

Great Neck Accepts the Grease Challenge

Great Neck Water Pollution Control District (GNWPCD), the oldest water pollution control district on Long Island, founded in 1914, has proposed a 2 million dollar receiving station to process grease from neighboring restaurants.

This year the district committed to 60 million dollars in upgrades to its 236 East Shore Road facility after absorbing all sewage disposal from the Village of Great Neck, which previously operated its own operation since the 1930's. This consolidation is an effort to comply with a ten year old NY State mandate from the Department Environmental Conservation designed to reduce nitrogen dumping into Long Island Sound or face heavy fines.



Serving more than 15,000 residents and businesses in the villages of Saddle Rock and Kensington, the Village of Great Neck, parts of Thomaston, Great Neck Plaza and part of Manhasset, have always been in the forefront of environmental concerns. From their earlier modest efforts, including a food-for-fuel initiative in 2007, involving grease collection from a few restaurants to this more ambitious expansion of their grease program they have shown leadership.

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

In the commotion and hustle and bustle of everyday business we often take for granted those who serve our needs on a daily basis. To me they are super heroes who we have come to depend on. I am referring to LIL-WA member companies Emil Norsic and Son, Mangano Sewer & Drain, Al Aparo Crane & Cesspool, Orange Environmental, NY Cesspool Installation, Help Cesspool and Clearbrook. The aforementioned are the member companies who volunteer their services on a day after day basis to keep our, very popular member benefit, DOT Alert Program operating properly.

Let me mention that again, because I think



**Joe
Garbarino**

it's that important, I can not thank these volunteer companies enough.

Like the rest of us they often have whirlpool days full of tumult, but they still handle their part in our program. No different than any other program from time to time we have is a glitch. Recently we became aware of a problem when a LIL-WA member questioned our office about not being notified and, as usual, our staff looked into it and resolved the problem... so all is now well with the world again.

The reason I bring this up is to make the

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point that this program, as with all programs, is only as strong as the total of all it's components. We are all an integral part of it, if we don't make that first call to Emil Norsic & Son at (631) 283-0604 Ext. 114 with our observation or if the call center does not have your correct phone number etc. the chain is broken.

Our office reports that we have very few of these problems each year, of which some are credible some are not. This is my effort to keep the DOT Program's good track record on track. If you think you are experiencing a problem, call our office they will look into it and rectify it.

I would like to thank all the members who participated in this years Summer outing. In spite of much apprehension over closed and flooded roads that day from the record breaking rain storm Long Island experienced, the boat left on time, the dinner at Flynn's was fabulous as usual and everyone made it. You can review pictures from the trip in this edition of our newsletter.

Just a reminder, on Wednesday this coming November 12th we will hold LILWA's Annual Certification Night. Certification expires every three years and you must be current on certification for your company to be highlighted on our internet site, check for details in this newsletter.

Joe Garbarino
President

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Septic Expo Gets Facelift

The Pumper & Cleaner Environmental Expo International annual show has a new look to it. According to COLE Publishing founder, Bob Kendall, "We're not just a show for pumpers and cleaners, we've grown and evolved into so much more, and so have you." The show expects over 9000 industry members to attend the 2015 show, along with way from the few hundred attendees back in 1981 when the show first appeared. Only 19 vehicles were represented that first year a long way from the more than 250 expected in 2015.

In an attempt to be more inclusive, the show is evolving. "It's a show for an entire industry of hard-working people who maintain our sewer and water infrastructure, properly treat and dispose of wastewater, keep water safe, and our environment healthy," Kendall

explained

Formally known to all of us as the Pumper & Cleaner Environmental Expo International, the annual show has become the Water & Wastewater Equipment, Treatment & Transport Show or now known by the acronym WWETT. There is even a new web site: www.wwett.com, to complete the new image where you can obtain all the necessary details you may need to attend the event.



The 2015 show is scheduled for February 24-26 at the Indianapolis Convention Center, Indianapolis, IN. Education Day will be on February 23.

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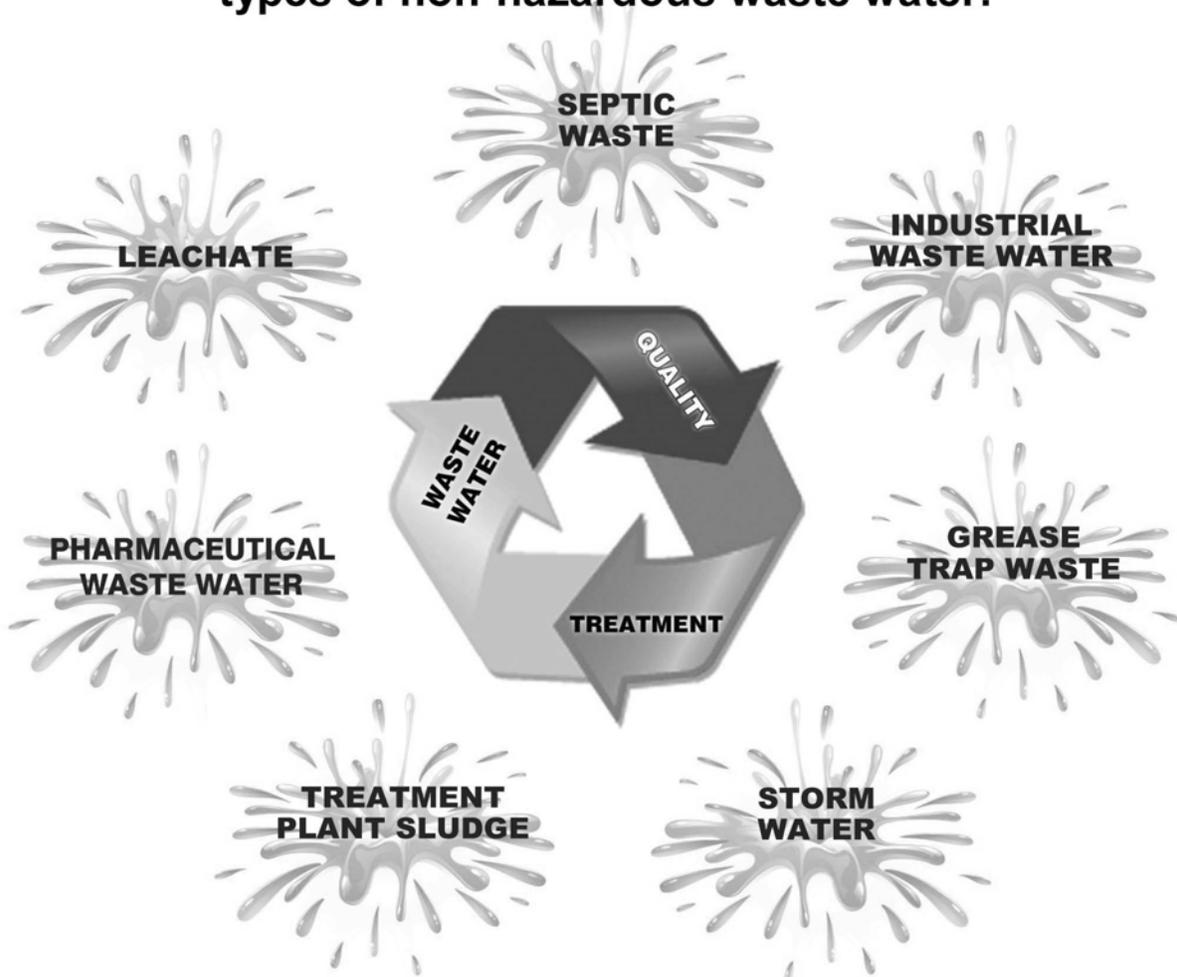
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GNWPCD now plans to install a grease treatment station at its facility and in so develop alternate forms of energy, such as biofuel, to power the plant. According to GNWPCD Commissioner Jerry Landsberg "This project gives us the ability to recycle waste oil to create biofuels used in the district's generators". He also pointed out the fact that it was also a source of revenue and they could charge for disposal.



*Superintendent
Chris Murphy*

Water Pollution Control Superintendent, Christopher Murphy, further explained that treated grease gives off methane gas that will be used to generate power to micro turbines that power the facility. "That will lead to a decreased electric bill" Murphy added. They project an estimated \$100,000 annual cost savings in electric. According to the Superintendent he got the idea for a grease treatment station when he visited a septic treatment facility in California.

The district preformed feasibility studies which proved the projects viability. With support from federal, state, county, town and village officials, they are currently seeking a grant to help fund the project.

Grease and the accompanying disposal problems that go along with it are often the center of discussion at Long Island Liquid Waste Association meetings. GNWPCD is hoping to attract commercial haulers who remove grease from traps at restaurant and food facilities.

In an interview with Newsday, LILWA member Shawn Kerns of Help Cesspool and Sewer Service said his company pumps grease traps for restaurants and has grease hauled to a private company in Babylon. According to Shawn "Having a place in Great Neck to get rid of grease would be an advantage to the county, to having a place to go".

The District has also enacted a comprehensive grease trap program to reduce the amount of grease being introduced into the sanitary sewer system. Since its inception, the amount of grease entering the sewer system has drastically reduced. The District will be conducting inspections of all establishments selling food or grease producing products. According to the Great Neck Water Pollution Control District, it is the establishments responsibility to have grease traps installed and maintained.

North Hempstead Supervisor Judi Bosworth was quoted in a statement that the town has grease conversion equipment in place but it requires additional staff to run such an operation. However, it is on our radar and fits with the town's environmental mission.

For more information about Great Neck Water Pollution Control District visit: www.gnwpcd.net

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If you are one of the many LILWA member companies listed on our trade reference section on the LILWA internet site who are not yet certified, this is your chance to have your listing up graded and highlighted as a LILWA Certified Septic Company. Make your reservations now to attend this night.

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All Aboard 2014

It was August 13th, right after Long Island's record rain fall, we were on the phones all day deciding on what to do about our scheduled Summer Outing To Flynn's on Fire Island. Many streets were flooded, some roads and parkways closed, not pretty.

After deciding to give it a go, the sun came out and the sky cleared enough to board the Moon Chaser and we were on our way to Ocean Bay Park.

The turn out was exceptional and so was the Seafood Buffet.



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LILWA President Joe Garbarino and wife Liz along with their guests board the Moon Chaser

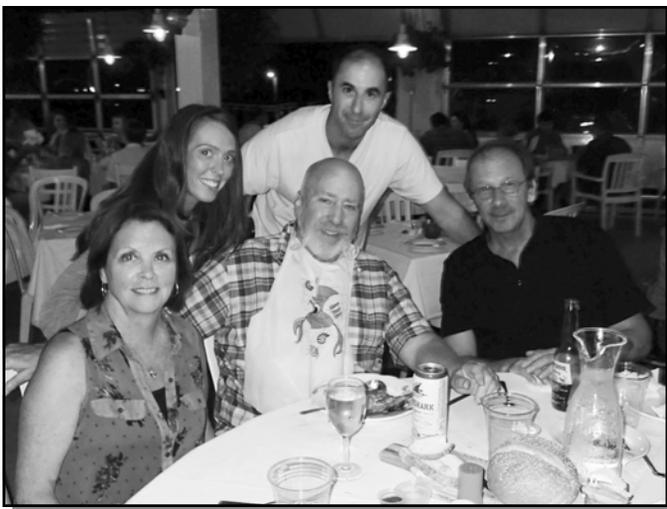




Mr. & Mrs. Mike Barry of Direct Drainage, far right, along with staff



Another regular at the LILWA Summer outing is the Staff from Clearbrook



Mr. & Mrs. Dick Crescenzo bottom left, of WASTE Inc family & guest



Past President Judge Coleman and his gracious wife Liz

Mr. & Mrs. Jonathon Mangano, far left, and staff



East Hampton Wastewater Management Plan

It was a rocky beginning when the majority of the East Hampton Town Board voted to hire the consortium of Lombardo, FPM, and the Woods Hole Group as consultants back in Spring of 2013. The award to develop a comprehensive wastewater plan at a cost not to exceed \$197,989 sparked a great deal of controversy and opposition in the east end community which included the town supervisor, a councilwoman and residents opposed to the project.

Many of the skeptics were concerned about the final cost of the project to individual home owners. Some were concerned about a possible bias and the plan would recommend the use of Nitrex, a nitrogen removal system developed by Lombardo Associates. One resident even compared it to a Solyndra situation where the energy company went bankrupt after receiving federal funds.



Most concerns seem to have quelled especially when Pio Lombardo of Lombardo Associates provided a copy of a conflict of interest statement signed by him which is standard in his contracts he stated. According to the statement, should there be a need for wastewater and groundwater nitrogen removal systems in East Hampton with Nitrex's capabilities, Lombardo Associates would receive no royalties.

After a series of delays due to various reasons, which included communication misunderstandings and payment delay problems, this past September, seventeen months later, Mr. Lombardo unveiled the long awaited plan in what was the first of several sessions to discuss the their recommendations. According to Mr. Lombardo there is a serious nitrogen problem especially in the watershed areas even calling Lake Montauk a "poster child" for bacterial contamination from wastewater.

Initial finding confirm neighborhood wastewater system upgrades are needed on a number of properties where inferior systems are causing ground and surface water pollution, even bacterial contamination of private well water was also observed. Mr. Lombardo estimated that depending on conditions individual property repairs could range between \$15,000 to \$40,000.

They are also recommending neighborhood treatment systems in vulnerable areas such as the Montauk docks and East Hampton Village business district. Another important recommendation is the enforcement of an existing regulation requiring inspections of private septic systems every three years and before property is transferred.

Three Mile Harbor, according to the study is demonstrating signs of excessive nitrogen loading and concentrations of harmful algae. In the short term areas like this including Lake Montauk could be treated by the use of permeable reactive barriers (PRBs).

A PRB is a passive on site treatment zone of reactive material that degrades or immobilizes contaminants as ground water flows through it. PRBs are installed as permanent, semi-permanent, or replaceable units across the flow path of a contaminant plume. Natural gradients transport contaminants through strategically placed treatment media. The media degrade, absorb, precipitate, or remove chlorinated solvents, metals, radionuclides, and other pollutants. These barriers may contain reactants for degrading volatile organics, chelators for immobilizing metals, nutrients and oxy-

gen to enhance bioremediation, or other agents.

According to the EPA, traditional technologies, such as pump-and-treat, require an external energy source and their cost is high. Subsurface residuals frequently remain at undesirable levels. Thus, subsurface permeable reactive barriers (PRBs) are gaining a reputation as a cost-effective alternative. Properly designed and installed PRBs can reduce the levels of many contaminants to regulatory cleanup goals. The barriers are expected to have low maintenance costs, though the stability of aging barriers is still being studied.

Lombardo was quoted as describing PRB's as a silver bullet when dealing with ponds.

“This is not a short term fix” explained Kim Shaw, the town’s Department of Natural Resources “We knew we would be looking out 10 or 15 years in. The low hanging fruit are the permeable reactive barriers, and for the longer term it’s getting financing for corrective action in priority areas in East Hampton”.

The next step besides further meetings, Mr. Lombardo explained, is the development of an implementation plan,

working out the financing and a time line for completion. He also commended the town of their forethought in leading the way in this area.

You can view the plan and supporting reports at www.ehwaterrestoe.com.



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By Dhru Bhatt

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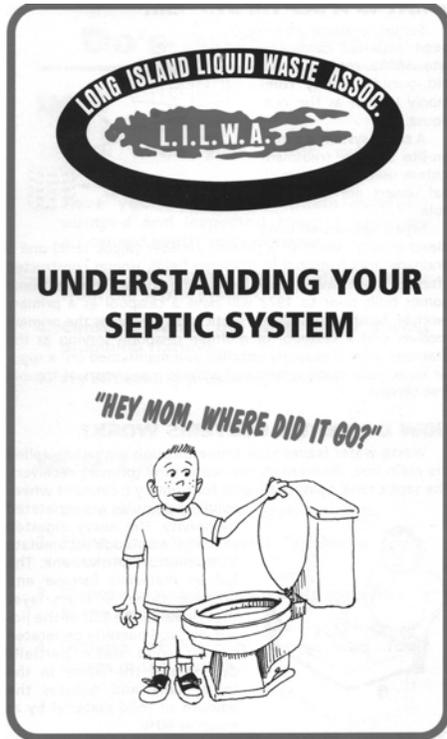
Richard A. Hillenbrand Sr. 1943-2014

Sadly we say goodbye to long time devoted LILWA member Richard Hillenbrand of Great River Cesspool Service, who passed October 5, 2014 at age 71. Our deepest condolences to his wife Linda and their son Craig and his many grandchildren. He will be missed by all of us.

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Linda
Perlow

I believe we just can not stress the importance enough this time of year to get vaccinated for the flu, for that reason I am repeating this subject again.

In the Fall, the best investment any of us can do for our and our families health is to get an annual Influenza (flu) shot.

Losing time and money and the agonizing feeling of being sick is not worth the time you will save by not getting vaccinated. A flu shot may not always keep you from getting the flu, but it can make the symptoms milder and reduce the risk of complications.

Anyone older than 6 months can get a flu shot, but it is most important if you are at high risk for complications. Those at high risk include young children, pregnant women, older adults, and people with chronic diseases or weak immune systems. If you are a care giver for someone who is at high risk, it is a good idea to get the shot. This reduces the chance that you could spread the flu to the person you care for or your family.

A few people should not get a flu shot without talking to their doctor first. These include people with an allergy to eggs, those who had a severe reaction to the vaccine in the past, some people who are ill, and children younger than 6 months.

Flu viruses change quickly, so each year scientists make a new vaccine. To have the best chance of being protected, you need to get a flu shot every fall.

Influenza (flu) is an infection of the nose, throat, and lungs caused by a virus. Most people get better without problems, but the flu can be deadly. It can lead to serious problems (complications) such as pneumonia, or it can make an existing disease worse. Every year thousands of people end up in the hospital with flu complications. Getting a flu shot each fall can help you avoid these serious risks.

If you are a person of high risk, be it up in age or have any serious health complications, also talk to your doctor about a pneumonia shot . A pneumonia shot is presently recommended five years apart max twice in a life time

It takes about 2 weeks for your body to make the antibodies that protect you. So the best time to get the shot is in October or November, before the flu season starts. But it can still help if you get the shot in December or later, since flu season often doesn't peak until February or even later. And flu is a risk year-round in the tropics. If you are planning travel to a tropical area, you need only one flu shot in a year.



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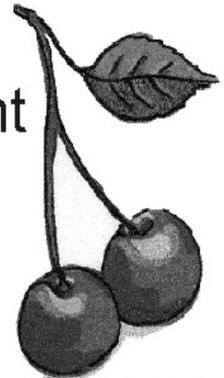
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