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GURWIN HEALTHCARE SYSTEM

Cristel Finneran of North Bellmore has been hired as chief home care officer at **Gurwin Home Care Agency** in Farmingdale, part of **Gurwin Healthcare System** in Commack. She was administrator and director of patient services for Parker Jewish Certified Home Care and Comprehensive Hospice in New Hyde Park.



GURWIN HEALTHCARE SYSTEM

Aimee Yaboni of Smithtown has been hired as associate director of home care at **Gurwin Home Care Agency** in Farmingdale, part of **Gurwin Healthcare System** in Commack. She was a manager, administrative support, at Northwell Health at Home in Westbury.



JULIEN LEON

Bianca Buckridee of San Francisco, product marketing manager at **Amazon Web Services (AWS)** in Seattle, has been elected to the board of directors of **Little Flower Children and Family Services** in Wading River.



RISE LIFE SERVICE

Robert Melnick of Baiting Hollow has been hired as director of the mental health program at **RISE Life Services** in Riverhead. He was assistant vice president community services at Family Residences and Essential Enterprises Inc. in Old Bethpage.



NEW YORK IMAGING SPECIALISTS

Jarett Greenside of Forest Hills, Queens, director of computed tomography and interventional radiology at **New York Imaging Specialists** in Lake Success, has been promoted to senior vice president of radiology.



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Tim Wintz of Holtsville, director of MRI at **New York Imaging Specialists** in Port Jefferson Station, has been promoted to senior vice president of radiology.

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LI tennis academy in sale, lease deals

LI BUSINESS

Port Washington facility trained stars such as McEnroes

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The Port Washington Tennis Academy, where iconic players Tracy Austin, Vitas Gerulaitis and John and Patrick McEnroe trained, is being sold and will be operated under a 25-year lease by Sportime Clubs LLC, which runs tennis facilities on Long Island and in Manhattan, Westchester and Schenectady.

Great Neck-based Hornig Capital Partners, whose real estate investments include office and residential projects on Long Island and in New York City and New Jersey, is acquiring the facility from the not-for-profit Port Washington Tennis Academy Inc.

The sale, whose financial terms were not disclosed, is expected to close by the year's end or early 2023, pending approval by the New York State Attorney General's Office, which oversees not-for-profits.

In a 2020 government filing, the most recent available, Port Washington Tennis Academy reported a deficit of \$377,104.

The deal's principals were assembled by twin brothers and rock musicians Logan and Roger Raskin, who will be co-owners along with Hornig Capital.

The Raskins, now members of an eponymous band, grew up in Bayside, Queens, and earned tennis scholarships at Florida State University after going through the Port Washington Tennis Academy scholarship program.

"We couldn't afford to go to the academy and now we own it," said Logan Raskin.

The Port Washington Tennis Academy's 17 indoor tennis courts make it the largest such facility on Long Island, said Claude Okin, president and CEO of Sportime Clubs, based in Kings Park.

Daren W. Hornig, managing partner of Hornig Capital Partners, said \$5 million to \$7 million would be invested in the Port Washington facility, including computer systems, roof repairs and air conditioning equipment. Those renovations are expected to be completed



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Billie Jean King, left, and Renee Richards as doubles partners at the academy.



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Port Washington Tennis Academy is being sold to Hornig Capital.

by September 2023.

"The inside is going to be modernized and refreshed," he said.

The acquisition comes at a time when tennis is seeing a renaissance, at least partly as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, Okin said.

"There's a tennis boom like we haven't seen since the late '60s and '70s," he said.

The sport's spacing affords players social contact even as they maintain social distancing, said Okin. "Tennis is a way to be in person with other players."

Sportime began operating the Port Washington facility in July, in anticipation of the deal's closing. Sportime now operates 18 entities overall, including volleyball, summer camp and multisport facilities as well as its core tennis clubs, the John McEnroe Tennis Academy and its charitable arm, The Johnny Mac Tennis Project Inc.

The McEnroe Tennis Academy, which operates at Sportime Randall's Island and other facilities, is scheduled to launch at the Port Washington facility once renovations are complete.

The Johnny Mac Tennis Project Inc., overseen by John and Patrick McEnroe and supported by Sportime, also will operate at the Port Washington facility in addition to its home at Randall's Island. The 10-year-old not-for-profit, which provides tennis scholarships and lessons, defines its mission as "removing the racial, economic and social barriers to success through tennis."

Okin said that between travel, coaching and fitness regimens, it can cost \$50,000 per year to develop a top-tier tennis player from age 10 or 11.

Renovations at the Port Washington facility will include the addition of eight new courts for pickleball, which Okin described as the "fastest growing sport in the world."

Pickleball is played with paddles on a 44-by-20-foot court, compared with the 78-by-36-foot dimensions of a tennis court. Pickleball players hit a plastic ball with holes, not unlike a Wiffle ball, across a net.

The head count at closely held Sportime, billed as the largest operator of sports and tennis clubs in New York State, varies between 500 and 900 full- and part-time employees, depending on the season, Okin said.

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