



On March 21, 2024, the IEEE Long Island Section hosted its **Annual Awards Banquet** at the Crest Hollow Country Club in Woodbury. Over 100 engineering professionals and their guests attended this event. The evening began with a cocktail reception, providing attendees an opportunity to network while enjoying delicious hors d'oeuvres.

We were honored to have Professor Chad Bouton from the Institute of Bioelectronic Medicine at the Feinstein Institutes for Medical Research, Northwell Health, as our distinguished Keynote Speaker. He captivated the audience with his presentation on revolutionizing medicine with brain interfaces and AI, sharing his personal experiences and insights.

The event continued with the recognition of the accomplishments of many extraordinary engineers within the Long Island Section and Region One. Congratulations to each award recipient: Dr. Andrew Sass, Art Salander, Professor Milan Toma, Bill Wilkes, James Martino, the Stony Brook University IEEE Student Branch, Lonni Chu, and Lorenzo Lo Monte. Please take the time to locate their photos in the following pages.

The LI Section is grateful to the various organizations whose sponsorships and advertisements supported the IEEE Long Island Section and helped make this evening possible. Our sponsors include Zebra Technologies, Stony Brook University, TTM Technologies, Hindle Power, Tesla Science Center at Wardenclyffe,

New York Institute of Technology, Fragrance.com, Retlif Testing Laboratories, Farmingdale State College, John Vodopia, ESQ., Advanced Technical Marketing (ATM), and Testforce.

Finally, I would like to personally thank everyone who helped prepare for the 2024 Awards Banquet. This includes the Awards Nominating Committee, the Banquet Planning Committee, our graphic designer Anthony Giresi, Kurt Kubik, Island Pro Digital, Paul and the team from Astoria Communications, Photographer Michael Craven, Dana from Feriani Floral Decorators, Crown Trophy, Provvi and the entire staff from the Crest Hollow Country Club. Their efforts made this stellar event possible.

Rhonda Green, IEEE Long Island Section Chair, 2024

PRE-CEREMONY & HORS D'OEUVRES

















- A. Bluesh Patel, Ronald Deluca, Lee Serio, and Rich Krabak
- B. Santo Mazzola, William and Susan Wilkes
- C. Eric and Tamiko Nelson
- D. Gil Lipper, William Hayes, Owen Watford, and Walter & Scott Poggi
- E. Art Salander, Matt Therlault and guests
- F. Dan Rogers, Tom Shields, Lee Serio, and Rich Hines
- G. Bosah Erike, Tim Zelinski, and Dean LaRosa

PRE-CEREMONY & HORS D'OEUVRES













- A. Chad Bouton, Udit Sharma, and Milan Toma
- B. Patrick Belton and Ed Gellender
- C. Rhonda Green and Zebra Technologies colleagues
- D. Li Bai, Glenn Luchen, and the Stony Brook University IEEE Student Chapter
- E. Michael Nizich, Rhonda Green, and Milan Toma
- F. Dave and Margaret Mesecher
- G. Santo Mazzola, Nikoloas Golas, and Anthony Giresi

PRE-CEREMONY & HORS D'OEUVRES

















- A. Rhonda Green, Subrina Oliver, and Chad Bouton
- B. Rhonda Green and James Martino
- C. Robin Greenidge, Rhonda Green, Bosah Erike, and Bryant Pearson
- D. Pawel Janczykowski and Dan Rogers
- E. Cocktail Lounge
- F. Tamiko Nelson and Subrina Oliver
- G. Victor Zourides and Nikoloas Golas

BANQUET DINING ROOM

















- A. Dining Room Guests
- B. James Martino, Santo Mazzola, Rhonda Green, and Udit Sharma
- C. Lonni Chu, Lubna Dajani, and Chad Bouton
- D. Milan Toma, James Martino, Udit Sharma, and guest
- E. Dining Room Guests
- F. Pawel Janczykowski and Lorenzo LoMonte
- G. Tommy Chong and Milan Toma

BANQUET DINING ROOM

















- A. Trevor Jackson, Rhonda Green, and Derek Peterson
- B. Danielle Butler, Tom Bianculli, Rhonda Green, Marc Alessi, Judy Murrah, and Douglas Borge
- C. Dining Room Guests
- D. Rhonda Green, Nikoloas Golas, and Susan Frank
- E. Dining Room Guests
- F. Bosah Erike, Robert Pang, and Tim Zelinski
- G. Dining Room Guests

BANQUET DINING ROOM















- A. Chad Bouton and Li Bai
- B. Renauldy Louis and Rhonda Green
- C. Bhavesh Patel, Lorenzo LoMonte, and Rich Hines
- D. Jose Luis Calle, Rhonda Green, Oscar Tonello, and Raj Yogarathnam
- E. Raj Yogarathnam, Rhonda Green, and Libin Varghese
- F. Rhonda Green and Trevor Jackson

WELCOME ADDRESS















- A. Rhonda Green
- B. Milan Toma
- C. James Martino
- D. Rhonda Green
- E. Awards Banquet Presentation Graphic
- F. Udit Sharma

KEYNOTE ADDRESS













- A. Chad Bouton, Keynote Speaker
- **B.** Keynote Presentation
- C. Keynote Presentation
- D. Keynote Presentation
- E. Chad Bouton

AWARDS CEREMONY















- A. Art Salander and Rhonda Green
- B. Milan Toma and Rhonda Green
- C. Chad Bouton and Rhonda Green
- D. Udit Sharma and Dave Mesecher
- E. James Martino and Rhonda Green
- F. Lonni Chu and Rhonda Green

AWARDS CEREMONY













- A. Udit Sharma and James Martino
- B. Udit Sharma and Rhonda Green
- C. Rhonda Green, Udit Sharma, and the Stony Brook University IEEE Student Branch
- D. Udit Sharma, Peter Eckstein, and Lorenzo LoMonte
- E. Udit Sharma, Rhonda Green, and Dave Mesecher

AWARDS CEREMONY













- A. Lorenzo LoMonte and Rhonda Green
- B. Udit Sharma and James Martino
- C. IEEE Long Island Awardee Ensemble
- D. Udit Sharma and Bill Wilkes
- E. Santo Mazzola and James Colotti



PROGRAM

The Community Computer Connections Program (CCCP) provides free, internet-ready computers to low-income individuals and families, veterans, and active military reservists across Long Island who otherwise would not have access to this vital modern tool. Computers have become essential as both educational institutions and work-places require familiarity with technology and internet use.

Sponsored by the Retired Senior Volunteer Program, a not-for-profit agency, CCCP has been active since 2006. Since its inception, volunteers have refurbished and delivered over seven thousand computers to recipients. The primary source of CCCP's clients is referrals from social and veteran agencies. Additionally, CCCP actively solicits donations of computers, monitors, keyboards, and laptops from local corporations, libraries, schools, institutions, and individuals. Technical volunteers at CCCP erase all data from these donated devices, refurbish the equipment, and prepare them for delivery to recipients. As a Microsoft Third Party Refurbisher, CCCP is authorized to install the Windows operating system and other software on these refurbished computers at no cost to the recipients.

CCCP'S APPROACH IS INNOVATIVE AND DIRECTLY ADDRESSES A CRITICAL COMMUNITY NEED, CREATING A WIN/WIN SITUATION FOR ALL INVOLVED

- Recipients of these refurbished computers gain an essential tool for life transformation, which they could not otherwise afford. Computers are crucial for our clients to develop skills, access information, and stay connected with the world.
- Senior volunteers remain active within the community. The program showcases that seniors are a vital resource, contributing years of experience, energy, & dedication to aid their less fortunate neighbors.
- Local corporations and organizations find a tangible and meaningful way to donate computer systems while maintaining their commitment to the communities where they operate.
- The reuse of viable computers offers an environmental benefit by reducing the need for destructive recycling. Annually, only 13.6% of the world's 3.5 million tons of discarded technical equipment is recycled.



JOEL BECKER

Community Computer Connections Program

IEEE LI Senior Life Member

WE NEED LAPTOPS & HARD DRIVES

This is what we do with your donated laptops: We completely refurbish them and distribute free of charge to people who are in need. Our clients are then able to book doctor's appointments, communicate with family, order food, and pursue education. If you are interested in donating and your computer is less than 5 years old with Windows 7 or later. All donations are tax-deductible.

WE NEED VOLUNTEERS

CCCP is seeking volunteers to help us with this important mission. No specific volunteer schedule or number of hours are required. Volunteers accepted based skill sets and availability. Assignments include:

- Computer Refurbishers
- Transport, and delivery
- Remote assistance providers
- Data Entry
- Computer Equipment Outreach





The **Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP)** is a not-for-profit 501(c)3, a grantee of **AmeriCorps Seniors**, funded by the Suffolk County Office for the Aging.

Any section members, colleagues, family, and friends who are interested to volunteer or learn more, contact

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Early Registration Deadline	October 6, 2024
Forum Commencement	November 7, 2024
Career Fair	November 8, 2024
Forum Conclusion	November 9, 2024









" My congratulations to all the awardees, and my thanks to the award ... banquet organizers." Babak .B

A great banquet and opportunity to catch-up with friends old and new while making new connections Congratulations to the awardees and thanks for delivering an event to remember. 🛂

Thanks for inviting me, we had a great time!" ART S.

'Fantastic event -well done everyone!" BARRARA P.

"Great banquet and networking event, thanks for the invite."

Thank you and congratulations on a great Awards Banquet. It looked like you had a great turnout, and we werevery happy to be able to join you." DANIELLE'B:

Kudos on a wonderful event! It was a delightful evening and went off seamlessly. It was the best presentation keynote for any event I have ever attended. "

"Great evening, the event was managed very well.



Excellent Awards Banquet. We had a great time."

Great choice of Keynote speaker, Professor Chad Bouton is a miracle worker, and I found his keynote both touching and inspiring! " ANTHONY G.

"Thank you again, congratulations on a great evening! What a great night! "

CHAD B.