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Erosion permits at issue at Dec. 27 council meeting

By Lissa Harris

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The Glen Cove City Council's last meeting of the year on Dec. 27 had some residents questioning proposed agenda resolutions.

The council held a public hearing to discuss a proposed local law that would hand the city's control of its Coastal Erosion Management Permit Program along a stretch of shoreline to the State Department of Environmental Conservation. That had some residents concerned, despite assurances by the mayor that the ordinance to give the DEC control would not affect the city's oversight over other key coastal areas.

"This new law would only affect the area between Morgan Beach and Prybil Beach," Glen Cove Mayor Reginald Spinello said. "It has nothing to do with the coastal area within the waterfront project."

Spinello was referring to the \$1 billion Garvies Point development project proposed by RXR Developers and approved by the City of Glen Cove, which broke ground earlier this month. Since the project was first proposed, it has had some Glen Cove and Village of Sea Cliff residents concerned about pollution and increased traffic in the area. In fact, in 2015, Sea Cliff residents filed a lawsuit against the city, but it was dismissed earlier this year.

There are some 86 coastal communi-

ties that the state has identified where applications for Coastal Erosion Management Permits must be filed and approved before any work or activity can take place in them, according to the DEC website. The DEC manages 44 of those coastal areas. Local municipalities oversee the rest.

According to the DEC, to receive a Coastal Erosion Management Permit, one must demonstrate:

- "The proposed activity is reasonable and necessary along a shoreline community."
- "The proposed activity will not be likely to cause a measurable increase in erosion at the proposed site or in other places."

Despite Spinello's assurances, Glen Cove resident Andrew Lawrence wondered what prompted the city to consider allowing the DEC to take over handling of local erosion permits, particularly considering the large number of permits that the state must process. "This could potentially lengthen the application process," Lawrence said. "It might behoove us to increase our building department here."

City Attorney Charles McQuair described the move by the city as a "cost-saving measure."

Amy Marion, of Sea Cliff, said she wor-

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Mayor Reggie Spinello

NIFA accepts Nassau budget with real estate fee hike

Youth service agencies' funding remain intact

By Erik Hawkins

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Nassau County's financial control board on Dec. 14 accepted the county's second try at a balanced budget, after legislators approved a \$130 hike in the tax map verification fee.

Democratic legislators objected to the fee increase, which is estimated by county officials to raise \$15.3 million in revenue, with Minority Leader Kevan Abrahams, of Hempstead, insisting that the county should review its contracts with outside legal counsel to save money instead.

On Dec. 5, County Executive Ed Mangano submitted the control board, the Nassau Interim Finance Authority, after his pre-

vious spending plan was rejected because it relied on uncertain revenue sources to close shortfalls.

In this most recent spending plan, Mangano found savings in other sectors of the budget in order to avoid cutting youth services, but also included the increase in the real estate fee from \$225 — already up from \$75 as of this year — to \$355.

At the Legislature's Nov. 21 meeting, a number of representatives of youth-service agencies had urged legislators to find a way to avoid cuts that could hurt the county's more vulnerable populations.

"You have a responsibility to balance the budget, and not to do it on the backs of the children and families of Nassau County," said Dr. Joseph Smith, executive director of Long Beach Reach. Jeff Reynolds, president and CEO of the Family and Children's Association, warned that cutting addiction and recovery services would almost certainly lead to more opioid-related deaths next year.

Apparently, county officials got the message, and the fee increase passed by a vote of 11-7, allowing youth and social service funding to remain intact. It was determined at the legislative session that any real estate transactions closing before the end

of the year will not be impacted by the fee, even though it is to go into effect immediately.

In the revised budget, however, the county's NICE bus system will still see \$3.8 million in cuts, new police officers will not be hired until March 2017, local government assistance to villages will be suspended and the Board of Elections will see reduced funding.

Second graders at Glenwood Landing Elementary have fun with science



Glenwood Landing's school-wide enrichment services, under the direction of Audra Marcantonio, conducted a science program for all second graders called "Slime, Goo, and Ooze," on Dec. 14 hosted by the Long Island Science Museum.

The children participated in a variety of hands-on experiments and investigations as educational tools to deepen the students' understanding of science.

"We were fortunate to have a representative from the Long Island Science Museum lead our students in various investigations with plastic that utilized their senses," Marcantonio explained, "[the experiments] were fun and interactive, and explored properties of matter including solids and liquids."

Students began their science investigations by using ordinary household items such as Elmer's glue and Borax to create different kinds of "slime." Students made observations about the feeling, movement, and consistency of the substances, often noticing if it was wet, sticky, slippery, or had a bad odor. Students also added food dye to the mixture to create a variety of colors.

Once concocted, the student drew conclusions about the materials they were working with and asked questions about why the materials changed when certain ingredients were added. Students were able to stretch, roll, and bounce their slime, and even brought a small bag home for further study.

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North Shore Kiwanis celebrate the holidays

After working diligently all year to raise funds to be used to assist children in need, North Shore Kiwanis celebrated the holiday season with a gala party. Members, spouses and friends arrived at the beautifully deco-

rated Swan Club for an evening of good food, music, and a visit from Santa and Mrs. Claus. For more information regarding the club and its mission visit northshorekiwanis.org.



Photo courtesy of North Shore Kiwanis

John Kle, left, Mrs. Claus, Leslie Kle, Delia Verna, Tom De Stio, Merle DeMott, Santa, and snuggling with Santa is Linda De Stio at the party.

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ried that the DEC's oversight of erosion permits might extend to Glen Cove Creek, which is part of the Garvies Point redevelopment project area.

Spinello reiterated that the only area that the DEC would assume control over would be the section of coastline from Morgan Beach to Prybil Beach, and that a map of the affected area could be viewed by the public in the city clerk's office.

In the end, the mayor and council members tabled the discussion.

CDA/IDA agreement

Also on the agenda was a resolution to enter into an agreement with the city's Community Development Agency and the Industrial Development Agency to administer projects and grants.

David Nieri, of Glen Cove, expressed concerns over the tax breaks, or Payments in Lieu of Taxes, given to businesses to set up shop in the city. "I would like to see a cost-benefit analysis of the tax relief given to businesses," Nieri said. "And that information should be available for the public to

ee."

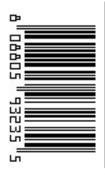
Nieri cited a 2012 report by State Comptroller Thomas DiNapoli, which stated that the Glen Cove IDA's tax breaks generated fewer jobs per dollar than any other IDA in the state

Spinello said such issues had nothing to do with the resolution. "Jobs are only one type of criteria used to measure the effectiveness of PILOTS on Long Island," the mayor explained. "Long Island is different from upstate areas that are giving PILOTS to large corporations and factories that generate many jobs."

Residents also said they worried that Glen Cove businesses would close once their tax breaks were not renewed. Resident Amy Peterson mentioned Annie Sez, a women's clothing store in downtown Glen Cove that is going out of business.

"Annie Sez does not receive a PILOT," the mayor said. "In fact, most retail stores in Glen Cove do not have PILOTS." He added that a public hearing was scheduled for next month to discuss the issues raised.

The first city council meeting of the New Year will be held on Jan. 10 at 7:30 p.m. at Glen Cove City Hall, 9 Glen St. Glen Cove.



Glen Cove Youth Bureau's Milk & Cookies with Santa

With the main chambers of Glen Cove's City Hall in its festive best, jolly old St. Nick was the guest of honor at the Glen Cove Youth Bureau's annual Milk & Cookies with Santa event. Over 225 children from infancy to age 10 had the opportunity to enjoy the free festivities, which included pictures with Santa, storytelling, cookies donated by Panera Bread and Glen Cove Hospital Northwell Health along with a very special holiday surprise that was selected especially for them.

"I look forward to this event each year,"

"I look forward to this event each year," said Mayor Reggie Spinello. "The children are so excited to see Santa and it is a wonderful night of holiday joy thanks to the efforts of the Glen Cove Youth Bureau, its Board and the generosity of our community."

The Glen Cove Youth Bureau is led by Spiro Tsirkas with support from Sandra Potter, Jacki Yonick, Charmaine Clarke, Arlene O'Dell, Carolina Guastella, Anna Di Giuseppe and many volunteers who work hard each year to prepare for this wonderful holiday event.

day event.

"We greatly appreciate the generosity of the Glen Cove Teachers Association, the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve Toys 4 Tots program, the Glen Cove Senior Center and Anglers Club, the Greek Orthodox Church of the Holy Resurrection, Glen Cove Boy Scouts, the Community Synagogue of Port Washington, the Dolphin Book Store, the Glen Cove Mansion and the Trinity Lutheran Church with support from our Youth Board team members who collected and wrapped hundreds of donated toys to make sure each child received their own gift," said Spiro Tsirkas, director of the Glen Cove Youth Bureau.



Photo courtesy of City of Glen Cove

Mayor Spinello shares his favorite holiday stories at the Glen Cove Youth Bureau's annual Milk & Cookies with Santa event.

Robotics club cultivates students' coding abilities

Elementary students in Glen Cove City School District are taking their computer coding skills to the next level, thanks to the district's new Robotics Club.

Made up of students in grades four and five at Connolly and Landing schools, the club recently took part in the Wonder League Robotics Competition. As part of the contest, students were charged with programming Dash and Dot robots using their iPads and the Wonder app to complete four separate challenges. They worked in teams, writing code to program the distance traveled by their robots, as well as their speed,

angles of movement and lights.

After completing these missions, the students shared their work on the Wonder League website. STEAM teacher Kenneth Altamirano said the club encourages students to build on their coding skills, teamwork and logic.

"It really has stretched the coding skills they have learned in their STEAM classes," Altamirano said. "It also has developed their perseverance, determination, problemsolving abilities and critical thinking skills. Everyone on the team has a role."





Photos courtesy of Glen Cove City School District

(left) Landing students Aurora Seery, Joel Perez and Kailey Rosa teamed up to complete the challenges. (top) Landing students Angelique Santodosato, Tristan Soto and Franklin Rivera worked to move their robot around cups of pencils.

Knights of Columbus honors Glen Cove High School 2016 students of the month

Every month, the Knights of Columbus James Norton Council recognizes a student for their hard work and achievement. Criteria for the honor are focused on academic achievement and community involvement. On Dec. 20 the Knights of Columbus honored three seniors from Glen Cove High School, Grace Tenke, Jennifer Petulla, and Gared Venegas. The students were each honored for three separate months.

Hon. Richard J. McCord, Glen Cove City Court Judge, was present when the awards were given to the students. Past Grand Knight of the Knights of Columbus James Norton Council, Thomas Curran, and Glen Cove High School principal Antonio Santana were also on hand to congratulate the students.

For the month of September the student of the month was Tenke. The honor was given to Petulla for the month of October and to Venegas for the month of November.



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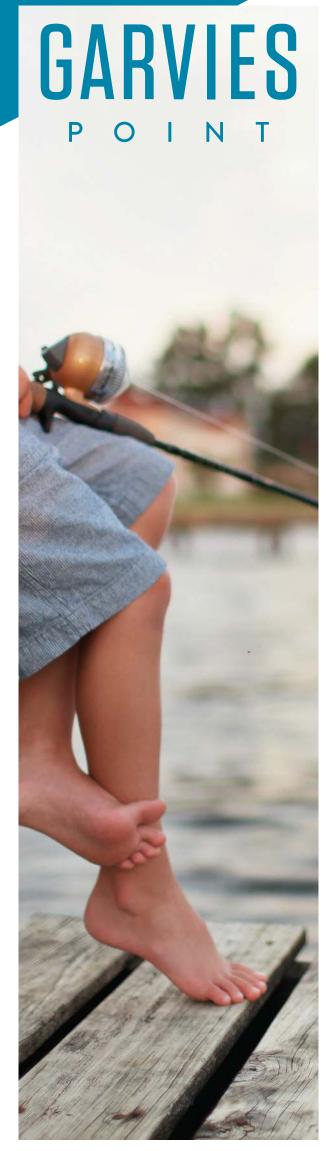
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Great Book Guru

- Ann DiPietro

Dear Great Book Guru,

With the New Year about to begin, I would like to read a book about things that matter- really matter. Do you have any suggestions?

Greeting the New Year with Trepidation

Dear Greeting the New Year,

As a Christmas present, I asked for Peter Singer's newest book: ETHICS IN THE REAL WORLD. Singer is the controversial Australian philosopher who teaches at Princeton University, and is widely known for his early work "Animal Liberation" the handbook of PETA (People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals).

This new book is a series of eighty-two very short essays that deal with- as the author says "things that matter." Topics include euthanasia, extreme poverty, the sale of kidneys, right to happiness, what makes for a good life, are chimpanzees people, should smoking be banned, is all human life sacred, does religion make for a better people...

plus seventy- three additionally provocative essays. Ultimately, he poses the question 'does anything matter?" These might seem like difficult topics to consider at this festive time of year, but Singer presents them dispassionately with this reader finding comfort in confronting indeed "things that matter." Highly recommended!

With music makers in hand, join us near the Village Green for the ringing of bells at midnight of New Year's Eve....everyone welcome!



Obituaries

Vivian Marie Battle

Vivian Marie Battle, 84, of Glen Cove died on Dec. 19, 2016. Beloved mother of James P., Vanessa M., Van C. Jr., John F., Charles E., Philip D., Vivian P., Dorothea L., David O. and Michael D. Dear sister of Edna Treadgill, Seth Holley, Charles Holley, George Holley, Gene Holley, Mary Richards, Elsie Holley, Stanley Holley and the late Matthew, William, Patricia and Ethel. Proud grandmother of eight and great-grandmother of two. Arrangements entrusted to Dodge-Thomas Funeral Home of Glen Cove. Longtime member of Kingdom Hall. Interment private. www. DodgeThomas.com

Katherine O'Sullivan

Katherine O'Sullivan (nee Fitzpatrick), 93, of Glen Cove, died on Dec 21, 2016. Beloved wife of the late Donald F. Devoted

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mother of MaryElizabeth (Col. Ken Creasy

II). Loving grandmother of Nicholaus,

Clotilde Grella, 95, of Glen Cove, died on Dec.24, 2016. Beloved wife of the late Donato. Loving mother of Concetta Ricciardi (the late Antonio), Marino (Anna), Maria Famiglietti (Carmine), Domenick (Anna), Mike (Vita), Joe (Dawn), Tony (Patrina), Liliana Tocco (Tony) and the late Costantino (Lina). Adored grandmother of twenty-three. Cherished great-grandmother of eighteen. Visitation was held at Dodge-Thomas Funeral Home, 26 Franklin Ave., Glen Cove. Mass was held at the Church of St. Rocco. Entombment was at Holy Rood Cemetery. www.DodgeThomas.com.

Marciano Cipriano

Marciano Cipriano, 92, of Glen Cove, died on Dec. 24, 2016. Beloved husband of Marietta. Loving father of Giuseppe, Carmela, Filippo, Rose, Carolina, Michelle, Rochina, Gerardo and Angelina. Adored brother of five siblings. Cherised grandfather of twenty and great-grandfather of seventeen. Great uncle of many nieces and nephews. He loved the beach, enjoyed barbecues and fishing. Visitation was held at Dodge-Thomas Funeral Home, 26 Franklin Ave., Glen Cove. Mass was held at the Church of St. Rocco. Interment was at East Hillside Cemetery. www.DodgeThomas. com.

2016 — Oh, what a year it was!

We are close to the end of what has been a historic year. So many things happened affecting so many people that it is hard to give sufficient words to describe what each event or happening means. But a year-end look



Jerry Kremer

back is worth the time and effort, so I will take a shot at it.

It has been more than six weeks since the national election, and somehow most of the people I meet still seem to be in a state of shock. Most of the unhappy voters are from New York who supported Hillary Clinton.

Quite a few of them assumed that the election was a done deal and that Clinton would be on her way to the White House. When the most factual book is written about this election, the writers will no doubt find that the Clinton campaign made many tactical mistakes that caused her to blow it.

On the subject of heroes, there is no bigger one that I can think of than former Assemblyman Harvey Weisenberg. While he was in Albany, he became Governor Cuomo's nemesis on the issue of funding for the handicapped. At no time in the history of the state was any Assembly member able to force the governor to find more funding for a cause once the state budget was completed.

Weisenberg got every member of the Assembly and Senate to support his bill to allocate \$90 million for programs for the people in need. The bill passed both houses, and Weisenberg was under intense pressure to wait another year before the funding would be included in the state budget. Weisenberg rejected the pressure and insisted that the money had to be approved without delay.

Even though he has left office, Weisenberg continues to be a relentless fighter for more funds for handicapped programs. His latest campaign is to get the direct caregivers a pay increase. It's hard to imagine that the people hired to take care of people with disabilities are making less than fast-food workers. In addition, Weisenberg is asking why these workers have such a high turnover rate and wants the state to look into the problem. He is traveling throughout the state to hold news conferences and use the media to keep up his battle for worker equality. If you are looking for a worthy charity, make a donation to the "Harvey & Ellen Weisenberg Special Needs Program.'

One of the most disturbing things this past year were the criminal charges lodged against some highly visible Nassau County elected leaders. All of them are assumed to be innocent unless proven guilty. Watching the current political scene, it seems like there are ethical bonfires across the state. Once upon a time, elected leaders could step over the line and it went unnoticed. Today's world is different, and but for a very small handful, too many politicians just don't get it. I hope that the next group of leaders will respect the public's desire to get the job done without scandal.

Two elected leaders are clearly back in the limelight. Former County Executive Tom Suozzi has regained his political footing

and is now on his way to Congress, replacing Steve placing Israel, who did a terrific job. My fellow columnist A1 D'Amato looks like a possible candidate to be an ambassador in the Trump administration.

My only advice to the former senator is that he shouldn't agree to an offer in Afghanistan or Pakistan.

There is no way that I would avoid talking about this year's serious issue of hacking

into our computer systems. The proven intrusion by Russian operatives is a warning that there is no system in this country that is safe from cyber-attacks. It's the Democrats

one day, and get then it's Google and the Defense Department. Tomorrow could be your electric power your system, doctor's office multiple and other places. So don't take this occurrence just an annoy-

ance. Just because they didn't hack your information this week doesn't mean that you aren't next in line.



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stood up and criticized the



It's time to close the case on Russia

Russia. Friend? Enemy? Campaign and political pawn is more like it these days.

During the election, Hillary Clinton and the liberal media attempted to convince the



Αl D'Amato

American people that Putin supported Donald Trump and that Trump was a "puppet" of Russian leader Vladamir Putin.

Now that Donald is President-elect Trump, the accusations of Russian involvement the election have strengthened to the point that lib-

erals are claiming that Russia helped Trump

Evidence continues to mount that Russian officials may have had something to do with the breaches of Democratic National Committee email accounts, and the FBI is reportedly looking into claims that a computer system belonging to the DNC was comprised by hackers linked to the Russian

This is alarming news and a direct threat to our national security. However, on Dec. 15, the House Intelligence Committee canceled a briefing on Russian interference in the presidential election after the CIA declined to provide a representative for the session.

It's disturbing to hear that the intelligence community would ignore a request from the House Intelligence Committee for a classified briefing to discuss the possibility of Russian influence in the election. Meanwhile, The Washington Post is citing anonymous sources stating that the "CIA has determined Russia interfered in the election with the purpose of helping Trump's campaign."

Do not be fooled! This is nothing more than a cheap ploy by a couple of bad apples in the CIA and the intelligence community to manipulate what is being reported to the American public.

U.S. Rep. Peter King, a Republican from Seaford, offered some strong opinions and harsh criticism, stating, "All we've heard from the intelligence community over the last several months is that they could not say that there was any attempt to undermine Hillary Clinton or to help Donald Trump. Somebody has the time to leak it to The Washington Post and The New York Times, but they don't have the time to come to Con-

It's about time that someone stood up and criticized the intelligence community for the negligence and disrespect it showed to our elected officials and the American public. They caused this mess by leaking classified information, and now they will not own up to it. Instead, CIA officials and representatives of other agencies would rather hide behind anonymous quotes in major daily newspapers.

I am sick and tired of information that should remain private because it is a threat to our

national security or our Justice Department being leaked to the media. Anyone who is leaking such information to the press should be terminated immediately.

At the same time, this is another way

the liberal media can provide the American public with disinformation about the president-elect. The hack into DNC emails is a separate investigation and should not be aligned with claims that Russia may have hacked the election and skewed results in favor of Trump.

The misinformation reported by the liberal media, and not any actual "hacking," is doing all of the work for the Russians by continually discussing it and causing uncertainty about the election results.

The election is over! The Electoral College will certify the results by the time this column is printed. The fact of the matter is that the Obama administration failed to adequately look in to claims of Russian attacks, and now the matter is threatening our democratic elections.

Let me share something else that was equally as mind-blowing. At a recent news conference, U.S. Sen. Charles Schumer

pointed out that despite the reality of the world we live in, where terrorist attacks are frighteningly the currently norm, New York's rail and mass transit employees not cross-checked with the federal terror watch list.

intelligence community for the negligence and disrespect it showed to our elected officials.

About 2 million people commute to Manhattan every day. New York City is the number-one target for terrorists, yet we are not adequately protected.

This is a disaster waiting to happen! Thank you, Senator Schumer for bringing this important matter to our attention. Background checks do not cost much time or money, so organizations such as the Transportation Security Administration, Amtrak, Metropolitan Transportation Authority and Long Island Rail Road have no excuse.

On that note, I would like to wish everyone a happy holiday season and best wishes for a healthy, safe and prosperous 2017.

BRIEFS

Openings for auxiliary police officers in Glen Cove

The City of Glen Cove has posted a series of part time openings for Glen Cove Auxiliary police officers. The applicants must have a valid New York State driver's license. The position is non-competitive (exam not required). The responsibilities of an auxiliary police officer include directing pedestrian and vehicular traffic, maintaining posts of duty, and using a radio to report observations. To apply, please pick up the job posting and submit an application to the Department of Personnel (Room 205) in City Hall.

Glen Cove Library will hold a brain fitness class

The Glen Cove library will host a Brain Fitness Class on Jan. 3 in the community room at 2 p.m. The class will focus on improving memory skills, building brain strength, positive thinking and nutrition for the brain. The class is for people of all ages. No registration necessary. For more information call (516) 676-2130. The Glen Cove Public Library is at 4 Glen Cove Ave. Glen Cove.

Gentle Chair Yoga

A gentle chair yoga class will be given on Jan. 3, from 11:15 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the Glenwood Life Center. The class offers a gentle yoga practice that focuses on maintaining mobility of the spine, strengthening the core musculature and the rest of the body, improving balance, and increase joints' range-of-motion. Class will include pranayam (breathing practice), meditation, and asanas (yoga postures), some done either sitting in a chair or standing alongside a chair if needed as well as on a yoga mat. Attendees will learn how yoga can improve concentration, focus and memory, improve blood circulation, minimized hypertension, and lead to better digestion, stronger bones, healthy weight, reduced anxiety, healthy joints, and overall greater strength and balance. The Glenwood Life Center is located at 71 Grove St., Glenwood Landing. Call (516) 399-2575 for more information.

The Art of Tai Chi at Glenwood Life Center

The Glenwood Life Center is hosting Tai Chi classes on Jan. 3 and Jan. 5 from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. both days. Classes are open to all ages. There is a fee of \$20 per class. Call Theo at 516-376-5288. No registration required. The Glenwood Life Center is at 71 Grove St., Glenwood Landing.

Adult coloring sessions at Gold Coast Public Library

The Gold Coast Public Library will hold two adult coloring sessions on Jan. 4. Sessions are at 2 p.m. and again at 7 p.m. Materials will be provided and light refreshments will be served. Registration is required and space is limited. Contact the Gold Coast Public Library at (516) 759-8300 or visit www. goldcoastlibrary.org to register.

Introduction to Pilates

An introduction to pilates class is being offered at the Gold Coast Public Library on Jan. 6 at 10 a.m. Attendees will learn about the history of Pilates, its benefits, and the core exercises. A yoga or pilates mat is required for participation. This is part one of a three part series. Must register for the entire series. There is a non-refundable \$9 fee due at time of registration. The Gold Coast Public Library is at 50 Railroad Ave. Glen Head. Call (516) 759-8300 or visit www.goldcoastlibrary.org to register.

Cookbook Club in Sea Cliff

The Sea Cliff Public Library will host a Cookbook Club meeting on Jan. 7 from 12 to 1 p.m. This month's book is Sarabeth's Good Morning Cookbook. Choose a recipe from this book and bring it in for all to share. Books are available at the Circulation Desk. The library is at 300 Sea Cliff Ave., Sea Cliff. Call (516) 671-4290 for more information.

Poetry Workshop at Sea Cliff Library

The Sea Cliff Public Library will host a poetry workshop on Jan. 12 from 6 to 7 p.m. Teacher and poet Matt Curiale will lead the workshop. Bring a work in progress and get feedback from other writers and poets. The library is at 300 Sea Cliff Ave., Sea Cliff. Call (516) 671-4290 for more information.

Live theater at the Glen Cove Senior Center

The Glen Cove Senior Center's Life Long Learning series presents a live theater event on Jan. 4. Fred Stroppel and his wife, Lis Kash Stroppel will perform several readings of his one-act comic plays, including Signs of Life. Afterwards some of the audience members will be invited to participate in readings of some short sketches, and time permitting, and discussion. Fred Stroppel of Glen Cove is an award-winning playwright and screenwriter. His comedies have been performed throughout the world and published extensively in collections and anthologies. The Senior Center is at 130 Glen Street

Glen Cove. Call (516) 759-9610 for more information about the event.

Mommy and Baby Yoga

The Glenwood Life Center will host a mommy and baby yoga session on Jan.3, 2017 from 12:15 p.m. to 1 p.m. Practice yoga with your baby while learning to regain the strength of your abdominal and pelvic floor muscles. Awaken your whole body, release tension and most importantly bond and play with your little one as well as socialize with other mommies. The atmosphere is very relaxed and flexible and classes are designed to accommodate both moms' and babies' needs. Glenwood Life Center is at 71 Grove St., Glenwood Landing.

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

Agency: Planning Board, Village of Sea

Date: January 11, 2017

Time: 7:30 pm

Place: Village Hall, 300 Sea Cliff Avenue, Sea Cliff, New York

Subject: Application of William and Doreen Crawford, 125 Dayton Street, Sea Cliff, New York for site plan approval to construct a new residence with associated site improvements. Premises are designated as Section 21, Block K, Lot 757 on the Nassau County Land and Tax Map. Application of Marianna Kreatsoulas, 35 Hawthorne Road, Sea Cliff, New York for an amendment of a previous approval, to permit fencing and netting at a height of 21 feet for a linear distance of 67 feet along the

westerly property line and six foot high fencing along a portion of the southerly property line. Premises are designated as Section 21, Block 31, Lot 28 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.

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Celebrating 50 years as a barber in Locust Valley

By Lissa Harris

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Stepping into Hunt's Hairstyles is like a trip to the past, when times were simpler, and Locust Valley looked more like Bedford Falls, where the fictional George Bailey

Fifty years ago Layton Hunt opened Hunt's Hairstyles on the corner of Birch Hill and Buckram roads.

"Not many people can say they've been in business for fifty years," said Hunt, with

He opened up his shop in 1961, at a storefront down the road from his current place on Birch Hill Road. Hunt stayed there for two years before moving to another location near the Grenville Baker Boys and Girls Club. It wasn't until 1966 that he found his home for the next 50 years. "When I moved here, I was giving about 15 haircuts a day," Layton recalled, adding that the price of a haircut was \$3.50. "Business has been pretty steady ever since."

Hunt grew up in North Carolina and still retains his southern accent, even after all these years. He and his twin brother, Crayton, both served in the 91st Tank Battalion in the Korean War. Layton enlisted so that he and his brother could serve together.

"We served together, took leave together," Layton said. "We were like peas in a pod." Crayton, a Huntington resident, died in July of 2015. Layton cut his brother's hair right up until he went into hospice care.

Layton moved to Bayville in 1961 with

his wife, who was originally from Glen Cove. They had two children, Dennis, born in 1959, and Donna, born in 1962. Both children were raised in Bayville, and gradu-

ated from Locust Valley High School. They currently live out of state, but Layton sees them frequently.

years Over the Layton has serviced a wide range of clients, from well-known philanthropists to local residents. Many photos of Layton, posing with his clients in the chair, hang on the walls of his barbershop. One of his regular customers was Brookville's R. Brinkley Smithers, founder of the Christopher D. Smithers foundation, a Mill Neck based organization that focused on educating the public about the disease of alcoholism. Smithers was a regular customer

of Layton's and often took advantage of the barber's house-call services.

"He was a wonderful man and a great customer," Layton said. "One time he had a minor operation and I went to the hospital to give him a hair cut." House calls were something Layton did quite often, a service

he charged a little extra for.

Layton has many memories. He will never forget the period during the Vietnam War when men were growing their hair long in

protest of the war. "No one was getting their haircut," Hunt lamented. "I almost went out of business.'

Much of the décor in the shop is still in its original state. A slight renovation to the cabinets is all that has been required over the last five decades, leaving much of its charm intact. Bottles of tonic and talc adorn the shelves and a small blue sink at the far end of the shop serves as a washing station. The three barber chairs, the visual centerpiece of the room, are older than anything in the shop. "I bought those chairs in 1961," Layton said, "and they were already about 20

However, the age of the chairs only adds

to the quality of service. Layton also offers

knife and scissor sharpening. "I started doing that about 40 years ago," he said, nod-

ding to the small sharpening machine in

down-time."

In 2005, Layton hired Sal Panzarella to help in the shop. Originally from Sicily, Italy, Panzarella moved to Brooklyn when he was a teenager. "I came to New York when I was 17," Panzarella said. "I started cutting hair the day after I got to Brooklyn." Panzarella, who lives in Woodmere, has owned barbershops in Roslyn, Queens, Five Towns, and Hewlett. He said he has enjoyed working in Locust Valley mainly because of his steady clientele.

"I had a gentleman in here just this morning who gives me fresh clams every time he comes," Panzarella said, referring to Frank Flower, former owner of Frank M. Flower & Sons seafood wholesaler operating out of Bayville and Oyster Bay. "You can be here one day and gone the next, you have to enjoy life while you can"

Hunt's is a traditional barbershop in the truest sense, serving only men and boys. Many of Layton's customers started going to him as young boys and continue to get their haircut at Hunt's Hairstyles as grown men. Layton says his clients stay with him because they are treated like family when they're in his shop.

"A small boy, eight-years-old, used to come to get his haircut." Hunt says fondly, "That boy went away to college, became a doctor, and now he comes back every week so I can cut his hair."

With such loyal customers it's no wonder Hunt's Hairstyles is a neighborhood favorite even after all these years.



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