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# Sea Cliff Four To Participate In Resolute Cup



photos by James Aikman

Team Sea Cliff has been practicing on Hempstead Harbor and now they're ready for Newport

Four of Sea Cliff Yacht Club's accomplished sailors will represent the club in The Resolute Cup, a biennial Corinthian competition among U.S. yacht clubs, next week in Newport.

"Team Sea Cliff," is made up of Doug Wefer, Mark Disanti, Paul Wefer & Matt Wefer.

The 2016 Resolute Cup will take place Sept. 12 to 17, out of the New York Yacht Club Harbour Court in Newport, R.I. The event is an evolution of the U.S. Qualifying Series for the Rolex New York Yacht Club Invitational Cup, which was first held in 2010, and serves as a pathway for American yacht clubs seeking to compete in the Rolex New York Yacht Club Invitational Cup, sailing's premiere international, Corinthian, one-design competition.

Competitors in the 2016 Resolute Cup must be amateur sailors and be members of the club that they represent. The competition is held in supplied Melges 20 and Sonar keelboats, with standardized sails and rigging, ensuring a true one-design competition where the skill of the sailors—their tactics, boat speed and teamwork—determines the

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# 2016 Glen Cove Bomber Team Donation

The Glen Cove Bombers 12U baseball team recently participated in Cooperstown All-Star Village in Cooperstown, NY. Co-Manager's, Jerry Caprarella and Joe Schettino stated "the boys played some very good competition up there and never gave up, we made it to the second round of the playoffs and We are very proud of the boys". Chairman, Bruce A. Testa on behalf of the Board of Directors of Glen Cove Jr. Baseball & Softball was more than happy to help a lending hand in securing a \$2,100 combined donation from Glen Cove Jr. Baseball & Softball and Stop & Shop of Glen Cove. Chairman Testa especially

would like to thank Frank Orlando (Store Mgr.) and (Asst. Store Mgr.) Jerrie-Ann Fleming for their help with their funding of \$600.00.

Top from left : (Chairman-GCJB&S) Bruce A. Testa, Stefanos DeAngelis, Justin Ingebrigtsen, (camera shy) Andrew Graf, (Co-Mgr.) Joe Schettino, Nicky Caprarella, ( Co-Mgr.) Jerry Caprarella, Bradley Lopes, Brian Duke, Mike Useda and (Board member - GCJB&S) Salvatore Basile

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**City of Glen Cove to Host Sunset 9/11  
Remembrance Ceremony  
September 11, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. at Pratt Park**

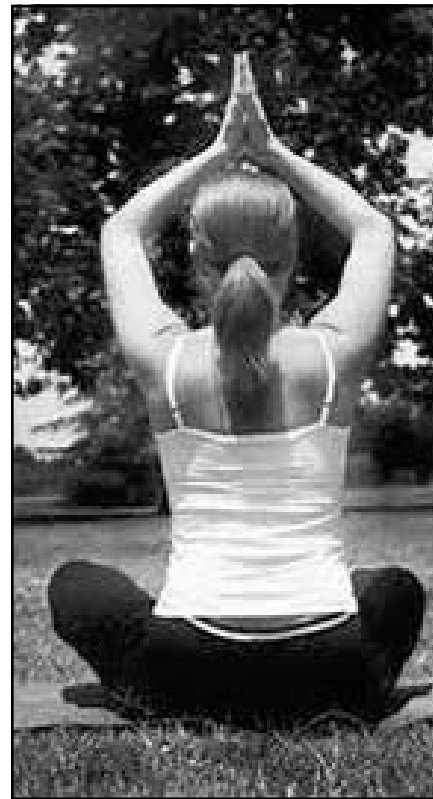
Recognizing the 15th anniversary of a day that forever changed our lives; Mayor Reggie Spinello will host a special sunset ceremony on Sunday, September 11th at 6:30 p.m. at Glen Cove's 9/11 Memorial in Pratt Park, 10 Glen Cove Avenue. Joining the Mayor will be representatives of the Glen Cove City Council, Glen Cove Police Department, Volunteer Fire Department, Auxiliary Police, Glen Cove EMS, Harbor Patrol, and Glen Cove Chamber of Commerce along with distinguished guests, musicians, and local veterans.

"This year will mark the 15th anniversary of the 9/11 attacks and although much time has passed, the memories of those lost and the pain suffered on that day remains fresh on the minds of many in our community, said Mayor Spinello. "We will never forget

the 2,997 people whose lives were lost on that tragic day and with each passing year we continue to honor and remember the four Glen Cove residents - Edward J. Lehman, Matthew T. McDermott, John F. Puckett and Joseph J. Zuccala - whose lives were stolen from their family and friends."

"Glen Cove residents are invited to join the remembrance ceremony as the program will pay tribute to the fallen, recognize the heroic acts of first responders and everyday people, and remind us how the Glen Cove community came together to support its own," added Mayor Spinello. At the close of the ceremony, candles will be lit to honor those innocent lives that were lost as a result of one of the darkest days in American history.

**Fall Registration Opens for Yoga in  
the Park at Morgan Memorial Park  
Classes Start September 12th**



9 Glen Street, second floor and checks should be made payable to the City of Glen Cove. "Our Yoga in the Park program has been a popular addition to the large variety of activities coordinated by our department," said Darcy Belyea, Glen Cove's Parks & Recreation Director. "The classes appeal to many individuals who practice yoga for stress relief, peace of mind, weight control and to increase their flexibility. First timers and seasoned yoga practitioners alike are encouraged to participate."

Each class will include light stretching, breathing exercises and meditation and is open to all fitness levels. Students will meet at the Morgan Memorial Park concert stage and are asked to wear comfortable clothing and bring their own yoga mat. In case of rain, classes will be rescheduled at the discretion of the instructor. For more information and for non-residents to request a park parking pass (please provide car model and license plate number), please call (516) 676-3766.

***Resolute Cup continued from cover  
final outcome.***

Past winners of the Resolute Cup include Newport Harbor Yacht Club (2014), Larchmont Yacht Club (2012) and Eastern Yacht Club (2010).

Sea Cliff Yacht Club is one of only 28 teams to be invited to the Resolute Cup. Team Cliff has been seen sailing many days and evenings in the last couple of weeks practicing for this event. The Resolute Cup can be followed online at [www.resolutecup.com](http://www.resolutecup.com). Go TEAM SEA CLIFF!

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For those who enjoy the physical and mental benefits of yoga, registration is now open for Glen Cove's Department of Parks & Recreation's four-week Yoga in the Park program. Led by expert instructor Jenny Lu, the classes will be held on Monday mornings from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. from September 12 through October 3. Class cost is \$28 for the four-week package and the program is open to Glen Cove and area residents. Registration forms and sign-up is available at the Glen Cove Parks & Recreation Department from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Glen Cove City Hall,



# Celebrating Our Volunteer Firefighters



Nassau County Legislator Delia DeRiggi-Whitton was proud to attend a picnic to thank the volunteer firefighters of the Glen Cove and Glenwood Landing Fire Departments. Many families and businesses donated their time, food and supplies to help make the annual event more special.

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## Mill Neck Services Helps Former Deaf Education Center Student Get Back on his Feet

Wani, a former student of Mill Neck Manor School for the Deaf, has spent most of his life in silence, unable to communicate with the world around him.

Born Deaf, losing both of his parents at a young age coupled with a string of misfortunes, has landed Wani in a nursing home for the past 16 years. The trouble is that Wani, who is only 52 years old—and extremely smart and capable—doesn't belong in a nursing home: he belongs back in the community. Wani deserves to begin a new journey, experience meaningful relationships and let the light back into his life—a light that has been dark for quite some time now.

When Patricia Gormley, Medicaid Services Coordinator, and Christine Oddo, Associate Director of Mill Neck Services—an organization that gives Deaf and hard of hearing people access to employment and community services—found out about this, they made it their first priority to break Wani free. Free of feeling trapped; free of thinking this was all that life had to offer; and free of living as though he was already gone.

Upon first meeting, Wani aimlessly walked the halls of A. Holly Paterson Extended Care Facility in Uniondale. We headed over to a quiet area to chat, when Wani politely pulled up an extra chair for me—he aptly noticed there wasn't enough seats for the three of

us—and motioned for me and Christine to sit down. Wani stared back at us with heavy eyes—eyes that had seen a lot of hurt, eyes that had given up hope. “I'm just tired today,” he said to us, his fingers flowing through the air to communicate in American Sign Language.

Christine brought him the good news that she was going to visit the new Epic community home in Port Jefferson Station that he would be moving to soon. “It's really lovely,” she said. “I think you'll like it.” She went on to explain about the Mill Neck Services program he could join, Day Habilitation—a program for people who are Deaf and have other disabilities, helping them to become more independent through socialization, communication and leisurely activities. Wani's lips curled up into a smile for the first time all day: it suited him.

Wani was adamant that he wanted to be around Deaf people. Who could blame him? No one knew sign language at the nursing home except for Nick, a security guard. But Wani, who grew up in Harlem, N.Y., was unfortunately accustomed to being unable to communicate with the people around him. “My father died when I was nine; he didn't know any sign language,” he explained. “My mother signed fluently but she died four years after my father. Then, I went to live with my aunt who knew some sign, but not much.”

When Wani was 19 years old, he attended Mill Neck Manor School for the Deaf—a school that helps Deaf children to unlock their potential through quality education. “I really enjoyed it there,” he said. But while in school, the tragedies that Wani endured during his childhood caught up with him. He was thrown into an unfathomable depth of depression. Unable to think of a way out, Wani suffered a self-inflicted injury that caused him to have seizures, ultimately landing him in an extended care nursing facility.

“My mother and my father were gone and I was so scared and alone,” Wani recalled. “I didn't have Mill Neck's phone number; I kept looking through the phone book.” Christine signed “I'm sorry” with her hand circling her heart. “But we're here now.”

“I trust you,” Wani replied. “I know you'll get me out of here.”

Wani's story is leading example of the isolation and helplessness a Deaf person can feel when they aren't given the right tools and resources. But Wani's story is also one of strength and perseverance. His future finally looks bright: Mill Neck Services will make sure it stays that way.

For more information on Mill Neck Services or how to help individuals just like Wani, please call 516-922-3818 or visit [www.millneck.org](http://www.millneck.org).

Disclaimer: All stories regarding Mill Neck Services participants have been reviewed and approved by respective subjects.



Wani poses with Christine Oddo, Associate Director of Mill Neck Services, at A. Holly Paterson Extended Care Facility in Uniondale

## Free Backpacks For New School Year

Children attending the Glen Cove Youth Center recently received backpacks courtesy of Nassau County Legislator Delia DeRiggi-Whitton and Fidelis Care. Delia was very pleased to help secure the backpacks for the children and wishes them all a successful and safe school year.



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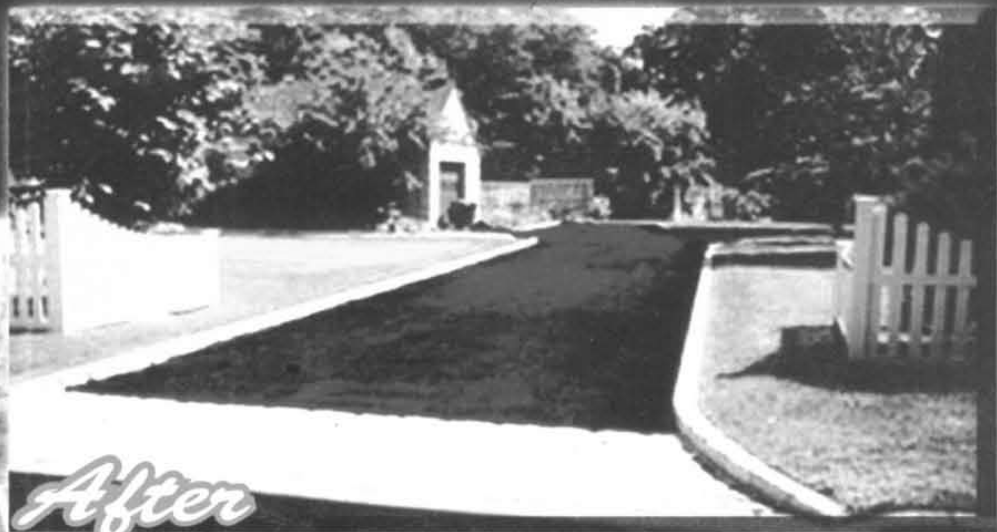
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# Letters to the Editor

## Setting It Straight To The Editor,

A recent letter to the local media concerning me had several inaccuracies.

First, regarding my wife's brief employment with the Glen Cove City Attorney's office. Elaine was not "separated" from her position as a Special City Prosecutor handling trucking violations in the Glen Cove City Court, she RESIGNED. To imply otherwise is disingenuous at best.

During the first 12 months of her employment alone, Elaine's successful prosecution of trucking violations earned the City over \$130,000. These fines far exceeded those collected for housing violations during the same time period at a mere fraction of the cost of the then and current Deputy City Attorney's

part time salary, whose responsibility it is to prosecute housing violations. Elaine's hard work and diligence in her prosecutorial work earned her much praise from both City Court personnel and members of the Glen Cove Police Department.

Second, yes, I was an avid supporter of the Mayor in his 2013 mayoral bid. I believed that based on his statements and campaign promises that we shared the same values and vision for Glen Cove. Unfortunately, it was not until after Reggie was sworn into office and he decided to support the very projects he criticized that he lost not only my support but also my faith in him.

Contrary to his initial campaign promises, the Mayor now advocates continuous increased city spending, increased bonding and increased

residential waterfront development. I have been against the overdevelopment of the Glen Cove waterfront long before Reggie ran for office. I was also appalled by his actions to force out Glen Cove Junior Baseball/Softball from its use of the Glen Cove baseball fields after many years of servicing our city youth. I expressed my displeasure to him concerning these matters long before my wife resigned from her post with the City Attorney's office.

To those that want to support the Mayor's current policies, that is their prerogative. As for me, I can not and will not support policies that will adversely affect our city's future. To those same people I will also say that although it may be a novel idea it is possible to state one's position without having to throw oneself in the mud and roll around in.

*Steve J. Gonzalez*

## In the Memory of Manny To The Editor,

Our family would like to send this out

the relatives and friends of Emanuel Petrella. Manny would have turned 60 on September 10th, and though he is no longer with us, we would like to share this with all the people who's lives he touched.

To lose someone we loved so much  
Brings pain beyond belief  
There are no words to ease our pain  
Our sadness or our grief  
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# American Graffiti Car Night

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Check out a new venture by area resident  
**Mary Grace Donaldson**

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The Glen Cove Volunteer Fire Department presented a special American Graffiti car show in downtown Glen Cove. The show, co-sponsored by Martino Auto Concepts, featured classic cars from the 50's, 60's and 70's and a special performance by the band Just Sixties. The car show was a special fundraising event for the department and they also hosted an American Graffiti movie night at the Glen Cove Cinemas where a double feature attraction included two classic movies – American Graffiti and Hollywood Nights.



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## Glen Cove senior enjoys an animated experience



and on such another level that I had to send it out there and Tom was the most obvious choice," Barry said. "He's been successfully working in animation for 30 years and I wanted someone of his caliber to see Julia's work.

"This is really sophisticated and well done," Cardone said of Julia's work. "I can't believe she's only in high school."

Cardone then invited Julia and Mr. Barry up for a tour of the company's headquarters in Greenwich, Connecticut.

Glen Cove High School senior Julia Farley recently spent a few hours at Blue Sky Studios, learning firsthand about the animated film business.

Blue Sky Studios is best known for producing the "Ice Age" and "Rio" series of animated films, as well as "The Peanuts Movie," "Horton Hears a Who," "Robots" and many others. Julia's animated piece, "Pretty" won many accolades last spring, including several local film festival honors. TV Production teacher Chris Barry sent Julia's piece to his friend Tom Cardone, who began his career with Walt Disney Feature Animation and is now art director at Blue Sky.

"I knew that Julia's piece was so good

They pair had an amazing visit, touring the facility and learning about the entire creative process of developing a major animated film.

"It was an incredible opportunity for Julia," Barry said. "She wants to be an animator and to actually see that career in action was a really great thing for her."

Cardone encouraged Julia to stay on this path and apply for an internship at Blue Sky once she was in college.

*Photo Caption: Glen Cove senior Julia Farley (left) is pictured with Tom Cardone of Blue Sky Studios. Photo courtesy of the Glen Cove City School District*

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## Doo-Wop Show to Benefit Glen Cove Scholarship The Acchords Featured on Oct. 16, 2-6 p.m., at The Mansion

The Andreas Christopoulos Memorial Scholarship fundraising committee is planning an unprecedented event that will not only entertain you, it will also benefit graduating Glen Cove High School seniors. The Committee is presenting a Shake, Rattle, and Roll Doo Wop Show featuring The Acchords on October 16, from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. at The Mansion in Glen Cove.

All proceeds will benefit the Andreas Christopoulos Memorial Scholarship Fund which is under the direction of the Community Scholarship Fund of Glen Cove, Inc., a 501(c) (3) not for profit. The scholarship honors the memory of a young man who was a member of the Glen Cove High School Class of 2001 who was killed in a car accident in 2005.

This event includes the excellent singing of time-honored Doo Wop favorites by The Acchords, dancing, a delicious buffet lunch, raffle prizes, and more. Tickets are \$55 per person.

Please consider joining the fun as we support our high school students. Kindly send your check made out to Community Scholarship Fund of Glen Cove, Inc. to Zefy Christopoulos, 8 Alex Lane, Glen Cove, NY 11542, In the memo portion please write Andreas. For more information, please call 516-676-0201.



*Pictured in front of Glen Cove High School at the tree donated by the Rick Testa family in Andreas' memory are some of the members of the Shake, Rattle 'n Roll fundraising committee: Angie Colangelo, Darcy Maccarone Belyea, Zefy Christopoulos, Rosemarie Pizziatolla, Liz Brasiello, Patty Yeomans, Marguerite Montello Dione, Brenda Weck, Coleen Spinello, and Rosa Rizzo. (photo courtesy of Anthony Gallego, Gill Associates Photography)*

# Name the Celebrity



This week's celebrity was born in Hither Green, Lewisham, London, on Dec. 18, 1888. She made her stage debut in 1905, at the age of 13, touring with Seymour Hicks, a very well known British stage and screen actor in both silent and sound films. As well as in his musical "Bluebell in Fairyland", our celebrity appeared in numerous British stage performances in the early 1900s in through the 1930s, including the title character in "Peter Pan" and in W. Somerset Maugham's "The Letter" and "The Sacred Flame". She had done her first silent film in England in 1913, "The Eleventh Commandment", but turned to film full-time in 1940, finding success in Hollywood, in a variety of character roles and was frequently cast as a disapproving aristocratic society woman, although she sometimes played lively, approachable types, as she did in "Rebecca" (1940), as Laurence Olivier's character's sister, "Beatrice Lacy". She was nominated three times for an Academy Award for Best Supporting Actress for her performances as Bette Davis' mother in "Now, Voyager" (1942), a skeptical nun in "The Song of Bernadette" (1943) with Jennifer Jones and Vincent Price, and as Rex Harrison's mother, "Mrs. Higgins", in "My Fair Lady" (1964) with Audrey Hepburn. This columnist's favorite role taken by our celebrity is as "Mrs. Hamilton", the rich, self-centered church congregant, in the 1947 version of "The Bishop's Wife" with Loretta Young and Cary Grant. Her handling of David "The Bishop" Niven's bottom stuck to a chair was priceless! Everybody should have a butler like her's! "Go get something or other!", says she, with a flutter of her fingers.

Last week's celebrity was Eric Blore. He was very busy with movies from 1934 through most of the 1940s. He appeared in five of the nine Fred Astaire and Ginger Rogers dance musicals. Some of his best mugging and scripted lines were in "Top Hat" (1935) and "Shall We Dance" (1937) of that series. He was also cast very effectively as valet/butler "Jamison" in the screen adaptations of the Wolfe Kaufman "Lone Wolf" mystery novel series. There were eleven films between 1940 and 1947 with all but the last three starring dashing, sonorous-voiced Warren William, who had a greater profile than "The Great Profile", John Barrymore, as "Michael Lanyard". This was a popular series with first rate scripts and good production values to keep the public coming back for more. Blore was also invited into the company of stock players ruled over by zany comedy director, Preston Sturges. Though Blore only did two films for Sturges, his role in the first of these, "The Lady Eve" (1941), was a Blore tour de force. Playing the suave confidence man, "Pearly", to his bunko acquaintances Barbara Stanwyck and Charles Coburn, he took the role of pseudo-wealthy "Sir Alfred McGlennon Keith", out to fleece the local American business gentry. His scene with a gullible Henry Fonda taking in "Sir Alfred's" concocted story of Stanwyck's being a twin daughter of the lady of the manor by way of her coachman is a delight, punctuated with Blore interrupting perplexed Fonda's questions with a loud "Shhhhhhhh" of silence at each question.

Inevitably, the parts started to become less frequent. Still he enjoyed a variety of roles, including the opportunity of animation immortality when Walt Disney chose him for the voice of "Mr. Toad" in the classic short "The Wind in the Willows" (1949). As sometimes is the case when personalities move to obscurity, their deaths are prematurely announced. Such was the case with Blore when the New Yorker journalist, Kenneth Tynan, reported him as having passed on. Bore's lawyers raised a flurry, as did the editor of the New Yorker, who claimed the periodical had never had to print a retraction. On March 2, 1959, the night before the highly profiled retraction appeared, Blore died. The next morning, the New Yorker was the only publication with the wrong information. It seems likely Blore would have been particularly tickled with the irony of this last comedic bit in honor of his passing.

## Date and Time Change for "Oasis"

Victoria Crosby's weekly radio show "Oasis" is now heard every Monday from 5pm-6pm on WHPC 90.3fm. "Oasis" is a show for relaxation and inspiration featuring soothing music in the New Age genre, smooth jazz and light classics by artists such as Ann Sweeten, Fiona Joy, Todd Mosby, Yanni, and others. Oasis also includes inspirational poetry from Victoria Crosby's three CD's Poetic Moments, read over background music by harpist Karen Strauss on volumes one and two, and by pianist Kathryn Kaye on volume three.



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## Birthday Celebrations At Senior Center

Last week, Delia and her daughter Arianna visiting the Glen Cove Senior Center to help members celebrate their summer birthdays. Delia spoke a bit about how appreciative she is over the warm reception she and Arianna always receive at the Center. Arianna then took the mic and asked the members about their special reason to celebrate this year.

All birthday babies received long stem roses, then the entire membership and staff sang a rousing rendition of "Happy Birthday To You!"



# Obituaries



## Carol Perkins Oelsner

Beloved Carol Flanagan, born on January 3, 1934 in Stony Brook, NY to Harrison Bennet Perkins and Mabel Tomlins, passed away peacefully on August 26, 2016 in Long Island, New York surrounded by her loving family and her husband Joseph Patrick Flanagan.

Carol was a resident of Oyster Bay, New York and of Palm Beach, Florida for more than 60 years. She was a devoted and loving mother to five children, Victoria (Nicholas), the late James (Vesna), Robert, Alexandra and Christine. She was also an adoring grandmother to Asia (Ben), Callie, Alexandra (Fletcher), Christopher, Are, James, and Abrianna, and great grandmother to Ava. She raised her two nieces, Pamela and the late Valerie from their youth. She was stepmother to Charlotte, Joseph, Michael, Larkin, Brian and 20 step grandchildren.

Carol grew up in Stony Brook, New York, and after graduating from Lasell College, with a major in design she married Warren James Oelsner. Following their divorce, she married Joseph Flanagan. She started three successful retail businesses under the heading of Country Lady. Country Lady had stores on Main Street in Oyster Bay, New York for many years, as well as on Worth Avenue in Palm Beach, Florida. Her many accomplishments include serving as a life trustee of the Society of the Four Arts, in Palm Beach, President of the Colonial Dames of

America, Chapter XVII in Palm Beach, President of the Garden Club of Palm Beach and current past-President of the Rehabilitation Center for Children and Adults.

She was a member of the Bath and Tennis Club, the Everglades Club, the Creek Club, and the Seawanhaka Corinthian Yacht Club.

Arrangements entrusted to Dodge-Thomas Funeral Home of Glen Cove. A service will be held at The Church of Bethesda-By-The Sea in Palm Beach, Florida on December 3rd, 2016.

Memorial donations can be made to the Rehabilitation Center for Children & Adults in Palm Beach, Florida. www.DodgeThomas.com

## Alice DiLeo

DiLeo, Alice of Glen Cove, NY on September 3, 2016 age 94. Beloved wife of the late Joseph. Loving mother of Jean Flammio, Katherine D. Faber (Richard) & Edward G. (Sonya). Dear sister of the late Christine Towns (the late John) & the late Anna May Iaconelli. Proud grandmother of Melissa, Jennifer, Danielle, Stacy, Derek & Alexa. Special great grandmother of Gabrielle, Isabelle, Thomas, & Keira. Also survived by many beloved nieces & nephews. Visiting at Dodge-Thomas Funeral Home, Glen Cove Friday from 3-5 & 7-9pm. Service on Saturday 10am at Dodge-Thomas. Interment Nassau Knolls Cemetery. www.DodgeThomas.com

## Lawrence DeVito

DeVITO, Lawrence of Locust Valley, NY on September 1, 2016 age 62. Beloved husband of Iris. Loving father of Carla DeVito-Jayne (Michael). Dear brother of Patrick (Lucille). Visitation at Dodge-Thomas Funeral Home of Glen Cove on Saturday from 2-4 and 7-9pm. Mass at St. Gertrude RC Church, Bayville on Tuesday September 6th at 10am. Interment Locust Valley Cemetery. www.DodgeThomas.com

## William McLean

McLEAN, William J. of Glen Cove on Sep 1, 2016 age 57. Husband of Joan. Brother of Robert and Brian (Regina). Also survived by several nieces and nephews. Service held at Dodge-Thomas Funeral Home, Glen Cove. Interment All Faiths Cemetery. Donations may be made to Glen Cove Animal Shelter or St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. www.DodgeThomas.com

## Mary Famiglietti

Famiglietti, Mary of Glen Cove on September 7th, 2016. Devoted mother of Michael (Linda) and Nancy. Loving grandmother of Emily. Dear sister of Marion O'Day. Former wife and good friend of Tom. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. Mass at the Church of St. Rocco. Interment Holy Rood Cemetery. Contributions in her name may be made to AHRC of Nassau County. McLaughlin Kramer Megiel Funeral Home.

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# Great Book Guru

- Ann DiPietro

*Dear Great Book Guru,  
With the beginning of the Fall months,  
I am looking for a mystery series to  
throw myself into- I love a British  
village setting- something with lots of  
local color and character development-  
any ideas?  
Autumnal Mystery Lover*

Dear Autumnal Mystery Lover,  
I just arrived back from the annual Barbara Pym Conference in Oxford, England where I was introduced to a great series that meets all your demands: Hazel Holt's SHEILA MALORY NOVELS. Hazel Holt was Pym's literary executor and she died recently so this year's conference was a tribute to Holt. Sheila Malory is a middle-aged writer living in the lovely hamlet of Taviscombe about two hours south of London. Her daily routines and encounters with friends and townspeople form the basis of each of Holt's twenty mysteries. Interestingly, much of the happenings in Taviscombe

remind me of life here in Sea Cliff whether it be restaurant encounters, clandestine meetings, or unscrupulous property development. My favorite so far was A TIME TO DIE. Malory fights a noble fight against a large corporation that is trying to rezone a large tract of land potentially changing the entire character of her beautiful village. Soon there are a few suspicious deaths that Malory investigates, leading her to believe some people will let "nothing or no one stand in their way." A fascinating study of the banality of evil- highly recommended!



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The Ancient Order of Hibernians in Nassau County, N.Y., are proud to announce their 44th annual Feis & Irish Festival, to be held at Nickerson Beach, 880 Lido Blvd., Lido Beach, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 18.

Young and old and in between will be sure to have a fabulous time with live music all day long, entertainment and attractions, including Irish step dancing, bagpiping, Irish vendors, traditional Irish singing, children's games, Irish language, Irish art, Gaelic Cúl Camp and plenty of food and beverages. \$10 per person. Children under 16 get in free.

This year's honoree will be renowned Hibernian and long time Feis & Festival chairman and treasurer Jack Ryan, a member of AOH Division 15 in Massapequa, an AOH Nassau County Board officer and New York State AOH officer.

Catholic Mass will be celebrated at 11 a.m.

For more information, call (646) 481-3347 or visit [www.NassauAOHfeis.com](http://www.NassauAOHfeis.com)

Come enjoy all that's best about the Irish! Come to the Feis & Festival on Sept. 18.

About our honoree:

John M. (Jack) Ryan joined the AOH in 1973 at Division 15 in Massapequa Park. He served the division as president, vice president, recording secretary and sentinel. In 1976 he was a founding member of the Tara Pipe Band and serves as a drum major. He served on the Division's Board of Trustees for 20 years.

Jack joined the Nassau County Feis Committee in 1975 and has served as general chairman, piping and drumming chairman and currently serves as the corporate treasurer. He has served on the County Board as president, vice president, recording secretary and treasurer. He is now serving as chairman of the standing committee. In 1991 he was elected as aide to the grand marshal of the NYC St. Patrick's Day Parade. He has been awarded National Life Membership in the Order.

On the state level, Jack served two terms as state director of District Six, and has also served as state organizer and Catholic Action chairman. For the last 10 years he has served as the state chairman of Veterans Affairs.

Jack is married to the former Noreen Keenan of the Bronx. They live in Massapequa Park. The couple has four daughters: Patricia, Kathleen, Noreen and Mary Ellen. They are the proud grandparents of 13 children.



Good family fun and competitions in Irish step dancing, bagpipe bands and maybe even Irish soda bread baking will make for a wonderful Sunday at Nickerson Beach on Nassau County's South Shore on Sept. 18.



The Tara Pipes is just one of the many bagpipe bands that will entertain and compete at the feis on Sept. 18 at Nickerson Beach, Nassau County, N.Y.



Jack Ryan is this year's honoree at the AOH/LAOH Feis & Irish Festival at Nickerson Beach on Sept. 18.



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Appeals, Village of Sea Cliff  
Date: September 20, 2016  
Time: 7:30 pm  
Place: Village Hall, 300 Sea Cliff Avenue, Sea Cliff, New York

Subject: Application of Brendon Trudden, 154 Dayton Street, Sea Cliff to increase a curb cut to a width of 30 feet, where Village Code §138-1007 permits a maximum curb cut of 25 feet. Premises are designated as Section 21, Block 182, Lot 230 on the Nassau County Land and Tax Map.

Application of William and Doreen Crawford, 125 Dayton Street, Sea Cliff to demolish an existing dwelling and construct a new dwelling, which construction requires variances of the following Village Code sections: (a) 138-504 in that the existing lot area is 8,658 square feet, where a minimum of 10,000 square feet is required; (b) 138-508 in that the front yard setback will be 14.3 feet, where a minimum of 25 feet is required; (c) 138-511 in that the side yard setback will be 10 feet, where a minimum of 15 feet is required; (d) 138-512 in that the rear yard setback will be 22 feet, where a minimum of 30 feet is required; (e) 138-513.1 in that the dwelling will encroach into the height setback ratio plane, where no such encroachment is permitted; (f) 138-517 in that the air conditioner condenser unit is 22 feet from the rear property line, where a minimum of 26 feet is required; and (g) 138-1102 in that the proposed construction will increase an existing non-conformity where no increase is permitted. Premises are designated as Section 21, Block K, Lot 757 on the Nassau County Land and Tax Map.

Application of Michele Puckett, 3 Prospect Avenue, Sea Cliff, New York to install a generator within 10 feet of a side property line, where Village Code §138-516 requires a minimum of 10 feet. Premises are designated as Section 21, Block 117, Lot 12 on the Nassau County Land and Tax Map.

Application of Todd and Colleen Mitgang, 134 17th Street, Sea Cliff, New York to install a hot tub in a front yard, which requires variances of Village Code §138-416 in that no accessory structure is permitted in a front yard, and §138-1102 in that the proposal increases an existing non-conformity, where no such increase is permitted. Premises are designated as Section 21, Block 152, Lot 32 on the Nassau County Land and Tax Map.

Application of Jason Stroot, 22 Arlington Street, Sea Cliff, New York to install air conditioner condenser units in a front yard, which requires variances of Village Code §138-416 in that no accessory structure is permitted in a front yard, and §138-1102 in that the proposal increases an existing non-conformity, where no such increase is permitted. Premises are designated as Section 21, Block 61, Lot 138 on the Nassau County Land and Tax Map.

[Continued] Application of Andrea Costa Rothstock, as contract vendee, 244 Glen Cove Avenue, Glen Cove, New York to use premises located at 93 Central Avenue, Sea Cliff as a child care facility, where no such use is permitted pursuant to Village Code §138-401. The applicant also seeks a variance of Village Code §138-417 to install air conditioner condensers within the required setbacks, where no such units are permitted. Premises are designated as Section 21, Block 142, Lot 1064 on the Nassau County Land and Tax Map.

[Continued] Application of Richard LaSalle, 168 Prospect Avenue, Sea Cliff, New York for a variance of Village Code §138-1007 to permit a curb cut on 15th Avenue within 25 feet of the intersection of 15th Avenue and Prospect Avenue. Premises are designated as Section 21, Block F, Lot 1985 on the Nassau County Land and Tax Map.

At the said time and place, all interested persons may be heard with respect to the foregoing matters. All relevant documents may be inspected at the office of the Village Clerk, Village Hall, 300 Sea Cliff Avenue, Sea Cliff, New York, during regular business hours.

Any person having a disability which would inhibit attendance at, or participation in, the hearing should notify the Village Clerk at least three business days prior to the hearing, so that reasonable efforts may be made to facilitate such attendance and participation.

Dated: September 7, 2016  
BY ORDER OF THE  
ZONING BOARD OF  
APPEALS

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

INVITATION FOR BIDDERS PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that sealed bids will be received by the City of Glen Cove Purchasing Agent, City Hall, 9 Glen Street, Glen Cove, N.Y. 11542 until 11:00 a.m. on September 22, 2016 at which time they will be publicly opened and read aloud and the contract awarded as soon thereafter as practicable for:

**PURCHASE OF BUS FOR GLEN COVE SENIOR CENTER**

BID NO. 2016-011 Specifications and Bid Sheet may be obtained at the Office of the Purchasing Agent, City Hall, 9 Glen Street, Glen Cove, N.Y. beginning Friday, September 9, 2016.

Each bid must be made on the proposal form prepared for this work and in the manner designated therein and shall be enclosed in a sealed envelope addressed to the Purchasing Agent of the City of Glen Cove and marked on the outside with the name and address of the bidder, and the words "Bid No. 2016-011 - Purchase of Bus for

Glen Cove Senior Center". The City reserves the right to require insurance projections, to reject any and all bids received, to waive any informality in the bids received and to accept that bid which in its judgment best serves the interests of the City.

By: Nancy Andreiev,  
Purchasing Agent  
City of Glen Cove, New York  
DATED: September 8, 2016

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CITY OF GLEN COVE  
BOARD OF ZONING  
APPEALS NOTICE OF  
PUBLIC HEARING

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a PUBLIC HEARING will be held by the Glen Cove Board of Zoning Appeals on Thursday, September 15, 2016, at 7:30 P.M., at the Council Chambers, City Hall, 9 Glen Street, Glen Cove, N.Y. 11542, when all interested persons will be given the opportunity to express their views on the following applications:

CASE # 8 - 2016 - RALPH LOPEZ -

The applicant proposes a second story addition, interior alterations and partial re-roofing

at 24 Stirrup Lane, Glen Cove, N.Y. as shown on the Nassau County Land & Tax Map as Section 30, Block 81, Lot 4, with more than the permitted maximum interior floor area in the R-3 Quarter Acre Residence District of the City of Glen Cove.

CASE # 9 -2016 - 14 & 16 Mc Grady Street

The applicant proposes a Minor Subdivision at 14 & 16 Mc Grady Street, Glen Cove, N.Y., as shown on the Nassau County Land & Tax Map as Section 21, Block 229, Lot 40, 41, 42 with less than the required minimum rear yard setbacks in the R-3A Residential District of the City of Glen Cove.

September 6, 2016  
BY THE ORDER OF THE  
BOARD OF ZONING  
APPEALS OF THE CITY OF  
GLEN COVE

TIP HENDERSON,  
CHAIRMAN

-----x  
PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a public hearing will be held as to the following matter:

Agency: Zoning Board of

# I'm blessed to have learned some lessons

**T**here are certain events in our lives that, from the instant they happen, we forever remember details of the moment, exactly where we were and how we felt. I've recently added another such moment.

On April 8 at 8:21 a.m., the doctor told me I had cancer. After an April 1 biopsy of a lesion, he called me while I was in upstate Saratoga Springs, at a journalism conference.



**JOHN  
O'CONNELL**

I felt nauseous, worried, angry, depressed, confused, alone, anxious to take action, and impatient that the next steps would take days to arrange. I tried to summon faith. I

searched my brain for a plan, though I knew that while I would be in charge, others, better at this, would make the real plan.

The sore throat I'd had for several weeks had turned out not to be strep, and it wasn't viral, either. It was a squamous cell carcinoma of my soft palate.

That call began a new, blessedly brief, painful, depressing, frightening, and now happily resolved chapter of my life.

Shakespeare's words, "All's well that ends well," ring more true for me than ever. On June 24 at 4:20 p.m. — after almost three months of biopsies, a CT scan, a PET scan, blood tests, two surgeries a month apart, two periods of healing, serious side effects from anesthesia, about 30 Percocets, painful swallowing and eating, many doctors' appointments, troubled nights and the prayers of hundreds of loved ones — the surgeon told me the results of the final pathology report: My cancer is gone. I am cancer-free.

Now begins a new chapter: five years of at least quarterly examinations and tests to watch for reoccurrence.

I've been reflecting on what I've been through, how it has felt, and how lucky I am to have had my cancer so quickly found and eliminated.

While others suffer through years of treatments and disfigurement, and millions die of their cancers, mine was detected early and is now gone, all in less than five months from the time I decided I'd get that sore throat checked out. Thank God, my cancer was caught in a very early stage, it comprised a relatively small and superficial area of cancerous cells, it hadn't traveled to or come from elsewhere in my body, and it occurred in an easily accessible location for surgery. I didn't require radiation or chemotherapy.

But even with my middleweight bout with cancer, I earned a glimpse of

the suffering that others who fight harder battles must endure. My anxiety was just as real as theirs, but brief. My prognosis was excellent from the start. Theirs often isn't.

So my gladness is quiet, humble in the presence of others' ongoing and much greater challenges.

One thing I've learned is not to ignore pain. Left undiagnosed and untreated, my early, small but potentially metastatic cancer would have grown wider and, worse, deeper. The outcome would have been much less optimistic, and my small suffering much greater. I learned that managing your health, taking action when something isn't right and seeking professional help, must be a top priority in your life.

I've learned how many people care about me. People I didn't think even knew me, much less cared, people who I thought were happy hardly thinking of me, went out of their way to send a text or email (it hurt too much to talk, so no one called), not once but often expressing their concerns, offering their prayers, wishing me well.

So I've learned to think more about others when they're in need. Diseases isolate. You tend to think a lot about yourself. It's hard to shift your atten-

tion to others when you're hurting, mentally or physically. But you have to try. It's the best way to take your mind off your worries: focus on others.

I learned from all those people reaching out to me that we need support. It's obvious we need the help of surgeons and other doctors, their physician's assistants, the medical secretaries, pathologists, scanning technicians and record keepers. But I learned that getting through a tough time — cancer or anything else — depends on valuing the kindness people extend to you. Cherish them. Care for them, too, when they need it.

I've also learned not to read the pathology reports yourself before you see the doctor. You may see medical terms that translate to you as doom, but don't really mean that. Let the doctor do the reading and the explaining.

I'm so lucky to have learned these lessons. A coworker asked if I thought I'd been spared to accomplish something grand. I don't know —

just like the dear folks who don't know how much their generosity, grace, prayers and concern have meant to me.

**I** earned a glimpse of the suffering that others who fight harder battles with cancer must endure.



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