

## ESSNY / CPI News Update!



The **Epilepsy Society of Southern New York (ESSNY)** and **Capabilities Partnership, Inc. (CPI)** have settled into our new and expanded space at 450 West Nyack Road, West Nyack, New York. We now have the quality space we need to offer new and exciting programs to our consumers!

Our Grand Opening Reception on June 25<sup>th</sup> was a great success! Our guest of honor was **State Senator Thomas P. Morahan**, for who the program center is named, and who has done so much to make our new offices and consumer center a reality. He spoke passionately to the Grand Opening attendees about his commitment to our work and the importance of providing services to consumers with disabilities.



CEO Janice W. Gay  
Senator Thomas P. Morahan



The new **Thomas P. Morahan Program Center** will offer instruction about independent living skills to our consumers who have experienced Traumatic Brain Injuries (TBI). The new Center will also serve the needs of those with epilepsy and other neurological impairments.



Our consumers can also relax, play and learn Social Interaction Skills in a beautiful new "club-like" space named **The Chris McCarthy Socialization Room**. This area is designed to be safe and have a welcoming "home away from home" atmosphere for our consumers to be with their peers.

## Mark Your Calendar!

**Fundraisers to help raise awareness  
and community education**

**What: The 5<sup>th</sup> ESSNY & CPI Golf Classic**

**When: Monday, September 22, 2008,  
11am-9pm**

**Where: New York Country Club, New  
Hempstead, NY**

**What: The 1<sup>st</sup> Orange County Bowl-a-Thon  
For Epilepsy**

**When: Saturday, October 18<sup>th</sup>  
5pm-9pm**

**Where: Colonial Lanes  
78 Brookside Avenue  
Chester, New York**



**What: Jayne's Walk for Epilepsy**

**When: Sunday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>  
11am-1pm**

**Where: Fox Lane High School, Bedford, New  
York**



**Check our website for more details....  
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or call 845-627-0627**

# Fundraising Events

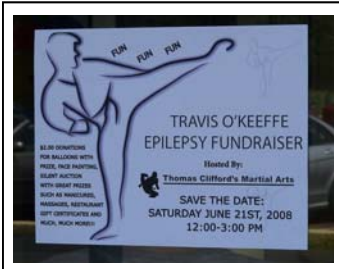
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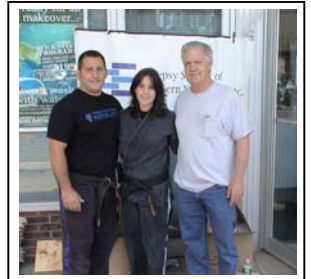
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The 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Chris McCarthy Golf Outing was held on June 20<sup>th</sup> and was well attended by many enthusiastic golfers and supporters of the **Chris McCarthy Scholarship Fund**. The day was beautiful, sunny and clear with bag pipe music playing in the background, which you could hear from almost every hole on the course. Thank you Tim McCarthy (pictured left) and the McCarthy family for all that you do to support ESSNY.



The Travis O'Keeffe Epilepsy Memorial Fund Raiser was held on June 21<sup>st</sup> and was very successful. The day was filled with raffle drawings, silent auction; dart throwing at balloons filled with prizes and the famous 'chop a board' was great fun with all ages from 3 to 73 years of age participating in the day. Our sincere thanks go out to the O'Keeffe Family, the staff and students of the Thomas Clifford's Martial Arts Center. Special thanks to Travis's brother Scott—pictured above right along with Irene Shapiro and his dad Frank O'Keeffe—who helped make this such a great event for all.



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Ed Schneider is getting ready to bowl!

The 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Bowl-a-Thon held at New City Bowl in New City on June 27<sup>th</sup> and was well attended. All had a great time. We raffled off terrific prizes thanks to generous donations from the **Pearl River Hilton, Louie's on the Avenue** in Pearl River, **Two Spear Street** in Nyack, and a gift certificate from **Shoprite**, plus many other fabulous prizes were given away. So if you missed the fun this year in New City mark your calendar for the 1<sup>st</sup> Orange County Bowl -a -Thon on October 18<sup>th</sup> from 5-9pm.

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## ESSNY and CPI expanding, New Staff...

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**Mary Beth Leo** – Mary is our new Junior Employment Specialist. She provides job coaching and development to our consumers. Prior to joining us she was a teaching assistant for Autistic children and a graduated from Fordham University.



**Natasha Altener**—Executive Assistant. The newest member to our Administration team, she will serve as Administrative Assistant. Natasha brings several years of human service experience to ESSY/CPI. In addition to joining our family, she also works as a Residential Counselor for St. Dominic's Home. Prior to joining ESSY/CPI she worked for Volunteers of America, a homeless shelter in Orange County.

### EXECUTIVE STAFF

**Chief Executive Officer:** Janice W. Gay  
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## ...and Welcomes New Board Member!



**Michael A. Maturo** of Tappan, New York has been appointed to the Board of Directors. "ESSNY is very excited to have Michael join the board, he brings energy and vision to assist in our growth," stated Janice W. Gay CEO. Michael is in Sales Operations for UNISON LLC. located in Nyack. He is responsible for innovating, aligning and maintaining digital services for the sales team. He is also a Councilman in the Town of Orangetown. "Service to the community has always been very important to me," he says, "and with an excellent staff, executive team, and history of success, ESSNY is a multi-faceted organization that I look forward to working with."

### Would you like to become a member of ESSNY/CPI?

Yes, I want to HELP those with epilepsy and other developmental disabilities by becoming a member with my donation of:

\_\_\_ \$25 Basic \_\_\_ \$50 Supporting \_\_\_ \$100 Gold \_\_\_ \$250 Patron \_\_\_ \$500 Benefactor

\_\_\_ My Employer has a matching gift program. Attached is the required form.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Card # \_\_\_\_\_ Amount \_\_\_\_\_

Please charge my: \_\_\_ Visa \_\_\_ Mastercard \_\_\_ Amex Exp. Date \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ (Thank you for your tax-deductible check made payable to ESSNY/CPI)