

LICA'S Latest

BIWEEKLY E-GRAM THAT CONTAINS
THE LATEST NEWS AND INFORMATION
VITAL TO LICA'S MEMBERS

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Stimulus – All the News that's Fit to Print

They say the darkest hour is before dawn. Let's hope that New York State's shelving of the remainder of this year's Long Island's DOT capital program is the darkest hour. President-elect Barack Obama's federal stimulus package



L. to R. Nassau County Presiding Officer Diane Yatauro, U.S. Senator Charles E. Schumer, LICA's Executive Director Marc Herbst

certainly appears to be the dawn appearing on the horizon. This is good news for our industry.

LICA has been working diligently to stress the importance of using construction as a way to jump-start the economy. Locally, the media has picked up on our message. Our

association has served as a resource for the media and government in gathering facts and information about what impact infrastructure has for our region.

Within the last week, LICA has been featured in a Cablevision editorial and front page stories in *The New York Times* and *Newsday*. We also were included in a story about our participation in Senator Chuck Schumer's infrastructure-funding news conference. Please click below to read the stories:

[↗ Cablevision editorial](#) [↗ New York Times story](#) [↗ Newsday – Stimulus story](#)

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IN OUR GALLERIES.**

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LICA Holiday Party Next Wednesday

LICA is holding its annual holiday party next Wednesday evening, **December 17th, 5:30 pm – 10:00 pm** at the Woodlands, Oyster Bay Town Golf Course Mansion.

The facility is located off of Southwoods Road (off of Jericho Turnpike, east of Route 135), in Woodbury. This social gathering always proves to be an enjoyable time.

The only guarantee that it will be a success again this year is if you attend!

Please R.S.V.P. for your firm if you have not already done so. We need to let the facility know how many revelers it needs to expect. Please [click here](#) for more information.

2009 Safety Seminar Set

2009 will be here before you know it. As in past years, LICA tries to schedule events during the winter season when the construction industry takes a breather. The first event of the year will be our annual LICA Safety Seminar. It will be held on **Thursday, January 8th, 8 am – noon**, at the Long Island Sheraton at Smithtown.

Based on feedback from members, the program this year will be condensed to only a morning session. We will also respond favorably to requests to continue providing presentations that are eligible for PDH (professional development hours) credits for engineers. Last year's program was the first time PDH credits were available.

The 2009 presentations will be made by representatives of the New York Department of Transportation and the U.S. Office of Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA).

New York WARN Act Takes Effect February 1, 2009

The New York State Workers Adjustment and Retraining Notification (WARN) Act requires employers to provide 90 days' notice prior to a plant closing, mass layoff or relocation occurring on or after February 1, 2009. Notice must be provided to affected employees and their representatives, the New York Department of Labor and the local workforce investment board at least 90 days before the event.

For employers planning layoffs shortly after the new law takes effect, notice would have to be provided prior to the law's effective date to meet the 90-day requirement. The state WARN Act applies to private employers with 50 or more workers who lay off at least 25 employees. Violations are enforceable by the Commissioner of Labor and are subject to civil penalties and recovery of back wages.

If you have any questions, please feel free to communicate with LICA's Counsel, Richard B. Ziskin, of The Ziskin Law Firm, LLP, at 631-462-1417.

Year End Tax Planning for Contractors

Daniel A. Castellano, CPA, Managing Partner of LICA member Castellano, Korenberg & Company has written an article that will be of great interest to contractors as the end of the year approaches. For your convenience, you may [click here](#) to receive some valuable advice that may assist you with your year end tax planning.

Suffolk County Executive Levy Appoints LICA Board Member Grant Hendricks to Long Island Regional Planning Board

Suffolk County Executive Steve Levy recently appointed LICA Director Grant Hendricks of Bay Shore to the Long Island Regional Planning Board, an agency that oversees local planning and zoning decisions and helps to set the course for Long Island's future.

Hendricks has been vice president and managing partner of BIMASCO, a recycler of existing paved products; and he is also vice president of Bituminous Roadrunner, Inc., a transportation company specializing in the delivery and use of emulsified road paving products; and president of 3Sixty Recycling Corp., which specializes in construction applications.

Bid Results

Bid Date	Project Name	Owner	Contractor	Bid Amount
11/25/08	Reconstruction of CR 80, Montauk Hwy	Suffolk County DPW	Alt. A	
			Posillico Civil	\$ 11,618,629
			Rosemar Construction	\$ 11,777,777
			Bove Industries	\$ 12,108,895
			Pratt Brothers	\$ 12,278,502
			Intercounty Paving	\$ 12,288,633
			Kings Park Industries	\$ 13,371,454
			ALAC Contracting	\$ 13,483,883
			Alt. B	
			Posillico Civil	\$ 11,675,569
			Rosemar Construction	\$ 11,875,777
			Bove Industries	\$ 12,168,855
			Pratt Brothers	\$ 12,356,512
			Intercounty Paving	\$ 12,369,733
			ALAC Contracting	\$ 13,546,517
Kings Park Industries	\$ 13,811,454			
Alt. C				
Posillico Civil	\$ 12,044,540			
Rosemar Construction	\$ 12,246,777			
Bove Industries	\$ 12,551,935			
Pratt Brothers	\$ 12,755,282			
Intercounty Paving	\$ 12,774,143			
Kings Park Industries	\$ 13,919,454			
ALAC Contracting	\$ 13,952,385			
11/25/08	Sidewalk repairs on Bungalo Walk		Ferran Development	\$ 103,000
			H&A Landscap of LI	\$ 105,000
			J Anthony Enterprises	\$ 127,600
			Jarlab Enterprises	\$ 161,500
12/4/08	Construct asphalt driveways, paved yd areas	Suffolk Co. Water Auth.	no results	