include on-street parking for its attendees and Coach Dean asks for you to support this solution in our community! Simply attend the hearing on the 26<sup>th</sup> and/or turn this Print Edition over and assist Coach Dean by filling out the letter of support and mailing it to him.

From March 15<sup>th</sup> to the 21<sup>st</sup>, we will be featuring a video of Paddy's Loft, the local Irish pub and restaurant which hosts an entire month of St. Patrick's celebrations. All day and all night, Noel and Paddy's Loft are the epitome of Irish, perfect for your St. Patrick's celebration!

View the Paddy's Loft video to understand Paddy Cannon's creed, *"A pub should be a friendly place, an extension of your home, where you and your friends are always welcome, where you can treat yourself to a great meal, some music and a few drinks in a pleasant environment."*

Whether you are meeting friends after work, looking for an intimate dining experience or planning a catered affair, let Paddy's Loft exceed your expectations. Contact Noel at **798-7660**.

Finally, from March 22<sup>nd</sup> through the 28<sup>th</sup> we continuously stream the video of Long Island Picture Frame & Art Gallery launching the 2009 baseball season. Yankee and Mets fans alike will indulge in unique, autographed memorabilia gracing the walls of 4780 Sunrise Highway in Massapequa Park. Behind the "art history mural," view an up-close look at the museum-style photographs, picture dynasties, autographs, memorabilia and custom-framed shadowboxes of the Mets and Yankees. In addition to New York baseball memorabilia, enjoy LIPF's basketball, football, golf, hockey, boxing, soccer and NASCAR collectibles! Reach L.I. Picture Frame & Art Gallery at **798-8400** §

**SUPPORT #1:** FILL IN the following information and fax (516) 795.8373 or mail:

Coach Dean D'Amico  
5640 Old Sunrise Highway  
Massapequa, NY 11758

**SUPPORT #2:** Attend the Town hearing on:

March 26<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m.  
Town Hall  
54 Audrey Avenue  
Oyster Bay

March \_\_\_\_, 2009

Town of Oyster Bay Zoning Board of Appeals  
54 Audrey Avenue  
Oyster Bay, NY 11771

Re: Indoor Sports Facility: Zoning Board Application NO. 93630  
5640 Old Sunrise Highway, Massapequa, NY

Dear Members of the Zoning Board,

Please be advised that I am the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_.  
(title) (name of family or organization)

In that capacity, I would like to express my family's/organization's support for the approval of the parking variance required to permit the construction of an indoor sports facility at the above-referenced location.

I am also a resident of Massapequa (if applicable) and am familiar with the above location and the immediate surrounding area. I believe that the on-street parking is sufficient to handle the cars that will be generated from one or two games plus the change over period. At the present time, during the outdoor season, most of the parents use the on-street parking when bringing their children to the Field of Dreams facility. This same on-street parking can be used during the indoor winter season for the proposed indoor facility when the Field of Dreams is not in use.

An indoor sports facility would greatly enhance the ability of our players to continue their sports activities through the winter when outdoor fields such as the Field of Dreams are closed. There is a need for this type of facility in the Greater Massapequas. Currently, our players must travel to other communities to find indoor fields and training facilities.

On behalf of \_\_\_\_\_, I urge you to approve the parking variance which is  
(name of family or organization)  
necessary for the development of this facility. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

\_\_\_\_\_  
(signature)

*You are welcomed and encouraged to change the wording and add your own thoughts. While this is a form letter, the Zoning Board appreciates your candid thoughts on the subject.*