



Travel Agents of Suffolk County

# TASC News

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

*Thanksgiving has come and gone and now it is time for the joyous and festive Holiday season to begin. As 2017 comes to a close, I hope everyone can join us at TASC's annual Holiday Party on December 13th at the Watermill Inn in Smithtown. No matter how you celebrate this time of year, it's just a great time to enjoy each others company and have some fun as well as enjoy the food, music and festivities. Please do not forget to bring an unwrapped toy for the toy drive which we will be donating to the Little Flower Children's services in Wading River.*

*Best wishes for Happy Holidays to all. I would also like to wish everyone a very happy, healthy and prosperous New Year. I hope to see you all at the party!!*

*Fran Raupp*



## MEMBERS CORNER

### 2018 TASC Events Schedule:

January - Club Med  
February - Sandals  
March - Meg Allen - CIE Tours  
April - Open  
May - Travel Imp & Hard Rock  
June - Globus

### Current Industry Affairs

Starting Dec. 18, 2017, Norwegian Cruise Line is requiring all final payments to be made 120 days prior to the date of sailing, up from the 90 days the line had previously required. The new deadline will be enforced for all staterooms, including Haven and suite category bookings.

Hyatt Resorts announced that their Slice of Paradise and Resort Amenity Programs will be discontinued as of 12/31/17. Please see their website for further details.

During last month's CIA it was announced that the ARC marketplace would no longer be available. However Viator has announced a direct Agent site for booking their excursions, commissionable at 8%.



## December 13th Holiday Party

We will have Stan Enden who will be giving a presentation during our party which is being held at THE WATERMILL on Route 347 in Smithtown. The party will begin at 6:00PM until 10:00PM. We will be having a cocktail hour with Hors d'oeuvres, a deluxe sit down dinner with open bar, musical entertainment and much more. Cost will be \$40 for members and \$60 for non-members. **Your RSVP and payment must be received not later than November 30th.** Members are allowed to bring 1 non-member. First come, first served, limited seating. Send your check to: TASC, PO Box 49, Bohemia, NY 11716.

**HOLIDAY TOY DRIVE** Please bring a NEW UNWRAPPED TOY to the Holiday Party. We will be delivering them this year to the Little Flower Children & Family Services in Wading River. We will also be accepting monetary donations during the evening. Help to brighten a child's life this holiday season.



## TASC By-Laws

The following proposed change to the by-laws will be voted upon at our January 10th general meeting.

### Current: **Article XI** **Office Tenure**

A. No officer may be elected to serve on the Executive Board in the same capacity more than twice for a two year term but may be elected consecutively in the same position. The exception is the President and Vice President who cannot be elected consecutively in the same position.

### Proposed: **Article XI** **Office Tenure**

A. Officers may be elected to serve on the Executive Board in the same capacity without limit in the event that there are no qualified candidates willing to serve. The exception is the President and Vice President who cannot serve more than two (2) consecutive terms but may serve in those positions again at a future time.

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