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Presentation for members and the community:

Make the Scene, Learn How to be Green

Thursday, December 8, 2011, 7:30 p.m., Copiague Memorial Library. Light refreshments will be served!

Share what you are doing to reduce your carbon emissions in your daily life. Bring photos on digital media or something to share that's helping you save energy, or just talk about your successes (and failures, too) – whatever it is, from solar-powered battery chargers to buying (or scavenging) pre-owned household items or buying American. We will also have information about LIPA incentives for energy conservation and renewable wind and solar energy rebates and tax credits, and LIPA's Green Choice, as well as information about Babylon's Green Homes program, and how to reduce phantom energy use from computers and TV's and electronic components.

Bring your old cell phones for recycling!

Where: Copiague Memorial Public Library, 50 Deauville Rd., Copiague

Directions: Take Montauk Hwy. (Rte. 27A), 1 mi. east of Rt. 110 (Broadway) Amityville, left on Deauville (just past Stop & Shop), immediately on right. If you pass the elementary school you've gone too far. Meeting is in upstairs conference room.

Cross Country Ski Trip to Jackson, New Hampshire

January 13-16, 2012

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 \$398 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 \$398, payable to Sierra Club Long Island Group, to True Hampton, 26 Revere Rd., Port Washington, NY 11015 by December 15, 2011. 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 40 participants by December 15, the trip will be cancelled and all checks will be returned. Questions? Please contact the trip leader, True Hampton (516-883-7850).



WANTED: Leaders for outdoor activities. Training available as needed. Contact Jane at 631-689-1568.

Vote for your Executive Committee Members! See Page 7



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Letter from the Chair

By Mark Kinnucan



Something I learned after I became Chair of our Group is that it carries a perk! Every once in a while you get invited to an environmentally-themed event in the wider community that you would not otherwise have been invited to. One such invitation came my way last month, and as a result I found myself making my way into Manhattan on a Wednesday evening in late September.

The event was a reception organized by Hyundai North America to herald the arrival in New York of a working version of Hyundai's new fuel-cell powered car. The car, a specially-modified Hyundai Tucson, had made its way cross-country from California under its own "steam." Technically, this was true, but given that hydrogen is not readily available at the corner gas station, the fuel-cell car was accompanied the whole way by a "tender" - a pickup hauling a trailer full of hydrogen canisters.

The announcement for the event laid out the case for fuel cells in the future of transportation:

Nothing in the automotive industry holds more promise for the health of the planet than fuel cell technology. As you may already be aware, fuel cell electric vehicles (FCEV):

- Leave zero tailpipe carbon emissions;
- Are able to cover 300 miles before refueling;
- Perform similarly to vehicles running on gasoline; and
- Never have to be recharged.

That sure sounded promising. I figured I'd better learn more about fuel cells before attending the event, so on the way into the city, I read the Wikipedia article on fuel cells (http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Fuel_cells). It turns out fuel cells are a lot like batteries, they provide a way to store energy temporarily that will then be released in the form of electricity. In fuel cells, this is accomplished by "burning" hydrogen, which is to say, by combining hydrogen with oxygen to produce water. But the hydrogen has to come from somewhere. Producing

hydrogen consumes energy, burning the hydrogen recovers some of that energy to power the vehicle.

So it turns out that the environmental promise of fuel cell vehicles is tied to the environmental promise – or the environmental horror – of the method used to produce the hydrogen. One method just requires electricity. So its environmental impact is the same as with battery-powered vehicles – it all depends on the source of the electricity; is it wind or is it coal plants? The more common method for producing hydrogen, however, uses fossil fuels...and emits carbon dioxide! I guess that's why the brochure said "no *tailpipe* carbon emissions."

But what I found myself mostly stuck on was the water. Hyundai's celebration included a brief presentation by Michael O'Brien, Hyundai North America's Vice President of Product and Corporate Planning. In his talk, Mr. O'Brien envisioned a world in which the city streets of New York and other major cities are filled with fuel cell vehicles. No carbon emissions! No sulfur dioxide! No particulates! Just water vapor.

Lots of water vapor.

So, after the presentation I went up to Mr. O'Brien and asked him if anyone had figured out what all that water vapor would do to the humidity level in New York, if all the cars were powered by fuel cells. He said, "That's a good question." Then he said, "I don't think anyone's looked at it." He turned to the engineer from Hyundai standing nearby and asked him. He didn't think anyone had considered it, either. And it seemed such a basic question.

I came away from the evening convinced more than ever that we can't outsmart global warming – technological fixes are not going to do the trick. The way forward has to be a reduction in our use of energy.

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GOING GREEN ON LONG ISLAND

Energy Competition

The majority of scientists agree that emissions from fossil fuels are causing climate change and pollution. The consequences are far reaching and are affecting us environmentally, economically, and politically.

What can be done to correct this situation? The answer is renewable energy. The Long Island Sierra Club is hosting a research competition where students are asked to use their intellectual creativity to write a scientific proposal for developing an alternative source of energy that can be implemented on Long Island.

High school students are asked to submit their proposals by February 1, 2012. The competition is open to high school students. Details can be found on the website, www.LISierraClub.org.

Sue Watins, Education Chair

Sierra Club Supports Occupy Wall Street

Members are encouraged to take part in the Occupy Wall Street movement and are authorized to identify themselves as Sierrans at lawful, peaceful Occupy events.

From the National Sierra Club:

"The Sierra Club affirms its support for the exercise of political expression through the Occupy Wall Street protests. Corporations that pollute our air, land and water, that put greed ahead of community good, public health and the nation's economic well-being must be held fully accountable. In our work around the country, we have seen first-hand how international coal and oil companies have wrecked communities, polluted our environment, and dominated the political process. We stand with Occupy Wall Street protesters in saying 'enough.'

"Finally, we want to make clear to all Sierra Club staff and volunteers, that you are authorized to participate in lawful and peaceful Occupy Wall Street protests in the name of the Sierra Club. Many Sierra Club staff and volunteer leaders have already participated in and/or lent support to these demonstrations. We encourage others to add their voices."



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. For all outings that say "Information: see header," call Jane at 631-689-1568 or, within an hour of the event, call 631-682-6018.

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.

Sunday 12/11 - E HIKE 2:00 pm
Blydenburgh Suffolk County Park

Enjoy 5.25 miles of scenic views as we walk the loop around "Stump Pond." The hike leader is a naturalist, and will discuss some of the plants and animals we will encounter on our hike, but we will keep a good pace and mainly just enjoy the walk and good company! The terrain is hilly in parts. Birders - you may wish to bring a pair of binoculars, as the pond is noted as a wintering location for interesting waterfowl. Photographers - there are many fine views to be experienced around the pond, so bring your cameras! Note: This hike is for adults only. Bring your own snack and beverage. Rain/Snow will cancel, drizzle will not. Use the south entrance to this park off 454 (Veterans Highway) across from the Denison Building in Hauppauge. Look for the sign for this park on the North Side of Veterans Highway. Once you have entered, proceed past the toll booths. Continue past the first parking lot on the left. Take the next left into the parking lot which serves the boat rental and restrooms. We will meet there. REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED with Jan Porinchak, beachtowel1@verizon.net or 631 327-1268.

Saturday 12/17 - E HIKE 11 am
Randall Pond Nature Trail, Ridge

Join us as we explore this area for the first time. The DEC website describes it as "184 acres of mixed wooded and open habitats. Marked trails and a descriptive brochure help visitors explore the property that includes 81 acres of reverting farm fields, 85 acres of forest, and 4 acres of fishable ponds. Hiking, fishing, dog training, and falconry areas are available." It sounds like a great place to investigate and discover. We will look for and identify animal tracks and point out some native and non-native plants. Allow two hours. Dress in layers and be prepared for changing weather since this is December, the month of unpredictability. Directions: Rt. 495 (L.I.E.) exit 68, north on William Floyd Parkway (CR 46) to Rt. 25 west, 1/4 mile to right turn on Randall Road, entrance 300 feet on left side. Information: see header.

Sunday 1/1 HIKE noon
Wildwood State Park, Wading River

Begin the new year right by walking off that feeling of stiffness from your frolics of last night or just get outdoors for the heck of it. This park is full of short hills to get your blood flowing and lungs working. The paths wind back and forth but are well marked. Do three or as many as five miles with a bail-out at roughly the 2.4 mile point. Be sure to dress for the changeable weather. Call 631-689-

1568 for directions as they vary vastly depending on where you are coming from. Information: see header.

Saturday 1/7 - E HIKE 1:00 pm
Stillwell Woods, Syosset

Allow two hours for this walk in the woods on a winter's day. We will be accompanied by Stella Miller, conservationist and president of the Huntington-Oyster Bay Audubon Society on Long Island, so you will have excellent information about any birds you might see. This is not, however, a birding walk. It is, like all our walks/hikes, an "exercise and education" outdoor experience. As much as possible, we will identify native and non-native plants. The terrain is mixed but mostly flat with a little roll. Clothing layers are suggested as is a warm pair of hiking shoes/boots and a beverage. Gloves and a hat will depend on the weather. Ice or deep snow will cancel the walk. Information: see header.

Saturday 1/28- E HIKE 10 am - 1 pm
Multi-sites in Nassau County

A joint hike with the North Shore Land Alliance - We will visit two or three preserves managed by the NSLA on the north shore of Nassau County. A person from the NSLA who knows each preserve will guide us and inform us about the natural things that make these places worth preserving. We will also learn a bit about their history. The pace will be slow. The ground terrain varies but is mostly rolling. A beverage is suggested. Facilities are not available. Each preserve has a limited amount of parking available so we will meet at the Oyster Bay train station parking lot (northern terminus of Maxwell Ave.) and carpool to the preserves. Members of the NSLA will be joining us this day. Information and REQUIRED REGISTRATION with Jane at least one day ahead at 631-689-1568.

Sunday 1/29- E Cross-Country Ski noon
Belmont Lake State Park, Babylon

Plan to bring your cross country skis for this slide in the snow. If there is too little snow we will hike instead. The trail here is relatively flat but NOT GROOMED so we may have a rough go of it if no one has cut trail before us. Plan to do 3 miles using the short route and up to 7 miles if the snow is good and we go to the lower lake. Whether we ski or hike, there is a bail-out that will give you the shorter mileage. This lake is a favorite spot for waterfowl so if you have one, bring your bird guide and binoculars for a stop after the hike to see what is visiting the lake. It's winter so dress accordingly and in layers in case the temperatures and winds change during the afternoon. Bathrooms may not be open at this time of year.

Directions: Exit 38 of Southern State Parkway brings you into the park. Meet in the first lot on the left in the far left corner. Information: see header.

Saturday 2/11 **HIKE** **noon**

Massapequa Preserve, Massapequa

Follow a gravel path up one side of the stream, then a paved path down the other. It's mostly flat. There are two large man-made ponds where we can stop for a breather or photo op. The stream, ponds and surrounding woods make this a beautiful place to walk. Allow two hours for this approximately 4 to 5 mile walk. The bathrooms may be open but don't count on it. Rain or heavy snow cancels. Directions: Sunrise Hwy to just west of the Massapequa RR station. Take Broadway North (under the RR trestle) and turn right immediately. Pass through the first parking lot into the second. Park at the far right end near the entry gate to the park. If you park along Sunrise Hwy, walk under the RR, turn left following the path, and take the first left into the parking lot where we will be meeting. Information: see header.

Saturday 2/18 - E **HIKE** **noon**

Edgewood Preserve, NE Deer Park

Enjoy this 4-plus mile, 2 ½ to 3 hour hike through almost totally flat Edgewood Preserve. This Oak Brush Plains Preserve is a state-owned, 843-acre nature preserve, situated within the towns of Babylon, Huntington and Islip (more specifically, the hamlets of Deer Park, Dix Hills and Brentwood). It is Long Island's only pitch pine scrub oak wildlife habitat. It's part of the grounds of the once larger-than-today Pilgrim State Hospital and you will hear a bit about that on the walk. For more information on the park, go to www.friendsofthewoodpreserve.org. Rain, ice, or heavy snow on the roads will cancel. Wear appropriate footwear for the weather conditions. Directions: LIE Exit 52, Commack Rd. Follow it SOUTH approx 1.5 mi. There is a median in the road just in front of the preserve parking area. OR Southern State, Deer Park Avenue exit. Go NORTH to Commack Rd. Take Commack Rd. North past the Tanger Mall and over the RR tracks. The next traffic light is Nicolls Rd and the beginning of the preserve. Go north a short distance more. The entrance to the preserve is on your right. Information: see header.

Sunday 2/26 - E **HIKE** **noon**

Prosser Pines County Park, Middle Island

I have wanted to walk this park any number of times but never gotten around to it so here is your chance to join me as I venture into the unknown. It is described as a short walk of about one mile in the tall pines planted in 1812. More of its history will be shared on the walk. If anyone wants more distance we can drive down the street to Cathedral Park for a longer walk. Directions: From East - LIE (495) exit 68 north (Wm. Floyd Pkwy). Turn left onto Longwood Rd. At end of Longwood Rd. turn right; entrance is a short distance down the road on your right. From West - LIE exit 66 north (Sills Rd); bear left at flashing light (Middle Island/Yaphank Rd). Park is on your right after passing the traffic light at Longwood Rd. Information: see header.

Fracking News

On Wednesday, November 2, "Speak Out on Fracking," a public forum in New York City, was hosted by State Assemblywoman Linda Rosenthal (D, Upper West Side). It was prompted by hydro-fracturing activities (the process of removing gas from shale) in New York and Pennsylvania.

Our neighbors in Pennsylvania and some New York State residents in the south western tier have been left with polluted wells and no clean water for drinking, washing or other purposes following fracturing operations. Many have been told by their local health departments to not allow their animals to drink the water either.

Actor Mark Ruffalo, a resident of upstate New York and father of three, recently visited Dimock, Pa. with Robert F. Kennedy, Jr. For many homeowners in Dimock and other parts of the nation, the drilling company had to provide residents with water storage tanks and fresh water. And hazardous waste water from the drilling process, left behind in open storage pools to settle out the particulate matter, has been consumed by wild animals which have died as a result. The companies do not treat the hazardous waste water on site because it would be too expensive. Instead they truck the water, after the particles have settled out, to municipal treatment plants, none of which are prepared to remove the chemicals and radioactive materials the water contains. As a result of Hurricane Irene, some pools of contaminated water in Pennsylvania flooded and overflowed, polluting surrounding areas. And this poisonous hydro-fracking process is occurring in many places throughout the United States including Wyoming, where once-pure air is now more polluted than the air in Los Angeles because of emissions from drilling operations.

The New York ("Atlantic") chapter of the Sierra Club has been very active in educating people about hydro-fracturing. Activities have included:

- Calling meetings of local people to inform members and the public of the dangers of leasing their property, including not only the environmental and health issues but also the financial ones. Recently, mortgage companies have devalued properties on which the mineral rights have been sold (i.e. the owners have signed contracts with oil companies).
- Comments have been submitted to the DEC concerning the inadequacies of their proposed regulatory rules for fracking in New York.
- Comments were submitted concerning omissions in the Draft Supplemental Generic Environmental Impact Statement (DSGEIS)
- Letters were sent to the governor requesting a more extended time for the review process for the DSGEIS. And the period was extended. The deadline is now "received by December 12, 2011," which means mailed by Dec 5. For more details, visit <http://www.dec.ny.gov/energy/75370.html>.
- Leaders of the club have been recognized as informed
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It's Time to Get LIPA Moving Forward With New Leadership

Like almost everyone else on Long Island, you probably get your electric power from LIPA, the Long Island Power Authority. Because it's a public authority, with no shareholders interested in profits, it can focus only on delivering electricity to its customers.

Lately LIPA's been in the local news a lot, with stories critical of its restructuring, high rates, recovery from hurricane Irene, etc. Such stories are all designed to sell newspapers. Long Island Sierrans interested in the future of their local environment should look beyond these headlines, and ask about LIPA's future in an energy economy based on non-polluting, sustainable energy.

The picture here is mixed. LIPA's promotion of renewable solar energy on Long Island has established it as a leader in comparison to other utilities. However, it could be doing so much more than it is to move us away from electric power generated by polluting fossil fuel plants that send billions of dollars off-Island each year for fuel or power purchases.

Why isn't it doing more? For one thing, LIPA has been without a permanent CEO for over a year, since the resignation of its previous head, who was a political appointee. Wouldn't it be great for us to have an experienced professional utility manager running our electric utility? How about someone who has had extensive experience in the area of energy policy in the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority? And has served as energy advisor to two Governors? And who has held faculty positions at Cornell University and Rochester Institute of Technology? And who is so committed to and knowledgeable about renewable energy that he's been on the boards of several energy industry organizations? And has served as a member of a panel reporting on "America's Energy Future" for the prestigious National Academy of Science?

I'm not describing several candidates for the CEO position – but just one, Paul DeCotis. Paul is currently a LIPA Vice President, and is said to be one of two or three candidates in the running for the LIPA CEO position. Right now the selection process is stalled while the LIPA Board puts out other fires. But in the meantime they continue to move ahead with major, long-term commitment to new contracts for power from fossil fuel, while energy efficiency and renewable energy programs languish.

We need new leadership to lead our utility toward pollution-free electricity from sources that do not depend on fuels whose prices are likely to increase in the future. Instead of sending almost \$2000 per household off-Island for power and fuel purchases, wouldn't we be better off investing that

money here in local jobs to improve our energy efficiency and use free sunlight for more of our power? I think we would!

Get the message through to Governor Andrew Cuomo. Call, write, or email him (via web page below) with the message that "As a Long Islander and a Sierra Club member, I am concerned that LIPA has been without a CEO for well over a year. LIPA needs a utility professional committed to renewable energy, such as its Vice President Paul DeCotis, to lead it and the nearly three million people on Long Island into a twenty-first century clean energy economy. The time for an appointment is NOW!"

<http://www.governor.ny.gov/contact/GovernorContactForm.php>. Select "Energy Issues" as your Topic from the pull-down menu.

Governor's Office: 518-474-8390
The Honorable Andrew M. Cuomo
Governor of New York State
NYS State Capitol Building
Albany, NY 12224

Looking for turtles? The next installment of our feature article on the turtles of Long Island will be in the next issue of the newsletter. In the meantime, if you would like to receive a complete copy of the article by email, please send an email with "Turtles" in the subject line to the newsletter editor: elisa.fante@gmail.com.

Hydrofracking News

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speakers and have been invited to present at many local events including ones here on Long Island.

- Petitions have been circulated asking for more time for comments, better regulations and for a recall of the DSGEIS.
- Leaders have been networking with other organizations in the state to prevent improperly regulated or prematurely permitted hydro-fracking.
- The state chapter's gas drilling task force confers regularly to coordinate and promote efforts by Sierra Club members in the various local groups throughout the state.

For more information visit any one or more of these websites: <http://newyork.sierraclub.org>, <http://newyork.sierraclub.org/fingerlakes/news.html>, <http://newyork.sierraclub.org/susquehanna/marcellusshale.shtml>.

Not a Sierra Club member? What are you waiting for? Add your voice to protect the planet. Join the Sierra Club today. Visit the Sierra Club's website at www.sierraclub.org to join, or call 415-977-5653.

CANDIDATES' STATEMENTS FOR THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE'S 2011-12 TERM

ANN AURELIO

In review of what I've done and where I am going: I have been part of several Anti-Liquefied Natural Gas campaigns working with numerous groups on Long Island and Clean Ocean Action in New Jersey. So far, we have been 100% successful in keeping these infrastructures from going forward in and around Long Island. Whenever I meet with fellow Long Islanders whether on Earth Day or any other tabling event I participate in for Sierra Club, I advocate for compact florescent bulbs and energy conservation. Moving forward, I will continue to do this. I also assist in our Water Sentinel program, for as a resident of Long Island I am aware of how important water quality is whether it be for drinking, swimming or fishing. Given another term, I will continue to address these issues. In addition, I would like to continue as Vice Chair to ensure the continuity of the club's actions. Thank you.

MICHAEL CAFARO

I am the Coastal Waterways Chair of the Long Island Group. This is my second try at it. I did my first stint as Coastal Waterways Chair from 2006-2007. I've had two tenures as Newsletter Editor (1999-2001, 2007-08), and two long periods as Political Chair (2002-2006, 2008-2010). One of the nice things about being back at Coastal Waterways is that I get to work on a really terrific Conservation Committee. I also get to advance our goals as the primary geographic center of coastal activity within the state. At present, my focus is on the Fire Island Wilderness Area, and how the Fire Island General Management Plan will affect that very precious part of the Fire Island landscape. I'm also the Long Island Sierra Club's representative to the South Shore Estuary Reserve Citizens Advisory Committee, and that is a very unique source of information for our group bi-monthly.

JANE FASULLO

As a lifelong resident of Long Island, I have a personal and strong commitment to protecting its land, water, flora and fauna. As a member of the Long Island and New York State (chapter) Sierra Club executive committees, I am able to apply the strength of the club to achieving the goal of protecting our environment. My achievements in the club include: On Long Island: Manager, outdoor program and "public information (tabling)" program. Creator/manager, internship program. Creator, information brochures. Coordinator/manager, volunteers. Manager, calls to our general phone number. Speaker, Brookhaven Town Board meetings and Suffolk County Legislature meetings. Participant, Brookhaven Energy Task Force. Network with most other environmental organizations and with many other entities. State level: Active participant in Sierra Club's Gas Task Force and the Energy Committee. Please show your support for my efforts by voting for me.

PHIL HECKLER

I was recently appointed to fill a vacancy on the Executive Committee of the L.I. Sierra Club. As political chair since October 2010, I developed the approved list of endorsed candidates for 2011 elections and helped publish the political newsletter. I have been part of the environmental movement for many years. For the past seven years I have been a volunteer trail maintainer, keeping a two-mile section of the Greenbelt trail clear for hikers. I am an active biker, hike and kayaker. I am action oriented and have a proven record of achievement in water and wastewater engineering including working with citizen groups to reach common goals. I am particularly interested in helping our members lead by example to control greenhouse gas emissions. I will work to get members to improve their energy efficiency and install alternate energy as I have for 100% of my electrical household needs.

DIANE IVES

I'm originally from Connecticut and California, but love Long Island and have lived here 28 years now. I've been a water tester with Sierra Club Water Sentinels since March 2009. I'd like to see more wind and solar power on Long Island. Of course, energy efficiency comes first. I helped call Sierra Club members to tell them about free energy audits through Babylon's Green Homes program. I also helped put together several Sierra Club programs featuring: James Sottile, who is from Long Island and did sustainable landscaping for NYC Brooklyn Bridge Park and the Hi-line; Laura Weinberg, President of Great Neck Breast Cancer Coalition, who helped ban BPA in baby bottles in New York State; and most recently a talk and tour by Dr. Michael Veracka, Chairperson of SUNY Farmingdale's Dept. of Ornamental Horticulture, at their new Sustainable Garden.

HARRY WHITTELSEY

I joined the club's executive committee to fill an opening early in 2011, and quickly saw the potential to have significant impact on Long Island's environmental problems. My environmental consciousness began as a boy sailing on L.I. Sound; sailing my racing Trimaran—and the health of the waters surrounding our Island—are still my passions. I have extensive experience as a telecommunications industry executive/entrepreneur. I am the founder and president of NBC Solutions, Inc. I have served on the boards of numerous organizations, including the Huntington Arts Council; the Association for Commerce and Industry, the Cinema Arts Center and Heckscher Museum, among others. I have also served as Vice Commodore of the Greater Huntington Boating Council. I have been a long-time supporter of environmental organizations because of my concerns about global warming, pollution, deforestation, over-fishing, etc. I have lived in Huntington Bay with my wife, Frances, for more than 30 years.

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(You'll need your membership number from the address label.)

To vote by mail, fill out this ballot. Vote for up to six candidates by placing an "X" or a check mark in the circles under Ballot 1. Ballot 2 is to be used for a joint membership. Each member should cast a vote. Please be sure that your address label (on the reverse side) is included so that we may be sure the vote is being submitted by a Sierra Club member. You may cross out your name and address if you wish to vote anonymously. If you are a PDF subscriber, write your membership number on your ballot. Mail the ballot by 12/31/11 to:

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JANE FASULLO

PHIL HECKLER

DIANE IVES

HARRY WHITTELSEY

BALLOT # 2

ANN AURELIO

MICHAEL CAFARO

JANE FASULLO

PHIL HECKLER

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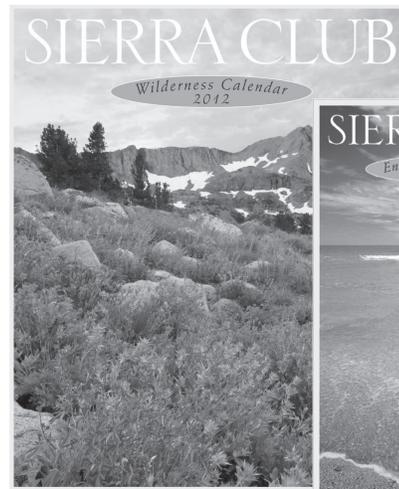
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| Wilderness Calendar | <input type="checkbox"/> \$12 (\$11, \$10) | _____ | _____ |
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These wonderful items are offered at below retail prices. Members receive a discount of \$1 per calendar or engagement 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).

Going Green on Long Island competition!
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