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## Long Island Real Estate Group elects new officers

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Sam Yedid, a partner in a Melville law firm, and Brad Cronin, a partner in a Mineola law firm, were elected co-presidents of the Long Island Real Estate Group (LIREG). The networking and philanthropic group also elected other officers.

Yedid was formerly vice president of LIREG. He is a partner in the Melville law firm Lazer, Aptheker, Rosella & Yedid, P.C., where he co-chairs the firm's real estate practice group.

Cronin, a LIREG board member and formerly membership coordinator, is a partner in Cronin, Cronin and Harris P.C., where for more than 25 years he has focused on property tax reduction law.

Steven Krieger, a principal of Garden City-based Engel Burman Group, was elected executive vice president, a new post. An attorney, builder and successful developer of commercial properties and multifamily housing developments, Krieger has been involved in the real estate industry since 1986.

Charles Alter, a partner in Louis Lefkowitz Realty Inc., a property ownership and management firm based in Jericho, was elected co-vice president. He has been a member of LIREG's board. He has more than 25 years of real estate experience and worked eight years as an executive of insurance giant AIG.

Also elected co-vice president was Peter Schapero, a partner with the insurance brokerage Signature Group of Companies LLC, of Garden City. He has been LIREG's charity committee chairman and a member of the board.

In addition, Eric Rubenstein, secretary of LIREG since 2008, was re-elected. Rubenstein is a partner at the Uniondale law firm Ruskin Moscou Faltischek, P.C., where he is co-chair of the firm's real estate department.

Steve Getlan, a principal of Ronkonkoma-based Getlan Associates, owners and managers of commercial properties throughout Long Island, was re-elected treasurer.

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