

# *Share the Harvest*



LONG ISLAND  
COUNCIL OF CHURCHES

HELPING NEIGHBORS IN NEED

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NOVEMBER 1, 2017 - 6:00 PM - 10:00 PM

CREST HOLLOW COUNTRY CLUB

## *Share the Harvest* *Helping Neighbors in Need*

*Please Join Us in Honoring:*

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*Wednesday, November 1, 2017*

6:00 - 10:00 PM

CREST HOLLOW COUNTRY CLUB  
8325 JERICHO TURNPIKE  
WOODBURY, NY 11797  
516-692-8000

*With Music by*

THE MARC ELLIOT COMBO

\$140 per person

Business or Cocktail Attire

For complete event information visit [www.LICC-NY.org](http://www.LICC-NY.org)

FEEDING PEOPLE OF ALL FAITHS THROUGH THE SUPPORT OF PEOPLE OF MANY FAITHS.





Greetings Members & Friends of Long Island Council of Churches, in order to spread the word on all the good things happening at the Long Island Council of Churches we have activated pages on Facebook, LinkedIn and Twitter. If you use any of these social medias please, like us, follow us or friend us and we will keep you very well informed. Please don't be shy about sharing this information with friends and associates. Please click one of the icons below to be directed to the respective link.



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Thank you and have a blessed day.



*Act by September 30 to give your favorite charity a chance to win!*

## **The Long Island Council of Churches needs your help to help us serve our Neighbors**

September is Whole Grains Month! Even if you're just getting started with whole grains, you can participate in the celebration by **nominating a food bank to win free donations of whole grain foods** like oatmeal, brown rice, cereal, and more. Give your favorite charity a chance to take home the prize—and you may also win a [Mockmill home grain](#) mill for *your* kitchen!

To find a food bank near you, enter your zip code on the:

[Feeding America homepage.](#)

**September 30 is the last day to submit entries**, so nominate your charity today!

**NOMINATE A CHARITY**

# Donating Food?

## Remember the “Freeport Five”



**Step 1:** Choose from The Five food choices below.



### **Protein Foods**

*Nuts, canned  
seafood & poultry*



### **Fruit**

*Packed in juice,  
dried & sauced*



### **Soups**

*With protein  
& vegetables*



### **Whole-Grain**

*Pasta, cereal*



### **Vegetables**

*Colorful, Canned*

**Step 2:** Choose lower sodium & sugar free options

**Step 3:** Drop off @ Freeport Food & Services Boutique

**230 Hanse Ave (Rear), Freeport, New York**

**Monday – Friday 9:30 AM – 4:00 PM // 516.868.4989**

As more families depend on pantries for a greater share of the food they eat, it is even more important that foods offered provide good nutrition.

Thank you for making a healthy difference for those in need.

*Reverend Brenda D. Ford, Freeport Staff & Volunteers.*



**LONG ISLAND  
COUNCIL OF CHURCHES**



Long Island Council of Churches: Two of our representatives attended a meeting at the Health and Welfare Council of Long Island today of the LIVOAD Long Island Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster, who are giving us information, resources and connections that we can share with our members concerning preparing for and handling the aftermath of a disaster.



## Long Island Council of Churches partners with TheBookFairies.org on Literacy Program

The Long Island Council of Churches is proud to announce that they have formed a partnership with “TheBookFairies.org” to make available free books at its three Food and Service Boutique locations in Hempstead, Freeport and Riverhead. The three locations will be adding the books to the list of free products, i.e. food, clothing, shoes, financial training and anti-bullying and anti-domestic violence programs.

The Book Fairies was organized by local Long Island residents to provide books to people who could not afford books. They are located in Freeport, New York.

Amy Zaslansky, Founder of The Book Fairies, declared, “We are excited to partner with Long Island Council of Churches to provide books to people in need. With 1 in 4 New Yorkers growing up without learning how to read, it’s important that all children and adults have access to books.”

The two groups are seeking donations of books for children and adults, including foreign language editions.

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Freeport, NY 11520

[www.licc-ny.org](http://www.licc-ny.org)

[www.thebookfairies.org](http://www.thebookfairies.org)



# **Women for Healing and Networking** **Dinner and Open Forum**



**Thursday, October 5, 2017**  
**6pm – 9:30pm**

Join a community of women committed to healing. Come enjoy a delicious meal, share in networking opportunities and join the conversation, addressing the divisiveness in our world, identifying where we can help and ways to inspire change. This program is open to all communities, races, ethnicities and religions to come together and help one another as we share our concerns and find solutions.

**Brookville Church/Multifaith Campus**  
**2 Brookville Road**  
**Glen Head, NY 11545**

**Moderators/Speakers (partial list):**

Dr. Isma Chaudhry, President, Islamic Center of Long Island  
Rev. Vicky Eastland, Lead Pastor, Brookville Church and Multifaith Campus  
Lesley Mazzotta, Spiritual Director/Founder, *One World Girl*

**\$25 for dinner and program**

**For more information or to RSVP, please contact Lesley Mazzotta at**  
**[lesleym@oneworldgirl.org](mailto:lesleym@oneworldgirl.org) or (917) 623-4554.**

*This dinner is supported by Brookville Refomed Church ; the Islamic Center of Long Island;  
One World Girl; and The Reconstructionist Synagogue of the North Shore.*



# CHURCH GARAGE SALE

Quality items  
to  
basement jumble

**AND**



## Bake Sale

**AND**



**SAT., OCT. 14**

**10AM-4PM**

Rain  
Or  
Shine

**COMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

**2101 William Place, Merrick**



**We will also be accepting donations for  
Hurricane Relief efforts!**

**No vendors please**



# Riverhead Crop Walk

**Sunday, October 15 at 2 pm**

Meet at the Riverhead Congregational Church on Main Street.

*This is our community response to help  
overcome poverty.*

Walkers from churches and groups in Riverhead request sponsors,  
and the money raised will go towards the Church World Service  
and Riverhead food pantries.

*Registration begins at 1 pm.*

The walk is about four miles with police escorts, refreshment stops,  
lots of camaraderie and fun.

*Contact Liz Wines at [lizwines@hotmail.com](mailto:lizwines@hotmail.com) or 631-722-4241  
for your sign-up envelopes.*

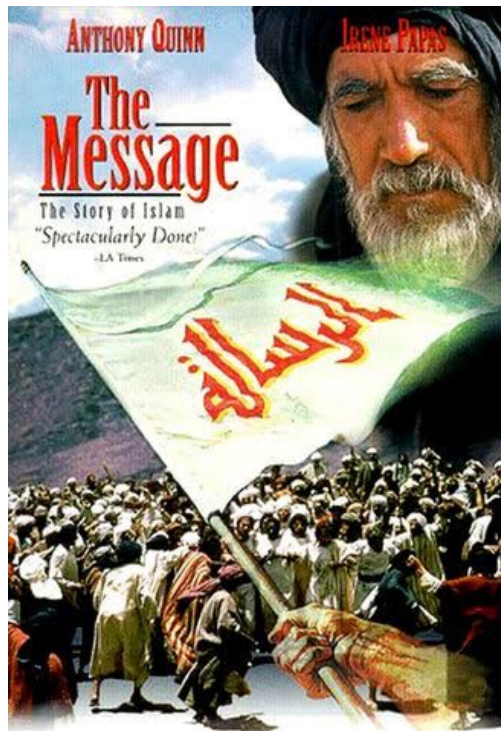
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Old Steeple Community Church

631-722-3070 • [steeplenews@oldsteeplecommunitychurch.org](mailto:steeplenews@oldsteeplecommunitychurch.org)



**AFTERNOON MOVIE**  
**ON THE LIFE OF MUHAMMAD**  
**SUNDAY, OCT. 15**  
**2:30 PM**



Come join us for the viewing of  
**The Message!**

This exciting movie depicts the life of Muhammad along  
with the start of Islam and how the Quran came to be!

**Brookville Multifaith Campus**  
**2 Brookville Road**  
**Glen Head, NY 11545**

The run time of the movie is 2 hours and 28 minutes.

The movie will be followed by a discussion and refreshments!

R.S.V.P. to [brookvillechurch@gmail.com](mailto:brookvillechurch@gmail.com) or (516) 626-0414 (helpful but not mandatory)



# The Bargains and Blessings of Thrift Store Ministry

**Saturday, October 7, 2017**

**9:30 am – 3 pm**

**Mercer School of Theology**

65 Fourth Street, Garden City, NY 11530



## Thrift Stores as Transformative Ministries

Learn how the thrift stores at St. Mark's, Islip, Christ Church, Brentwood and St. John's, Oakdale have helped their communities by transitioning vulnerable people from dependency to independence, raising funds needed to support a parish or outreach ministry, and promoting good stewardship of our earth.

If you have considered a thrift store at your parish, this may be the time to start one. Many thrift stores are experiencing a revival in these economic times as everyone is in search of a great bargain.

Join us for this informative workshop if your parish is considering a thrift store ministry or if your parish is looking to enhance your store in some way. During the first half of the workshop, we will focus on all aspects of this ministry including:

- Best practices in merchandising and retail operations
- Facilitating growth & enhancing store features

- Being relevant - responding to what your community wants and needs
- Strategically handling surplus items and overflow
- Developing enriching partnerships and collaborations
- Managing volunteers and inspiring community service

The second half of this workshop will be a roundtable discussion that will give attendees an opportunity to ask their questions and share their experiences. During this portion, participants will reflect on the ways this work can change lives and transform all those involved, not just the people shopping.

We hope you can join us to explore and consider this ministry and the many ways it can be used to uplift your church's impact and outreach to the wider community.

For more information please contact Franca Floro, EMLI Program Director at 516-248-4800, ext. 149 or [ffloro@dioceseli.org](mailto:ffloro@dioceseli.org)

To register, visit <https://tinyurl.com/EMLI-ThriftStore>



## Long Island

# New York State Career Centers

Convenient NO COST Job Search Services

### Career Counseling

Our counselors will help you assess your needs, skills and interests. They will guide you through a step-by-step approach to your job search and your re-entry into the workforce.

### Resume Development

Expert staff will help you to write and design a resume that gets results. Our SMART program will help match you to job openings. We will show you how to tailor your resume for firms that use resume scanning software and how to market your skills on the Internet.

### Career Workshops

You can explore topics in a group setting, including:

- Job Search Strategies
- Networking
- Salary Negotiations
- Motivational Issues
- Transferring Skills
- Resume Preparation
- Managing Stress
- Finances and Budgeting
- Practice Interviewing
- Obtaining a Job and Keeping It
- Moving Up with Your Employer

### Computers/Internet Access

Job seekers can use our personal computers, equipped with high-speed Internet connections. You'll learn how to tap the Internet to locate jobs around New York State and across the nation. We also have hardware and software for the visually impaired.

### Computer Workshops

We offer workshops in Microsoft Office Applications, QuickBooks, Internet Applications and various graphics programs.

### Adult Basic Education/English as a Second Language

We can refer you to free courses to obtain a high school equivalency diploma (GED) and/or to improve your English-language skills.

### Phones, Faxes and Copiers

We have telephones that allow you to speak privately to prospective employers, both locally and throughout the United States. There are faxes and copiers for your use at no charge, as well as a TDD/TTY line.

### Career Resource Library

Our library has books, videos, newspapers, special directories and other materials related to careers, as well as job search and labor market information.

### Job Search Resources and Job Placement Assistance

Employers throughout New York State list diverse job openings with the Labor Department. Many employers use our centers to conduct on-site interviews. Placement Specialists can help you make a targeted job search.

### Vocational Classroom Training (For Those Who Qualify)

We can provide short-term training for long-term careers. (Subject to funding availability and program regulations.)



### **Internet-Based Job/Talent Bank**

You can use this site to post your resume and search local or national job openings from your home at any hour of the day or night. Go to:  
**[www.laborny.jobs](http://www.laborny.jobs)**

### **Long Island Region New York State Career Centers**

#### **Suffolk County Dept. of Labor Suffolk Works Employment Program**

395 Oser Avenue  
Hauppauge, New York 11788  
631-853-3877  
**[www.suffolkcountyny.gov](http://www.suffolkcountyny.gov)**

#### **Employment Center at Suffolk County Department of Labor**

725 Veterans Memorial Highway  
Hauppauge, New York 11788  
631-853-6600  
**[www.suffolkcountyny.gov](http://www.suffolkcountyny.gov)**

### **Hempstead Works**

Hempstead Executive Plaza  
50 Clinton Street, Suite 400  
Hempstead, New York 11550  
516-485-5000  
**[www.hempsteadworks.com](http://www.hempsteadworks.com)**

### **Hicksville Career Center**

301 W. Old Country Road  
Hicksville, New York 11801  
516-934-8578  
**[www.thewp.org](http://www.thewp.org)**

### **Massapequa Employment Center**

977 Hicksville Road  
Massapequa, New York 11758  
516-797-4560  
**[www.thewp.org](http://www.thewp.org)**

### **New York State Career Center**

160 South Ocean Avenue  
Patchogue, New York 11772  
631-687-4800  
**[www.suffolkcountyny.gov](http://www.suffolkcountyny.gov)**



## “Coming Together For Stronger Communities” Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) and Tax Counseling for the Elderly (TCE)

### FREE TAX PREP FOR YOU

VITA: The VITA program offers FREE tax preparation to low-moderate income taxpayers. IRS-certified volunteers help eligible taxpayers in local communities with the electronic filing of their tax return(s).

TCE: The TCE program offers free tax help for everyone, with priority assistance given to taxpayers who are 60 years of age and older, specializing in questions about pensions and retirement issues unique to seniors.

### SELF-HELP TAX PREP

In addition to traditional face-to-face tax preparation, the IRS offers a self-assistance service at many VITA/TCE locations. If individuals have a simple tax return and need a little help to prepare it or do not have access to a computer, they can visit one of the participating tax preparation sites and an IRS-certified volunteer will guide them through the process. You can also use [www.MyFreeTaxes.com](http://www.MyFreeTaxes.com) if you have a computer available; you can do it from the comfort of your own home if your adjusted gross income is below \$67,000.

### WHERE DO I GO TO GET MY TAX RETURN PREPARED?

#### FIND A VITA SITE NEAR YOU

There are thousands of VITA sites located across the country. You may find a site near you year-round, but most sites are open between January and April. To find a site near you use the VITA Locator Tool on <http://irs.treasury.gov/freetaxprep/> or call **1-800-906-9887**.

#### FIND A TCE/AARP TAX-AIDE SITE NEAR YOU:

The AARP Foundation's Tax Aide Program operates most TCE sites. To locate the nearest TCE site or AARP Tax-Aide site use the AARP Site Locator Tool on [www.aarp.org/applications/VMISLocator/searchTaxAideLocations.action](http://www.aarp.org/applications/VMISLocator/searchTaxAideLocations.action) or call

**1-888-227-7669.**

**Note:** Every taxpayer must use the correct Social Security Number (SSN) or Individual Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN). If you do not have a SSN or ITIN for you or your dependent(s), complete Form SS-5, Social Security Number Application. Then submit Form SS-5 to the nearest Social Security Administration Office. For individuals that need to get an ITIN they must attach Form W-7 for each Individual claimed with their completed return along with other required documents necessary for the Form W-7 to be validated.

### POSITIVE ASPECT OF THE VITA/TCE PROGRAM

1. Partners and volunteers will bring dollars and other valuable resources into their communities.
2. Volunteers will learn beneficial career building skills, business skills, and financial insights.
3. Partners and volunteers will provide taxpayers with free tax preparation, and financial guidance to help increase their income, build savings, and gaining and sustaining assets.
4. Volunteers will receive free IRS specialized tax preparation training.
5. Volunteers and taxpayers will become familiar with valuable deductions, allowable expenses, and tax credits.
6. Volunteers with PTINs can earn CE credits for instructing certain courses, tax preparation, and quality reviewing tax returns.
7. Student volunteers can earn community services hours and possible credits.

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**Get Your Taxes  
Prepared for Free!**

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# "Coming Together For Stronger Communities"

## Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) and Tax Counseling for the Elderly (TCE)

### HOW CAN I BECOME A VOLUNTEER?

If you are interested in becoming a VITA/TCE volunteer please send an e-mail to the IRS at [TaxVolunteer@IRS.gov](mailto:TaxVolunteer@IRS.gov) with your name, contact information, and the city and state where you would like to volunteer, or feel free to call **1-800-906-9887**.

### Bring Money and Resources Into Your Community!

#### IRS RESOURCES & SUPPORT THROUGH PARTNERSHIPS

IRS-SPEC has cultivated a network of over 60 national partners, 4,600 local partners, and nearly 89,000 volunteers that provide:

1. Outreach and marketing materials.
2. Technical and administrative training and tools.
3. Access to and support from local and national partners.

\* If you join the team, we will connect you with other partners in your community and work with you to develop your program under our quality standards.

**NOTE:** Publication 4396-A, Partner Resource Guide, is accessible on [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov) in the Forms and Publications section and contains extensive information and guidance regarding the VITA/TCE program.

#### PARTNERSHIP INFORMATION

- Visit [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov) to learn more (Keyword Search: Partner with the IRS)
- For partners/sites in your community (Keyword search: VITA or TCE)

To become a VITA/TCE partner and to have an IRS-SPEC relationship manager contact you, please e-mail [Partner@IRS.gov](mailto:Partner@IRS.gov) and include your interest, contact information, and location (including city and state) in all correspondence.

**For more information about VITA/TCE programs and other IRS Information visit [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov)**

**Thank you for allowing us to assist you in making an impact in your community!**

### WHAT DO I BRING?

If applicable please bring the following:

- Proof of identification – Picture ID
- Social Security cards for you, your spouse, and dependents; Or Individual Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN) assignment letter.
- Wage and earning statement (s) Form W-2, W-2G, 1099-R, 1099-Misc from all employers.
- Interest and dividend statements from banks (Forms 1099).
- Information statements such as Form 1098, mortgage & interest paid to lenders.

### Acquire Lifelong Career Building Skills!

- Form 1098-T, tuition statement.
- ID Theft – IRS Notice CP01-A provides the Identity Protection PIN issued every year in December.
- A copy of last year's federal and state returns if available.
- Proof of bank account and routing numbers for direct deposit.
- Total paid for daycare provider. The provider's tax identification number, Social Security Number, or the provider's business Employer Identification Number.
- To file taxes electronically on a married-filing joint tax return, both spouses must be present to sign the required forms.

## **PIANO RECITAL**

**Farmingdale United Methodist Church, 407 Main Street, will present renowned classical pianist Earl Buys in concert on Sunday, November 5, 2017 at 4:00pm. There is no admission fee (a love offering will be taken).**

**Mr. Buys, who has performed in every major New York venue, including Carnegie Hall and Avery Fisher, and appeared throughout the U.S., Europe, Canada and South America, will play selected pieces of Beethoven, Brahms, and Rachmaninoff.**

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## RED WORDS BANK VISITS JC CAFE

Red Words Band will turn up the volume with their unique hybrid of edgy rock, R&B, pop, gospel and soul at the JC Café at Farmingdale United Methodist Church, 407 Main Street (corner of Grant Ave), Farmingdale, on Saturday, October 7, 2017. Doors open at 7PM with complimentary coffee and desserts and the program begins at 7:30PM; suggested donation is \$5.00.

The public is invited to share this entertaining and uplifting evening. For further information call 516-694-3424 or visit [farmingdaleumc.org](http://farmingdaleumc.org).

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