

Community Joins Whitting Family In Mourning of Beloved Son



With the line stretching out to the parking lot and around the corner for hours, hundreds of local residents joined the Whitting family in memorial of Jake Whitting who suddenly and tragically passed away on May 10, 2016 at the age of 18, in a car accident while traveling
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AOH Gives To Warriors In Need



back row - Andy Stafford, Pauline Stafford, Marianne Degan, John Hanley. Bob Ottaviano, front row - Lisa Forgione, Hope for Warrior Representative-Jessica McKinney, 2016 Grand Marshal Paul Long, LAOH President Laurieann Defilippo, LAOH Vice President Sheila Zeineth

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Mayor Spinello and Police Chief Whitton Introduce Two New GCPD Officers Glen Cove Natives Eric Caruso and Kevin Telese to Join Police Department in June

Glen Cove, NY, May 13, 2016... Following a unanimous vote by Mayor Spinello and the Glen Cove City Council, the Mayor joined Glen Cove Police Chief William Whitton and Deputy Chief Chris Ortiz in welcoming two new officers to the Glen Cove Police Department. Glen Cove natives, Eric Caruso and Kevin Telese will be joining the force in June.

Graduates of Glen Cove High School and New York universities, Caruso and Telese received accolades from the Mayor and City Council members, many of whom have known these young men and their families since childhood. Chief William Whitton, upon presenting Glen Cove Police Department badges to Caruso

and Telese said, "We are pleased to be in a situation to hire two of Glen Cove's very own whose skills, professional work experience and talents will be an asset to our Police Department." The two positions became available due to the retirement of James McDonnell and Angelo Telese, both of whom are retiring at the end of May.

Front Row (L to R), Mayor Spinello, Kevin Telese, Eric Caruso, Glen Cove Police Chief William Whitton and Deputy Chief Chris Ortiz. Second Row (L to R) Glen Cove City Council Members Nick DiLeo Jr., Efraim Spagnoletti, Pamela Panzenbeck, Joseph Capobianco, Roderick Watson and Timothy Tenke.



Recognizing Outstanding Sea Cliff Volunteers

Last year the Sea Cliff Civic Association presented its annual Whitecap Award to Carol Vogt for her outstanding service to Sea Cliff. Each year, the Civic Associations presents Whitecap Awards at their annual meeting in June. Any resident can submit nominations to the Civic Association Board. Do you know anyone who has demonstrated repeated outstanding volunteer service? If so, send an email or write a letter describing that person's contributions. Nominations should include all supporting facts and details describing the nominee's contributions to the community. Please send nominations to "Whitecap Committee", c/o Laurie Martone, 63 Glenlawn Ave, Sea Cliff, N.Y. 11579, or scwhitecaps@gmail.com by May 9th. For questions, or a list of Whitecap recipients, please call or email Laurie Martone at 676-8348 or scwhitecaps@gmail.com.

SEA CLIFF 2016 MEMORIAL DAY PARADE

The annual Sea Cliff Memorial Day parade will take place on Monday, May 30, beginning at 9:00 a.m. at Memorial Park.

All village organizations are welcome. The parade route will be from Memorial Park to Villagio Pizza, down Roslyn Avenue to Glen Avenue and into Clifton Park. At Clifton Park, a brief program will be observed.

Correction

Please note that Alan Klein took the fantastic photos of the Coalition To Save Hempstead Harbor Gala printed in last week's publication. We acknowledge and thank him for his contribution.

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The 2016-2017 School Budget passed by 1,317 yes votes to 408 no votes. Proposition 2 also passed with 1,306 yes votes to 408 no votes. Sara Jones (1,279) and Marianne Manning Russo (1,228) were re-elected and Dave Ludmar (1,189) was elected to the Board of Education. Thank you to Michael Nightingale for serving on the Board for the past three years.

I would like to sincerely thank the North Shore community for coming out on May 17, 2016 to cast your ballots. It is gratifying to work within a community in which quality public education is genuinely valued. It is this level of community support that has resulted in our District's outstanding reputation for preparing students to think critically and to creatively solve problems, as they continue their passionate pursuit of learning. The North Shore School District is special and we applaud you for keeping our schools and community strong and vital.

I would like to acknowledge and thank the North Shore Schools Federated Employees for their support and sponsorship of the outstanding Celebration of Student Work, admired by residents as they came to cast their votes.

I offer my sincere gratitude to our Trustees for their efforts to maintain responsible fiscal management practices and effective oversight while creating a budget that maintains the quality of our programs. Thanks to all of the community members who have volunteered their support to benefit our students in so many ways—from parents who offer their time in our schools, to citizens and community leaders who have taken the time to come to Board of Education Budget Meetings and Town Meetings that were held throughout the year. Your involvement is vital now and in the future to the North Shore School District.

I would also like to thank all the residents who took the time to attend the budget coffees, called or wrote with questions, and checked the website to inquire about the budget this year. I appreciate all your efforts to make an informed decision.

With your continued support, we are committed to working very hard in our efforts to offer our students deep and meaningful learning opportunities that not only foster strong habits of mind, but also support the development of critical thinking skills. In addition, we look forward to continuing to build upon the school-community partnership that exists here at North Shore...one that always puts the needs of our children first.

AOH Gives To Warriors In Need

The Glen Cove Hibernians would like to thank Our friends and neighbors from Glen Cove and the North Shore area for their support at our 28th annual St Patrick's Day Parade hosted and sponsored by the Glen Cove AOH and LAOH Divisions of the Ancient Order of Hibernians.

Each year Our parade gets bigger and better –it brings out so many people as we are all anxious for spring to arrive and we all love to celebrate St Patrick's Day – even those who are not Irish! There is only one way this parade can continue to grow – that is with the ads taken out for Our Journal, raffle ticket sales and the commitment of our committee. With the funds we get we are able to pay for the bands, Grand Stand, Insurance, and to give a donation to an organization that is chosen by Our Grand Marshal. This year 2016 Grand Marshal Paul Long chose "Hope for Warriors". with your help we were able to give a check of \$6000 to help these warriors in need.

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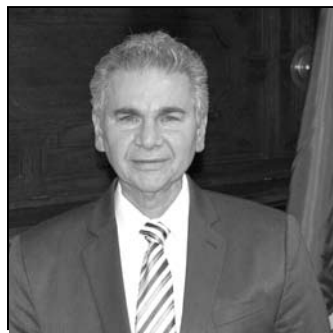
The marching participants, the hundreds of spectators for being there to cheer us on, all raffle ticket buyers, journal ad sponsors and Our Grand Marshal Paul Long, His Aides Regina and Peter Begley, John Canning, Glen Cove Mansion, Sophie McCabe, Mike Harrington, Matinecock Rod and Gun Club, Jeremy Zeineth, Casey Horton, Peter Budraitis, Eileen Cronin, Subaru, Volvo, Land Rover, Glen Cove DPW, Glen Cove Auxiliary Police, Tony Dempsey, Chairman of Wexford County Council, Glen Cove Printery, Kevin Horton, Mayor Spinello and the City Council, Carol and Page One crew, The Glen Cove Hibernian Parade Committee and of course Our very own Leprechaun! Please contact Glen Cove St. Patrick's Day Parade – Facebook page if you would like to participate next year! Looking forward to an even bigger parade next year!
Parade Chair 2016 – Lisa Forgione

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Mayor's Column

by Glen Cove Mayor Reginald Spinello

Waterfront Project Is a "Win-Win" For City

Proposed Bond Financing Will Fund Parks, Esplanade, Roads and Other Public Amenities/Infrastructure at NO COST TO CITY

The City and IDA/CDA (Industrial Development Agency and Community Development Agency) are finalizing a financial assistance and bond package to help fund public infrastructure, parks and other public amenities planned for the Garvies Point Waterfront Project, which is on the verge of breaking ground after more than 20 years of planning and over \$120 million of environmental cleanup.

The City's financial participation, support and investment in this Public-Private Partnership have long been contemplated by the Land Disposition Agreement (LDA) with our redeveloper partner, RXR Glen Isle Partners, LLC. The LDA is the sales contract governing the transfer of the IDA/CDA-owned properties to RXR. It was first executed in 2003.

Municipalities regularly provide the public infrastructure and amenities necessary to support a project in order to attract private investment and stimulate economic growth. This is especially true when the properties sought to be redeveloped have been burdened for decades by environmental contamination and blight. The municipality funds or installs critical improvements such as the roads, stormwater, utilities, parks, etc., to make the property and sites "shovel ready," and primed for reuse.

The City's independent economic consultants confirmed that financial investment by the City is necessary to make the Waterfront redevelopment viable. RXR has already invested approximately \$40 million on behalf of the Project without owning a single acre. Many of these expenditures

were not required by the LDA. We are appreciative of RXR's commitment, including sticking with the City through challenging economic times.

The proposed financial assistance and bond package is a "win-win" for the City and IDA/CDA. It will be sized and structured to allow us to make our fair share financial contribution and build critical amenities/infrastructure for the Project, while at the same time covering all of the Project's municipal services (police, fire, schools, etc.) and resulting in approximately \$400 million in net tax revenue to the City, School District, and Nassau County over the 40-year bond period, all without placing any additional burdens on our taxpayers. This will be accomplished by using the incremental tax revenues generated from the Project, which would not exist "but for" the Project. The City and other tax jurisdictions are coming out far ahead as tax revenues are projected to far exceed the cost of essential services over the life of the bonds.

Also it's critically important to underscore that the bonds will be "non-recourse" to the City. We are not responsible in the unlikely event there is not enough tax revenue to cover the debt service. That is the risk of the bondholders.

The Partnership

Both the original 2003 LDA, and the major amendment in 2012, provided for several types of financial assistance to RXR.

The City, for example, is obligated to pay for the reconstruction of Garvies Point Road (currently estimated at \$21 million). The City and IDA/CDA are also obligated to either fund or work cooperatively with RXR to obtain

funding for public infrastructure and public amenities, including for any final environmental cleanup of residual contamination. Recognizing the contribution typically made by municipal entities, IDA agreed to consider in good faith "financial assistance regarding Project infrastructure costs." The LDA further identified the potential use of Tax Increment Financing to fund the acquisition and/or development of the Gateway Properties (RXR is currently anticipating a private acquisition of these 4 acres, adding to the approximately \$42 million it has already invested).

As the LDA is a living and breathing document, we are continually negotiating additional amendments, which will further protect the City and make the Project a reality. Just like RXR has spent extensive funds on items for which they may not have been responsible under the 2003 LDA (and will be obligated to take on additional costs), the City must do its part for making this Project a success for the benefit of all our residents. It is normal in this type of long-term Public-Private Partnership for deal terms to evolve, especially as the project approaches the finish line and economic conditions change. We are now defending two lawsuits. Costs have gone up and the Project itself has become much more defined since the initial 2003 concept plan.

RXR Will Pay to Maintain Public Amenities/Infrastructure

It is important to emphasize that RXR or the HOA (Homeowners Association) will be responsible for maintaining the public infrastructure and amenities at their sole cost in perpetuity. The City will also continue to receive the same amount of taxes, regardless of whether IDA or RXR own the public spaces. The Project's public spaces, which have always been contemplated since 2003, would have little or no tax value, even if privately owned. The value of the open space is reflected in the value of the surrounding residential and commercial properties.

Finally, the sale price of the property has not changed from the \$15 million that was agreed upon in 2012. The IDA/CDA and City are excited by the Project's significant progress. We are closer than ever to restoring our waterfront to productive use for everyone to enjoy.

In an upcoming column I look forward to outlining the financial rewards of the Garvies Point project vs. the overwhelming financial challenges the City would face if the project was not realized.

Interfaith Music Performance at NSHM

The North Shore Historical Museum will present an interfaith musical concert on Sunday May 22 at 7pm, in celebration of the current exhibit of the diversity of faiths on the North Shore; The North Shore Worshipers.

Performing that evening will be tenor Mark Bleeke, a former soloist at St John's of Lattingtown Episcopal Church in Locust Valley, and soloist at St Thomas Episcopal Church in Manhattan. Bleeke has performed all over the United States and Europe, and has sung with many world renowned conductors and symphony orchestras, including the New York Philharmonic and Zubin Mehta, and has also worked with Paul Winter and Dave Brubeck. Bleeke will perform also from the New Age tradition of music with singing bowls.

Canto Gustavo Gitlin, from Teferith Israel will sing and play guitar in English, Hebrew and Spanish. Lauren Levy cantorial intern at the North Country Reform Temple will sing with a choral group.

Wine and cheese and other refreshments will be served. Space is limited and reservations are requested.

The museum is located in the old courthouse at 140 Glen Street in Glen Cove. For reservations or for further information please call Museum Director Amy Driscoll at 516 801-1191. northshorehistoricalmuseum.org.



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Glen Cove Softball and Lacrosse Teams Give Back to Community

On April 28, during spring break, Glen Cove High School's varsity softball team and girls varsity lacrosse team, along with coaches Samantha Basile, Kim Kessel, Nicole Sileo and Angela Zupa, volunteered their time at the Glen Cove Boys and Girls Club.

The softball team gave instructions on throwing and fielding, then played a game of Wiffle ball with children in grades 3-8, while the lacrosse team provided instruction on throwing and catching in lacrosse, as well as basketball skills. The girls enjoyed seeing the smiles on the children's faces.

The staff at the club welcomed the Glen Cove athletes and was involved in making this day a great success. The teams would like to extend a big thank-you to Glen Cove Boys and Girls Club Associate Director Desiree O'Neill, who was very helpful in organizing the event. The teams are looking forward to doing it again next year.

Photo Caption: Glen Cove High School softball and girls varsity lacrosse players volunteered their time at the Glen Cove Boys and Girls Club on April 28.

Photo courtesy of the Glen Cove City School District



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Ben Franklin Visits Landing

Landing School students learned about the life of Benjamin Franklin when re-enactor Lloyd Wheeler visited the school on May 12.

Using student volunteers, "Franklin" spoke about and acted out the main facts of his life, which included working as a printer for his brother. He also demonstrated the printing process he used and explained how different life was in Colonial times, and how most of what is available to people today was not

available back then.

As part of the presentation, Wheeler gave out buckets to students, then handed them a tennis ball and asked that they pretend the ball was fire. The tennis ball was passed from one student's bucket to the next to demonstrate how slowly fires were extinguished in Colonial times without fire departments.

"Franklin's" demonstrations hammered home tenets of character education, including the importance of

persistence and self-reliance. He also discussed his love of reading and spoke about the job descriptions of his day.

The students thoroughly enjoyed the visit and walked away with vast knowledge on the historical figure's life, as well as important character building lessons.



First Glenwood Landing Spanish Spelling Bee

During the first week in May, Glenwood Landing hosted its first Spanish Spelling Bee under the direction of Elementary Spanish Teacher Ms. Marissa Coulehan. After months of preparation and practice, 12 students in Ms. Coulehan's Spelling Bee club took to the stage to compete against one another in this exciting and educational event! The students included Elle Archer, Emma Bajdechi, Antonio Barbeta, Julian Corn, Jack DellaRatta, Sydney Fitzpatrick, Ella O'Hara, Meredith Papiro, Daniel Roper, Carina Schmalzried, Isabelle Sheridan, and Parker Traeger

On hand were three judges including language teachers from the elementary schools and the high school including Ms. Dahlia Rosen, Mr. Kai Schidlovsky, and Mrs. Ana Aguiar-Mady, and Ms. Coulehan who moderated the event. Additionally, an enthusiastic audience filled the Glenwood Landing auditorium filled with fourth graders, parents, and friends of the competitors.

During the Spanish Spelling Bee, each child listened to the words called out by Ms. Coulehan and had time to write them down (if they wanted to) and then spell each letter of the word in Spanish. Some of the words included abrazo (hug), tarjeta (card), chaqueta (jacket), and galletas (cookies). A bell would ding if the word was spelled incorrectly and after each round the children who misspelled their words had to take their

seats in the audience.

After many thrilling rounds, only two competitors, Julian Corn and Parker Traeger, remained standing for the final round. Congratulations go out to Julian Corn who came in first place and receive a red ribbon by spelling correctly the

difficult word "alcachofa"(artichoke).

Thank you to all of the students who participated and worked so hard to make the first Glenwood Landing Spelling Bee a success!

Photo Caption: Article and photos by Shelly Newman with assistance from Spanish Teacher, Ms. Marissa Coulehan. Pictured are 12 students in Ms. Coulehan's Spelling Bee Club who took to the stage to compete against one another in the first Glenwood Landing School Spelling Bee



All Saints Regional Catholic School will be holding its Third Annual Tag Sale on Saturday, June 4th and Sunday, June 5th, from 9:00am-3:00pm. The Tag Sale will be held in the All Saints Regional School cafeteria, which is located on the lower level of the St. Patrick's Church Parish Hall.

We are accepting donations of unwanted clothing, household items, toys (no missing parts), baby items, and small furniture, all in good condition. We are also in need of the following items:

- Clothing Racks (will be returned after the sale) - Grocery Bags - Hangers - Empty boxes - Old newspapers

Beginning Tuesday, May 10th, donations can be dropped off at the school cafeteria during the following times:

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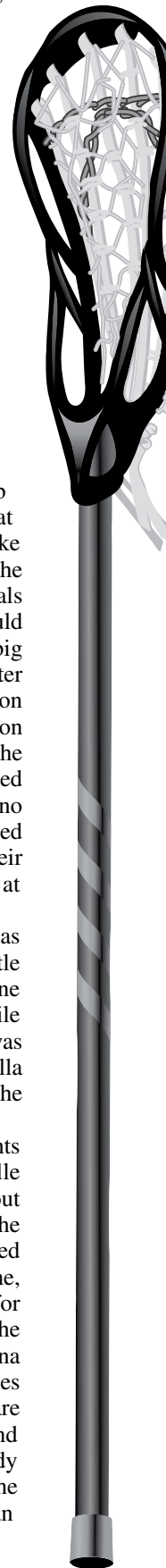
Compiled by Brian 'Condo' Neice

The Glen Cove Junior Lacrosse Club celebrated their 'Knight-Out' Fundraiser this past Saturday evening and it was back to work on Sunday for all the participants while their parents sweated out the previous night's fun. The 2nd Grade 'Wee Knights' had the privilege of playing their final home game this past weekend as they greeted a strong Port Washington program, whom they faced earlier in the season. It was obvious from the start how much the boys have improved throughout the course of the season. 9 goals this week tops last week's previous high of 8! Leading the offensive barrage was pint-sized, PJ Houghton, who seemed to be able to score from anywhere on the field as he totaled 4 goals, followed by Cole Trotto with yet another hat trick for the season. Kyle Demosthene added 1 and Jon Christ scored his lone goal on a nifty bull dodge that he would not be denied on. Goaltenders James Pascucci and Matthew Jackson had their hands full as Port's offense brought their guns too. Together they faced over 25 shots. Rookies Brody Blackburn, Parker Bennett and Anthony Pietri are getting more game time as they are still learning lacrosse and a breakout game for each of them is soon to come.

The Mid-Knights took their talents to Huntington this past weekend and they were looking to upset the home team on their Laxday. The Knights quickly found themselves in a 4-0 1st quarter hole that they would slowly begin to dig out of. After all, this team has fought hard all year long and this day would be no different. Nick Ladeairous played his typical part in getting the Knights started with a goal that followed with another by Alex Benazzi. The defense tightened as well and did not allow a goal in the second quarter with Jack Spotto, Daniel Salerno and Caleb Ham playing inspired defense. Still, the Knights were down 4-2 at the end of the first half but playing determined ball and playing like a good team-oriented game. Spotto continued his great play in the second half with successive ground balls and clears leading to goals by CJ Brown. CJ would have a big day netting four goals, as would Ladeairous. Rocco Rainone contributed with a goal and several big ground balls. Richie Cardali controlled the 4th quarter with win after win at the face-off X and it seemed that even when the Huntington team could get the ball and look to score, that goalie Matteo Cameron was there to stone wall them. The Knights would go on to win the game 10-8 and the performance was by far the best they've looked all season. Key contributions were made by 3rd graders Stefano Malatos, Gianni Rodriguez and Ben Kielbasa who have developed over the season and earned more playing time. The Knights end their spring season at home next week against another Huntington team at 9am in the infamous 'Pit' at the GCHS.

The 5th and 6th grade 'Late Knights' also played inspired ball as they put together their best team performance. A close fought battle that ended in New Hyde Park's favor by the score 6-3. Micah Stone withstood a powerful offensive attack and recorded 18 saves while clearing the ball exceptionally well. Penetrating the defense was no easy task yet Charlie Benazzi, Jaden Thom and Aidan Costella managed to find the back of the net. The late Knights will follow the Mid Knights on Sunday in the Pit at 10:30.

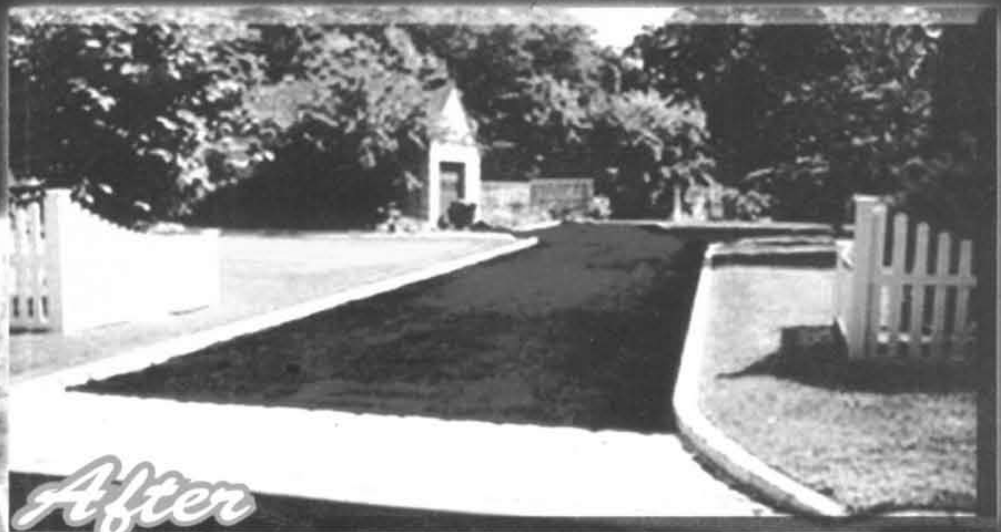
Wrapping up this week's lacrosse action were the Lady Knights and their travelling sideshow who took over the stands in Rockville Centre on Sunday. It doesn't take much to hoot and holler about once this group of girls take to the field. Brooke Simmons took the first shot of the game, stumbled, got up and smiled as she realized she just had scored. Playing on a full size field for the first time, with additional players on the field didn't faze the girls as battled for each groundball and continued to work on their team skills. With the Knights leading by 2 at the half, the defensive wall, led by Adrianna Purtill and Peyton Piel, began to crumble as RVC worked themselves into a tie in the second half. With Glen Cove getting their fair share of opportunities, Julia Petrizzo dribbled in the game winner, her 2nd goal of the game. With under 3 minutes left in the game the Lady Knights were able to seal the victory and the crowd went wild! The Lady Knights season finale is at home on Saturday where we can guarantee a lot of action!



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Sea Cliff S.T.E.A.M. Fair Exhibits A Passion For Learning

Artwork was displayed connecting the visual arts to math, science, and engineering



On Tuesday, May 10th, Sea Cliff students showcased their science, technology, engineering, art, and math knowledge in the 2016 S.T.E.A.M Fair. In a symposium format, students displayed and presented their projects for the entire school to see! In the evening, parents and guests were invited to explore the uniquely innovative selection of S.T.E.A.M. related projects.

This year, artwork was displayed around the building to bring the "art" into "steam." Many of these works of art connected the visual arts to math, science, and engineering. Kindergarteners experimented with color and light, while the first graders designed their own space stations on Mars. Second graders shared how they used math to create their artistic sculptures. Third, fourth, and fifth graders had their beautiful artwork on display as well. Students and parents were invited to walk around to see all of these beautiful works of art.

Students in grades K - 3 presented Shoebox Science projects to their peers and performed a wide-range of experiments involving chemical reactions, Newton's Laws of Motion, and plant biology. In addition, second grade students explained how they built and programmed WE DO robots to accomplish specific tasks and third graders explored the engineering design process to research, design, create, and improve prototypes to solve environmental issues

like water pollution.

Sea Cliff's fourth graders worked in partnerships to demonstrate their use of the math problem-solving process to calculate accurate solutions to complex math word problems. The 4th graders presented strategies to understand and solve their unique problems, as well as hands-on approaches to check their solutions.

Fifth grade students proudly displayed and presented engaging, interest-based science fair projects and shared their experimental data with students and faculty. The 5th grade projects explored a wide-range of scientific relationships including, how a particular focus method affects a dancer's ability to pirouette, the effect of preservatives on mold growth, and how a bridge's design affects its strength and stability.

Article provided by teachers Lisa Giurlanda and Diane Krupin

Photos by Shelly Newman, Lisa Giurlanda and Diane Krupin

Photo Caption: In a symposium format, SC students displayed and presented their innovative selection of S.T.E.A.M. related projects for their peers, parents and guests to see on May 10th.

Cove Animal Rescue's Second Gala a Hit

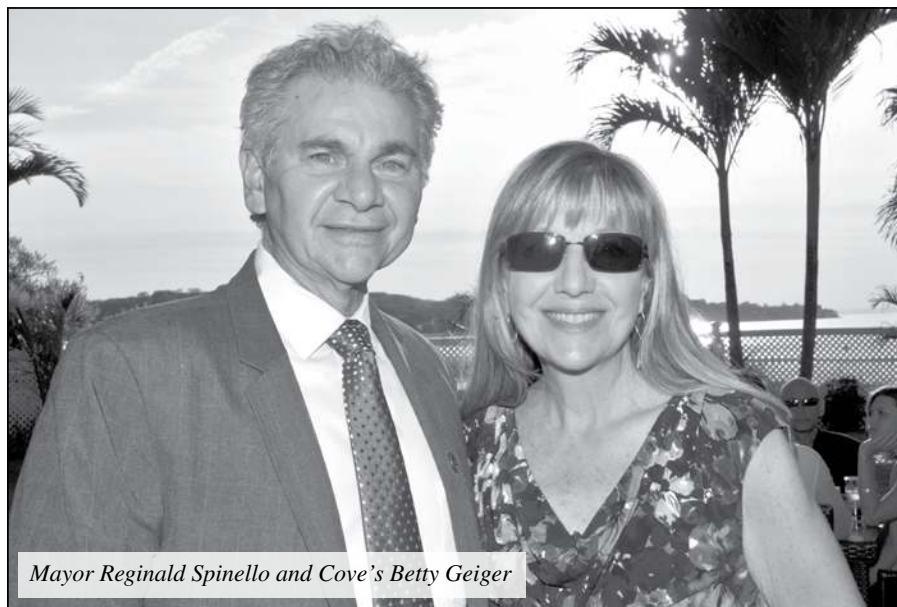
By Tab Hauser

With a true tropical feeling of warm temperatures, an orange sunset, cocktails and real palm trees at the Crescent Beach Club approximately 150 guests danced the night away and enjoyed each other's company in the second annual fund raiser gala for the Cove Animal Shelter. This year's stories were shared on a job well down in regards to all the successful animal adoptions that took place. Also, talked about was the major enhancements made to the shelter's building.

According to Beatty Geiger "The addition of spacious outdoor dog runs, and home-like rooms for the cats, improves the general well-being and adoptability of the animals." She also added that Cove Animal Rescue has also increased staff hours to provide for greater socialization of the animals and increased availability to the public. During the brief speeches the staff and volunteers were thanked for their exceptional compassion, devotion and reliability. Mayor Reginald Spinello was on hand to talk about the success of the shelter and thank all of those involved. The Cove Animal Rescue is located at 40 Shore Road in Glen Cove. For information go to coveanimalrescue.org or call 516-676-5913



Black and White Matching Ladies enjoying the evening



Mayor Reginald Spinello and Cove's Betty Geiger



Cove's Contractor Les Stanco and his wife
(All photos by Tab Hauser)



Board Member along with Mayor and Deputy Mayor

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Thank You! Glen Head School Heroes

On May 5th, Glen Head School Nutrition Ambassadors comprised of 5th graders under the direction of Mrs. Goldberg and members of the GH PTO along with Principal Nimmo praised the dedicated Food Service staff and Nurses at GH School. They organized a presentation and gave gifts to Mrs. Carmella Graziosi (Head of the GH Cafeteria), Mrs. Maria Castillo, Mrs. Victoria Cimieri, and Mrs. Sylvana Melfi for their devotion and kindness on behalf of all of the Glen Head students. The Nutrition Ambassadors and GH PTO referred to them as heroes and each were given aprons with signatures of the entire fifth grade on them.

Additionally, May 5th was also School

Nurse day! Glen Head School Nurse, Gloria Muth, was presented with various cards made by the students and beautiful flowers in appreciation of her many years at GH School and devotion to all of the students, faculty, and staff. Many thanks to all of these GH heroes for their hard work and commitment to the children and adults of Glen Head School.

Photo Caption: Article and photos by Shelly Newman

GH School Nutrition Ambassadors comprised of 5th graders under the direction of Mrs. Goldberg and members of the GH PTO along with Principal Nimmo praised the dedicated Food Service staff and Nurses at GH School.



Studying the Life Cycle of Butterflies at Glenwood Landing School



In May, a representative from the Museum of Science visited Glenwood Landing School to engage students in a comprehensive study on the Life Cycle of Butterflies. Kindergarteners learned about the anatomy of butterflies, where they live, how they find their food, how they eat and drink, and the unusual life cycle of butterflies.

But that's not all! The students learned about the importance of "nectar" to a butterfly. They had the opportunity to taste different fruit juices and drink juice out of straws to replicate how butterflies sip nectar from flowering plants using a sucking tube (that resembles a soda straw) and is called a proboscis. Additionally, the kindergarteners received small containers with their own caterpillars which they will watch grow in their

classrooms...Ultimately, their baby caterpillars will transform into beautiful butterflies!

Many thanks to the Museum of Science, Mrs. Marcantonio, Dr. Smyth, and all of the GWL teachers for providing such an educational program. For more information on the Museum of Science and their programs, please visit <http://www.sml.org/pages/lifescience>

Photo Caption: Article and photos by Shelly Newman

Kindergarteners learn about the anatomy of butterflies, where they live, how they find their food, how they eat and drink, and their unusual life cycle.



North Shore Lions Club Honors Four Glen Cove HS Grads

Each spring, the North Shore Lions Club honors four students who will be graduating from Glen Cove High School in June. The honorees receive their awards in recognition of all that they have accomplished during their high school years. This year's honorees received their awards from North Shore Lions President Donna Giordano and Mayor Reggie Spinello prior to the start of the May 10 City Council meeting. Following the awards, the Lions hosted a congratulatory reception for the honorees and their families at the Glen Cove Youth Bureau. This year's honorees include:

The North Shore Lions Scholarship for Community Service was awarded to Kai Williams. This scholarship is awarded to a student who has demonstrated the meaning of community service and has made a difference in the community as reflected in the Lions' motto "We Serve". Kai has been a constant volunteer at the Glen Cove Youth Bureau. Through the years, he has shared his time and talent on numerous projects including food drives at local supermarkets, maintaining the Youth Bureau's community garden, including building a greenhouse for the garden and helping younger students with their homework. Kai also assists local residents by shoveling snow in the winter and helped a family friend in need move all of her belongings to her new home. Kai will be attending NYIT in the fall where he has been accepted into their Engineering Honors Program. This program will allow Kai to receive both his bachelors and masters degrees in five years. Kai hopes to use his degree to develop automotive technology that will improve efficiency but keep the fun in driving.

The North Shore Lions Scholarship for Personal Achievement was awarded to Catherine Hatala. This scholarship is awarded to a senior who has demonstrated personal achievement and success in one or more areas. During her high school years, Catherine has matured into an independent young woman who is very active in her community and school and who serves as a role model for others. She has been active in the Glen Cove High School Student Senate where she helped to organize the annual pep rally and homecoming activities, volunteered at the Nicholas Pedone 5K, and participated in Relay for Life, the Intergenerational Ball and various blood drives. Catherine received her Girl Scout Gold Award. For her Gold Award project, Catherine created, developed and ran a week-long Science Camp at the Glen Cove City Camp. She has also coached a weekly soccer clinic for mentally challenged children, served as a Junior Auxiliary volunteer at Glen Cove Hospital, was president of the GCHS National Honor Society and Interact Club, and coached lacrosse to 1st and 2nd grade girls. In the fall, Catherine will be attending the University of California at Berkeley where she will be majoring in computer science.

The North Shore Lions Scholarship



Congratulations to Kai Williams, Catherine Hatala, Claudia Mejia and Devon Johnson, all of whom received a scholarship from the North Shore Lions Club in recognition of all that they accomplished in high school. The awardees received their scholarships from Mayor Reggie Spinello and North Shore Lions Club President Donna Giordano prior to the May 10 City Council meeting. Following the meeting, the Lions hosted a celebratory reception at the Glen Cove Youth Bureau for the awardees and their families.

for Humanitarian Efforts was awarded to Claudia Mejia in recognition of her willingness to help others. Through her activities at the Glen Cove Youth Bureau, Claudia has worked to make Glen Cove a better place. She has participated in litter patrols and food drives and has helped maintain the Youth Bureau's community garden, the proceeds of which are used to feed families who come to the Youth Bureau's pantry and teach students about the benefits of healthy eating. Claudia's favorite school activities are DECA, International Club and STEP (Science, Technology Entry Program). Claudia will be attending Nassau Community College in the fall. She hopes to study either business or interior design.

The North Shore Lions' Jack Ain Memorial Scholarship for Continuing Education was awarded to Devon Johnson. Devon has been an active volunteer throughout her high school years. As a member of the Glen Cove EMS Explorer Post, Devon has learned CPR and other life-saving skills and makes and serves lunch to the men in the homeless shelter located at the Glen Cove Presbyterian Church. As a DECA member, Devon participated in the Any Soldier program at the Glen Cove Library and the Intergenerational Ball at the Glen Cove Senior Center. She also tutored younger students at the Glen Cove Boys and Girls Club. Devon is

an athlete who specializes in Track and Field. For two years in a row, she has received the award for Highest Points in Field Events and holds the record for Highest Female High Jumper in Glen Cove history, having broken the 30-year record during her sophomore year. Devon is currently ranked second in Nassau

County for girls' high jump. Devon will be attending Drexel University in the fall where she will study Film and Video.

Congratulations to all of the winners for their hard work and constant efforts to help those less fortunate and best wishes as you continue to pursue your dreams and passions.

Sea Cliff Arts Council presents the watercolors of Frederick Giner, on view at Sea Cliff Library, through June and April.

by Miranda Purcell

Fred's interest in design started at an early age, when he did freelance fashion design while attending school and the Art Students League. A World War II Veteran, he studied fashion design and illustration at Parson's upon returning. Giner and his partners at Bennett Shirt opened the popular boutique Tomas, which catered to customers such as Jacqueline Kennedy. Bennett Shirt gave him the opportunity to work with stores such as Joseph Magnin, and Neiman Marcus. A switch in careers led him to become vice president of Keg Knitters as the Director of Design. When Giner retired from the fashion industry, he returned to his original love, art.

He is a member of the Metropolitan Museum Costume Institute, the Manhasset Art Association, The Art Guild, and the Artist's Studio with Steve Lampasona. He has won several prizes for his art, and held a gallery at Citibank in Old Brookville. Giner also enjoys skiing, sailing at the Sea Cliff Yacht Club for 22 years, and is a founding member of the Sea Cliff Tennis Club.

Stop by to see his very special paintings. Meet the artist and join us for the art opening, this Wednesday, May 18th, from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Name the Celebrity



This week's celebrity was born on March 19, 1906 in Dade City, Florida. He began his acting career on the stage, first appearing on Broadway in May 1931 before making his motion picture debut in "Gold Bricks", a 1936 two-reel comedy short released by 20th Century-Fox. He was the Mayor in the 1946 John Ford directed film, "My Darling Clementine" with Henry Fonda, Linda Darnell and Victor Mature. In the 1940s and 1950s, he was a regular in many films noir, including "Force of Evil" (1948) with John Garfield and a then 7 year old, uncredited actor, Beau Bridges, now 74, and in "He Walked By Night" (1948) with Richard Basehart and Jack Webb, who was inspired by this film to create the radio and TV version of "Dragnet". Our celebrity was also in the George Jessel produced "Nightmare Alley" (1947) with Tyrone Power Joan Blondell and the "Enforcer" (1951) with Humphrey Bogart. In 1953, he appeared as Vincent Price's crooked business partner and first victim in "House of Wax", also starring Phyllis Kirk and Carolyn Jones. This was the first color 3-D feature film from a major American studio and premiered on April 10, 1953, just two days after Columbia Pictures released "Man in the Dark", the first major B&W 3-D feature. He had a small role in the hit 1963 Stanley Kramer comedy "It's a Mad, Mad, Mad, Mad World" as a police officer. Unfortunately, his role was cut from later television and movie versions to reduce running time. However, because of an interest in restoring "IAMMMMMW" to its original format length, his brief role has seen life again in versions made for laser disc and extended length DVD.

Last Week's Celebrity

Last week's celebrity was Gloria Grahame. Her work in Frank Capra's 1946 film, "It's a Wonderful Life" caused MGM moguls to pay more attention to her, but she had never thought much of

her own appearance. When she started seeing her own face blown up on a 50-foot screen, all she could see were imperfections. At some point around this time, Grahame had the first of many, many facial operations. Most of her plastic surgery was intended to correct what she felt was a problem with her upper lip, but she also had quite a bit of unnecessary dental work in an effort to change the way her mouth looked. Most observers of Grahame have said that these operations were the endgame of her painful insecurities. She thought her only value was the way she looked and she was certain she didn't look good enough.

Eventually, her married life became more news than her career. She met her second husband, Director Nicholas Ray, on the set of her first film under contract to RKO, "A Woman's Secret", a melodrama co-starring Maureen O'Hara. Whether it was Ray's idea or Grahame's but she started to stuff tissue behind her lip to exaggerate the puffiness of her mouth... pre-botox! Her on screen smooches soon resulted in an exchange of scoggy tissue much to the annoyance of her male film suitors.

Her on-again, off-again marital relationship with Nicholas Ray finally blew up when he came home one night in 1951 and found his wife and 13 year old son, Tony, from a previous marriage, in bed together. Nine years later and a third marriage down the drain, she and Tony finally wed. However, the marriage was kept secret until 1962 and when her third former husband found out, he attempted to gain sole custody of their only child, a daughter, calling her an unfit mother. The battle went on for years. She had two children with Tony, but the stress of the scandal, her waning career and the custody battle took its toll on her. She had a nervous breakdown. She underwent electroshock therapy in 1964. She was diagnosed with breast cancer in March 1974, two months before her divorce from Tony Ray. She went into remission after treatment, but the cancer returned in 1980. She was working in London in Sept. 1981, when she underwent treatment to remove excess fluid in her abdomen. During the procedure, the doctor accidentally punctured her bowel and she developed peritonitis. Two of her children traveled to England to take her home to the States, but she died a few hours after admission to St. Vincent's Hospital in NYC on Oct. 5, 1981, at the age of 57.

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15th Anniversary of Glen Cove Rotary Flag Donation to City of Glen Cove

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Pictured (L to R). Brian Mercadante of the Glen Cove Rotary Club presented Mayor Reggie Spinello with the first of thirteen American flags as part of the Club's 15 year tradition of honoring local veterans.

Obituaries



Arnold Ceglia

CEGLIA, Arnold J. Sr., of Locust Valley, NY on May 12th, 2016 age 97. Proud WWII Army Veteran 77TH Division. Beloved husband of the late Margaret F. Loving father of Rose and Arnold J. Jr. (Debra). Dear brother of Evelyn Mercadante and 6 deceased siblings. Proud grandfather of Kelly (Edward), Halley, A.J. III & Ava. Special great grandfather of Carlin, Shea and Joseph. Also survived by Linda, nieces and nephews. Two time past Commander of Howard Van Wagner Post 962 and member of Glen Cove VFW. . Visitation at the Funeral Home of Dodge-Thomas Glen Cove Saturday 5-8pm, Sunday 4-8pm. Service at the Locust Valley Reformed Church, 115 Ryefield Rd., Monday 11am. Interment Locust Valley Cemetery. Donations may be made to the Locust Valley Fire Department or Locust Valley Cemetery. DodgeThomas.com

Roger Roenfeldt

ROENFELDT, Roger David of Glen Cove, NY on May 15, 2016 age 77. Beloved husband of Nancy. Loving father of Lorelee Borger, David Allen and Gregory Clark. Dear brother of Pamela Damhorst. Proud grandfather of 3. Service at St. John's of Lattingtown, Friday May 20th at 11am. Donations may be made to St. Ambrose University or the church: www.sau.edu or www.stjlat.org. www.DodgeThomas.com



Anthony Messineo

Anthony Messineo, a longtime member of the Rotary Club of Glen Cove, was a strong and dedicated community leader. He made a difference in the City of Glen Cove and on a local and a global level for Rotary International.

Tony (As he preferred to be called) was born in Brooklyn, New York. His Family owned a local Ice Cream parlor called Bea's Sugar Bowl in Flatbush. Tony served in the army during the Korean conflict. Tony returned home to begin a career in printing which was the second largest industry in NY at that time.

In 1964 Tony became the CEO of Stevenson Printing, he provided the Glen Cove and Long Island community with his savvy fundraising projects and shared his wisdom for many years. Tony served as a longtime member of the Board of Directors, and as President, of the Glen Cove Chamber of Commerce.

Rotarian Tony Messineo served as President of the Gift of Life, Inc., a Rotary District Project, in 2005-2006 and as Chairman in 2010-2011. He was also instrumental in starting the Russian, Polish and Chinese Gift of Life programs. The Gift of Life celebrates Forty years of service and has repaired the hearts of more than twenty thousand children. Tony raised millions of dollars in donations during this time. One fundraiser Tony loved was an annual walk at Morgan Park which brought the support of many Glen Cove students.

Tony was an active member of the Rotary Club of Glen Cove for over 49 years and served in many capacities including President. During 2002-2003 Tony served as Governor of Rotary District 7250 representing 45 clubs in Nassau, Brooklyn and Queens. Tony led and inspired District and Club activities and community service projects on the local, regional and international level resulting in clean water projects, literacy for women and children, health and hunger projects, and medical missions.

Tony was a true humanitarian always providing "Service above Self" while never neglecting his beloved family of three children, seven grandchildren and one greatgrandchild. Tony will be missed by all that knew him.

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Roger David Roenfeldt

Roger David Roenfeldt, of Glen Cove, New York passed away Sunday, May 15, 2016 after a short illness. He was 77. Born in Davenport, Iowa, he attended St. Ambrose Academy in Davenport and attended Iowa State on a football scholarship, where he played quarterback. He was well known throughout the insurance industry, working as CMO for Empire Mutual Insurance Company, CMO for Columbian Mutual Insurance Company, CEO of American Crown Life, Lincoln Security, Reliastar and ING of New York. He co-authored a book on insurance and estate planning with Steven Schanker, Attorney, Huntington, New York.

An avid golfer and bridge player, he was a member of the North Shore Country Club. He leaves behind his wife and best friend Nancy, sister Pamela Damhorst and children Lorelee Borger, David Roenfeldt and Gregory Roenfeldt

and two grandsons, all of Carlsbad, California.

Arrangements entrusted to Dodge-Thomas Funeral Home of Glen Cove. Funeral Service will be held at St. John's of Lattingtown, Friday May 20th at 11am. Donations may be made to St. Ambrose University or the church: www.sau.edu or www.stjlat.org. www.DodgeThomas.com

Edward Fishman

FISHMAN, Edward of Glen Cove, NY on May 1, 2016. Formerly of New York City. Beloved husband of Emma (nee Williams). Also survived by extended family. Service at Riverside Cemetery May 19th at 11am. Arrangements by Dodge-Thomas Funeral Home

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Tina Pemberton
City Clerk

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing will be held on May 23, 2016, prevailing time at the Robert M. Finley Middle School Library located on Forest Avenue in Glen Cove, New York at which time and place the Board of Education of the Glen Cove City School District will discuss the District's Code of Conduct. The public hearing shall be held at the time and place stated herein.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Public Hearing shall be held on Tuesday, May 24, 2016, at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at Glen Cove City Hall, 9 Glen Street, Glen Cove, NY to discuss Local Law 07-2016, amending Sec. C2-10. (City Purchasing Agent)

All interested parties will be given an opportunity to be heard.
Tina Pemberton
City Clerk

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Public Hearing shall be held on Tuesday, May 24, 2016, at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at Glen Cove City Hall, 9 Glen Street, Glen Cove, NY to discuss Local Law 02-2016, amending Sec. C2-2. (Office hours for city offices)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Public Hearing shall be held on Tuesday, May 24, 2016, at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at Glen Cove City Hall, 9 Glen Street, Glen Cove, NY to discuss Local Law 08-2016, amending Sec. C2-11. (Department of Public Works; powers, duties)

All interested parties will be given an opportunity to be heard.
Tina Pemberton
City Clerk

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Public Hearing shall be held on Tuesday, May 24, 2016, at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at Glen Cove City Hall, 9 Glen Street, Glen Cove, NY to discuss Local Law 03-2016, amending Sec. C2-3. (City Council; constituted, powers)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Public Hearing shall be held on Tuesday, May 24, 2016, at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at Glen Cove City Hall, 9 Glen Street, Glen Cove, NY to discuss Local Law 09-2016, amending Sec. C2-15. (Building Department)

All interested parties will be given an opportunity to be heard.
Tina Pemberton
City Clerk

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Public Hearing shall be held on Tuesday, May 24, 2016, at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at Glen Cove City Hall, 9 Glen Street, Glen Cove, NY to discuss Local Law 04-2016, amending Sec. C2-4. (Mayor: duties)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Public Hearing shall be held on Tuesday, May 24, 2016, at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at Glen Cove City Hall, 9 Glen Street, Glen Cove, NY to discuss Local Law 10-2016, amending Sec. C2-17. (Boards, Commissions and Agencies)

All interested parties will be given an opportunity to be heard.
Tina Pemberton
City Clerk

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Public Hearing shall be held on Tuesday, May 24, 2016, at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at Glen Cove City Hall, 9 Glen Street, Glen Cove, NY to discuss Local Law 05-2016, amending Sec. C2-5. (General powers of Mayor)

LEGAL NOTICE

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All interested parties will be given an opportunity to be heard.
Tina Pemberton
City Clerk

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Public Hearing shall be held on Tuesday, May 24, 2016, at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at Glen Cove City Hall, 9 Glen Street, Glen Cove, NY to discuss Local Law 06-2016, amending Sec. C2-9. (Department of Finance; powers, duties)

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PUBLIC NOTICE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Assessor of the City of Glen Cove has completed the tentative assessment roll of the Real Property for the year 2016 and that a copy of said assessment roll will be on file starting June 1, 2016 at the Office of the City Assessor in the City Hall of the City of Glen Cove, where the same may be seen and examined by any person during the business hours of every business day between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. On the evening of June 2, 2016 the roll will also be available from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00pm. The tentative assessment roll will also be available on the Glen Cove City Website.
On Grievance Day, which is June 21, 2016, the third Tuesday in June, between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon, 2:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m., the Assessor and the Board of Assessment Review will sit and listen to any and all complaints relative to said assessments.
Dated: May 13, 2016
Sal Lombardi
City Assessor

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- Ann DiPietro

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Dear Devoted,
I recently read this year's Pulitzer Prize winner for fiction: THE SYMPATHIZER by Viet Thanh Nguyen and would certainly recommend it. It is a beautifully written, shocking Vietnam War novel with a complex narrator- a young captain in the South Vietnamese army, born in the North to a teenage Vietnamese girl and a French priest. While chief aide to the General, head of the National Police, he is a secret agent for the Communist North Vietnamese. With the fall of Saigon, the General flees with his family and loyal staff, including our young narrator. When they arrive in Los Angeles, he continues his double life – obsequiously serving the General

while regularly sending reports back to his handlers in Vietnam. Life in 1975 Los Angeles is described in touching, at times humorous detail, as the General and his coterie adjust to his diminished status, but the novel soon takes a very dark turn. Our narrator finds himself forced to prove his loyalty to both sides by committing acts of incredible violence. While a spy novel, a work of historical fiction, a portrait of a fascinating young man, this book is ultimately a chilling indictment of the absurdity of war. Recommended!



Finley PTA Casino Royale Fun Night

By Tab Hauser

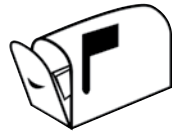
A waterfront sunset at the Crescent Beach Club was the backdrop for the Robert M Finley Middle School PTA Casino Royale PNO. A great time was had by all with the evening activities that included gambling for prizes, dancing, good food and chance auctions. Good food went along with the bay breeze signature cocktail of the night. After dinner couples danced to the sounds of Sal Leotta DJ.

While parents and guests had fun, the PTA raised over \$4,000.00. Maria Rivera Hlatky, PTA President said “I am indeed grateful to the following casino table's sponsors: Mr. & Mrs. Abbondanza, A.G. Landscaping, Mr. & Mrs. Bencivenni, Delicious Pizza Restaurant, American Community Bank, and Schwing Electrical Co. Thank you all for helping me make this possible”



L to R Nicole Callahan, Maria Rivera Hlatky, Nelson Iocolano, Irma Villafane, Maddy Conte
(photos by Tab Hauser)

Letters to the Editor



TR + IM = PPD

To The Editor,

During this primary season, America appears to have lost its collective mind. How is it possible that among the nearly 325 million citizens of this country, the best our political system can produce to run for the presidency are Donald Trump and Hillary Clinton, who may very well be the two most flawed candidates in history? Stated simply, by any common sense measure, Trump is nuts and the baggage Hillary comes with is the size of several steamer trunks.

So is a disinterested and uninformed public to blame for this state of affairs? No doubt the average low information voter should take some responsibility. But, in large measure, I blame the mainstream media, those nice folks who get paid a lot of money to make themselves informed and to challenge bull droppings when they see it or smell it.

Disturbingly, American has been let down by a media more interested in selling advertising time than in reporting news. The more outrageous Donald Trump has become, the more free media he's received because contemptable conduct produces ratings and ratings generate revenues. Politicians who want to talk about policy have to pay their own way and buy the same time that Trump gets at no charge.

In this environment of a race to the ratings, the media has absolutely failed to carry out its responsibilities with the skill of even the most rudimentary novice. Has anyone noticed that not one of them will pose a follow-up question in an interview which literally screams out for it? When they ask a hard question and get a no for a response, they don't pursue it; they move on, as if they're too fearful of offending the interviewee.

Take Donald Trump's tax returns for example. The Donald is refusing to disclose them because he says they're being audited and he's not going to make any disclosure until the audit is complete. Here's the question that every single reporter has failed to ask: “Mr. Trump, how do we even know if your returns are being audited; just because you say so?”

It happens that under Section 6103 of Title 26 of the United States Code, it's illegal for any employee of the IRS to disclose “return information” about a taxpayer's return. And “return information” is defined to include, “whether the taxpayer's return was, is being, or will be examined . . .” So, given the fact that even the existence of an audit is confidential and can't be disclosed, how do we know that Trump is being truthful when he says his returns are being audited? Yet no one has bothered to ask him to prove it.

What should be of interest to the voters are not what deductions the IRS may choose to disallow on Donald Trump's tax return. No, what should be of interest is the information that he

put on his returns when he filed them and represented to the government under penalty of perjury that it was true, accurate and complete. We should not be looking at what the IRS says to The Donald about his returns, but rather what The Donald has said to the IRS about them.

The media doesn't seem to have an interest in figuring any of this out. What a disgrace! And that's why the mess we're in can be represented by the formula: TR + IM = PPD (Tax Returns plus Inept Media equals Potential Political Disaster).

And as for Hillary, how about the formula GSS + IM = PPD, where GSS stands for “Goldman Sachs Speeches”? Maybe one way to resolve all of this is for Hillary to challenge Trump as follows: “Donald, I'll disclose the transcripts of my speeches to Wall Street if you disclose your tax returns.”

In the meantime, until that happens, the vast uninformed and disinterested public on both sides will continue to support their candidates notwithstanding that they essentially know nothing meaningful about them. America, it seems, has indeed lost its collective mind, and the media has surely lost its way. We currently have two candidates for the highest office in the land, and it may very well be that neither of them should be elected.

William Bendix, who played Chester A. Riley in TV show The Life of Riley, had it right as far back as the 1940s when he coined the phrase, “What a revolting development.”

Michael A. Levy

Memory Of Jake

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in Colorado.

Jake was the beloved son of David and Janine Whitting and the loving brother of Luke, Blase, Pierce and Ava. He was the dear grandson of Anthony and Marie Papiro and Stret and Joan Whitting. Also survived by a multitude of relatives and friends. “To honor Jake's shining light,” residents were asked to, “please wear *Vineyard Vines* or bright colors. Bow tie optional.”

The request was honored by many in attendance. The usual black suit cast aside as pastel colors were worn in his memory.

Jake had recently graduated from the prestigious St. Johns Military Academy in Salinas, KS where he had set a record season as a receiver for the school's team, “The Muleskinners,” as reported in the Gazette in November 2015.

A funeral Mass was held at St. Mary's in Roslyn to an overflow crowd, with Interment at the Locust Valley Cemetery in Locust Valley, NY. The family asked that all donations be made to St. John's Military School (Jake Whitting Memorial Fund in the payee line or memo line), Attn: Corey Sader, P.O. Box 5020, Salina, KS 67402-5020

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Working in teams, students built their ROVs over the course of three days. On the fourth day, the students participated in the ROV Week Competition in the LIU Post campus pool. With different items placed in the pool including keys and PVC pipe ends, the driver had to pilot the ROV using a control box and scoop up the pieces. Once the ROV had the item, the driver directed the vehicle into a corner of the pool to accumulate points. The driver sat with his or her back to the pool, using only the ROV’s camera to move the unit. Each member of the team took turns as the driver.

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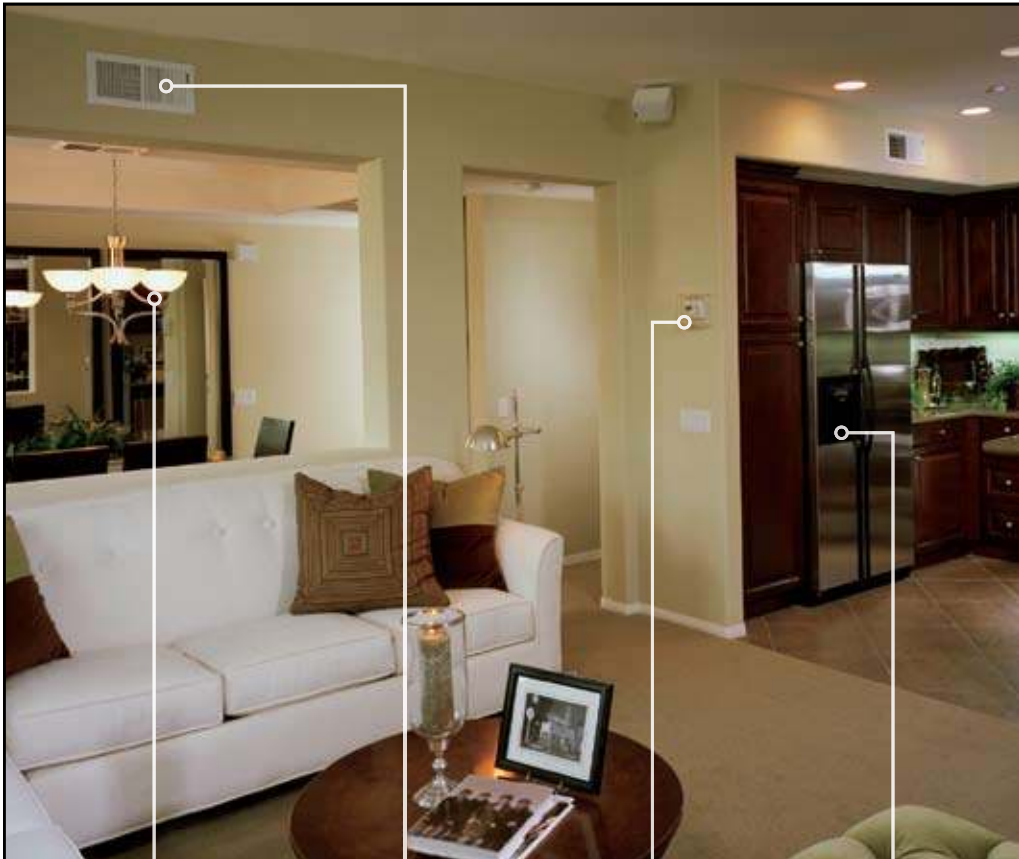
Glen Cove Girl Scouts of Nassau County Host 7th Annual Girls Go the Distance Walkathon

Over 800 Girl Scouts of Nassau County (GSNC) recently walked in the 7th Annual Girls Go the Distance Walkathon as a fundraiser in support of the GSNC's Healthy Living Initiative programming, which encourages girls to live healthy lifestyles physically, emotionally and socially. The Girl Scouts were joined by their families and community members, who also participated in the event.

This year's Walkathon was held at Old Bethpage Village Restoration and also featured an activity fair and scavenger hunt. Daisy-to-Ambassadors Girl Scouts, and their families also enjoyed healthy snacks, learned traditional Indian dancing, decorated t-shirts and dabbled in GSNC Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) projects and activities.

All Walkathon proceeds raised were donated to the Girl Scouts Healthy Living Initiatives programming, which encourages Girl Scouts and their communities to integrate aspects of healthy living into their daily lives.

Photo: Members of Troop 103 of Glen Cove participated in the recent Girls Go the Distance Walkathon, a fundraiser in support of Girl Scouts of Nassau County's Healthy Living Initiative program. The Girl Scouts also participated in a scavenger hunt and activity fair at the event.



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