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# Long Island SmartCEO Announces the 2016 Brava Award Winners

40 powerhouse female business leaders to be recognized in SmartCEO's Brava Awards program

**Long Island, NY (May 9, 2016)** — Long Island SmartCEO is pleased to announce the 2016 Brava Award winners. The Brava Awards celebrate the distinguished achievements of 40 of Long Island's top women business leaders. This year's class collectively generates more than \$10.38 billion in annual revenue and employs 8,149 individuals. The winners will be profiled in the July/August issue of *SmartCEO* magazine and celebrated at an awards ceremony on August 10, 2016 at Westbury Manor.

# Please see below for a complete list of winners and for program details. To share in the excitement leading up to the event, follow us @SmartCEO #BravaAwards.

"Brava winners possess the hallmark qualities of successful leaders — vision, passion, compassion, dedication, perseverance. Each winner in this year's class exhibits these qualities in all facets of her life, from running her business to tending to her family and donating time and resources to philanthropic initiatives," says Jaime Nespor-Zawmon, president of SmartCEO. "We are honored to recognize a group of women who are truly making a difference in the world."

The Long Island Brava Awards ceremony on August 10, 2016, is an expected sell-out event where more than 350 local executives and guests will gather and celebrate their noteworthy achievements. Past Brava winners will also be in attendance to welcome the new class of winners into the Brava community. The event will kick off with a cocktail reception, followed by a video-packed awards ceremony and a final, inspirational toast to the female leaders of Long Island.





## 2016 Brava Awards

Date: Wednesday, August 10, 2016 Time: 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. Location: Westbury Manor 1100 Jericho Turnpike, Westbury, NY 11590 Attire: Business Cocktail

2016 Brava Winners

**Kathleen Brennan 360 Insurance Services** Valentina Solomita American Centurion Financial LLC Lynda Zacpal American Pride Fasteners, LLC **Kathleen Finnegan** Centerspan LLC **Cynthia Romano** Chrysalis Management **Fig Annunziato** ClaimFox Christine Ippolito, SPHR, SHRM-SCP **Compass Workforce Solutions Adrienne Giannone** Edge Electronics, Inc. **Nicole Larrauri** The EGC Group **Alison Brennan** Einbinder Development **Karen Perry-Weinstat** Event Journal, Inc. Karen Boorshtein (Nonprofit winner) Family Service League, Inc. **Barbara Faron** (Nonprofit winner) Federation of Organizations **Esther Fortunoff** Four Leaf Designs LLC dba Fortunoff Jewelry Jennifer Cona Genser, Dubow, Genser & Cona

**Cheryl Goldenberg** Goldenberg Consulting Group Inc. Anne D. Shybunko-Moore GSE Dynamics Inc. **Hilary Topper** HJMT Mara Navaretta Homes By Mara Realty Katie McGowan (Nonprofit winner) HorseAbility **Jacquie Holmes** Kiwi Partners Inc. **Neslihan Hidirligil** N&F Global Corp. **Nancy Burner** Nancy Burner & Associates, P.C. **Marianne Rosner** Napoli Marble & Granite Design Ltd. **Maria Titone** Old Stone Marble Works Corp. Yolanda Robano-Gross (Nonprofit winner) Options for Community Living, Inc. **Fenella Kim** Reliance Star Payment Services, Inc. **Patricia Salkin** (Nonprofit winner) Touro Law Center **Theresa A. Regnante** (Nonprofit winner) United Way of Long Island **Jacqueline Harounian** Wisselman, Harounian & Associates, PC





2016 Brava Executive Category WinnersEllen PitchfordRandi PiCanon USAIntegrKimberly Roffi, CPAJoan AxaCerini and Associates, LLPLoveSheryl TaylorKaryn SaEPIC Long IslandThe NDara GaryBeth FetFamily Residences & EssentialSunriEnterprises, Inc.Lynne VLori BonoTeachGrassi & Co.Teach

Randi Pincus Integrated Medical Professionals, PLLC Joan Axelrod Siegelwax Love & Quiches Karyn Schoenbart The NPD Group, Inc. Beth Fetner Sunrise Association Lynne Viccaro O'Leary Teachers Federal Credit Union

### About the Brava Awards

The Brava Awards program celebrates high-impact female business leaders in three categories: CEOs, Executive Directors of Nonprofits, and C-suite executives. Brava award winners combine their irrepressible entrepreneurial spirit with a passion for giving back to the community, and are exemplary leaders of both their companies and their communities. They encourage local philanthropy, mentor up-and-coming leaders and set their companies on the path to tremendous growth. Each year, an independent committee of local business leaders selects winners based on company growth, community impact and mentoring. SmartCEO shares their inspiring stories in *SmartCEO* magazine and celebrates their success at a high-energy awards gala.

### **About SmartCEO**

SmartCEO's mission is to educate and inspire the business community through its awardwinning magazine, connections at C-level events and access to valuable online resources. SmartCEO's integrated media platforms reach decision makers in the Baltimore, Boston, Charlotte, Long Island, New Jersey, New York, Philadelphia and Washington, DC, metropolitan areas.

For more information about the 2017 Brava Awards nomination process or sponsorship opportunities, email Lauren Cittadino at <u>lauren@smartceo.com</u>.

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