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BELLPORT VILLAGE WELCOMES NEW BUSINESSES

Legislator Browning, Bellport Chamber Celebrate Three Ribbon Cuttings



(Pictured in photos: Legislator Kate Browning, Bellport Village Mayor Will Veitch, Bellport Trustees Dorothy Terwilliger and Allison Neumann, and Chamber President Diane Romano celebrating the opening of Nakama restaurant, Rice Realty, and Steal & Velvet barber shop in downtown Bellport.)

Bellport, NY – Big box stores and the great recession have hit local mom and pop stores hard the past few years, but Bellport Village continues to grow with a strong tourism program and an active Chamber of Commerce. This past weekend Legislator Kate Browning (WF-Shirley) joined Bellport Mayor Will Veitch, Bellport Trustees Dorothy Terwilliger and Allison Neumann, and members of the Bellport Chamber of Commerce to welcome three new businesses to the downtown business corridor. The Nakama restaurant, Rice Realty and the Steal & Velvet barber shop all held ribbon cutting ceremonies and received certificates of congratulations from Legislator Browning.

In addition, the Bellport Chamber of Commerce received a \$10,000 grant from Legislator Browning to expand its “Discover Historic Bellport” program this year, which went towards the creation of a downtown map advertising everything the Village has to offer, as well as a tour of the historic structures in the area. These are being distributed at locations all over Suffolk County. Attracting consumers to Bellport as well as new businesses is what will sustain the century old downtown Main Street.

“In these tough economic times we need to do everything in our power to help businesses survive and create jobs,” stated Legislator Browning. “The best way to do that is attract new investors and drive consumers to the area. In Bellport Village we are doing that. I cannot stress enough the importance of shopping locally. These three new businesses will provide much needed employment and it is great to see it happening right here in the Village of Bellport.”

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