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ARMYN RECEIVES KOPPELMAN AWARD

Linda Armysn, Vice President of Bethpage Federal Credit Union, Receives 2009 Lee E. Koppelman Community Leadership Award

Melville resident is recognized by the Association of Fundraising Professionals

(Bethpage, NY...March 31, 2009) Linda Armysn, Bethpage Federal Credit Union Vice President of Corporate Development and Government Affairs, is the recipient of the first-ever "Lee E. Koppelman Community Leadership Award" presented by the Association of Fundraising Professionals Long Island Chapter (AFPLI).

AFPLI (www.afpli.org), one of 197 chapters of a professional affiliation for those in the fundraising field, represents over 300 Long Island members. The AFPLI award is named for Dr. Lee E. Koppelman, former Executive Director of the Long Island Regional Planning Board, and recognizes an individual who has demonstrated leadership in making a difference in the quality of life on Long Island.

Ms. Armysn, a resident of Melville, NY, joined Bethpage Federal Credit Union (Bethpage) in 2001 and has spearheaded the formation of the credit union's Heart of Bethpage campaign to promote the causes of Long Island's not-for-profits. She represents Bethpage in several regional initiatives that partner public and private efforts to improve the quality of life on Long Island, including Nassau County's "Green Levittown" and "Warriors to Work". In 2006 and 2007, she partnered with AFPLI to present a leadership series for nonprofit executive directors and board members, including the collaboration with Congressman Steve Israel's office that brought 20 not-for-profit leaders to Washington D.C. for a firsthand look at the Congressional appropriations process. In 2008, she joined 13 other credit unions to spearhead an Island-wide food drive for both Island Harvest and LI Cares.

AFPLI President Patrice Frank was joined by Long Island officials, Lee Koppelman and an enthusiastic audience brought to its feet during the presentation of the Community Leadership Award to Ms. Armysn.

"I am honored to be held in the regard of the members of AFPLI who contribute mightily to the welfare and the well-being of our region," said Ms. Armysn. "Mr. Koppelman is the rightful namesake for this community award and I am exceedingly proud to be its recipient and to accept this award on behalf of everyone at Bethpage."

In addition to being a founding board member of the Bethpage Federal Credit Union Foundation and the Co-Chair for the Leadership Council for the Mentoring Partnership of Long Island, Ms. Armysn serves on the Board of Directors for The Cradle of Aviation Museum, YMCA of Long Island, Child Care Council of Suffolk, and the Girl Scouts of Suffolk. Each Memorial Day weekend, she and a team of Bethpage employee volunteers work tirelessly to help produce the annual free public event, the Bethpage Federal Credit Union Air Show at Jones Beach.

At Bethpage, Ms. Armysn is charged with oversight of Corporate Strategy, Business Development, Community Development, Government Affairs, and Mergers & Acquisitions. For each consecutive year since 2006, Long Island Business News has named her one of the Top 50 Women of Long Island.

According to Patrice Frank, "Linda is a dedicated advocate for Long Island who embraces charitable causes with energetic support and leadership."



Linda Army, Vice President of Bethpage Federal Credit Union, is joined by Lee Koppelman as she's presented with the first-ever Lee E. Koppelman Community Leadership Award from the Long Island Chapter of the Association of Fundraising Professionals in recognition of her efforts on behalf of Long Island, its institutions, causes and communities.

About Bethpage Federal Credit Union: A credit union with \$3.2 billion in assets and 152,000 members, Bethpage maintains branches in Bay Shore, Bethpage, Central Islip, Commack, Elmont, Farmingdale, Freeport, Glen Cove, Hempstead, Huntington, Levittown, Lynbrook, Massapequa, Melville, Mineola, North Babylon, Port Jefferson, Riverhead and Smithtown with no-surcharge ATM access at more than 35 Shared Service Centers, King Kullen Grocery Stores, 7-Eleven Convenience Stores, Walgreen's Pharmacies and

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