Community Awareness Minutes January 2019

Co-Chairs - Lisa Gelman & Kim Marcus

Meeting on January 28, 2019

Attendance: Allison Ocak/Vanderbilt; Michelle Kahn/HSW; Melissa Gentile/Candlewood; Katherine Mileta/HHH Septa; Clair Habeeb/HSE; Samantha Sarube/Suffolk County Legislator Susan Berland's Office; June Foster/West Hollow; Leeat Yopp/Sunquam; Nina Cunningham/PTA Council; Michael Plumitallo/DH Fire Department

Stop & Shop supermarkets are taking over all of King Kullen's 32 supermarkets and 5 Wild by Nature natural food stores on Long Island. Stop & Shop supermarkets are based out of Quincy, Massachusetts and will also take over King Kullen's Bethpage headquarters. The effects on jobs and store closings and store consolidations are undecided at this time.

Gymboree clothing retailer which also includes Janie and Jack and Crazy Eights has filed for bankruptcy for its 900 stores. They will be liquidating all of its New York stores including 3 Long Island locations in Deer Park Tanger Outlets, Smith Haven Mall, and Roosevelt Field Mall.

Wyandanch Rising Project

Long Island Music Hall of Fame that was planned to open has been shut down. It has been reported that the proposed 10,000 sq feet space will now be used for a YMCA-run event space in the building.

Huntington

Hush Bistro closes. Hush Bistro in Huntington shut its doors abruptly on Monday, bringing to a close a four-year saga of shifting locations and personnel. Marc Bynum, who opened the original Hush Bistro in Farmingdale, left the Huntington restaurant in June.

Co-owner Eric Machado, of Reststar Hospitality Group, said that the restaurant has been sold

and that another concern would be opening at 46 Gerard St. before too long.

Huntington Station/Dix Hills/Melville

Casual 2 Dressy women's clothing boutique opens in the Walt Whitman Mall on January 17th. The old location at 20 Broadhollow Road Melville is now closed.

The old Hostess/Wonderbread warehouse on Route 110 across from the Hilton is under construction. It is supposed to become a new very large Scotto Bros. Italian restaurant.

Push Fitness Club will be opening in Melville on route 110 sharing a building with Refuge restaurant. Pre-sale membership is currently underway.

Dix Hills Fire Department offering tours of new fire house Mon - Fri 7am - 3om ask for Scott or George

Plainview

Miko Sushi and Hibachi just opened at 379 South Oyster Bay Road in Plainview. It's where Ayanan's used to be. Tables for Japanese food, sushi and steaks in the front. In the back are hibachi tables.

Residence Inn by Marriott that closed last year may be converted to a Capitol Senior Housing Residence. Developers are currently negotiating.

Starbucks opening new store at 1401 Old Country Road in Country Pointe development anchored by Shoprite

Farmingdale

Bagel Factory in Airport Plaza has gone out of business. No more details available yet.

Smithtown/Hauppauge

Moe's Southwest Grill is a chain of tex-mex restaurants opening new store 586 Veterans Memorial Hwy in Hauppauge

Texas de Brazil is a new restaurant opening this winter in the Smithaven Mall. It's a Brazilian steakhouse. It's an international chain with restaurants in Mexico, the Middle East and East Asia.

New Polish Nail and Wine bar to open at 59 East Main St. Smithtown. The salon features manicures, waxing and teeth whitening. It will be serving wines, fully stocked coffee bar, teas, and fresh juices. Grand Opening weekend is January 26th.

NEXT MEETING TO BE HELD: February 25th 2019 @ 9:30AM