

Heart of the Community Award

is presented to

The Suffolk County Vanderbilt Museum

Mission: The Suffolk County Vanderbilt Museum — a unique combination of mansion, marine and natural history museum, planetarium and park — is dedicated to the education and enjoyment of the people of Long Island and beyond. This mission is achieved through the thoughtful preservation, interpretation and enhancement of the Eagle's Nest estate as an informal educational facility. Many exhibition and program themes focus upon Long Island's Gold Coast Era. Programs also concentrate on William K. Vanderbilt II's desire that his marine, natural history, and ethnographic collections promote appreciation and understanding of the marvelous diversity of life, other cultures, and scientific knowledge. Planetarium programming, more specifically, focuses on scientific knowledge and seeks to capture Mr. Vanderbilt's sense of adventure and exploration through state-of-the-art entertainment.

Laura Granelli has provided support to the Vanderbilt in connection with its educational programming and is excited to commence her newly elected position as Board Trustee.



L to R: Jim Kelly, Board President, Elizabeth Wayland-Morgan, Executive Director, Laura Granelli, Jaspán Schlesinger LLP, Sue Madlinger, Director of Development