

# THE PRODUCER

WOMEN'S INSURANCE NETWORK OF LONG ISLAND

July 2007

## SPECIAL SUMMER EDITION

### **President's Message**

Denese Thompson

I hope you are all having a good summer. Although we've had some extremely hot and humid days, they've been short lived and followed by wonderfully comfortable nice days. With the summer months upon us, it's time for vacations, beaches, picnics and weekend cookouts. Time spent with family and friends should be enjoyed, relaxing and times treasured.

We've had a wonderful year, capped off by a great Installation Dinner. If you were not present you missed the presentation to Special Olympics of the money raised at the Charity Auction. Ben Beavers, one of the athletes expressed his gratitude for donation, as these funds will allow him to go to Japan and represent Long Island in the World Games. His coach and Rebecca Keller, LI Director of Development was also on hand to except our check. I've attached a copy of their thank you letter for your review.

Special recognition was given to Camille Kurinsky, Maria Thomas, Carla Connolly and Elaine Brown for all their hard work with the Charity Auction.

They were presented with plaques of appreciation (well the plaques didn't arrive in time, but they were mailed to them the next day).

The first recipient of the Regina Bergen – Past President's Scholarship award was presented to Joyce E. Piselli. Upon accepting the award Joyce express her gratitude and commented on how fitting this was since Regina Bergen was her mentor and the person who got her involved in the Association all those many years ago. Congratulations Joyce.

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**MEMBERSHIP DUES - We have 29 Members who have not paid their membership for the 2007-08 terms. If you know you haven't sent in your \$32.50, please do so immediately.**

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**WINLI Summer Board meeting will be held Tuesday, July 24, 2007 at the Garden City office of Atlynx Surety Brokers, LLC – 777 Zeckendorf Blvd., Garden City, NY 5:30PM. All current Board members as well as those interested in serving on any board, please contact me by 7/20/07 confirming your attendance.**

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

<b>8/21/07</b>	<b>DOWNSTATE 4<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL GOLF OUTING</b>	<b>WINDWATCH GOLF &amp; COUNTRY CLUB  HAUPPAUGE, NY</b>
<b>8/23/07</b>	<b>DOWNSTATE JERRY BRUNELL MEMORIAL FISHING OUTING</b>	<b>CAPTREE BOAT BASIN  CAPTREE, LONG ISLAND</b>
<b>9/18/07</b>	<b>WINLI'S MONTHLY MEETING</b>	<b>WICKERS RESTAURANT  HICKSVILLE NY</b>
<b>9/25/07</b>	<b>REGION I 5<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL GOLF OUTING</b>	<b>SPOOK ROCK GOLF COURSE  SUFFERN, NY</b>

Flyers for these events attached. Please support these events. If you don't fish or golf, show your support by attending dinner or providing sponsorship.



**Special Olympics**

**New York**

*Long Island Region*

July 2, 2007

Denese Thompson  
Women's Insurance Network of Long Island  
P.O. Box 306  
Deer Park, NY 11729

Dear Denese,

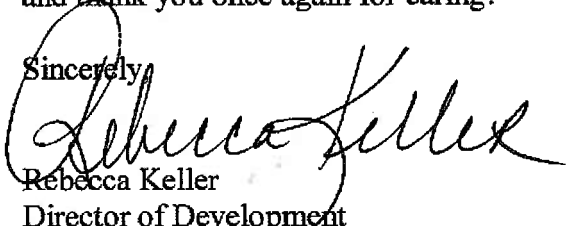
On behalf of the athletes who train and compete with Special Olympics New York, Long Island, I thank you for the generous contribution of more than \$16,000 through your Annual Charity Auction.

Throughout the years, the Women's Insurance Network of Long Island has been so wonderful to Special Olympics. I cannot adequately express our gratitude for all you, and the WINLI members at large, do for the Long Island athletes. Our World Games athlete Ben Beavers is still talking about the wonderful time he had meeting so many of you at the installation dinner.

As you may know, for more than thirty years, the mission of Special Olympics has remained unchanged, that is, to provide quality year-round sports training and athletic competition in a variety of Olympic style sports for children and adults with intellectual disabilities, including mental retardation. Through their participation in Special Olympics, athletes develop physical fitness, demonstrate courage, experience joy, gain confidence and build a positive self-image, which carries into the classroom, the home, the workplace and the community. **There are no fees for any services provided to the athlete or family.**

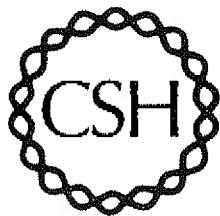
I look forward to continuing the partnership between the Women's Insurance Network of Long Island and Special Olympics New York, Long Island. Have a wonderful summer and thank you once again for caring!

Sincerely,

  
Rebecca Keller

Director of Development

cc: Idrise Grill



# Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory

Bruce Stillman, Ph.D., F.R.S.  
President

William J. Matheson Professor  
of Cancer Biology

June 1, 2007

Frederica O'Connor  
Women's Insurance Network of Long Island  
c/o Program Brokerage Corporation  
100 Sunnyside Blvd.  
Woodbury, NY 11797

Dear Ms. O'Connor,

I write to express my deep appreciation for The Women's Insurance Network of Long Island's gift of \$16,950.61 to support breast cancer research at Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory.

Your generous gift will support Dr. Senthil Muthuswamy's research on early molecular and cellular events in breast cancer at Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory. Breast cancer is a progressive disease that is thought to begin as early hyperplastic lesions that advance towards malignancy. Some benign breast lesions develop into malignant cancers, yet some remain benign. Unfortunately, the molecular differences between these two types of lesions are not well understood. By gaining an understanding into the cellular and molecular mechanisms in pre-cancerous breast lesions, Senthil hopes to make discoveries that will lead to the development of treatments that target pre-cancer, which will allow us to control breast cancer at its infancy, when there is a better chance for a cure.

Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory is most grateful for the support of The Women's Insurance Network of Long Island, which will greatly help in our research efforts aimed at developing new diagnostic tools and targeted therapies that will improve the lives of those diagnosed with breast cancer in the near future.

Yours sincerely,

Bruce Stillman



# Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory

One Bungtown Road  
Cold Spring Harbor, New York 11724

June 5, 2007

Frederica O'Connor  
Women's Insurance Network of Long Island  
c/o Program Brokerage Corporation  
100 Sunnyside Blvd.  
Woodbury, NY 11797

Dear Ms. O'Connor,

I am pleased to acknowledge The Women's Insurance Network of Long Island's gift of \$16,950.61 to support Dr. Senthil Muthuswamy's breast cancer research at Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory. This generous gift will allow Dr. Muthuswamy's to advance in his research studies on early molecular and cellular events in breast cancer, which are ultimately aimed at developing treatments that target pre-cancer to control early stages of breast cancer early, when there is a better chance for a cure.

To assist you in properly substantiating your contribution to Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory, we confirm that no goods or services were provided in exchange for this gift.

Sincerely yours,

Paula M. Smith, PhD  
Development Officer, Grants

# Jerry Brunell Memorial Fishing Outing

Again this year, Downstate will hold its annual Fishing excursion on the "Fishtale" boat departing from Capetree Boat Basin. Ticket price includes a full day of fishing, breakfast, lunch, beer, soda, prizes, bait & tackle, fishbags.

**Sponsored by  
Downstate Insurance  
Assoc. Council  
Thursday  
August 23, 2007**

**Place** - Captree Boat Basin

**Time** - Departs 7:45am. Return 3:30pm

**Directions** - Southern State Parkway to Exit 40, Robert Moses Causeway, take south 5 miles to Captree Boat Basin exit.

**Footware** - Sneakers, dock-siders or equivalent

**Note** - to donate fishing prizes and more information, call **Martin Rosenthal** at

516-599-1100, ext 155

Please fill  
out and  
send with  
our check  
payable to  
Downstate  
Council

Return to

Martin Rosenthal  
c/o NGL Group  
12 Merrick Road  
Brook, NY 11563

Firm Name \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Fishing # \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$55 each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total Amount of enclosed check: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Use back of form for additional fishermen.

