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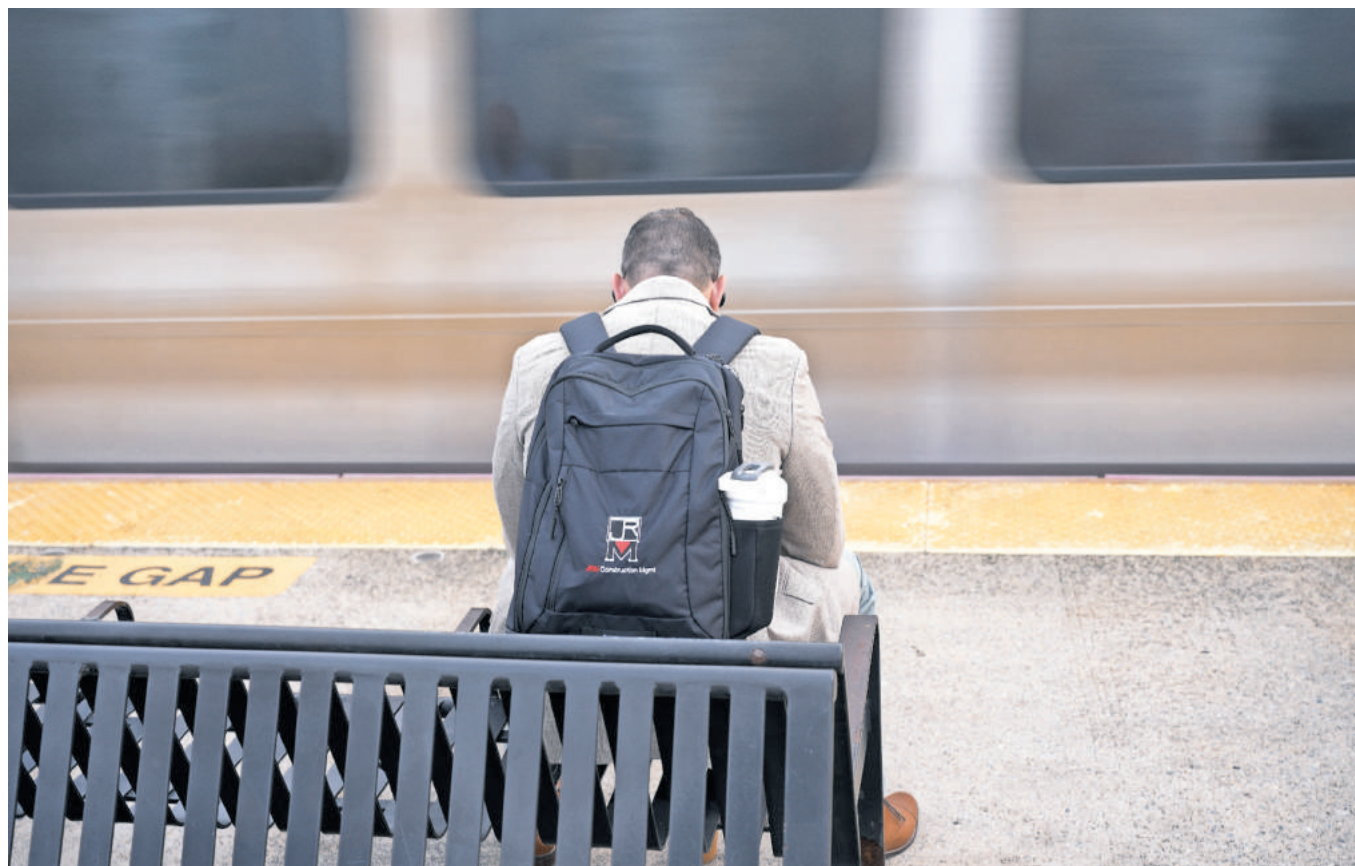


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Commuters who frequent the Glen Cove station will need to head to either Glen Street or Locust Valley stations for their morning commutes.

## Commuters can now skip some LIRR stops

By **ROKSANA AMID**

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Metropolitan Transportation Authority officials have announced additional schedule changes to improve Long Island Rail Road service to the North Shore since the Grand Central Madison access service changes went into effect in March.

"I am extremely pleased with these changes which were accomplished through a months-long continued dialogue with the MTA," Assemblyman Charles Lavine said. He has advocated for more budgetary funding for the MTA since 2013. "We have worked hand

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## Children's book 'A Spot Under the Sun' spreads light

By **ROKSANA AMID**

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In her 20 years as an audiologist at Mill Neck Manor School for the Deaf, Glen Cove resident Dr. Tanya Linzalone has met with many families. She's seen first-hand the emotional toll they face while caring for a child with hearing difficulties. They often worry about their child's communication skills, and are deeply concerned that he or she will have fewer opportunities in life.

Knowing that the books children read in their formative years can shape young minds unlike anything else, Linzalone published "A Spot Under the

Sun," a children's book that aims to help the hearing loss community look positively into the future, despite the challenges they may face later in their lives.

"I've always told them, whatever the hearing loss is, and whatever it is that might come our way down the path, just continue to love your baby," Linzalone said. "Just continue to see what a beautiful baby that you have, and with time, patience, therapy, amplification, whatever they decide, they will get to uncover the beauty that is internal in that baby."

Mill Neck Manor School for the Deaf was established in 1951 to help deaf children unlock

I know why you call me son, it's because I'm shiny and bright.

**FRANK LINZALONE**

their potential through education. The school promotes confidence and independence with specially designed educational and vocational programs for its students. Although the school incorporates modifications for students such as in-class microphones and other assisted technology, it operates like any other district, educating students from

pre-K to grade 12.

Difficulties with hearing are more common than one might think. In 2021, the National Institutes of Health reported that two to three out of every 1,000 children in the United States are born with a detectable level of hearing loss in one or both ears. More than 90 percent of deaf children are born to hearing par-

ents. Approximately 15 percent of American adults aged 18 and over report some trouble hearing.

Linzalone says that her book is intended to "spread light" with the idea that all children have the right to have a place in the sun regardless of gender,

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# Exploring Britain's Long Island occupation

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By LARA MURRAY-STERZEL

Intern

American history is a long and complicated tale to tell. But there are still those venturing into the past to uncover stories never told during the making of our country.

“Chronicles of the British Occupation of Long Island” is a new book by David M. Griffin, taking readers back in time to the Revolutionary War when people lived in fear of the British’s brutal power, while slowly gaining a patriotic desire for freedom.

Griffin is an independent researcher and author who’s always been driven to the history of the Revolutionary War, especially in New York region. When he completed his first book, “Lost British Forts of Long Island” in 2017, Griffin reached out to The History Press, a publishing company known for its collection of history books in communities on Long Island and elsewhere.

He was put in touch with acquisitions editor, Banks Smithers, and the two have worked together ever since. When Griffin came to Smithers about the idea of focusing on the British occupation of this part of the world, the two began shaping his current idea into the story it is today.

The novel follows a narrative story between 1776 and 1783, giving a human aspect to what it was like to experience life on Long Island during British rule. Griffin wanted to explore the British movement and American spy activity through various sources from the time.

To do this, he read historical books and even stud-

ied a period diary, which is referenced in the book about what was discussed, heard and spoken when the British loomed over Long Island.

“It’s very hard to write about the time because everything was very secretive,” Griffin said. “So, stories and the order of things that were happening on the island were hidden. You have to rely on a lot of different accounts from different writers.”

He provided images in his novel — some of which included maps the British used as a part of their network — as well as photographs of historical houses where British soldiers were sheltered as part of quartering laws. Griffin thought by showing these, it would create a certain historical depth for the reader.

After a year of writing, the book was published in July and is expected to arrive soon at Long Island bookstores. The History Press hopes to schedule book events once the stores have received the novel.

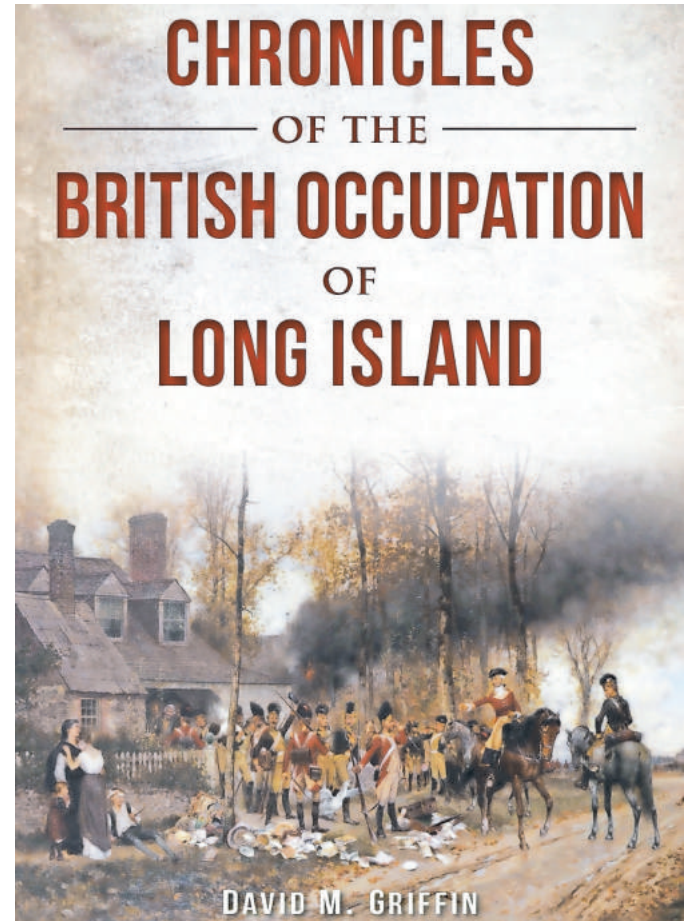
Griffin sees his book as rather dark because of the topics it covers, focused on how the power over land divided people. Even when Colonists endured the unpredictable effects that led up to — and included — the Revolutionary War, Griffin was shocked at how long the British stayed on Long Island and what they did.

Which made his research all that more compelling.

“I learned a lot more about the conditions of day-to-day life under martial law in the book,” Smithers said. “David paints a harrowing picture of occupied Long Island — something entirely unfamiliar to today’s Long Islanders — and thus exceedingly interesting.”



DAVID M. GRIFFIN



Courtesy David M. Griffin

David M. Griffin’s book — ‘Chronicles of the British Occupation of Long Island’ — is expected to hit bookstores soon, especially on Long Island.

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The library's history room provides a calm space for members of the Hooked on Books book club to meet. Since they formed last fall, members have formed strong friendships.

# On the same page: library forms new book club

By **ROKSANA AMID**

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**L**ibraries provide a space to gather safely, provide access to information, resources and advocate for literacy and education. They are a haven for lifelong learning and serve as a safe space for the community to gather. So when Marissa Damiano, a staff member for the Glen Cove Public Library and a graduate student at the State University of New York at Buffalo, saw members of the Association for Habilitation and Residential Care in the library last fall, she knew she wanted to offer the same feeling of lifelong learning to the group.

AHRC provides specialized support for children and adults with developmental disabilities, which often includes outings to local attractions and events. After seeing AHRC members wandering around the library last fall, Damiano worked closely with AHRC to form Hooked on Books, a weekly book club for members of the organization's Glen Head and Carle Place locations to meet at a space of their own within the library.

"This weekly meeting is a place for them to get excited to enter a library," Damiano said. "Sometimes they would come in and they would just sit and have no entertainment. They're not really gonna pick up a book and just read—they like to be stimulated in a safe environment."

Damiano meets with the eight members once a week at the library's history room on the second floor. The room is a cozy space that provides members a sensory-friendly area to hone their reading skills, but it's also a space to unwind, have fun, and socialize. When the group settles into their seats, they open their meeting with their playlist, which Damiano said includes their unofficial theme song, "Smile," by Vitamin C. The playlist gets the club excited to start their one-and-a-half-hour meet up and transitions to members updating one another on their lives since the previous meeting.

Afterwards, the club will read the week's designated book, which Damiano said is a balance of education without being too "babyish." Some of the recent books they've read touch on the topics of the human circulatory system, educational books about animals, to stories surrounding the events of Juneteenth without focusing on the tragedy surrounding the federal holiday.

But the club isn't limited to just reading books. Members also tend to the library's seed garden, and work on arts and crafts. Oftentimes, they'll read poetry during their sessions. They also have special guests like Nick



Pauline Wisz read poetry to herself during the groups meeting.

Mondello, a trumpet player who demonstrates the magic of music.

Damiano said that although the program has a specific demographic, it mainly focuses on promoting togetherness, inclusivity, diversity acceptance and love. Damiano said creating Hooked on Books is the highlight of her 12-year career at the library.



Josephine DeMarco shared her original poetry with the book club.

Hooked on Books members get to choose books to take home with them until the following weeks meeting.



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## Multivitamins and Older Adults

About one-third of Americans 60 and older take multivitamins. Perhaps the remaining two-thirds should as well. According to a major new study, the second of its kind to reach the same conclusion, taking multivitamins over age sixty delays the onset of memory loss by about 3 years.

The study used a commonly available multivitamin, Centrum Silver, which contains vitamins D, A, B12, thiamine, riboflavin, manganese and other substances, although it was noted that any high-quality multivitamin would do just as well.

A Washington Post article (5/24/23) about these findings quotes JoAnn Manson of Harvard Medical School "Older adults are very concerned about preserving cognition and memory, so this is a very important finding. They are looking for safe and effective prevention strategies. The fact that two separate studies came to similar conclusions is remarkable."

Other experts cited were Andrew Budson, Professor of Neurology at Boston University "This study is groundbreaking. Low levels of

vitamins B1 -- also known as thiamine -- B12 and D are associated with cognitive decline. That a simple multivitamin can slow cognitive decline while they are aging normally is quite exciting, as it is something almost everyone can do."

The reasons that multivitamin "therapy" is so effective is explained by Paul E. Schultz, Professor Neurology at McGovern Medical School, Houston -- the brain requires a lot of vitamins and minerals to function properly. While the goal is to maintain nutrition through a healthy and balanced diet, as we age our bodies may be unable to absorb sufficient levels of the essential elements. In addition, some medications interfere with the absorption of nutrients. Schulz states "Think of a complicated engine that requires lots of specialty parts and needs them all. We regularly see people who are deficient in nutrients come in with cognitive impairment."

If you are on medications, it is recommended that you consult your doctor before you try a supplement, as some vitamins may interfere with those medications.

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## CRIME WATCH

### \$125,000 stolen from jewelry store clients

Glen Cove resident Laura Bee, a jewelry store employee, has been arrested and is accused of stealing jewelry from her clients worth \$125,000 while working for Ever Love Jewelers in Huntington.

Police say the incidents happened

between September 2019 and December 2022 to seven people. Detectives say Bee knowingly issued checks with insufficient funds to cover transactions and kept the jewelry. In some cases, she swapped out real diamonds for fake ones.

### ARRESTS

- A 43-year-old Glen Cove male was arrested on July 16 for assault and criminal obstruction of breathing on Grove Street.
- A 43-year-old Glen Cove male was arrested on July 16, for robbery and criminal possession of a weapon and two counts of menacing on Ridge Drive.

■ A 22-year-old Glen Cove female was arrested on July 17 for criminal possession of a weapon and endangering the welfare of a child on North Lane.

■ A 30-year-old Glen Cove female was arrested on July 18, for aggravated unlicensed operation and numerous VTL violations on Glen Street.

People named in Crime Watch items as having been arrested and charged with violations or crimes are only suspected of committing those acts of which they are accused. They are all presumed to be innocent of those charges until and unless found guilty in a court of law.

## NEWS BRIEFS

### Free outdoor record release concert

A record release concert sponsored by Blue Rose Music, will take place on Thursday, Aug. 3 at 6 p.m. in the Souza Bandshell in Port Washington performing the music of the musician Chris Crosby who passed away in 2021 at the age of 40. The performance, free and open to the public, will feature Jason Crosby and Friends, musicians who have performed with both brothers over the years, plus special surprise guests.

Jason and Christopher Crosby grew up in Glen Cove.

CDs and vinyl copies of Chris Crosby's music will be available for purchase and will benefit the Chris Crosby Foundation, which will benefit musical programs in libraries, particularly the Glen Cove Library where Chris worked part time for 20 years.

In the event rain, got to Still Partners at 225 Sea Cliff Ave. in Sea Cliff.

### Golden Age of Television on July 31

This presentation will look at the forces that made the "golden age" such an intriguing chapter in TV history and why it was so short-lived (including brief examinations of blacklisting and the TV quiz show scandals).

Brian Rose presents the program on

July 31 from 7 to 8 p.m. To register email adultprograms@glencovelibrary.org.

The Zoom login information will be emailed one hour before the program.

For further information call the Oyster Bay Library at (516) 922-1212.

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# Children see themselves in this new book

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race or emotional and developmental challenges. The inspiration for the 22-page picture book first came during what she said was a dark period in her life over 20 years ago, when she was a newly divorced mother caring for two young children. She remembers the moment when her oldest son Frank, an elementary-aged student at the time, came running to her with an epiphany.

"I know why you call me son," Linzalone recalled. "It's because I'm shiny and bright."

Linzalone knew her son's statement was simple but realized the complexity behind his words. She instantly saw the connection with the children she helped care for, and the seed of her story was planted. Her story further developed as she met with children during her tenure.

"I find complete joy in working with children, it's a reward that I can't explain it to words," Linzalone said. "They're nonjudgmental, they're pure, they're just innocent, and they're gifts. Every package is wrapped differently, and what a wonderful thing when you unwrap that package, and you see what's inside."

Leslie Matthews, a speech-language pathologist in Mill Neck's parent-infant program, said she was impressed that Linza-

lone had the time to write such a profound book and remain heavily involved with her responsibilities at the school.

"She's just a great mentor, whether it's with her colleagues, or the compassion that she has with her families," Matthews said. "This book is really like her baby, and it speaks as who she is."



DR. TANYA LINZALONE

Although the book is targeted toward children aged 4 to 11, its message is universal. Teachers like Patricia Leone, who teaches pre-K, simplify the language of the book in a way her students can connect with. As a teacher with students who use American Sign Language and spoken language, she notices that inclusion of important characters in children's books often goes unnoticed.

"It's a very beautiful concept," Leone said. "My class can also really identify with the fact that they are deaf, they have hearing aids. One little girl has a family member who is in a wheelchair, so she very much identified with that picture. There are so many beautiful connections for the children to make in the book, it's lovely."

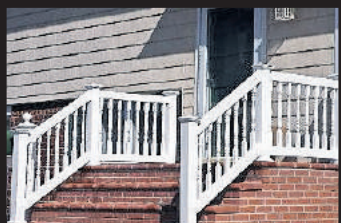
Linzalone will have a book signing on July 30, from 2-4 p.m. at Mill Neck Manor House, at 40 Frost Mill Road, in Mill Neck.



Courtesy Tanya Linzalone

'A Spot Under the Sun' is a children's book looking to inspire inclusivity and acceptance among children in their formative years.

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# When ‘the livin’ is easy’

The season doesn't last long, so make the most of it

**S**ummer has truly heated up now that we've reached those “dog days” of the season. Sometimes, we have a tendency to take summer to the extremes; either overdoing it on sun exposure and activities or letting laziness take over while sitting beside the air conditioning vent.

Keep enjoying a healthy, active summer, but don't overlook maintaining a summer-specific lifestyle routine.

## Get Your Vitamin D

Vitamin D is an essential nutrient needed to support proper function of the body. It helps boost the immune system, enhance mood, as well as defend cells against cancer. While most of the nutrients our body needs are available from the food we eat, our main source of vitamin D is obtained through sun exposure. However, as many people spend a majority of their days indoors, vitamin D is, in fact, one of the most common deficiencies today.

So to get outside and get your natural vitamin D. To maintain healthy blood levels, make it a priority to get around 10 to 30 minutes of sunlight, several times per week. Doing so will ensure optimal health in terms of your body's overall function. That being said, make sure to practice proper sun care as it is an important part of enjoying the sun.

## Be Sun Smart

Harmful UVA and UVB rays from the sun pose a great risk during the warmer months. Typically, we remember to apply sunscreen during beach or pool visits, but don't forget to also wear sunscreen for all outdoor activities such as hiking or camping! An SPF of 30 or more is recommended, applied throughout the day. No sunscreen is waterproof or sweatproof, so reapplication is key. It helps to also adjust your wardrobe; long-sleeved tops in breathable, lightweight fabrics like cotton and linen will help to block the sun while keeping you cool. Sun hats and sunglasses also serve to protect you.

## Eat Fresh

Summer is such a great time to focus on healthy variety in your diet! The bounty of in-season produce makes it easy to enjoy fresh fruits and vegetables every day. Picnics and cookouts often include a great balance of healthy proteins and various sides to enjoy in moderation. Of course, nothing beats an ice cream cone in the summertime—so, everything in moderation!

## Stay Hydrated And Cool

Staying hydrated is essential any time of the year, but it's even more vital during the summer due to the effects that the sun and heat have on the body. In order to stay hydrated and replenish the fluids that the body loses through sweat, you should aim to drink around eight glasses of water daily. Remember to also increase your water intake when spending time in the heat, especially when exercising and exerting yourself.

Drinking enough water will help you maintain the balance of your body's fluids



and temperature, energize and lubricate your muscles and joints, support your digestive system, and deliver oxygen throughout your body. If you're spending time outdoors and find yourself sweating or overheating, drink a glass of water — your body will thank you. Don't forget that heat exhaustion can also be caused by sweltering weather. If you're feeling warm and need time to cool off, head to a shaded area or even go inside — your body needs time to regulate its temperature, and cooling off will prevent heat exhaustion from occurring.

## Involve The Whole Family

Seasonal activities are best enjoyed together! Exercise or activities like pickleball, tennis, hiking, and biking that are done as a group are both fun and motivating. Swimming as a family (with proper sun protection) is both incredibly fun and a great workout!

Think outside the box. Not every workout is a “workout” — it could be as simple as an evening walk after the sun goes down or setting up the badminton net on a shady patch of your lawn. Get creative!

Photo: Summer is one of the best times to refresh your lifestyle. Whether it be a new wellness routine or simply a new healthy habit, the summer often instills a greater sense of energy, optimism, and productivity.



# Hot topic

## Mid summer exercise motivation

We're well into those long hot days and lingering summer nights. Your summer probably includes hanging out at the beach, such as pool parties, cookouts, getting treats from the ice cream truck, fishing, 10 walking lunges, and two sets of dumbbell rows. For some, those last few items seem out of place, but it is still possible to make time for exercise when all you want to do is sip your favorite beverage and relax — especially lately with the humidity soaring.

According to Mitchell Sherman, MS, CSCS, EP-C, an employee health and well-being specialist, you don't have to choose one or the other. “The best way to get hooked on exercise and incorporate it into your lifestyle regardless of the season is to find what you like and fit it into your day,” he says.

## Step up your summer safety

Summer, of course, offers up a great time to get outdoors and use the natural landscape to get some exercise. But Sherman offers sound advice to stay safe while logging your workout for the day. “People tend to overhydrate in the summer,” Sherman notes. “Hyponatremia (what can happen when one overhydrates) has similar symptoms to dehydration — fatigue, blurred vision, cramps, headache — so make sure you're not overdoing it.”

It's more important, he says, to replace electrolytes from sweat. Sports drinks are helpful, and foods like bananas, peanuts, olives, yogurt, oranges, tomatoes, and chicken are good choices to replenish those essential minerals.

Working out when it's humid can also pose dangerous effects. Sherman recommends creating a natural progression with one's workout — be patient as you ramp up the intensity. The heat creeps up quickly, so stop before you feel tired; symptoms of heat exhaustion mimic some of the symptoms of hyponatremia and dehydration. For instance, if you're used to running on a moderately comfortable day for 30 minutes or more, scale back to 15 minutes during hot and humid weather and gradually progress from there.

## Covid-19 changed the exercise game

While the pandemic originally hampered many activities including going to the gym, people learned how to be resourceful and find new and interesting ways to exercise. Fitness companies started offering virtual personal training and developing online programs to stay competitive. The flexibility, accessibility, and options for exercise are greater than they were pre-pandemic.

One trend that has picked up over the last several years is high intensity interval training — or HIIT for short. This type of training involves repeated bouts of high intensity effort (such as sprints or biking) followed by varied recovery times. There are a lot of great home workout options now, if you choose to that route, but Sherman cautions taking the time to understand what activities one participates in. For example, some mistake programs like “Insanity” (a video-based exercise program using body weight exercises in rapid succession) for high intensity interval training, which it is not. Just like taking care of your body when you're sick, it's important to know what you're doing when you're working on improving your fitness.

## Keep cool and safe while working out in hot weather

Steamy temps can present the dangers of dehydration and heat stroke or exhaustion. Plus, whenever you exercise outdoors, it's essential to be mindful of sun exposure. Take precautions for a successful warm weather workout.

**Take time to acclimate.** Especially if you're new to exercising in hot temps, your body needs time to adapt. Keep your outdoor sessions shorter than usual and go easy. According to the Journal of Sports Medicine, your body may need one to two weeks to acclimate.

**Be on the lookout for early symptoms of heat-related illness.** Stop your workout and find shade if you feel weak, nauseated, feverish or dizzy or if you experience muscle cramps. Seek medical attention if your symptoms worsen or do not go away.

**Consider time of day when working out.** Avoid exercising outdoors between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. if possible. That window is when the sun is the highest and temps will be the hottest.

**Hydration is all-important.** Keep hydrated. Drink water before, during and after exercise.

**Wear sweat-wicking clothing.** Fabrics, like bamboo or nylon, lift sweat away from your body and dry quickly. Avoid cotton. It traps moisture and heat against your skin.

**Wear sunglasses and a hat too.** Make these items a regular part of your outdoor workout gear.

**Remember the sunscreen.** Slather on a waterproof sunscreen of at least SPF 50. Reapply often if you'll be outdoors for a while.

Photo: Just because the mercury's climbing doesn't mean you have to abandon your exercise regimen.



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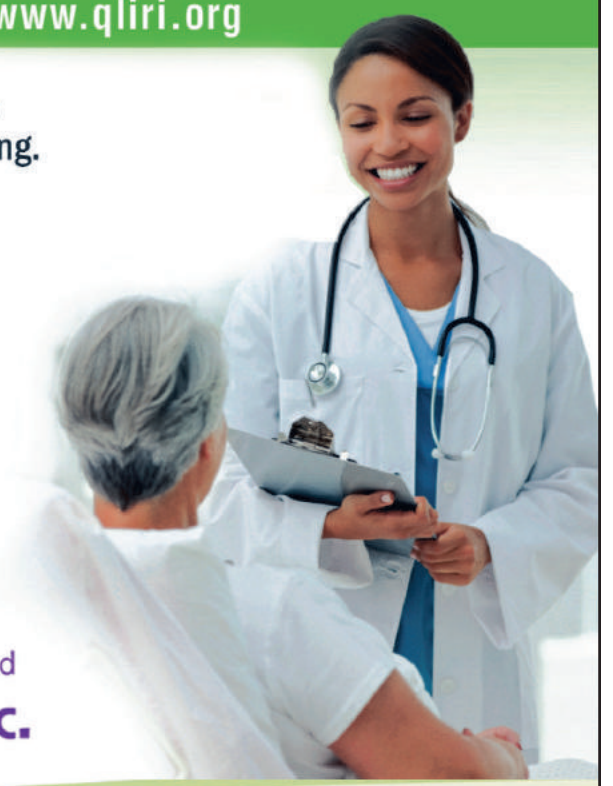
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# HERALD SPORTS

## NYS adds classification to seven sports

By TONY BELLISSIMO

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**T**he New York State Public High School Athletic Association is going from a five-classification format to six classifications in seven different sports – boys and girls soccer, boys and girls basketball, girls volleyball, baseball and softball – beginning this upcoming school year.

For Nassau and Suffolk County, it means more county champions, more Long Island championship games and more teams competing in state tournaments in those sports. The NYSPHSAA, which last summer voted to approve the new classifications, wanted to create approximate equal numbers across the state in each enrollment classification.

“Every section in the state is different, but for us in what used to be Class A we had more than 30 schools competing for one championship,” Section VIII athletics executive director Pat Pizzarelli said. “Now within that same group there’s an extra opportunity to win a championship.”

For example, Nassau boys and girls basketball had 58 schools compete in the 2022-23 campaign; 15 in Class AA, 34 in Class A and nine in Class B. This coming season, there will be 12 in Class AAA, 24 in Class AA, 17 in Class A, and four in Class B.

Among the second-tiered teams for boys and girls basketball (Class AA) will be Calhoun, Carey, East Meadow (down from the largest grouping), Elmont, Hewlett, Kennedy, Long Beach, MacArthur, Sewanhaka, South Side and Valley Stream Central. Class AA is for schools with an incoming enrollment (grades nine through 11) between 692 and 1,104 for boys, and between 699 and 1,112 for girls. The new Class A numbers are 391-691 for boys, and 397-698 for girls.

“With the exception of Floral Park, the new AA schools on the boys side have had the Class A champ for the last 25 years,” said South Side’s Jerry D’Angelo, head coach of the reigning Nassau and Long Island Class A boys’ basketball champions. “So the new setup will give us two county champions among the 41 teams in AA and A.”

Suffolk had 59 boys and girls basketball programs this past winter with 25 competing in Class AA, 22 in Class A and four in Class B. For 2023-24, there would be 18 in Class AAA, 18 in Class AA and 13 in Class A.

Across the board, much of the largest group landscape in Nassau County remains unchanged with many of the fixtures like Baldwin, Farmingdale, Freeport, Massapequa, Plainview, Syosset and Uniondale will vie for a title. However, East Meadow and Valley Stream Central are two schools with dif-



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South Side, the defending Nassau and Long Island Class A boys’ basketball champions, is moving to Class AA this upcoming season as part of the new statewide classification setup.

ference classifications based on sport. The Jets remained in AAA in soccer, baseball and softball but dropped to the second largest classification for hoops. The Eagles have an identical setup under the new breakdown but competed in Class A for basketball in recent seasons.

The classification numbers between basketball and soccer are slightly different. For soccer, Class AAA starts at 1,082 students and up on the girls side and 1,090 on the boys side. Softball and baseball breakdowns are closer to soccer than they are basketball, but are all within a range of less than 30.

One minor negative is Nassau and Suffolk will take on an extra expense of securing more postseason venues for some semifinals and finals, and the cost of sending more teams to state competitions.

“It’ll cost a little more money come tournament time with extra playoff games,” Pizzarelli said.

Nassau County softball coordinator Rachel Barry, who coaches Clarke, said the plan at this time is to stick with ability-based conferences during the regular season. “The playoffs will look pretty similar with some smaller brackets,” Barry said. “The extra classification balances our section a little bit better by spreading out the single A schools.

“Suffolk hosts next year’s Long Island championships, so it’s up to them to figure out locations,” she added. “As far as the state championships, softball isn’t going to be impacted as much since we no longer play the semis and finals on the same day. Adding another classification only adds three games to the mix.”



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Baseball is one of seven sports statewide moving from five classifications to six beginning this September.



# Gribbin Elementary has a new principle

By **ROKSANA AMID**

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The Glen Cove City School District Board of Education has appointed Randy Arnold as principal of Gribbin Elementary School for the 2023-2024 school year. Arnold succeeds Francine Santoro, who retired in June.

Since she was a child, Arnold was motivated to expand her academic career. Her parents, immigrants from Jamaica, always encouraged her to be a lifelong learner as they navigated the cultural differences they faced in the United States.

“Language wasn’t an issue because they spoke English,” Arnold said. “But just learning a new way, and a new mindset was a challenge for them. I’m indebted to them for is the fact that they instilled the value of learning to be lifelong learners forever.”

The 53-year-old is a Queens’s transplant and moved to Baldwin as a teenager where she attended Holy Trinity High School in Hicksville. She graduated at 16.

Upon entering Molloy University, Arnold’s parents gave her three career options — doctor, lawyer, or engineer. She chose to study civil engineering under duress. Her passion was in education. She says she loves watching “children’s lightbulbs” go off, and watching them become empowered through education.

“I went to school with wide eyes and thinking that engineering was going to be my thing,” Arnold said. “But it wasn’t, and then ended up taking my foot off the gas and thinking about what I really wanted, and that’s how education came into play.”

She attended Queens College for a masters in literacy. After graduating, she was asked to return as an adjunct professor. She taught young teachers how to hone the craft of literacy while also teaching at the Baldwin Union Elementary School. This was all while she bal-



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**Randy Arnold, Gribbin’s new principal, believes in the concept of lifelong learning.**

anced her home life, raising her eldest son, John.

After two years of teaching at Queens College, Arnold realized she didn’t want to juggle being an elementary school teacher, an adjunct professor and a mother. She left her position at the college but continued teaching in Baldwin. At one point the district offered her a position teaching a program dedicated to science, technology, engineering, and math. As the district’s only STEM teacher, Arnold took on the new teaching position and

rotated her time among the district’s five elementary schools. At one point, she visited the Boston Children’s Museum to get a global insight on what STEM could be for her students. She learned about scientific standards, which helped develop her program. She also visited Google headquarters in California to observe their collaboration techniques as well as to further develop her knowledge in STEM.

After teaching in the Baldwin school district for 20 years, Arnold felt ready for change. While teaching her STEM students online during the coronavirus pandemic, she saw the gravity of the event on her classes, and felt disheartened seeing her students coping with online learning.

She decided to pursue an administrative role to share her decades of experience in a higher position. She left the Baldwin School District in 2021 and became assistant principal at Freeport Public Schools in 2021.

After two years, Arnold left to become the principal of Gribbin Elementary School. One of her goals is to expand students’ talents in creativity, critical thinking and collaboration. She wants students to fall in love with the art of learning and encourage them to be inquisitive and ask questions so the next stages in their education and lives will be less challenging.

Arnold said she wants the culture of the school to further expand social-emotional learning, a process through which children, adolescents and adults learn skills to support healthy development and relationships.

“We are delighted to introduce our newly appointed elementary school principal to the district,” Maria L. Rianna, the district’s superintendent, said, “We are confident that her exceptional skills, dedication, and experience will greatly benefit our students. Together, we will work towards providing the highest quality education to ensure the success of our children.”

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After the game, players took a moment to celebrate the game with young baseball enthusiasts.

# City's annual vintage baseball game a hit

Over 100 years ago, Glen Cove residents wrote a letter to Mayor James M. Burns requesting permission to play baseball games on Sundays. The resolution passed with a unanimous “aye.” To celebrate the roots of the sport, the city held its annual vintage baseball game on July 20, taking a step back in time to when the rules were drastically different. The match was between the Brooklyn Atlantics Baseball Club and the New York Mutuals Baseball Club.

The game was once played with minimal equipment — no gloves and lighter bats. The first professional baseball game was played during the Civil War, according to the National Baseball Hall of Fame, as a pastime for soldiers on both sides of the war. Upon returning home from the war, many brought the sport back home and unified their towns.

The first vintage game started in 2018, coinciding with Glen Cove's 350th anniversary. Throughout the years, the games have been a homerun for the city.



Grace Cipriano, left, sang the ‘Star Spangled Banner’ as members of the Brooklyn Atlantics watched. The tradition of playing it at sports events got a dramatic boost at the 1918 World Series, during World War I.

Kevin Flash Harrison, below, right, caught the ball hit by John Dandy Fesolowich.

Anthony Dirty Pirate Cannino, below center, hit the ball as umpire Frank Shakespeare VanZant called the play.

Councilman Jack Mancusi, below, far left, threw the first pitch of the game, a tradition that marks the start of the game.





# STEPPING OUT

## Always in-tune with **AL JOLSON**

The longtime festival is a lively tribute to the 'World's Greatest Entertainer'

By Iris Wiener

In its first incarnation since the pandemic, the 24th Annual Long Island Jolson Festival is ready to delight loyal fans once again. The festival's latest edition, on Saturday, Aug. 12, will bring together devotees for a full day of nostalgia and music, celebrating the talent of Al Jolson — the performer bestowed with the moniker "world's greatest entertainer."

Jan Hernstat — the International Al Jolson Society's president, who has helmed the festival since its beginning — is excited to remember the icon, who was a pioneer in many genres in the '20s, including music, film ("The Jazz Singer"), and theatre ("Hold on to Your Hats"). When Hernstat began the festival many years ago, it was simply because he wanted a platform to show his appreciation for Jolson. It quickly turned into something else.

"It has been fun over the years to bring Jolson to people who don't normally get to see him," Hernstat says. "When I started doing this, people came to me and said something which I didn't really understand: 'Thank you for doing this service to bring this kind of entertainment that we don't get to see anymore.' It was just something that I wanted to do, and as a byproduct, I was making people happy. That's a good feeling."

It will be next to impossible not to smile at this year's festival, which will include a performance from mainstay Tony Babino, who has been treating festivalgoers to the vocal stylings of Jolson for years. He is joined by "Mr. Tin Pan Alley," Richard Halpern, who is participating in the event — at Lambrou's in Island Park — all the way from California.

Hernstat explains that Halpern brings a unique set of skills to his Jolson interpretation.

"A lot of people know Jolson from 'The Jolson Story' forward," he says. "He did 20 songs in that film. The majority of people alive today only know those songs and the style in which he did it, which is what Tony emulates. But Richard does Jolson from the '20s and '30s, the '78 (RPM) Jolson,' as I like to call it. People will get a little contrast, because with Richard, you're going to get more of the early Jolson and with Tony more of the later Jolson. It's going to be great."

Also new this year is an appearance by comedian Jeff Greenberg, a longtime society member known for his humorous act, frequently performing near his New Jersey home. The comedy doesn't end there. Bob Greenberg (no relation) will be tickling the funny bone as characters from oldies acts, such as Oliver Hardy, Ralph Kramden and Lou Costello. Additionally, fans will have the opportunity to meet Brian Gari, grandson of the late performer Eddie Cantor, Jolson's showbiz contemporary, and can check out a slew of memorabilia from Jolson's era.

Hernstat is intent on keeping Jolson's legacy front and center in the public eye.

"He was the first true superstar. In fact, the word 'superstar' was not even coined yet," he says. "He was an international star at a time when there was no real media to promote what he did. Now all you have to do is go on social media and everyone knows you all over the world. When Jolson first started out, there weren't talking movies, there wasn't radio and TV. For somebody to be as big as he was worldwide, it really talks about your talent. It is a wonderful experience to celebrate his talent, his singing, and his voice."

When Hernstat reflects on years past, he fondly remembers welcoming entertainers to his gathering, such as Sheldon Harnick ("Fiddler on the Roof" lyricist and songwriter), radio and television superstar Margaret Whiting, and comedian Soupy Sales.

"I don't want this festival to die," Hernstat says. "There's still people out there that love Jolson. I always tell people, 'We're not looking to convert you to become a Jolson fan, we just want to find the ones out there who are and let them know that they have this outlet for their enjoyment.'"



### WHERE & WHEN

- Aug. 12, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.
- Tickets are \$43.95, which includes entertainment and meals; tickets for show only are \$29.95
- Information and tickets available at [Jolson.org](http://Jolson.org) or call Jan Hernstat at (516) 678-3524.
- Lambrou's Catering Hall, 4073 Austin Blvd., Island Park



### Penn & Teller

The famed duo steps away from their Las Vegas residency to bring their act on tour, appearing on the Tilles Center stage. Penn & Teller's brand of awe-inspiring illusions mixed with buddy-comedy shtick has kept the duo at the very top of the magic profession for the past 45 years. Their trademark is the updating of worn out or archaic routines, such as bullet catching, or their recent adaptation of the classic bag escape trick (their version involved a trash bag and lots of helium). From humble beginnings busking on the streets of Philadelphia to acclaimed sold-out runs on Broadway to the longest running and one of the most-beloved resident headline acts in Vegas history, magic's legendary duo continues to defy labels — and at times physics and good taste — by redefining the genre of magic and inventing their own very distinct niche in comedy. Constantly evolving and refining their unique take on illusion, the pair's slight of hand always amazes, whether it's a fresh take on an old 'trick' or something altogether new.

Friday and Saturday, July 28, 8 p.m.  
LIU Post campus, 720 Northern Blvd., Brookville. Tickets are \$94, \$84, \$58, \$48; available at [TillesCenter.org](http://TillesCenter.org) or (516) 299-3100.



### Kevin James

The 'King of Queens,' 'Mall Cop,' 'Kevin Can Wait,' and Larry (of 'I Now Pronounce You Chuck and Larry') — Kevin James wears many hats. Catch his comedic brilliance when he returns to his Long Island roots with his Irregardless Tour. Young Kevin was a promising college football fullback until the acting bug bit him. After spending his junior summer with the local community theatre, he realized getting laughs was a bigger rush than stopping running backs from scoring a first down. James took to the comedy circuit where he soon made a name for himself, receiving the deal that every struggling comedian dreams of: The chance to develop and star in his own sitcom. The result was 'King of Queens,' and the rest is history. Now, he's back on the stage with his everyman comedy and warm deadpan delivery. He'll regale everyone with his quietly hilarious observations on life, fatherhood, and the simple absurdities of the world.

Saturday, July 29, 7:30 p.m.  
\$99.50, \$79.50, \$69.50, \$49.50.  
The Paramount, 370 New York Ave., Huntington. [Ticketmaster.com](http://Ticketmaster.com) or [ParamountNY.com](http://ParamountNY.com).

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Top photo: Al Jolson as he appeared in his film 'The Singing Kid' in 1936.

Middle photo: Jolson enthusiast Joe Wiener with festival mainstay Tony Babino.

Bottom photo: Vocalist Richard Halpern performs the standards of the era in his first festival appearance.



# THE \$ SCENE

Aug. 4

Doo-Wop Oldies Spectacular Revisit the golden oldies with

Peter Lemongello Jr. in "An Evening To Remember," with The Fabulous Acchords, The Tribunes and Teresa McClean, Friday, **Aug. 4**, 7:30 p.m. With their polished vocal skills and dynamic stage presence, these artists deliver a night of unforgettable entertainment in an energetic show that is pure nostalgia, filled with unforgettable tunes. Headliner Peter Lemongello Jr., is acclaimed as the most explosive and exciting doo-wop performer to appear on the scene in 40 years. The son of singer Peter Lemongello, Peter Jr. has appeared on "American Idol" and performed with The Four Tops, The Temptations, Chubby Checker and Lloyd Price, among others. He's joined by a cappella group The Tribunes, renowned for their authentic New York-bred street-corner harmonies, and The Fabulous Acchords, known for their impeccable harmonies, who captivate audiences with their blend of classic and contemporary songs, spanning genres and eras. The concert, produced by Gene DiNapoli, also features a special appearance by Teresa McClean, who takes everyone on an enthusiastic musical journey with her signature vocals and lush orchestration. \$49, \$39, \$29; available at [LandmarkOnMainStreet.org](http://LandmarkOnMainStreet.org). or (917) 567-5842. Jeanne Rimsky Theater at Landmark on Main Street, 232 Main St., Port Washington.



### On exhibit

View the landmark exhibition "Modigliani and the Modern Portrait," at Nassau County Museum of Art. Devoted to the way that Modigliani powerfully re-defined the art of portraiture, the show includes his masterworks along with paintings and drawings by his Parisian contemporaries (Picasso, van Dongen, Laurencin). Modigliani's enduring influence on artists even in our own time is shown in a selection of Contemporary paintings by such important figures as David Hockney, Eric Fischl, Elizabeth Peyton and others. The exhibition is being curated by Dr. Kenneth Wayne, founder of The Modigliani Project, which authenticates paintings and drawings (two of the works in the show have been recently approved by the committee). Through Nov. 5. Nassau County Museum of Art, 1 Museum Dr., Roslyn Harbor. (516) 484-9337 or [NassauMuseum.org](http://NassauMuseum.org).

July 28

### Summer tunes

Get in the Motown groove with Dr. K's Motown Revue, at Eisenhower Park, Friday, **July 28**, 8 p.m. The band's dynamic renditions of those great tunes are performed with passion and conviction in true Motown style. With special guest Chicken Head. Harry Chapin Lakeside Theatre, Eisenhower Park, East Meadow. For information, visit [NassauCountyNY.gov](http://NassauCountyNY.gov).

### Hot Diggity Dog

It's barbecue season and Long Island Children's Museum is feeling in the spirit, Kids can celebrate National Hot Dog Month by making a customized hot dog craft to bring home, at the drop-in program, Sunday, **July 30**, 1-3 p.m. Museum Row, Garden City. (516) 224-5800 or [LICM.org](http://LICM.org).



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### Dancing in the Street

Dancing in the Street, an annual series of free dance evenings in the streets of Oyster Bay, has returned every to the hamlet every **Friday in July and the first two Fridays in August**, from 7 to 9 p.m. Organized by the Oyster Bay Main Street Association, music and dance instruction will be provided by DJ and dancer Louis Del Prete. For more information, call (516) 313-1683 or contact diane.writes4@gmail.com.

### Library Walking Club

Participate in Glen Cove Public Library's at-your-own-pace hour walk, **every Thursday**, at 10 a.m. All fitness levels are welcome and attendees are encouraged to walk at their own pace, 4 Glen Cove Ave., Glen Cove. Register at [GlencoveLibrary.org](https://GlencoveLibrary.org) or call (516) 676-2130 for more information.

### Having an event?

Items on The Scene page are listed free of charge. The Herald welcomes listings of upcoming events, community meetings and items of public interest. All submissions should include date, time and location of the event, cost, and a contact name and phone number. Submissions can be emailed to [thescene@liherald.com](mailto:thescene@liherald.com).

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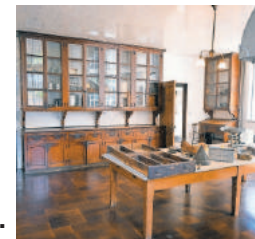


### Storybook Stroll

Bring the kids to Old Westbury Gardens for a storybook adventure, Saturday, **Aug. 5**, 10:30-11:30 a.m. Stroll the gardens and open your ears to Kirsten Hall's modern tale "The Honeybee." Later create a unique take home craft. For ages 3-5. Old Westbury Gardens, 71 Old Westbury Rd., Old Westbury. For information visit [OldWestburyGardens.org](https://OldWestburyGardens.org) or contact (516) 333-0048.

### Westbury House Tour

For many years visitors to Westbury House at Old Westbury Gardens asked what was beyond the first floor corridor. Now go beyond the door and discover "secrets of the service wing," during a 60-minute guided tour, Friday, **July 28**, noon; Sunday, **July 30**, 3 p.m.; Monday, **July 31**, noon; Sunday, **Aug. 6**, 1:30 p.m. Be introduced to the intensive labor required to create the lifestyle experienced by the Phipps family and their guests; tour the many rooms that were "behind the scenes" to create the formal dining experiences of early 20th century. Go along the corridors to the butler's pantry and silver cleaning room then descend the 17 steps to the kitchen, scullery, and wine storage rooms located on the ground floor. Reservations required. 71 Old Westbury Rd., Old Westbury. For information contact (516) 333-0048 or visit [OldWestburyGardens.org](https://OldWestburyGardens.org).



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### Art talk

Grab your lunch and join Nassau County

Museum of Art Docent Riva Ettus for her popular "Brown Bag Lecture," now back on-site at Nassau County Museum of Art, Thursday, **Sept. 7**, 1 p.m. Enjoy an in-depth presentation on the current exhibition "Modigliani and the Modern Portrait." Participants are invited to ask questions at the end of the program and to join the 2 p.m. public tour of the exhibit. Also Oct. 19. 1 Museum Dr., Roslyn Harbor. (516) 484-9337 or [NassauMuseum.org](https://NassauMuseum.org).

### Cookbook Club

Glen Cove Public Library holds its Cookbook Club, for adults who enjoy cooking and sharing food together, on Saturday, **July 29**, from noon to 1:30 p.m. This discussion will focus on Alice Waters, who has been credited with America's farm-to-table revolution. 4 Glen Cove Ave. Visit [GlenCoveLibrary.org](https://GlenCoveLibrary.org) or call (516) 676-2130 for more.

### Summer sounds

The Mad Hatters will rock West Harbor Memorial Beach, Friday **July 28**. Presented by the Bayville Village Arts Council. 1-199 W Harbor Dr. in Bayville. For more information contact [papny@aol.com](mailto:papny@aol.com) or (917) 880-6618.

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# Transit agency talks are ‘positive move forward’

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in hand and I look forward to continuing to build on the progress made here in an ongoing effort to make the commute a little easier for riders of the Oyster Bay branch.”

Announced at a webinar on Monday moderated by Lavine and Glen Cove Councilwoman Danielle Fugazy Scagliola, effective immediately, trains originating from Jamaica at 4:56 and 5:56 a.m. to Mineola have been eliminated, as has the 6:22 p.m. eastbound train to Oyster Bay.

Effective Sept. 5, the westbound 7:01 a.m. train from Oyster Bay will be an express train skipping the Glen Cove, Sea Cliff, Greenvale, Albertson and Mineola stations. Transfers occurring on the 7:17 a.m. train from Oyster Bay will get a new cross-platform transfer opportunity to Penn Station. The train will originate at Jamaica and will be empty, allowing Oyster Bay branch riders their pick of seats.

## Service before latest changes

Service on the Long Island Rail Road Oyster Bay branch has become inconvenient, many commuters say, adding that they hoped that some of their travel times would be shortened when the Grand Central Madison access service started in March. Many discovered that that wasn't the case.

Scagliola and Lavine wrote to MTA CEO Janno Lieber and interim LIRR President Catherine Rinaldi in March, expressing their concerns about the impact of the East Side Access and Grand Central Madison projects on North Shore riders and urging increased service on the Oyster Bay Branch.

As a result of the letter, the MTA omitted two morning Mineola stops, which some say made a slight difference in their commutes.

At the webinar, George Fletcher, who oversees the Long Island Rail Road's timetables and train capacities, said modifying services to the Oyster Bay Branch is challenging, because of its infrastructure. Constraints along the branch include: four miles of single track between Locust Valley and Oyster Bay, the proximity of certain stations to one another, the hilly topography of the area and the track configuration at Mineola, and limited diesel equipment during the summer months.

Commuters who responded to the Herald's Facebook poll about the webinar said they did not listen to the webinar because it wasn't well publicized.

## What commuters are saying

Glen Cove commuter Aaron Engstrom, who frequents the Glen Street station, said the change is beneficial. He admires the transportation system in Japan, saying the skip-stop service at Tokaido Shinkansen's high-speed rail line models how trains should operate.



Roksana Amid/Herald

The Glen Cove LIRR station is one of three stations to be skipped for a faster commute in the morning.

Glen Cove commuter Jennifer Alvarez is concerned about the new timetables. She said those who miss the 7:33 a.m. train from Glen Street already wait until 8:29 a.m. for their next train. She predicts the new schedule changes will make parking a “nightmare” that will impact two adjacent stations, leaving drivers flocking to one.

“There are already so few options for the Oyster Bay line,” Alvarez said. “If the changes will save only six or seven minutes, I don't see a benefit in making it more difficult for people in those skipped stations. There are often delays, so that time saved will be swallowed up anyway.”

Roger Donnelly worked for the MTA from 1992 to 2019, before retiring. A subway electrical supervisor, the Sea Cliff resident commuted to Manhattan on the Oyster Bay line. He doesn't frequent the LIRR as often, but knows other Sea Cliff residents using the Sea Cliff station located in Glen Cove, will have to walk to the Glen Street station to catch their trains if they don't have cars.

“I can understand skipping Glen Cove, ironically, because it's a smaller station,” Donnelly said. “They're putting band aids on a problem, and they're trying to tweak the schedule and make things a little bit better, but at the end of the day, you're still going to be five minutes late getting to Jamaica.”

Scagliola is hopeful the changes are a step in a positive direction. She said other LIRR branches, like the Port Washington line, have express trains or skip-stops, which are more appealing. She hopes the appeal of faster trains will increase ridership and persuade the MTA to investing in more trains on the line.

“While these steps that we're hoping to take aren't perfect, they're a positive movement forward, and I would hope that commuters will see it as that and we'll start to see continued improvement on our brand,” Scagliola said. “My hope is really that the changes the LIRR talks about are the first of many as we look forward to meaningful change that will improve our quality of life.”

## OBITUARIES

### Richard John Klenkel Jr.

Richard John Klenkel Jr., 63, of Glen Cove, died on July 5. He was born to Richard “Dick” and Doris Klenkel and a 1978 Glen Cove High School graduate. After earning his bachelor's in accounting from the University of Rhode Island, Klenkel enjoyed a long-standing career as a certified public accountant and financial advisor.



RICHARD JOHN KLENKEL JR.

He was a proud lifelong resident of Glen Cove and an active parishioner of St. Paul's Episcopal Church for over 27 years. He enjoyed boating on the Long Island Sound, biking, scuba diving, and spending time

with his family. Above all, he was a proud and devoted father to his two daughters, and a loving brother and son.

He is survived by his daughters Brianna Klenkel Campbell and Meredith Klenkel; son-in-law Michael Campbell; former wife Deirdre Klenkel, and sisters Suelen Galluccio and Laurie Klenkel. Visitation entrusted to Dodge-Thomas Funeral Home of Glen Cove. Service held at St. Paul's Episcopal

Church. Interment at St. Paul's Churchyard Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made in his name to St. Paul's Episcopal Church.

### Rocco Costantino

Rocco Costantino, 80, of Glen Cove, died on July 10. Proprietor of Costantino Nursery of Glen Cove. Beloved husband of the late Lucia; loving father of Angelo and Mina Grella (Angelo); dear brother of Maria, Alevina, Carmine, Giuseppe and Rosina; proud grandfather of Sofia, Gabriel, Cristian, Alessandro, Amelia and Angiolina. Also survived by loving in-laws, nieces, nephews and cousins. Costantino enjoyed playing the accordion and worked hard at his nursery. Above all, he loved his family. Arrangements entrusted to Dodge-Thomas Funeral Home.



ROCCO COSTANTINO

### Anita L. Masie

Anita L. Masie, 80, of Glen Cove and formerly of East Meadow, died on June 29. Beloved wife of the late Alfred Goldberg; loving mother of Howard, Robert and Steven Goldberg; adored stepmoth-

er of Michael, Jeffrey, Andrew and Heathre; dear sister of Wendy and Janet; cherished grandmother of six. Arrangements entrusted to Dodge-Thomas Funeral Home.



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## OPINIONS

# Is it time for Yankees and Mets fans to ask for a refund?

**R**egardless of the heat wave, I love summer, compared with the brutal wind blasts of December. I know that the summer climate doesn't satisfy everyone, but the chance to breathe the warm air and be greeted with the bright sunshine is very comforting to me. Summer makes me happy, but I must confess to being very irritated by one subject. I refer to the Yankees and the Mets.



**JERRY  
KREMER**

Once upon a time, during my very naïve years, I was told that money buys anything. I didn't really believe that, because with the passage of time, I saw many instances in which money bought nothing. I know wealthy couples who are the most miserable people. I've watched companies flush with money fall apart due to mismanagement.

But I wonder how two great sports franchises, flush with cash, can perform so badly.

Being a lifelong Yankees fan, I will start with my gripes about them.

Media reports indicate that the current payroll of the team is around \$280 million, which places them close to the top of the list of the big spenders.

With that kind of money and a fan base that pours millions of dollars into the club treasury, how can management justify the fact that their team is in last place in the American League East?

There's no doubt that Aaron Judge's toe injury has been a major setback. But there are many other players who take the field each day and do nothing to win or make the loyal fan base happy. If you follow them as I do, they look like a bunch of people who just show up to collect a paycheck and go home.

They are listless, bored and totally disconnected with the job of keeping baseball America's so-called pastime.

If these players were street sweepers, I could understand their listlessness. Pushing a broom can be a very dull job. But when players are paid millions of dollars, the fans are entitled to watch a team that is energized and trying to succeed. Have you ever watched the Little League World

Series? It pays to tune in and watch kids yell and scream when a teammate gets a base hit. They hug a fellow player when he strikes out to encourage him to do better the next time he's at the plate.

There are many big league examples of hunger for victory. The Toronto Blue Jays and the Tampa Bay Rays are good examples.

Their players come out to play with smiles on their faces and are determined to win. The lack of passion that the Yankees display is similar to what I observe about this year's Mets team.

The Mets' owner, Steve Cohen is a very wealthy man. He can buy just about anything he wants just by dialing his cellphone. He has invested billions in a team that has been called one of the best that money could buy. When he broke the bank to hire Justin Verlander and Max Scherzer, Mets fans were jumping for joy.

The rest of the lineup is All-Star quality, but the team could end up in fourth or worse in the NL East at season's end.

When some team owners speak to

the sportswriters, they sound like the kid who claims the dog ate his homework. They moan about injuries and claim that it will be just a matter of time before their players catch fire. They're afraid to complain about their players for fear of upsetting them. They seem to forget about the dollars they're shelling out to those employees.

Many of us longtime Yankees fans wish George Steinbrenner was still alive. When he was, and Yankees players failed to perform, he publicly excoriated them.

And Steinbrenner was never reluctant to trade away a player who didn't meet his standards.

It's possible that the Yankees, and the Mets, too, will shake up their teams by the Aug. 1 trade deadline. And maybe they'll send out a few blunt messages that we long-suffering New York fans are entitled to get our money's worth when we buy those very expensive tickets.

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**M**any of us Bronx Bombers fans wish George Steinbrenner was still alive.

## Food for thought: Whose tuna is it anyway?

**W**e all have our breaking points, and I discovered my husband's last Thursday evening after we arrived at a nearby restaurant for dinner. We had been there once before. The place had good word of mouth, and the reviews said the service was



**RANDI  
KREISS**

friendly and the food was imaginatively prepared. Perhaps we should have lingered longer over the word "imaginatively."

We were dining with one of our favorite people, our daughter, and my husband wanted it to be a special treat

for her. We were seated by one of the friendly staff, and he made a point of removing the white napkins and offering us black ones, saying, "These won't leave lint on your black slacks."

"I'm impressed," I said. "What a thoughtful accommodation."

Don was perusing the menu. "I

know what I'm having," he said, with great relish. "The tuna steak with bok choy and wasabi potatoes." Our daughter said she would have the same.

I saw trouble looming on the horizon, and it had fins.

The waiter arrived to take our orders.

"I'll have the tuna, cooked medium," my daughter said.

The waiter looked pained. "We cook the tuna rare," he said. "Medium, with pink on the inside, is as far as we'll go." She said that was fine.

But it wasn't fine with the big guy. "I would like the same," my husband purred, "but I want mine well done. I don't do pink."

The waiter looked stricken. "I'm sorry, sir, but the chef won't cook it past medium."

"I know how I like my tuna," Don said, quite reasonably. "I won't send it back because it's too well done. I like it that way. It's my dinner, and I want it cooked the way I want to eat it."

The waiter fetched the manager,

who remembered us from the week before. "Sir, you sent your tuna back three times last week," he said.

"That's right," Don said. "Because it was raw each time, even though I ordered it well done."

"I'm sorry," the manager said. "But the chef won't cook it past medium."

"You mean to tell me that I'm paying for this dinner and I have to eat it the way the chef likes it?"

"Sorry sir."

"I assume the chef is the owner," my husband said.

"Yes, sir."

"And he doesn't care if he loses a customer?"

"No, sir. He serves his tuna purple in the middle."

By now my husband was turning purple himself. He canceled the tuna and ordered a vegetable plate.

Our daughter suggested we try to reframe the situation.

"You're so angry, Dad. Try to think of this from the chef's point of view. He's a food artist. He's the Van Gogh of food, and you're saying to him,

**Randi is on a brief leave.  
This column was originally  
published Jan. 13-19, 2000.**

"What's with all the blue swirls? Paint me polka dots."

The big guy wasn't in the mood to reframe. "He can paint all the blue swirls he wants, but I don't have to eat them. This guy is telling me that if I want to eat the meal I want to eat, I have to eat it the way *he* enjoys it."

I see it as a control issue: Yes, you will. No, I won't. The chef was a prima donna, an incarnation of "Seinfeld's" soup Nazi. My husband couldn't get the meal he wanted, which is, after all, the general idea of dining out, and he was right.

Scrambled eggs with ketchup, peanut butter and banana sandwiches, burnt steaks, matzo balls hard as hockey pucks: culinary idiosyncrasies are an American tradition. In the future, when we hear about a restaurant where there's an artist at the burners, we will dine elsewhere.

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## OPINIONS

# Local news is good for business

It's no secret that recent years have been tough on small businesses and on newspapers.

A bipartisan bill, the Community News & Small Business Support Act that has been introduced in Congress, would offer relief to both newspapers and local businesses.

For too many newspapers, help can't come soon enough. Economic challenges have



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resulted in too many communities seeing their local newspapers being forced to lay off staff, cut back on publication days, or — worse yet — close. On average, two newspapers are closing each week. That hurts local businesses and residents in the long (and short) run.

However, despite the challenges, what remains true is that

local newspapers make a difference in their communities.

But don't just take my word for it. Let's look at the numbers, and why America's Newspapers has been pushing for the Community News & Small Business Support Act to be introduced.

A recent national study of 5,000 Americans older than 18 was conducted by the independent research firm Coda Ventures for America's Newspapers, and provides compelling evidence of the importance, relevance and vitality of today's newspapers in the American media landscape.

Readers told us that their local newspaper makes a difference. The study shows that 79 percent of Americans read/use local news "to stay informed" about their cities, counties and communities. They also said they rely on their local paper to feel connected to their community. To decide where they stand on local issues. To find places and things to do. To talk with people about things happening in the commu-

nity, because they find it enjoyable or entertaining, and to be a better citizen.

And, contrary to popular belief, readers across all age groups turn to local newspapers and their digital products to stay informed about their communities.

Readers also told us they need more local news from their community paper. As one survey respondent said, "Our paper keeps getting smaller. I would like to see more news items, what's happening in town, what's new in politics, etc. And they need to be quicker to respond to breaking news."

All of that takes a committed, local staff — something the legislation, introduced by U.S. Rep. Claudia Tenney, of New York, and Rep. Suzan DelBene, of Washington, will help to make happen.

So, what would this legislation mean to your local community?

Local businesses with fewer than 50 employees would receive a five-year non-refundable tax credit of up to \$5,000 in the first year, and up to \$2,500 in the subsequent four years, based on their spending with local newspapers and local media. Our study showed that six out of 10 American adults use newspaper advertising to help them decide what brands, products and local services to buy.

Newspaper readers also are almost twice as likely to purchase products in a number of important advertising categories than non-newspaper readers, including automobiles, trucks and SUVs; home furnishings; home improvement products and services; and home services like pest control, plumbing and heating.

With this legislation, we expect to see more businesses being able to afford to advertise to consumers, which in turn helps communities thrive.

For local newspapers, a five-year refundable tax credit would help them hire more journalists to bring you more news. It's a win-win for local communities.

Newspapers would receive a tax credit to be

used for the compensation of journalists. The credit would cover 50 percent of journalists' compensation in the first year, and 30 percent of compensation — up to \$50,000 — in the subsequent four years.

This tax credit would only be available to local community papers with fewer than 750 employees and, if they don't invest in their newsroom, they don't get the credit.

And these tax credits are only available to local newspapers. National newspaper outlets are not eligible.

The importance of local newspapers and local business is the reason Reps. Tenney and DelBene introduced the legislation. We are most grateful for their support.

We need your support, as well, to encourage legislators to enact this legislation. Please contact the offices of your senators and representatives in Congress and encourage them to add their support to this legislation.

These tax credits aren't permanent — they will sunset in five years. But those critical five years will allow the newspaper industry the time needed to address the challenges that it is facing from Big Tech, which often uses newspapers' content without compensation, as well as other technological and market challenges. Visit [USA.gov/elected-officials](http://USA.gov/elected-officials) for the contact information for your legislators.

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## LETTERS

### Great work, Herald!

To the Editor:

Congratulations to the Herald staff, along with the other contributors, for the excellent July 13-19 issue. The interesting stories included "New book on the tragic tale of the Lexington," a stunning historical story of the tragic loss of 139 lives in the sinking of the Steamship Lexington in 1840 on Long Island Sound; "A lifetime of swimming and service," an inspiring telling of Glen Head's 81-year-old Barbara Holzkamp and her glowing lifetime of teaching swimming to so many, both young and old; and "Visit the White House, but in Brookville," a wonderful description of accurately replicated White House interiors — including the Oval Office — constructed on the Long Island University campus, with tours available.

The issue also included "Journalists become targets for jihadists," a fine memorial by columnist Randi Kreiss to the courageous journalists who have risked and lost their lives overseas seeking to report the truth, and the editorial "Visit — and help support — a museum near you," focusing on the importance of the many fine muse-





## OPINIONS

# Once on fringe, leftist antisemites move to mainstream

**T**he leader of an influential Jewish organization once told me that his goal was to ensure that “Jews had a seat at the table, not a spot on the menu.” From all appearances, he has his work cut out for him, as extremist, racist antisemites within the Democratic Party move to the center and attempt to normalize — and codify — their abhorrent views.



**JACOB  
BLUMENCRAZ**

Hate crimes in New York are out of control. A metropolitan area once known as a safe haven for Jews and a vibrant center of diversity of acceptance has degenerated into a cesspool of hate. In fact, New York is now widely considered to be the hate crime capital of America.

Jews have become the number one target of religiously motivated hate crimes in the state, and the nation as a

whole. Tragically, we have seen double-digit increases in these statistics year after year, and violent attacks on Jews have become a commonplace event across the Empire State. Unfortunately, rather than supporting victims and protecting Jews against further persecution, extremist Democrats have been adding fuel to the fire.

Suleiman Othman is a good example. He viciously attacked Blake Zavadsky on the street in Brooklyn, yelling, “Why do you support those dirty Jews?” Brooklyn’s district attorney, Eric Gonzalez, offered Othman a plea: two months. If anything, this slap on the wrist sends a clear message to racists everywhere: Jews are back on the menu.

New York City’s own Pogrom Squad — led by Charles Barron — refused to support a resolution to designate April 29 End Jew Hatred Day. In fact, Barron’s explanation for refusing to oppose racism is reminiscent of Louis Farrakhan’s

“I’m not an antisemite, I’m anti-termite” speech, saying that he is not “pro-antisemitic,” but rather “anti-the inconsistency of the Jewish community.” Collective guilt has always been a potent tool of Jew hatred, and some New York Democrats have learned to wield it well.

Demagogues like Barron use this blatant hate speech to justify their support for racism while rainbow-washing their repugnancy. Indeed, Shahana Hanif, who co-chairs the Progressive caucus, justified her support of antisemitism by saying that her “colleagues” had not done enough to “support our trans siblings.”

Still, Barron and Hanif’s racism pale in comparison to Assemblyman Zohran Mamdani’s new bill, which is a blatant attempt to shut down every Jewish organization in New York. The bill — which is as absurd as it is terrifying — would give the attorney general the power to fine and dissolve any nonprofit that support-

ed the “appropriation, expropriation,” etc., of Jerusalem or the West Bank.

Given Jew haters’ opposition to the “Judaization” of Jerusalem, and the bill specifically mentioning Jews’ holiest city (which includes the Western Wall, the City of David and other Jewish heritage sites) as “occupied” land, how would this rule apply to supporting Birthright Israel, or other organizations that bring Jews to worship at the Western Wall? What about a synagogue that helps buy a Torah for a house of worship anywhere in Jerusalem? Or an organization that contributes to the reforestation of the Holy Land?

Mamdani’s attempt to criminalize Judaism is just one prong in radical Democrats’ recent attacks, and proof that their most extreme elements have taken the reins of the party. How many more will there have to be before New Yorkers stand up and say “Enough”? Will it take another Tree of Life-style attack, but this time on the streets of Brooklyn, or Queens, or your own?

*Jacob Blumencranz represents the 15th Assembly District.*

**N**ew York is now widely considered to be the hate crime capital of America.

## LETTERS

ums right here on the North Shore. And there were other well-articulated articles too.

Keep up the fine work, Herald!

**BOB PRAVER**  
*Glen Cove*

## Glen Cove welcomed amputee softball players

To the Editor:

Glen Cove was very honored to be asked to host the USA Patriots (formerly the Wounded Warrior Amputee Softball Team). Joe Bartumioli and Eva Casale — the runner of seven marathons in seven days — have been involved in this event in Suffolk County, and asked if Glen Cove would like to participate. This was to be the first time a game such as this would be played in Nassau County.

The committee did much work to prepare for the game, but sadly, Mother Nature had another plan, and we had a rainout. Fortunately, the members of the USA Patriots were with many of us at Downtown Sounds on Friday night, when they mingled with the crowd and met many wonderful Glen Covers.

After the tough decision to cancel the game, we were able to have a quick meet-and-greet with those who were slated to be the opponents of the Patriots. Our team — Glen Cove’s Best and Finest — were on hand to greet their would-have-been opponents and share conversation and merriment. The USA Patriots enjoyed their time with us, and left with warm feelings about Glen Cove.

There are a great many people to thank, and I don’t know where to begin: our Glen Cove police and fire departments, for their assistance in planning and offering whatever would be needed. The Bayville Fire Department provided transportation for our guests to and from Downtown Sounds. Sean McCalmont, of SIDS, came through with delicious plates of food for our gathering. Garvies Point Brewery donated beer, and Glen Cove Beer Distributor donated water, soda and ice. Rich Lucidi, of DGI Graphics, donated the lawn signs necessary to publicize the event. Sponsorship banners — thanks to A Plus Signs. At the last minute, the Glen Cove Mansion allowed us to use their outdoor tent to host our meet-and-greet, which saved the day.

Thank you everyone, and who knows? Maybe next year?

**PAMELA D. PANZENBECK**  
*Mayor, Glen Cove*

## Some of us know what teachers go through

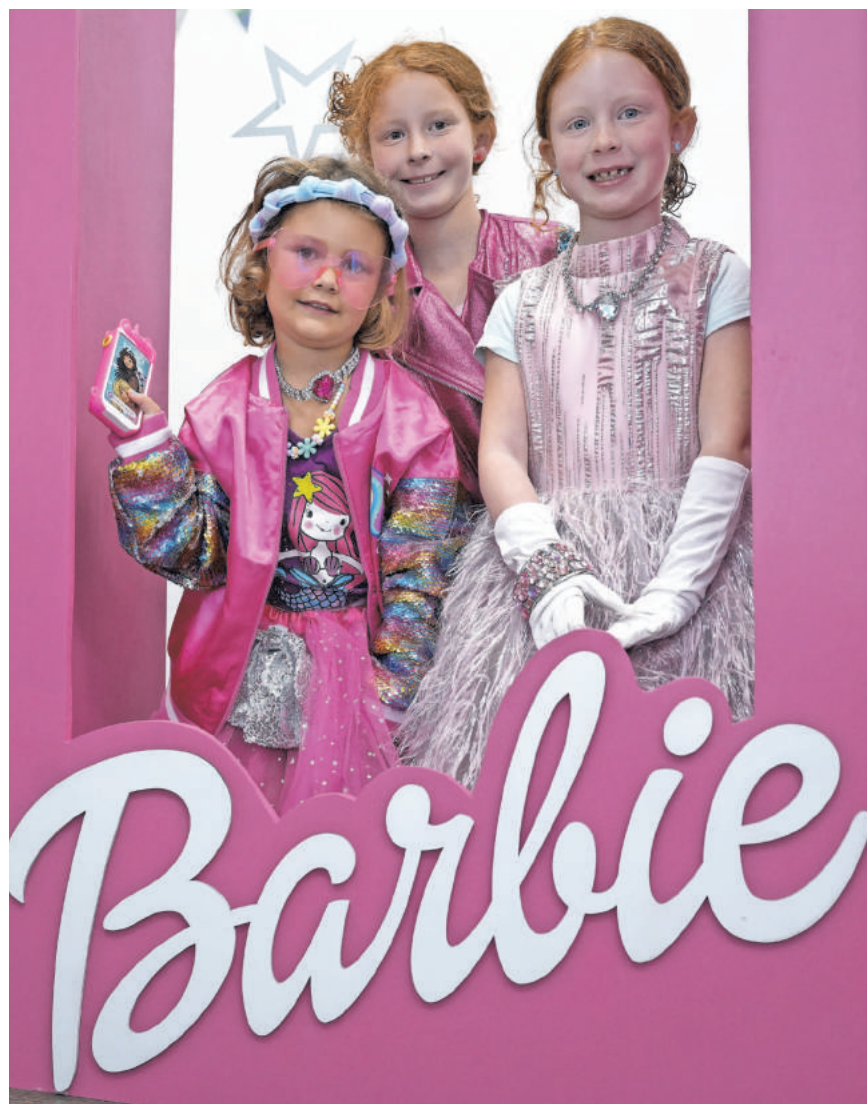
To the Editor:

Re Mark Nolan’s column in last week’s Herald, “You have no idea with teachers deal with”: Yep — all sad but true. My wife is a retired first-grade teacher. It’s hard to believe that so much starts there, but it does.

Yes, teachers are well paid, but most of them really earn it! Thanks to them, and God bless them.

**DICK CARDOZO**  
*Westbury*

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