



# L.I. Sierra Club News

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## See and Test Drive the Cars of the Future



**What:** National Plug-In Day

**When:** Saturday, September 28, 11am – 4pm\*

**Where:** Melville Mall - 834 Walt Whitman Rd., Melville  
(East side of Rt.110, just north of Northern State Pkwy)

### Free Admission!

Don't miss this chance to see and test drive a wide variety of electric and electric-hybrid cars from multiple manufacturers and private car owners all in one place! Find out from the people who own them why they love them. All the vehicles have batteries that can be charged by plugging the car into an electric outlet. Some also have auxiliary gas engines for extended distance travel.

Advantages of electric cars:

- No tailpipe pollution and reduced greenhouse gas emissions;
- More economical to operate—the equivalent of \$1 per gallon gasoline;
- More reliable because they have fewer moving parts;

You'll have a chance to talk to people who already made the switch to an electric vehicle, and take a ride in one to experience the difference for yourself. Visit [www.lipluginday.org](http://www.lipluginday.org) for more information, a list of sponsors, cars and related equipment being exhibited. Event organized by Long Island Sierra Club, Greater NY Electric Auto Association, and Plug-In America.

## Cross Country Ski Trip to Jackson, New Hampshire

January 17-20, 2014

Please join us for our annual ski weekend at the Eagle Mountain House, a wonderful old Victorian inn in the White Mountains of New Hampshire. Amenities include a sauna, hot tub, pool, library, game room, large lobby with fireplace, two dining rooms and a cozy tavern. Activities include cross country skiing, downhill skiing, snowshoeing, ice skating, sleigh rides, and the outlets of North Conway. Included in the price of \$430 is bus transportation, lodging, three breakfasts, two dinners, two ski passes, and all taxes and gratuities. To register, send a check for the full amount of \$430, payable to Sierra Club Long Island Group, to True Hampton, 26 Revere Rd., Port Washington, NY 11015 by December 7, 2013. Be sure to include a self-addressed stamped envelope and your phone number. No refund for cancellation after December 15, unless a replacement can be found. If we do not have 30 participants by December 15, the trip will be cancelled and all checks will be returned. Questions? Please contact the trip leader, True Hampton (516-835-7689) or assistant Jane Fasullo (631-689-1568).



See Page 4 for information on our upcoming Long Island Sierra Club 40th Anniversary Bash!!!

See Page 7 for information on two Community Meetings : Solar Income & LI's Energy Connection!!!

See Page 8 for our Annual Calendar & Engagement Books for 2014 - Discounted for LISC Members !!!

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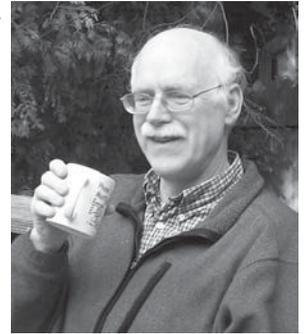
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## Letter from the Chair

By Mark Kinnucan



Autumn is approaching, and with it, of course, election season. Which means LISC endorsements of candidates in various races on Long Island. This being an odd-numbered year, we are sizing up the local and county-wide races.

We're getting a bit of a late start this year because we have until recently been without a Political Chair. However, our announcement of the vacancy in the last newsletter proved fruitful, and so I am pleased to introduce our new Political Chair, Tom Helling, to the membership.

Tom is employed by the New York Times, where he has been working for over 25 years. On the business side, he hastens to add, not in the newsroom. Having seen the quality of his writing, however, I could equally believe the opposite.

Tom came to the Sierra Club by way of his interest in sustainability; he is currently wrapping up a Master's degree in Sustainability Management at Columbia. In explaining his interest in taking on the duties as Political Chair, Tom wrote that he appreciated the need for organizations like LISC to identify "candidates and incumbents who adhere to and support these important principles, and those who pretend to, but do not."

But as I mentioned, Tom is getting a late start. He is currently working with our ExCom to revise the questionnaire we use to vet candidates. Next comes the interviews which we use to determine whom to endorse. This is where you come in.

With so many races in so many jurisdictions on the Island, and so little time, we need your help identifying races to focus on. If you know of a candidate that you think merits Sierra Club endorsement be-

cause of their strong commitment to the environment, please let Tom know. You can email him at [tom.helling@gmail.com](mailto:tom.helling@gmail.com).

Tom could also use help in doing the screening of candidates. This involves asking each of the candidates in a race the questions on the candidate questionnaire. This can either be done in an in-person or telephone interview, or by providing copy of the questionnaire to the candidates for them to fill out. If you are interested in volunteering in this capacity, please contact Tom at the email address above.

There will be yet another opportunity to get involved once the endorsements have been made, and that is by working on the campaign of one of our endorsees. We need to make sure that as many candidates who will protect the environment as possible get elected this fall, so once the Sierra Club endorsements come out, contact Tom if you can help with an endorsee's campaign.

## Save Money and Help the Environment in Your Home

As the winter approaches, why not take advantage of just some of the ways LIPA can help you lower your electric use and save money?

The sun is your friend when it comes to heating your household water and lowering your electricity use. If you currently have an electric water heater, a solar hot water system can meet up to 70% of your annual water heating needs and save you as much as \$600 per year. In addition to the annual savings, substantial rebates are available from LIPA when you install one.

If you're thinking about buying a new central air conditioner, or considering replacing an old inefficient system, make sure you take advantage of LIPA's rebates of up to \$1,000 per unit when you use a LIPA Cool Homes contractor. This could easily shave \$500 per year off your electric bill.

This summer save money and help the environment by taking advantage of these efficiency and renewable energy incentives from LIPA. For more information about these and other programs, call 1-800-692-2626 or visit <http://www.lipower.org/efficiency/>

## Long Island Sierra Club's Fortieth Anniversary Party! Thursday, October 24th, 2013 from 7-10 PM

LI Sierra Club is turning 40! Please join us for a delightful social dinner on Thursday, Oct. 24, 2013 to help us celebrate the 40th Birthday of the Long Island Group.

Location: American Legion, Huntington Post 360, Mill Dam Road at New York Ave. Halesite, NY.  
Time: 7-10pm

The suggested donation is \$20. RSVP to Ann Aurelio by Oct. 5, 2013 at 631-567-1937 or [SmileyAnn21@Verizon.net](mailto:SmileyAnn21@Verizon.net).

**Directions:** from Northern Parkway Exit 42, cross over Deforest Ave. and continue on Deer Park Ave/ Park Ave. North to the end, bear right at the traffic circle you will see the building. Parking is in the rear.

### *Call us for Environmental Education!*

Education is a key component of protecting our environment for today and for the future. Raising the awareness of young people as to what they and their parents can do to protect and appreciate the world around us is a goal of the Sierra Club. To this end, the Sierra Club does school presentations for grades K-12 on topics including climate change, recycling, and protecting the Long Island Sound. If you would like to schedule a presentation for your school or organization, or want more information, please contact Sue Watins, Education Chair, 516-921-7150 or [sueeduc@verizon.net](mailto:sueeduc@verizon.net).

Please remember to sign up for our PDF emailed version of the Newsletter to save the LISC money!



# Outings and Events

Note: For further details on our hikes and other events, including Executive Committee meetings, call the L.I. Group voicemail at 516-826-0801. For additions or cancellations, please check the calendar on our website, [www.LISierraClub.org](http://www.LISierraClub.org). Wear layers and footwear appropriate for the weather and ground conditions. Heavy rain cancels the event. Remember that you participate at your own risk. You must register for ALL outings at least one hour before the start or as indicated, so that you can be contacted in case of an unexpected cancellation.

*E - educational information will be shared along the way with up to three brief hands-on stops. Most walks include some environmental information, but not all stop for viewing and hands-on.*

**Sept. 7 - Sat - E**

**KAYAK, Port Jefferson and Setauket Hbrs**

**9:15 am**

Paddling from Setauket Harbor into Port Jeff Harbor, get some basic information about safely dealing with boat traffic and reading channel markers. Then paddle to either the Old Field peninsula or the old mining area of Port Jeff to beach, depending on the wind and boat traffic, to stretch your legs, snack and learn about the world around us including the many changes the harbor has seen over the years, its historic importance, and the life forms that depend on it (crabs, clams, mussels, fishes, grasses, shrubs, and more). Leave 3 hours for this paddle. Distance (wind dependent) will not exceed 6 miles. Help to unloading / loading your kayak will be available. Bring a snack, beverage, life vest (MUST BE WORN while in your kayak), sun protection (visor or hat, long sleeve shirt, leg cover, etc.), bug spray, sun glasses and sun screen. Meet at the Setauket Harbor Canoe and Kayak store on Shore Road in Setauket. We will leave at 9:30 so be sure to arrive with enough time to unload and sign in. Setauket Canoe and Kayak (631-751-2706) rents kayaks. If you are renting, get there extra early, and know that you rent on your own. For info and REQUIRED registration: Jane Fasullo 631-689-1568 before 8:30 or [jfas1@optonline.net](mailto:jfas1@optonline.net).

**Sept. 7th - Sat - E**

**WALK & Learn, West Meadow Beach, Stony Brook**

**2:00 pm**

Leave 2 hours for this 1 to 2 mile interpretive walk along West Meadow beach which features Eileen Gerle, the Brookhaven Town park ranger and environmental educator for West Meadow Beach. One way of the out and back will be along the beach and other along the traffic-less road on the wetlands side of the peninsula. Learn about the cottages that stood here until very recently and hear Eileen describe the local wildlife (plover, crabs, raccoon, etc.), beach habitats, beach ecology, and many of the plants including beach plums and bayberry. Dress in appropriate layers and wear shoes appropriate for sand and dampness. Though it's after the summer, it's still a good idea to bring a beverage, sun screen, and a bug repellent. Restrooms are at the center of the parking field. Parking fees are \$20 for non-town residents, and \$5 for residents without a Town pass. Directions - LIE to Nichols Rd (exit 62) North. At the end of Nichols turn left onto 25A toward Stony Brook. At the first traffic light turn right onto Quaker Path. At the stop sign after crossing Christian Ave, stay left onto Mount Gray Rd. About 1/2 mile up, at a stop sign, turn left onto West Meadow Rd. At the end of the road, turn right into the parking lot, then turn left and go to the south end of the lot. Register with Jane at 631-689-1568 up to one half hour before or [jfas1@optonline.net](mailto:jfas1@optonline.net) up to a full hour ahead.

**Sept. 8th - Sun**

**Bicycle - Cedar Creek Pk. to Jones Beach, Seaford**

**1:00 pm**

8 1/2 miles of flat riding from Cedar Creek Park to Jones Beach and back along the paved Wantagh Parkway bike/walk path. At Jones Beach, we should be able to ride the boardwalk paralleling the ocean. Also, time and weather permitting, we'll cross to the north side for a view of the bay's channels. Meet in Cedar Creek Park by the break in the fence for entry to

the path. Best lot to park in is the second one which is on your left. A helmet must be worn. Be sure to dress for the weather. Heavy rain will cancel. Enter the park on LARCH Street, S of Merrick Rd. Call Jane at 631-689-1568 by 10:45 for registration or information before noon.

**Sept. 14- Sat.**

**HIKE - Trailview Park, Woodbury**

**11:30 am**

This hike is led by new Sierra Club leader Len. It will be moderately strenuous. It is intended only for those in good physical condition. Join us as we explore the awesome natural beauty of Trailview State Park!!! Enjoy A Healthy, positive afternoon of Talk, Networking, and Mingling and Feel positive, Free and good about yourself! Enjoy the breeze and the calmness nature has to offer! This hike will bring Sierra Club members, families and guests together with people from other groups and registration (leaving your phone number) is required by emailing Len at [LN56789@gmail.com](mailto:LN56789@gmail.com) so he can contact you if there are any last minute changes. Bring water, snacks, bug repellent and sunblock. And don't forget to bring a Positive attitude and YOUR CAMERA. Duration 3+ hours to cover 5-6 miles of trail. Again, this is a HIKE, not a WALK in the WOODS so be sure you and your guests can handle it before registering. DIRECTIONS: I-495 E/ Long Island expressway, exit 44N to merge onto NY-135 N toward Syosset. Then exit 14E for Rte 25 E - Jericho Turnpike (toward Woodbury). Slight right onto 25 E (Jericho Turnpike). Park in the Trailview Parking Lot next to the Stop and Shop supermarket. Register with Len at least a half hour ahead at [LN56789@gmail.com](mailto:LN56789@gmail.com).

**Sept. 15 - Sun - E**

**HIKE - Morton Wildlife Preserve, Noyack**

**2:00 pm**

1.5 mi loop; flat; 1 plus hr. with Helen Roussel. In 1954 Elizabeth Morton donated 187 acres of land to the Fish and Wildlife Service; it is thanks to her generosity that we can explore the wonderful mix of ornamental and non-native plants as they intertwine with the more familiar shrubs and plant communities found in this region. Learn how the interesting succession of plant communities illustrates the agricultural changes in the area that dates back to 1600. A unique highlight of this hike is being buzzed by food seeking Chickadees, Nuthatches and a number of other small birds accustomed to being fed that will eat out of your hand! But do not bring bread - it is not good for them. Their best food is black sunflower seeds. Our path will be on a forested trail with some boardwalks and beach sections. Suitable for all levels. This is a slow educational walk with benches along the way. Bring tick repellent, sunshade, beverage. Camera and binoculars suggested. Bathroom at entrance to refuge. Entry fee: \$4/car, \$2/ pedestrian. Rain cancels. Directions: Noyack Rd (CR 38) between Deerfield Rd. and Millstone Rd. across from the Noyac Golf and Country Club. Register with Helen at [Helenroussel@gmail.com](mailto:Helenroussel@gmail.com) by noon.

**Sept. 22 - Sun - E**

**Kayak - Carmans River, Shirley**

**Noon**

Travel down the river and into a section of Bellport Bay then beach on the

east side of the bay for a short respite before the return trip. We will talk a bit about the condition of the river, some of the plants we encounter, search for sea life, find and ID shells, and identify as many birds as we can. As we move from the fresh to the salt water, differences between the life forms will be pointed out. And we should start to see some of Long Island's spectacular fall colors. This trip will be 6 to 6.5 miles (longer than the Nissequogue) and will take about 3 hours. A floatation device must be worn while in your boat. Rain/lightning cancel. Start at the Carmans River Canoe and Kayak Rental office at 2979 Montauk Hwy (north sidwest of the river crossing). Their phone number is 631-803-8496. Take Sunrise Hwy exit 58S or LIE exit 68S (Wm. Floyd Pkwy) to Montauk Hwy. which is the first street south of Sunrise. Turn right (west) and go about ½ mile. Register with Jane by 10:30 at 631-689-1568 or jfas1@optonline.net

**Oct. 6 - Sun. - E** **10:00 am**  
**HIKE – Lower Connetquot Park, Great River**

About 3 miles of flat walking in up to 1 ½ hrs. Starting at the mansion (with bathrooms) we'll look at and read the information about the old mill building at the dam. Then we'll trek through the woods, stopping at an Artesian well fed pond. From there, cross the river on a man-made earthen dam with a cement flood gate and discuss why people built dams before taking a few more steps to the now closed fish hatchery. Take time to read the signs about the hatchery and its historic importance as well as why it was closed. Walk up and back along the river for a bit looking for trout and other species of fish before returning through the woods and open fields where you will likely see some deer. Heavy rain cancels. Directions: Sunrise Hwy westbound, take the park exit (between exits 46 & 47) on your right. Sunrise Hwy eastbound, get off at exit 47A, Oakdale-Bohemia Rd. At the first light, turn left and go over the bridge. Turn left again onto the service road and enter Sunrise going west. Look for the park sign on your right. Meet in the first parking lot on your left. Register up to 9 pm the night before with Paul, the leader, at 631-707-6497 or wpziems@optonline.net.

**Oct. 13 - Sun - E** **2:00 pm**  
**HIKE – Sears Bellows Co. Pk., Flanders**

Nestled within the Long Island Pine Barrens, Sears Bellows offers a broad range of recreational opportunities. We'll explore the various ecosystems within the park, and the Naturalist guiding the hike, Jan, will discuss the plants and animals we encounter along the way. Fall color combined with lovely Sears and Bellows Ponds should make for a beautiful landscape, so be sure to bring your camera! Expect to do at least 4 miles and closer to 6. Leave 3 hours. Directions: Sunrise Hwy exit 65 North. Follow the road (Rte. 24) to Bellows Pond Road on your left. Turn left. The park is on your right. Look for the "HIKE MEETS HERE" sign. You must register with Jan (pronounced Yahn) at least one day in advance at 631 327-1268 or beachtowell@verizon.net

**Oct. 19th - Sat - E** **10:00 am**  
**HIKE – Wertheim's White Pine Trail, Shirley**

Enjoy 3 plus flat miles of upland forests along the Carmans River, parts of which border the marsh. Starting at the new greeting center on the east side of the river, we will walk over the bridge to the west side then through the woods and along the river's edge before returning to the cars. Our hike ends here, but for those who wish to do more miles, there is another trail running south from the greeting center on this west of the river. It's about 4 miles round trip. In the center there is a wonderful short film telling the story of the wildlife at Wertheim's 2250 acres. The pace will be moderate with few stops. Leave 1 ½ hrs. Beverage suggested. Continuous rain or storms cancel. General information about the refuge is at [www.fws.gov/northeast/longislandrefuges](http://www.fws.gov/northeast/longislandrefuges). Register with Paul, the leader, at 631-707-6497 or wpziems@optonline.net by the night before. The park center is off Smith Rd, S of Sunrise Hwy.

**Oct. 27th - Sun - E** **11:00 am**  
**WALK the Roosevelt Preserve, Roosevelt**

This is the most beautiful time of year to explore nature and all she has to offer at the Meadow Brook and Roosevelt Preserve. Join award-winning local educator Leslie Pieters, North Shore Land Alliance stewardship director, Jane Jackson, and the Sierra Club to take it all in and learn about things you probably don't know. We will also recognize the October 17 birthday of Teddy Roosevelt on this walk. Directions: Southern State Pkwy exit 23 South (Meadowbrook Road). At end of exit ramp go south onto Meadowbrook Road. At light make a right onto Washington Ave. After the cerebral palsy school on your left, turn left onto Decatur St./Ave. After a jog to the right then left, turn left onto Frederick Ave. The Preserve is at the end at Brooklyn Ave. Park on the street.

**Nov. 2nd - Sat - E** **2:00 pm**  
**HIKE- Walking Dunes, Napeague**

1 to 5 miles, your choice; one steep-ish dune otherwise sandy & flat; 30-45 min. or 2 hrs. Join leaders Helen Rousselon this not to be missed hike. The 'Walking Dunes' has some of the most fascinating landforms on Long Island, a diversity of plant communities including freshwater wetland and forested areas. Large parabolic dunes give way to outstanding scenic vistas. And Helen will give you lots of information about the Indians that lived here and the plants that inhabit the area now. After hiking in the dunes, those who wish to, can join a second walk along the east side of Napeague Harbor. Bring your camera, binoculars, tick repellent, sun shade, and beverage. Closest bathrooms are at Hither Hills Park about 3 miles east. Directions: taking route 27 east from Amagansett to Montauk, turn left at Napeague Harbor Road by the Hither Hills Racquet Club, across from the Sea Crest hotel sign. Park along the road opposite the beach. Must register with Jane at 631-689-1568 or jfas1@optonline.net by noon.

**Nov. 9th -Sat - E** **1:00 pm**  
**WALK & Learn, West Meadow Beach, Stony Brook**

Leave 2 hours for this 1 to 2 mile interpretive walk along West Meadow beach which features Eileen Gerle, the Brookhaven Town park ranger and environmental educator for West Meadow Beach. One way of the out and back will be along the beach and other along the traffic-less road on the wetlands side of the peninsula. Learn about the cottages that stood here until very recently and hear Eileen describe the local wildlife (plover, crabs, raccoon, etc.), beach habitats, beach ecology, and many of the plants including beach plums and bayberry. Dress in appropriate layers and wear shoes appropriate for sand and dampness. Though it's after the summer, it's still a good idea to bring a beverage. Restrooms are at the center of the parking field. Directions – LIE to Nichols Rd (exit 62) North. At the end of Nichols turn left onto 25A toward Stony Brook. At the first traffic light turn right onto Quaker Path. At the stop sign after crossing Christian Ave, stay left onto Mount Gray Rd. About ½ mile up, at a stop sign, turn left onto West Meadow Rd. At the end of the road, turn right into the parking lot, then turn left and go to the south end of the lot. Register with Jane by 12:30 at 631-689-1568 or jfa1@optonline.net.

**Nov. 10th - Sun** **Noon**  
**BICYCLE – Massapequa Preserve to Bethpage Park & back**

Ride a level blacktop path for about 4 miles in beautiful Massapequa Preserve along the creek. Then, for the next 2.5 miles, ride the paved path through increasingly rolling terrain, culminating in one long but not too steep hill just before entering Bethpage Park. The slower pace of 9 to 12 miles per hour is good for beginners. Enjoy your own Snack / lunch and beverage at Bethpage State Park before returning. If it's a hot day, it is critical that you bring drinking water with you. A helmet must be worn by all riders. Bathrooms are at the start, middle and finish (in both Parks).

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Heavy rain cancels. Meet in the east end of the second parking lot north of the RR station where there is an entrance to the Massapequa preserve. Register with Jane at [jfas1@optonline.net](mailto:jfas1@optonline.net) or 631-689-1568.

**Nov. 24th - Sun** **10:30 am**  
**HIKE – Montauk State Park Camp Hero and Oyster Pond**

Meet at Camp Hero State Park, Montauk. Park at the Radar Station and walk about 3 miles around the old WW2 Military site which now has picnic areas and trails. Entering Camp Hero take the first right turn on Coast Artillery Road, drive past the picnic area, and park on the left next to the radar station. Rest rooms are a short distance past the picnic area on the right, about ¼ mile north of the radar station. After Camp Hero, we'll drive to Montauk State Park's lower lighthouse parking lot (near the rest rooms). We'll stop at the Lighthouse Grille for a 15 to 30 minute break then walk west to the Money Pond trail on the north side of Montauk Point. Hike along the west side of Oyster Pond along Seal Haul Out road, then back close to the beach past the Money Ponds. 4 to 5 miles. Heavy rain cancels. Parking is free with NYS Empire pass. If there is a fee at this time of year, it is \$8.00 for both parks together or \$8 for just one. Hold your receipt form Camp Hero to get free parking at Montauk St. Pk. Register with Paul, the leader, by the night before at [wpziems@optonline.net](mailto:wpziems@optonline.net) or 631-707-6497.

**Nov. 30th - Sat - E** **1:00 pm**  
**HIKE Avalon Park & East Farm, Stony Brook**

Walk off the big Thanksgiving dinner as you experience the sights and sounds of this wonderful varied and HILLY preserve. We'll probably have missed the eatable berries and grapes but the beautiful porcelain berry should be in full color. Poison ivy may still be in its bright red color and leaves should still be hanging around in all their glory. Do 3+ miles in 1.5 hours or "bail out" after 2+ miles. East Farm has tall trees, bushes, shrubs and open fields. Avalon contains a maze, a small woods pond, and stone steps to the Stony Brook mill pond and boardwalk. Learn about the history and wildlife of this gorgeous and varied preserve. Beverage recommended. Significant rain cancels. P.S. there is a great ice cream parlor in the village. Directions: LIE exit 62 north to end at 25A. Turn left. At bottom of long hill turn right to Stony Brook village. Park near the end of the pond on your left. Register with Jane by noon at 631-689-1568 or [jfas1@optonline.net](mailto:jfas1@optonline.net).

**Dec 7th, Sat - E** **1:00 pm**  
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Board Harry Whittelsey's trimaran, Zoom, for a sail from Northport Harbor. Leave 2 hours for this 1 to 2 mile interpretive walk along West Meadow beach which features Eileen Gerle, the Brookhaven Town park ranger and environmental educator for West Meadow Beach. One way of the out and back will be along the beach and other along the traffic-less road on the wetlands side of the peninsula. Learn about the cottages that stood here until very recently and hear Eileen describe the local wildlife (plover, crabs, raccoon, etc.), beach habitats, beach ecology, and many of the plants including beach plums and bayberry. Dress in appropriate layers and wear shoes appropriate for sand and dampness. Though it's after the summer, it's still a good idea to bring a beverage. Restrooms are at the center of the parking field. Directions – LIE to Nichols Rd (exit 62) North. At the end of Nichols turn left onto 25A toward Stony Brook. At the first traffic light turn right onto Quaker Path. At the first traffic light turn right onto Quaker Path. At the stop sign after crossing Christian Ave, stay left onto Mount Gray Rd. About ½ mile up, at a stop sign, turn left onto West Meadow Rd. At the end of the road, turn right into the parking lot, then turn left and go to the south end of the lot. Register with Jane by 12:30 at 631-689-1568 or [jfas1@optonline.net](mailto:jfas1@optonline.net).

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Car Free Day is an international event celebrated every September during which people are encouraged to use alternative modes of transportation such as taking mass transit, carpooling, biking, walking and telecommuting. Using cars less helps reduce traffic, conserve energy, reduce harmful emissions, reduce parking problems and save money!

**CAR  
FREE  
DAY**  
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**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2013**

Join the many companies and organizations on Long Island who are encouraging their employees and members to pledge to be car-free or car-lite at [CarFreeDayLI.com](http://CarFreeDayLI.com). For more information, call 516-242-8121 or email [info@CarFreeDayLI.com](mailto:info@CarFreeDayLI.com).

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## Long Island and You Our Energy Connection: Saturday, September 21st, 2013 from 2-4 PM

Please join us on September 21, 2013 between the hours of 2-4pm at the Suffolk County Historical Society 300 West Main Street, Riverhead, NY 11901 <http://suffolk-countyhistoricalsociety.org/>

Two of our executive committee members will be speaking to us on "Long Island and You - Our energy connection". There will be a power point presentation on wind energy. Additionally our use of fossil fuels will be discussed. The art work of Dennis Puleson founder of Environmental Defense, explorer, naturalist and artist will be on display at the museum at this time.

There is no entrance fee, if upon arrival you make the receptionist aware that you are a member of Sierra Club and are there for the presentation.

**Directions:** From the west, take the Long Island Expressway to exit 72 and follow the signs for Riverhead. Proceed east on Rte. 25 (West Main Street) to Court Street – the society's building is at the corner of Court Street and West Main Street. Parking on the street, or the municipal parking lot behind the building on Court Street and Osborne Ave. Sorry not handicapped accessible.

Nominations for the Long Island Sierra Club Executive Committee ("Ex Com") are now being accepted. Send all candidate statements (150 words describing your qualifications) to [smileyann21@verizon.net](mailto:smileyann21@verizon.net). Deadline: October 31, 2012.

LI Sierra Club is moving: Please note we have moved our post office box from the Syosset location to West Sayville. Our new address is: Sierra Club Long Island Group, PO Box 172, West Sayville, NY 11796-0172

## Solar Leasing - Monthly Income for You! Saturday, October 26th, 2013 at 2 PM

**Location:** Sachem Public Library 150 Holbrook Road Holbrook, NY 631-588-5024

Have you ever wanted more money and thought of leasing part of your home but rejected the idea because you don't want someone else living in your home? Now you can use your roof for income. If you have roof exposure to the sun, you can lease solar panels to reduce your electricity bills and the less you pay, the more you have. The solar system will be maintained by the leasing company for the entire term of your lease with no cost to you. All you do is reap the profit. Gordian Raacke of Renewable Energy Long Island will be our introductory speaker and a representative from Em Power, one of the many companies on L.I. that are doing solar leasing, will tell you how it works and answer all your questions. In addition, a person who has already taken a lease will tell you of her experience.

Since the article on the advantages of a PDF newsletter, we've received another 60 PDF members! To list yourself on the PDF newsletter listing, please send your name, membership number and email address with your request to: [hmler@optonline.net](mailto:hmler@optonline.net)

Volunteers Wanted for all Committees  
Please call Matt Kearns at:  
631-255-5279 [mcairn@gmail.com](mailto:mcairn@gmail.com).  
Matt will be the point person for coordinating all volunteer activities in the upcoming months - Thanks!

# 2014 Sierra Club Calendars



Item	Cost	Quantity	Total
Engagement Calendar	<input type="checkbox"/> \$13 (\$12, \$11)	_____	_____
Wilderness Calendar	<input type="checkbox"/> \$12 (\$11, \$10)	_____	_____
Clip & mail: <b>Sierra Club Calendars</b> <b>Jeanne Sofia</b> <b>25 Barrington Drive</b> <b>Wheatley Heights, NY 11798</b> <b>631-643-1434</b> <i>Make check payable to L.I. Sierra Club</i>		Subtotal	_____
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Proceeds from the sale of these calendars and engagement books help fund local Sierra Club conservation work. But you must buy directly from us!

These wonderful items are offered at below retail prices. Members receive a discount of \$1 per calendar or engagement book when ordering any 2 (first price in brackets).

There is a discount of \$2 per calendar or engagement book when ordering any 3 or more (second price in brackets).

See pages 4-6 for information about our Outings!

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