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**KIRK KORDELESKI NAMED AMONG
“50 MOST INFLUENTIAL LONG ISLANDERS OF 2013”
INDUCTED INTO LONG ISLAND PRESS POWER LIST HALL OF FAME**

[Bethpage Federal Credit Union](#) President & CEO Selected as Long Island’s Preeminent Banker

Bethpage, NY – June 26, 2013 – Kirk Kordeleski, President & CEO, Bethpage Federal [Credit Union](#), has been selected by Long Island Press as one of the region’s “50 Most Influential Long Islanders of 2013.” In a celebration held last night, Kordeleski was additionally inducted into the Long Island Press Power List “Hall of Fame,” a special honor presented to five-time “*Influentials*.” Kordeleski has been named to the Power List for five consecutive years.

Now in its 11th year, the Long Island Press “Power List” reflects Long Island’s most powerful and influential figures based on the office they hold and the accomplishments they’ve achieved. The Power List ranks leaders from the fields of business, government, academia, healthcare, not-for-profit, and the public sector.

“I am very honored to be included once again on the Long Island Press Power List and want to thank Bethpage’s members, who last year helped Bethpage maintain its position as the largest credit union in New York State, and also grow to become the largest credit union in the Northeast,” said Kirk Kordeleski, President and CEO, Bethpage. “2012 was a memorable year for Bethpage with assets reaching an all-time high of \$5.1 billion and a membership increase of over 33,000.”

In 2012, Bethpage surpassed \$1.9 billion in [loans](#), a 30% increase over last year, recorded a record net income of \$57 million, a 38% increase from 2011, and had deposit growth of \$536 million, a 13% increase from the previous year.

Kordeleski, who also holds the position of Chairman, the Long Island Association, Long Island's leading business and civic organization since 2012, recently helped form the special Long Island Association LIPA Committee to explore Long Island's future electric utility model. He also played a pivotal role supporting Long Island's property tax cap. As Chairman, Kordeleski's main priority is to promote the success of business on Long Island, to grow jobs and help spearhead economic development opportunities.

This past year Kordeleski also played an integral role in helping individuals and businesses with recovery efforts following Hurricane Sandy. The Bethpage Disaster Relief Fund, formed to aid victims of Hurricane Sandy, raised over \$115,000 for the United Way of Long Island to support communities in need. Bethpage also offered special emergency loans to provide cash advances, home equity lines of credit, and auto loans to help affected Long Island communities rebuild and repair.

Bethpage also recently partnered with Long Island Press to present the new "Bethpage Best Of Long Island" awards, a highly valuable distinction for Long Island businesses. Kordeleski continued, "Long Island is a remarkable place to live, work and play which is why it's paramount that we support the community, to help it thrive and prosper, in every way we can, and that includes providing assistance when times get tough. Hurricane Sandy affected Long Islanders in many different ways but we are rebuilding and bouncing back; we are a resilient group."

In his field, Kirk Kordeleski is Chairman of the Board for Open Technology Solutions and President of Bethpage Management Services. Kirk is active in the Long Island community, serving as Chair of the Board of Directors of the Long Island Association (LIA) and serves on the LIA's Executive Committee. Kirk is also on the Board of Directors of the Long Island Arts Alliance, and he serves as Chairman of the Board of Project GRAD Long Island. He sits on the Council of Advisors for the Community Development Corporation of Long Island and the Council of Overseers for the Tilles Center. In addition, Kirk serves on Nassau County Executive Ed Mangano's Business/Economic Development Group, and was a member of the Long Island Regional Economic Development Council's Infrastructure Work Group.

Recognized by institutions and organizations for his regional leadership, Kirk Kordeleski has been honored by, among others, YMCA of Long Island, Adelphi University, United Way, Education and Assistance Corp., The Mentoring Partnership of Long Island, and Promote Long Island. In 2011, he received the 2011 Long Island MacArthur Airport and the Long Island Press "Take Flight" Award, given to the person who best represents the future of business on Long Island and who is committed to helping the Long Island economy "Take Flight."

Moving forward, Bethpage plans to add nine-12 branches over the next three years to its 26 now operating branches throughout Nassau and Suffolk counties. In 2012, Bethpage also increased the number of its surcharge-free ATMs, now totaling more than 425, on Long Island alone.

For more information on Bethpage's robust portfolio of banking, borrowing and investing services, visit: www.bethpagefcu.com. A complete listing of programs and events for Bethpage's "Heart of Bethpage" community outreach programs can be found at www.bethpagefcu.com/community.

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 New York State's largest credit union and Long Island's primary community financial institution with 212,000 members, 26 branches and 60 shared service center locations throughout Nassau and Suffolk Counties. As a financial cooperative, Bethpage offers the best-in-market rates, low fees and world-class service, 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, Patchogue, Port Jefferson, Riverhead, Seaford, Smithtown, Roosevelt, West Babylon and Westbury with over 425 surcharge-free ATMs including King Kullen, CVS Pharmacy, 7-11 and Costco locations throughout Long Island. For more information, call 1-800-628-7070 or visit www.bethpagefcu.com.

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