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**BETHPAGE FEDERAL CREDIT UNION PRESIDENT & CEO KIRK KORDELESKI ANNOUNCES  
\$100,000 SPONSORSHIP OF STATE UNIVERSITY OF STONY BROOK ATHLETICS DIVISION**

***Announcement Made at Ribbon Cutting Dedication Ceremony for  
New Joe Nathan Baseball Field***

**Bethpage, NY – October 29, 2011** – Bethpage Federal Credit Union today announces a significant four-year, \$100,000 sponsorship to the State University of New York at Stony Brook Athletics Department. The announcement was made today during a campus ribbon cutting dedication ceremony to officially open the school’s new Joe Nathan Baseball Field, named in honor of the Stony Brook Alumni and Major League Baseball Relief Pitcher who, with his 255<sup>th</sup> save this year, is the all-time “saves” leader for the Minnesota Twins.

As part of the sponsorship, Bethpage will be providing Stony Brook with a new scoreboard to support Joe Nathan’s significant donation to rebuild the school’s new baseball field. Bethpage will also participate in Football and Basketball games through signage and special interactive promotions.

Today’s news follows a long-standing relationship with Stony Brook that began in 2003, when Bethpage pledged \$100,000 over five years to Stony Brook’s College of Engineering and Applied Sciences. Bethpage then renewed its support in 2008 with a second, five-year sponsorship. Today, supporting educational initiatives on Long Island is paramount to Bethpage, as illustrated with today’s announcement of increased support.

“At Bethpage, our commitment to education and to families, means a better future for all Long Islanders,” said Linda Army, Senior Vice President, Corporate Strategy, Bethpage Federal Credit Union. “We have partnered with Stony Brook now for eight years through the Science and Engineering programs and are pleased to add to our affiliation with this premier institution through the partnership Athletic department programs.”

Following a reception and dedication ceremony led by Stony Brook President Dr. Samuel Stanley, Rob Kelly, Chairman of the Board of Directors, Bethpage Federal Credit Union, joined Joe Nathan, Stony Brook Alumnus Class of '97, participated in a ceremonial "first pitch" on the new baseball field.

"Stony Brook Athletics is thrilled to add a corporate sponsor in Bethpage, which has greatly supported our university throughout the years," said Jim Fiore, Stony Brook Director of Athletics. "Our partnership is an excellent example of the athletics department working together with Long Island's business community to support the development and education of our student-athletes."

Bethpages commitment to the community can be seen in recent sponsorships Like the Bethpage Airshow, Bethpage Ballpark and the Long Island Ducks, The Islanders kids programing, The LI lizzards and now Stony Brook Athletics. While the Heart of Bethpage focuses on Charitable programs we also feel family sponsorships are just as important in these tough economic times.

Bethpage Federal Credit Union is a not-for-profit financial cooperative, existing solely to serve its members and has experienced rapid growth in recent years to become a strong alternative to banks. Bethpage was approved for the largest federal community charter in the U.S. in 2003 and now is Long Island's largest credit union and leading community financial institution with over 190,000 members, 24 branches and 60 shared service center locations throughout Nassau and Suffolk Counties. As a financial cooperative, Bethpage offers better rates, lower fees and a full menu of personal and commercial financial services.

Bethpage maintains branch locations in Bay Shore, Bay Shore King Kullen, Bethpage, Central Islip, Commack King Kullen, Elmont, Farmingdale, Freeport, Glen Cove, Hempstead, Huntington, Levittown King Kullen, Lynbrook, Massapequa, Melville, Mineola, North Babylon, Port Jefferson, Riverhead, Seaford, Smithtown, Roosevelt and Westbury with over 350 surcharge-free ATMs in King Kullen, 7-Eleven, Walgreens and Costco locations throughout Long Island. For more information, call 1-800-628-7070 or visit [www.lovebethpage.com](http://www.lovebethpage.com).

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