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**Fall into an Annual Tradition Of Family Fall Fun and Festivities at the Exciting Long Island Family Festival  
Admission is FREE**

If you're looking for a great place to enjoy the autumn-like, mid-September weather outdoors, Long Island's Family Festival is the place to be! The fun-filled, pet friendly Festival is taking place Friday, September 14, 6-10 pm (music, food and carnival) Saturday, September 15, 11am – 10 pm and Sunday, September 16, 11am – 8 pm along the breathtaking bayside beach at Babylon's beautiful Tanner Park in Copiague. Admission to the event is free.

During this exciting weekend, Tanner Park will once again be magically transformed with plenty of amazing entertainment, events and surprises.

Weekend highlights include:

- An exhilarating carnival with plenty of rides for children of all ages
- New this Year: Long Island Family Festival Seafood & Lobster Pavilion by KATCH at Tanner Park
- Live musical entertainment kicking off Friday night
- Ocean View Art, Craft & Gift Show
- Pet Expo in the Park with Pet Pavilion and Dog Performance Arena
- Corky's International Haute Couture Canine Fashion Show (Saturday)
- Monster Truck by the Bay Rides
- Mobile Gaming Truck
- Thrilling Human Hamster Ball Race
- Ventriloquist Jack Stein and his sidekick puppets Veteran Wally and Simba the Spectacular Sheepdog
- Long Island Family Festival Drum & Bugle Show
- New York Life Child ID Program
- Copiague Chamber of Commerce Festival Raffle Basket Table which will include Exciting Raffle Gifts which Will Appeal to Everyone

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And that's not all – there will be custom car and truck shows with some of Long Island's hottest rides. You will see great competition at the annual **Pizza Eating Contest** and cob-tearing skills will be put to the test with the Festival Children's **Corn Husking Competition**.

Music will also be in the air all weekend long with concerts and more at the Sea Shell Show Mobile which will showcase wonderful talent. Featured groups, sponsored by Katch at Tanner Park, will include Schroeder's Ghost, Vavoom, Rockin' 45's and more.

A highlight of the Festival will take place on Sunday night at 7pm when we will receive a Special Appearance by Sal "The Voice" Valentinetti and BIGTIME TOMMIE.

For your furry friends, the weekend highlights will include Corky's International **Canine Haute Couture Fashion Show** where canines will dress up in the most talked-about international fashions and strut down the catwalk. Meanwhile, children of all ages can enjoy the new "**Dress like a Pirate**" **Fashion Show** as they walk the plank and don the attire of their favorite "nauti" sea captain.

The festival also offers the chance to mix and mingle with exclusive arts & crafts, retail, not-for-profit and promotional vendors who will sell and display their wares and offer valuable information to attendees. Children will delight in having their face painted by face painting artists and enjoy an abundance of entertainment while adults can purchase jewelry and other gifts from some of the greatest vendors around.

The Long Island Family Festival has become an annual tradition for many in the community. This event is partially sponsored by the Suffolk County Executive's Office. Sponsors to date include Copiague Chamber of Commerce, Town of Babylon, Legislator DuWayne Gregory, Suffolk County, Nightingale PR, Street Wheelz, Verizon, Katch at Tanner Park, Good Samaritan Hospital Medical

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For more information and timeline of activities go to [www.lifamilyfestival.com](http://www.lifamilyfestival.com)

**PHOTO CAPTION:**

There will be an abundance of Family Fun at the LI Family Festival in Tanner Park, Copiague on September 14-16 (rain date: Sept 28-30).