

# Supervisor Romaine Announces Brookhaven Town's 2014 Women's Recognition Award Winners

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## *28th annual ceremony to be held at Town Hall on March 20*

**Farmingville, NY** - Supervisor Ed Romaine has announced the women chosen to receive the 2014 Women's Recognition Awards at the 28th Annual Women's Recognition Night to be held on March 20 at 7:00 p.m. at Town Hall. The event, which is open to the public, is sponsored by the Town's Office of Women's Services. The women chosen have demonstrated excellence in their endeavors in a variety of areas. Each was nominated by a member of the community and lives or works in the Town of Brookhaven. Nominations were considered by members of the Town of Brookhaven's Women's Advisory Board and selected based on resumes and letters of recommendation.

"I congratulate all the recipients of this prestigious award," said Supervisor Romaine, "Each one is committed to improving the quality of life for so many people in the community and to making Brookhaven a better place to live for everyone. The way that they go about their lives is an inspiration to us all and I thank them for their service."

The 2014 Women's Recognition Award winners are as follows:

- **Business:** Geraldine S. Sapanaro, Broker/Owner - Moriches Bay Realty, Resident of Center Moriches
- **Communications/Media:** Barbara LaMonica, Writer/Journalist - The South Shore Press, Resident of Medford
- **Community Service Volunteer:** Jane Alcorn, President/Tesla Science Center at Wardencllyffe, Resident of Wading River
- **Community Service Professional:** Artice Hale, Director of Programs/Harrison Hale Community Action Center, Resident of Medford
- **Design:** Karen Ferb, Beautification Committee/Patchogue Garden Club, Resident of Patchogue
- **Education:** Judith M. Willner, Director, Sachem Public Library, Resident of Huntington Bay
- **Government:** Nancy Curran, Management and Program Analyst, I.R.S., Resident of Shoreham
- **Healthcare Provider:** Marie Mulligan MSN RN, V.P. Nursing/John T. Mather Memorial Hospital, Resident of Dix Hills
- **Law:** Lisa Azzato, Attorney Lazer, Aptheker, Rosella & Yedid, P.C., Resident of Wading River
- **Medicine:** B. Hannah Ortiz MD, Director, Dept. of Gynecology - John T. Mather Memorial Hospital, Resident of East Setauket
- **Military:** Ensign Danielle Vivonetto, U.S. Navy, Resident of Rocky Point
- **Religion:** Victoria Rybak, Director of Parish Outreach, Infant Jesus R.C. Church, Resident of Mt. Sinai
- **Science:** Dr. Mary Bishai, Physicist, Brookhaven National Laboratory, Resident of Mastic

The Town of Brookhaven's Office of Women's Services, a Division of the Department of Housing and Human Services, provides a variety of services for women and their families. For more information about the 28th Annual Women's Recognition Night, call (631) 698-2074 or visit [www.brookhaven.org](http://www.brookhaven.org).

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