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JEANINE DIMENNA, from The View Grill, an "honorary Hibernian," joined parade organizer Lisa Forgiore and Hibernian treasurer Andrew Stafford to have a little fun during the pre-parade brunch. This year's parade, the 29th, steps off on Sunday at 1 p.m.

Mother and son to be this year's grand marshals

Thousands expected at G.C. St. Patrick's Day Parade

By **LAURA LANE**
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This year will mark the first time that a mother and son will lead Glen Cove's St. Patrick's Day Parade. Julie and Christopher Albin, lifelong Locust Valley residents, will be the grand marshals on Sunday in what is perhaps the city's most popular event. This year's parade, which begins at 1 p.m., is Glen Cove's 29th.

The parade is organized and sponsored by the Glen Cove Hibernians, who do not receive any funding from the city for the event.

It isn't easy to become grand marshal. They are traditionally chosen by a committee of Hibernians based on their work for the organization and their community service.

"It's a big thing to be chosen," said Julie Albin, a mem-

ber of the Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians. "I'm very excited to march."

Her son Chris, a registered nurse and a detective with the Glen Cove Police Department, said he was surprised to find out that he would lead the parade. And when he was told that his mother would be joining him, that was even better.

"It's quite an honor to share

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Mayor vs. mayor It's round two

Garvies Point Project moving forward

By **LISSA HARRIS**
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Warring neighbors might bring to mind ancient feuds like the Hatfields and the McCoys. Although not quite as infamous, the disagreement between the City of Glen Cove and the Village of Sea Cliff might be one for the local history books.

Sea Cliff Mayor Ed Lieberman read a letter at Glen Cove's planning board meeting on March 7, prior to a vote on Phase Two of the Garvies Point Project, which includes the construction of a five-story, 167-unit condominium building, a new park as well as a dog park, and a boardwalk.

Expressing his opposition to the momentum of the project, Lieberman said, "[This] is the desire by the city and RXR to change and alter the profile of Glen Cove and the North Shore of Nassau by having such an immense structure without showing even a need for it. Although Glen Cove may think it's fine to change their land use, it has an effect on local communities."

Neither Glen Cove Mayor Reggie Spinello nor any plan-

ning board member responded to Lieberman's appeal. Instead, the board approved the resolution.

Lisa Travatello, the city's public relations officer, said that Spinello did not want to comment because the disagreement was an old story. But Lieberman, an attorney, insists that Glen Cove has violated a 15-year-old "memorandum of understanding" between the two municipalities. In 2015, Sea Cliff sued Glen Cove for breaking that agreement, but a State Supreme Court judge dismissed the case.

I think there may be something more internal going on with Sea Cliff.

MICHAEL ZARIN
 City of Glen Cove attorney

"Glen Cove has long been a good neighbor to Sea Cliff," Spinello said in a statement. "While neighbors should not sue neighbors, Sea Cliff did, and the Supreme Court ruled in Glen Cove's favor."

An appeal is being drafted, leaving each mayor questioning the other's definition of what it means to be neighborly.

"The memorandum was a crucial document, because it brought all parties to the table," Lieberman explained, referring to the 2002 agreement. "It worked out an agreement that set forth various restric-

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Photo by Lisa Harris

Helping people can be really fun!
Browies from Troop 132, Ann McKee, right, Aidine Rosner and Mary Tackman helped the homeless staying at the North Shore Sheltering Program in Glen Cove by preparing a meal for them. The second graders were fulfilling their troop motto — help those who struggle. See story on page 4.

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**LAURA LANE
EDITOR**

**Downtown revamp still on hold
Lone holdout keeps RXR project in limbo**

By LAURA LANE
Real Estate Holdings LLC — lawyer, Saul Finchel, of Garden hasn't said.
City officials see the project as critical to revitalization of the downtown. Negotiations between RXR and All Island have been ongoing. But as of press time on Wednesday, a deal had not been struck. There has, though, been some headway recently, sources close to the deal say.
"We are confident we can work together and reach an amicable solution," said Chorato's

City. "The RXR representative was very cordial. We had a pleasant meeting and an exchange of views" on Feb. 17.
It was Finchel's first meeting with Frank Hahel, director of RXR's Garveys Point project, which will redevelop 56 acres of waterfront property in Glen Cove — at a cost of a billion dollars.
"Reasonable people can work

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Arrests

■ Man, 41, of Glen Cove, was arrested on two counts of aggravated unlicensed operation, aggravated unlicensed operation in the third degree, and VTL violations on Pearsall Ave. on March 6.

■ Woman, 26, of Glen Cove, was arrested for aggravated unlicensed operation in the second and third degree on Glen Cove Ave. on March 8.

■ Man, 37, of Glen Cove, was arrested for possessing an open container of alcohol and for an open warrant on Glen Street on March 8.

■ Woman, 49, of Glen Cove, was arrested for criminal contempt in the second degree for a violation of an order of pro-

tection on Robinson Avenue on March 9.

■ Man, 18, of Glen Cove, was arrested for aggravated unlicensed operation in the third degree on Shore Road on March 11.

■ Man, 29, was arrested for obstructing governmental administration in the second degree for interfering with a police action on Mason Drive on March 11.

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

Youth Bureau asks to raise summer program rates

By **LISSA HARRIS**

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On the heels of a fee hike to the City of Glen Cove's summer program, the Glen Cove Youth Bureau's popular After 3 school program announced the need to increase its fees for its summer program as well.

At the city council's pre-council meeting, the program's director, Spiro Tsirkas, said that the program would need to generate more revenue in order to keep up with rising program costs. Trips are more expensive now, especially the buses, he said.

A \$50 increase is being proposed. If the hike is approved the six-week summer program would be \$400.

Tsirkas also asked the board to consider opening the program up to non-residents living in Sea Cliff and Bayville. The buses will accommodate up to 100 children so if more children are in the program a rate hike could be avoided.

Currently the After 3 summer program averages 80 children per season. If non-residents were permitted they could be charged \$550 for the six weeks.

Mayor Reggie Spinello asked if the Youth Bureau gives scholarships to children in

need. Tsirkas said yes, adding, "We never turn anyone away."

Children who attend After 3 arrive at 9 a.m. and receive academic enrichment until noon. They are given a lunch and the remainder of the afternoon is devoted to special presentations. Children also go on field trips to area points of interest.

The resolution will be up for a vote at the March 16 city council meeting.

Reissuing municipal bonds

Mayor Spinello proposed that the city reissue some of its municipal bonds. "Reissuing does not mean acquiring new bonds," he explained. "It's more like refinancing the ones we already have to get a better rate."

Reissuing certain bonds could mean a \$936,000 savings over the course of 10 years.

Sandra Clarkson from the city's assessment department said the move would align with the city's other efforts to improve their credit rating with the credit agency Moody's. The city has also reduced their debt by almost \$10 million and has cleaned up some of the general accounts to reflect budget estimates more accurately. The city saw a budget surplus of approximately \$1 million last year and might see even more of a surplus this year, Clarkson added.

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THE WEEK AHEAD

Nearby things to do this week



Taking it to the limit

The Fast Lane appears at The Space at Westbury on Friday, March 17, with their popular tribute to the Eagles. The band has received acclaim as the most authentic sounding Eagles tribute band on the concert circuit. From the impeccable guitar lines of "Hotel California" to the cohesive harmonies of "Peaceful Easy Feeling," the band recreates the Eagles' vibe. Info: (800) 745-3000 or www.ticketmaster.com or www.thespaceatwestbury.com.

Ridotto's "A Touch of Theatre" concert

The Contrast Ensemble performs an artistic-inspired program, at the Huntington Jewish Center, on Sunday, March 17, at 4 p.m. The ensemble's performance, inspired by Russian-born painter Sonia Delauney, includes works by Stravinsky, Lili Boulanger, Debussy, Khatchaturian, and a Copeland piano duo. Info: (631) 385-0373 or www.ridotto.org.



Celebration of women

The Karkowska Sisters Duo invite residents to join their classical music concert at the Glen Cove Public Library on Sunday, March 26 at 2 p.m. The concert will include anecdotes and stories about the music, composers and the important women in their lives in honor of Women's History Month. Info: (516) 676-2130.



Early spring ramble

Fuchs Pond Preserve is one the most popular watering holes of the Crab Meadow Watershed in Northport. Enjoy the outdoors as the Huntington-Oyster Bay Audubon Society will explore the woods on Saturday, March 25 at 8 a.m. The society will look for lingering winter birds like Brown Creeper, Winter Wren, and Rusty Blackbird. The society will also search for Wood Duck and other waterfowl, Wilson's Snipe, and the first amphibians and plants emerging from the thaw. River otters have been documented in this area. Group size is limited to 15. To register, call (516) 782-0293.



Team trivia night

Kristine Janusas challenges residents to participate in Team Trivia Night at The View Grill in Glen Cove on Friday, March 24, 7:30 p.m. Put your knowledge of Hollywood cinema to the test and check out the Special Trivia Menu. \$5 per person to play. Prizes awarded for teams who finish in first,

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MEMBERS OF LOCAL Rotary clubs spoke at a recent G.C. Inter Agency Council meeting.

Rotary clubs share accomplishments with IAC

The Glen Cove Inter Agency Council (IAC) held its monthly meeting on March 8 at the Pratt Pavilion at Glengariff Nursing Home. The speakers at this meeting included members of local Rotary clubs.

Gabor Karsai, the past district governor of Rotary International and the treasurer of the IAC, shared a PowerPoint presentation of his recent trip to Cambodia. He's been spearheading projects for over 10 years there helping to make improvements in the rural communities. Karsai has accomplished a wide variety of projects in Cambodia, including constructing latrines, community ponds,

water wells, bio-sand water filters, daycare and schools for the youngsters.

Paul Beeber, past president of the Glen Cove Rotary Club, spoke about the club's Dress a Child program. The Glen Cove Rotary is purchasing warm winter clothes for over 100 needy local children. With plenty of volunteers, Rotarians take the kids to Target for a shopping spree where the kids can pick out warm winter clothes. The club raises over \$10,000 for this successful program at their annual Golf Outing.

Thomas Gelsdorf, also a past district governor, spoke about a free clinic the local Rotarians are running called Rotacare (RotacareNY.org). Rotacare takes care of the poor and uninsured in the community who otherwise would be without primary care and medication. These people usually rely on emergency rooms that do not provide primary care. Rotacare has many physician and nurse volunteers and an onsite pharmacy. They are open two days a week.

The Glen Cove IAC includes community leaders representing a variety of human and social service agencies serving the Glen Cove area. It reflects Glen Cove's rich cultural, ethnic and religious diversity and meets monthly to identify and address changing needs in the community.

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We do apologize in advance for the inconvenience or scrutiny that this decision may cause the administration, the school, and the staff.

Sincerely,

_____ Parent’s Name

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cc: _____ Classroom Teacher’s Name

HERALD SCHOOLS

Are the state's new science standards good for education?

By **LISSA HARRIS**

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Rolling right along with its agenda to reform education in New York, the State Education Department (NYSED) has adopted new science learning standards. The purpose, according to the department, is to “improve student achievement ... leading to career and college readiness.”

The standards are aligned with the grades 3 through 8 assessment tests and state Regents exams. All school districts must implement them during the 2017-18 school year.

The state's Board of Regents approved the new standards, which are based on the National Research Council's “A Framework for K-12 Science Education” and education reform non-profit, Achieve Inc.'s “Next Generation Science Standards,” after a yearlong process of analyzing the criteria for the new standards. “These standards give all our children the best possible opportunity to succeed,” Board of Regents Chancellor Betty Rosa said in a statement, “while also giving educators the flexibility to design classroom experiences that stimulate students' interest and prepare them for the future.”

Glen Cove Superintendent of Schools Dr. Maria Rianna said that the district has been preparing for new science standards and is ready to implement them. “We've reviewed them with the staff,” Rianna said, “and they will be writing curriculum and matching the standards to support at the secondary and elementary level.”

The standards were developed over a five-year period. The Education Department used information from two public surveys. The first survey, in the summer of 2013, compared the then current science learning standards with the new learning standards created by Achieve Inc. called “Next Generation Science Standards” in order to formulate recommendations to the Board of Regents.

The second survey, which was open for public comment from Dec. 8, 2015, to Feb. 8, 2016, and included a draft copy of the new science standards. According to a press release from NYSED, data from these surveys were analyzed in a “quantitative and qualitative” way and the state

NYS Education plan for science learning

- Create a timeline for the adoption of and transition to implementation of the new state science learning standards.
- Secure funding to support and sustain the implementation process at the state, regional and local levels.
- Ensure that components of the plan — standards, curriculum, professional development to enhance instruction, assessment, materials and resource support, and administrative and community support — are addressed concurrently during the implementation process.

education department used the feedback to update the standards.

But some local parents are not happy with the changes. Kimberly Velentzas, of Glen Cove, believes that the new science standards are just another facet of the same old problem. “The fact that New York state once again is rolling out new standards, this time in science, shows they haven't been listening to parents or educators,” Velentzas said. “Have they learned nothing from the disastrous math standards students, teachers and families continue to suffer through? The only ones benefiting, as usual, are the testing and publishing companies, who continue to profit off our children.”

Velentzas, who has a son in fifth grade and a daughter who is a high school senior, works with other parent advocates in the community to help inform parents about education issues, such as testing requirements and reform, mostly

through an organization called the New York State Alliance for Public Education. NYSAPE's co-founder, Jeanette Deutterman, of North Merrick, is the leader of Long Island Opt-Out.

The opt-out movement on Long Island was a reaction to the federal government's move to encourage states to adopt the Common Core educational standards through federal legislation like No Child Left Behind and the Every Student Succeeds Act.

In 2015 and 2016, more than 20 percent of students on Long Island refused to take the state assessment tests, which are based on the Common Core standards. The students — and their parents — were protesting the implementation of the standards.

The rollout of the state's English and math standards in 2011 were fraught with problems, including confusion over the standards and flaws in the test booklets. Education advocates were not only upset with the rollout but also with the standards, which they claimed were not vetted by teachers. Over the succeeding years, the state took measures to fix the tests and adjust the standards.

Local residents questioned the sincerity of the state's efforts. “It's typical propaganda,” Velentzas said last year at an education forum in Locust Valley. “The shorter tests are shorter by a couple questions. We're hearing horror stories of some kids sitting for six hours.”

Velentzas said that NYSAPE plans to hold another education forum this spring.

The process for the statewide implementation of the new science standards is detailed on the State Education Department's website.

Glen Cove's assistant superintendent for curriculum, instruction and technology, Dr. Michael Israel, said that the administration is ready. “We're in the process of hiring a coordinator of science,” he said. “Currently the science teachers are supervised by their building administrators.”

Teachers in Glen Cove schools have been attending classes offered by BOCES that will help them implement the standards. “We have a good group of teachers who are prepared to help students move into the next generation of science standards,” Israel added.

Still no news about state aid for Glen Cove schools

By **LISSA HARRIS**

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Dr. Maria Rianna, the superintendent of the Glen Cove School District, said at the March 13 meeting of the Board of Education, that she has received no additional information about state aid. The district reported back in January that they were dealing with a \$1.2 million gap in the 2017-18 budget due to a lack of state aid.

Rianna spoke with state Senator Carl Marcellino (R-Syosset) at a superintendent's conference last

month. “[Marcellino] has been very responsive in the past,” Rianna said optimistically. “He indicated there will be state aid money coming down.”

Districts are concerned with state aid because Gov. Cuomo has the power to withhold funding, even mid-year, making it difficult to count on it as trusted revenue. “This is very damaging to districts,” Rianna said. “The governor's power is too

The governor's power is too broad.

DR. MARIA RIANNA
Glen Cove
Superintendent

broad.”

She also spoke to state Assemblyman Charles Lavine (D-Glen Cove) at the conference. Glen Cove School District is unique because they have pockets of extreme wealth and extreme poverty.

Rianna asked Lavine for leniency in mandated state regulations, one of which requires districts to submit a comprehensive education plan for English Language Learner

students. “I explained that we need some flexibility with the implementation,” said Rianna.

She plans to “continue this crusade,” adding that lawmakers “seemed to be open to suggestions.” In the meantime, she is looking at ways to save money so if there is a shortfall they can deal with it. Rianna is committed to keeping the teacher-student ration the same as it is now.

The next board meeting will be on March 27 at 7:30 p.m. at Gribbin Elementary School.

HERALD NEIGHBORS



Courtesy Laura Crosta

THE BAND ROGER STREET FRIEDMAN includes from left, Jim Toscano, Concetta Abbate, and Sea Cliff residents Roger Street Friedman, Matthew Schneider and Frank Ferrara.

Sea Cliff musicians will rock The Space with kids

By **ELIZABETH WINCHESTER**
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"I'm gonna live this life with all my might/Make the most of everyday," sings Roger Street Friedman on "Everyday," the first single from his second album, "Shoot the Moon," which was released in January. The Sea Cliff singer-songwriter is living up to his words. This spring he will be touring with his band, Roger Street Friedman, which includes fellow Sea Cliff musicians Frank Ferrara and Matthew Schneider. This summer the band will take part in Schneider's fifth annual SummerStrings! RockFest, playing music and sharing insight with string players in elementary, middle and high school. The festival culminates with a concert at The Space in Westbury on July 26.

"I am really excited to participate," says Friedman. "I think working and performing the songs with the kids will be a great experience for all of us." Friedman's

new album has been noted to combine Americana, folk, blues, and soul. Schneider, who plays bass with the band in addition to leading the music festival and teaching private string and piano lessons to kids throughout the year, believes Friedman's songs will introduce kids to "some of the American traditions in string music. Roger's music has roots in country music, blues, gospel and fiddling music," says Schneider. "This record just released and I thought it would be cool for kids to be involved in a project that is being born right now."

All band members, including drummer Jim Toscano, violinist Concetta Abatte and guitarist Frank Ferrara, have much experience teaching music to kids. Ferrara, who has taken part in past SummerStrings! concerts gives private lessons, helps his students form bands and encourages them to play at local events. He learned by playing with other musicians and is looking forward to mentor-

ing kids at SummerStrings!

"Playing an instrument on your own is an absolutely wonderful thing," says Ferrara. "However, to experience more fully what it means to be a musician, playing with and for other people, is something for which there is no substitute. I want students to have the full experience of ensemble performance, the 'on-the-job' training."

Schneider designed the festival to do just that. Working with professional musicians "brings real-world musical experiences and artistry to teaching," he explained. Friedman enjoys sharing the inspirations for his songs and looks forward to giving SummerStrings! kids insight into his songwriting. Tracks on "Shoot the Moon" describe life's challenges as well as beautiful moments. "Songwriting is difficult, but also the most fulfilling and cathartic aspect of being a musician," Schneider says.

While SummerStrings! draws kids from surrounding areas,

rehearsals take place in Sea Cliff, a few blocks from where Friedman recorded "Shoot the Moon" in his home studio. He filmed the video in Sea Cliff for his song "Everyday." "We shot it over the course of two days at a number of locations including Woodpecker Hall and Still Partners," Friedman explained. "Sea Cliff is such a beautiful and magical place. The whole community was very supportive and having so many friends participate was wonderful."

Watch Friedman's video at <https://youtu.be/DTXmc1Eld5Q>. Then visit www.seacliffmusic.com for details about how to see the band perform a full set with the SummerStrings! kids in July.

"I am always amazed at the level of talent of the kids in this community, as well as the support for the arts programs," says Friedman. "These children are the next generation of musicians and to participate in a small way in their musical development feels great."

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Thursday, March 16

Live art model class

Celicia Cargill from Authentic HeARTWork teaches you how to draw and paint using a live model at the Gold Coast Public Library, 50 Railroad Ave., Glen Head, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Snacks will be served. (516) 759-8300.

Green homes program

Hosted by Charles Lavine at the Glen Cove Public Library, 4 Glen Cove Ave. Glen Cove, 7 p.m. (516) 676-2130.

Friday, March 17

St. Patrick's Day lunch

Glen Cove Senior Center, 130 Glen St., Glen Cove, 12 p.m. Bagpiper Robert Lynch and the Petri Irish Step Dancers will be featured as well. (516) 759-9610.

Zumba class

Gold Coast Public Library, 50 Railroad Ave., Glen Head, 10:00 a.m. There is a non-refundable \$24 fee due at time of registration. (516) 759-8300.

Saturday, March 18

Trap shooting

Sea Cliff Yacht Club, 42 The Blvd., Sea Cliff at 11 a.m. (516) 671-7374.

Congressman town hall meeting

Democratic congressman Tom Suozzi will hold a town hall meeting at Polish National Home, 10 Hendrick Ave., Glen Cove, 1 to 3 p.m. For more information, call Kim Devlin at (516) 510-3001.

Movie trivia

Test your knowledge Hollywood cinema against Kristine Janusas at the Sea Cliff Village Library, 300 Sea Cliff Ave., Sea Cliff, 2 to 3:30 p.m. Call (516) 671-4290 for reservations.

Live music performance

Thurgood Jenkins will perform at Still Partners, 225 Sea Cliff Ave., Sea Cliff, 8 to 11 p.m.. (516) 200-9229 or www.still-partners.com.

Gardeners seed swap

Meet and greet with fellow gardeners at the Glen Cove Public Library, 4 Glen Cove Ave. Glen Cove, 10 to 1 p.m. (516) 676-2130.

Sunday, March 19

Frostbite sailing

Sea Cliff Yacht Club, 42 The Blvd., Sea Cliff, 1 p.m. (516) 671-7374.

Monday, March 20

Spring gardening lecture

The Plant Doctor, Christine Doctor will share her horticultural gardening skills at the Gold Coast Public Library, 50 Railroad Ave., Glen Head, 7 p.m. (516) 759-8300.

Intermediate Canasta

Jacqui Palatnik will teach strategy of the card game Canasta, 50 Railroad Ave., Glen Head. Participants must have a basic knowledge of the game. (516) 759-8300.



Paint party featuring professional artist

Community members are invited to a paint party on Thursday, March 23 at the Glen Cove Public Library, 4 Glen Cove Ave., Glen Cove, at 7 p.m. Celicia Cargill, artist and Creative Director of Authentic HeARTWork will supply all of the necessary materials for painting.

A fee of \$15 (check or money order payable to Authentic HeARTwork) includes canvas, paint and brushes. Registration is in person at the reference desk. For more information, call (516) 676-2130.

Tuesday, March 21

AARP tax assistance

Glen Cove Senior Center, 130 Glen St., Glen Cove, 10 to 2 p.m. Sign-up is required. (516) 759-9610.

Public service hearing

The New York State Public Service Commission is sponsoring public statement hearings regarding National Grid's petition to eliminate the restrictions that limits energy generation from its Port Jefferson and Glenwood Energy Centers. Gold Coast Public Library, 50 Railroad Ave., Glen Head, 12:30 p.m. (516) 759-8300.

Life center retreat

Sacred Space Long Island invites residents to attend a "Contemplation and Community Retreat" at the Glenwood Life Center from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., 71 Grove St., Glenwood Landing. (516) 399-2575.

Book signing

Bestselling author Imbolo Mbue will discuss her debut novel, Behold the Dreamers at the Glen Cove Public Library, 4 Glen Cove Ave. Glen Cove, 2 p.m. Her novel talks about marriage, immigration, race, and the difficult realities pursuing the American Dream. Refreshments will be served and a book signing will follow the talk. (516) 676-2130.

Hooks and needles

Knitting and crochet group at the Bayville Public Library, 34 School St., Bayville, 7 to 9 p.m. (516) 628-2765 or bayvlib@optonline.net.

Meet trustee candidates

Glen Cove's board of trustees will hold a meet and greet for trustee candidates at

the Glen Cove Public Library, 4 Glen Cove Ave. Glen Cove, 7 p.m. Members of the library will also discuss the library budget. (516) 676-2130.

Glen Cove pre-council meeting

Glen Cove City Hall, 9 Glen Street, Glen Cove. second floor conference room at 6:30 p.m.

Town board meeting

Oyster Bay's Town Board will hold a public meeting at the Town Board Hearing Room, Town Hall East, 54 Audrey Avenue, Oyster Bay, 7 p.m.

Board of education meeting

Oyster Bay-East Norwich Board of Education will hold a public meeting at Oyster Bay High School, 150 E Main St, Oyster

Bay, 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, March 22

Tai Chi class

Instructed by Linda Cafiero at the Gold Coast Public Library, 50 Railroad Ave., Glen Head, 2 p.m. There is a non-refundable \$24 fee due at time of registration. (516) 759-8300.

Open Jam night

The Homestead, 107 South St., Oyster Bay, 8 to 12 a.m. (516) 922-9293.

Thursday, March 23

Board meeting

The North Shore Board of Education will hold a budget review meeting at 7:30 p.m. at the North Shore High School



Spring gardening lecture

Christine Doctor will share her horticultural gardening skills on Monday, March 20, at the Gold Coast Public Library, 50 Railroad Ave., Glen Head, 7 p.m.

library, 450 Glen Cove Ave., Glen Head.

Friday, March 24

Zumba class

Gold Coast Public Library, 50 Railroad Ave., Glen Head, 10:00 a.m. There is a non-refundable \$24 fee due at time of registration. (516) 759-8300.

Gentle yoga

Hosted by therapeutic yoga instructor Morgan Rose at the Bayville Public Library, 34 School St., Bayville, 9:20 a.m. In-person registration is now open. \$40 for 8 classes due at registration time. Please bring mat and water. (516) 628-2765 or bayvlib@optonline.net.

Adult coloring

Sea Cliff Village Library, 300 Sea Cliff Ave., Sea Cliff, 3 3:30 p.m. Coloring sheets and pencils will be available at the Circulation Desk. (516) 671-4290.

Saturday, March 25

Trap shooting

Sea Cliff Yacht Club, 42 The Blvd., Sea Cliff at 11 a.m. (516) 671-7374.

Parent-teen manicure

Kathy Giouvalakis, a licensed nail technician, will teach residents how to conduct a professional manicure by themselves, Gold Coast Public Library, 50 Railroad Ave., Glen Head, 1 to 2:30 p.m. Nail kits will be provided to all participants. Each person must register separately. (516) 759-8300.

Yoga for beginners

Oyster Bay-East Norwich Public Library, 89 East Main Street, Oyster Bay, 9:20 to 10:20 a.m. Please bring a yoga mat or towel with you to each class. \$25 per person, due at registration (Cash only). (516) 922-1212.

Mother-daughter book club

Discussions of popular tween novels, Bayville Public Library, 11:30 a.m. The featured novel is Roller Girl by Victoria Jamieson. Call (516) 628-2765 or email ashleysweeting@gmail.com to reserve a copy.

Sunday, March 26

Frostbite sailing

Sea Cliff Yacht Club, 42 The Blvd., Sea Cliff, 1 p.m. (516) 671-7374.

Yiddish Light Opera performance

The Gilbert & Sullivan Yiddish Light Opera Company will perform Di Yam Gazloniam at the Sid Jacobson Jewish Community Center, 300 Forest Dr., Greenvale, 2 p.m. Presented by the Holocaust Memorial and Tolerance Center and the Sid Jacobson JCC. Tickets are \$18. (516) 484-1545 or registration@sjcc.org.

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NEIGHBORS IN THE NEWS



Photo courtesy Judge McCord

JUDGE RICHARD J. McCord invited students from Long Island Lutheran Day School and Glen Cove Middle School to learn about the court process.

L.I. Lutheran students visit G.C. City Court

Building on a long tradition of inviting local students to participate in the courtroom experience, Supervising City Court Judge Richard McCord invited a group of students from Long Island Lutheran Day School and Glen Cove Middle School to visit the Glen Cove City Court. They learned firsthand what it feels like to be inside a real courtroom.

Judge McCord's motto has always been "education is the best form of crime prevention." Since 2002, his Teen Court Program, in which local high school students are trained to take the roles of attorneys and jurors in actual low-level cases involving youthful offenders, has attracted praise and attention statewide.

"There is no better way for young peo-

ple to develop a healthy respect for the law than by learning, firsthand, what courtroom practices and procedures are really like," McCord said.

From Community Reader programs at the elementary schools to Career Exploration meetings at the middle school to the high school, McCord has made education and our young people one of his first priorities. The judge participates in ongoing lectures and discussions with students of all ages on the classroom level, answering their questions about everything, from careers in the legal system to what happens when a case comes up before a judge.

"The kids are great. I hope, in some way, that I'm helping them grow up into responsible citizens."



Photo courtesy of GC Sons of Italy

LOGGIA GLEN COVE No. 1016 members are proud of their heritage.

G.C. Sons of Italy installs new council members

Loggia Glen Cove No. 1016, Order Sons of Italy in America recently held their annual installation ceremony at the lodge. It was attended by officers from the New York State Grand Lodge, lodge presidents, officers from other local lodges, dignitaries, members, family and friends.

New York State Deputy to Loggia Glen Cove No. 1016 Robert Ferrari, presided in place of the president for the installation of the officers. John Fratta, State Financial Secretary acted as herald and was assisted by Angelo Grande and Commissioner of Arbitration and State Trustee Luigi Squillante.

The following Council Members were installed:

President – Portia Ryder

1st Vice President – Kathryn Grande

2nd Vice President – Joseph Desmond
Immediate Past President, Joseph A. Gallo

Orator – Steve Ryder

Recording Secretary – Patricia DeCicco
Goldstein

Financial Secretary – Patricia Mumford

Corresponding Secretary – Antonetta
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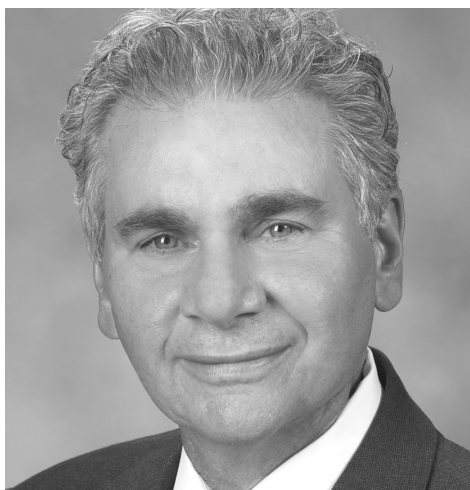
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**Sea Cliff Mayor
Ed Lieberman**



**Glen Cove Mayor
Reggie Spinello**

Spinello and Lieberman still disagree

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tions and use parameters on structures at the Garvies Point waterfront property.”

The memorandum was created by Sea Cliff’s mayor at the time, Claudio Moine, and a community alliance group in Glen Cove. It laid out the scope of construction at the Garvies Point waterfront property, with height and use restrictions.

Sea Cliff officials’ goal was to persuade Glen Cove officials to include recreational amenities in any construction, including

parks, a convention center and a hotel. Village officials say they believe the memorandum’s criteria, along with environmental issues, make clear why they filed the lawsuit.

RXR, the developer of the project, was also named in the lawsuit.

Michael Zarin, the attorney who represented the city, said the case was dismissed because the memorandum of agreement was not an official document. “The law is very clear that to have a binding agreement, there must be a resolution,” Zarin explained. “It was never enforced, never approved by actions, and nobody complained for 15 years.”

Even if the agreement had been binding, Zarin added, there is a six-year statute of limitations for filing a complaint of violation.

Sea Cliff’s board of trustees discussed at length whether to file an appeal. “We have to be aware of budgetary concerns when we prosecute anything because of cost to the village,” Lieberman said.

Any action the board takes “has to fit the budgetary parameters ... because we can’t fundraise like a private group can.” He was referring to groups like the privately funded Committee for a Sustainable Waterfront, comprising residents, which also sued the city and lost.

The Sea Cliff board approved funding for an appeal. They hope that an appellate court will rule in its favor after reviewing the legal suit, which has an environmental component in it. The village doesn’t believe that the DEC did a comprehensive review of the property.

Zarin said that the appeal “doesn’t mean much” for the city. He’s confident the lower court decision will be upheld.

Lieberman believes that the second phase of the project would change the entire feel of the seaside village. Soon after he was appointed mayor, he met with Spinello to discuss the project. He wanted Spinello to understand that Sea Cliff’s board of trustees was committed to the appeal, and that he hoped the municipalities could discuss their differences. “I didn’t get an unfavorable opinion,” Lieberman said.

Zarin does not understand why Sea Cliff officials have become so opposed to the project after appearing supportive at the start of the process — even attending the groundbreaking ceremony. “Why does someone get notice for 15 years, come to a shovel ceremony, never object and then all of a sudden object?” Zarin said incredulously. “I think there may be something more internal going on with Sea Cliff.”



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Tournament company could bring money and visitors

By **LISSA HARRIS**
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Dan Cox, chair of the Glen Cove Recreation Commission and member of the Community Development Association, proposed a revenue share agreement between the City of Glen Cove and travel baseball company, Perfect Game, to the mayor and members of the city council at the pre-council meeting on March 7.

Cox brought in Tom Hopke, a Glen Cove resident and board member of the Glen Cove Junior Baseball and Softball League, to discuss the idea. He also works as a consultant for Major League Baseball.

If approved, the fields that would be used by the travel baseball company would include the Roy Campanella Field, named after the Glen Cove Baseball Hall of Famer.

"None of the tournament games will interfere with any current city or school teams," Hopke said. "Perfect Game is the leader in travel baseball and collegiate recruiting, with a net worth of over \$3 million."

According to its website, the company offers many services to young athletes looking to attract the eye of choice colleges, including detailed scouting reports and video recording of tourna-

ment games.

Travel teams have become more popular in youth sports over the last decade. According to the National Collegiate Athletic Association, college recruiting requires close evaluation of potential player's skills. This will often happen during a competition game where college representatives will be present. The more competitive the game the more impressed the recruiter will be. Travel teams, which involve a wider range of areas and teams to play against, provide the needed opportunity for increased competition among youth athletes.

Hopke said that a Perfect Game franchise, which would include approximately 10 tournaments, would bring approximately 1,800 visitors to Glen Cove every season. The age of tournament players range from nine and 10-year-olds to 16, 17, and 18-year olds.

"Ten tournaments could bring in an estimated \$12.5 million in revenue," Hopke said. "That's partly based on the fee that 48 teams pay to play."

Glen Cove would own the franchise and share the revenue with Perfect Game. They would be responsible for all costs and reimburse the city for any costs laid out that occur within the same year. Tournaments would occur on the weekends with a weeklong national showcase at the end of the season.

"The only other Perfect Game franchise is in Staten Island," Hopke said. "The draw would be from Long Island, Queens, Brooklyn, and the Bronx."

Hopke also said that Perfect Game would be interested in helping the city eventually to install turf fields and would help defray some of the cost.

"We've always wanted turf, indoor facilities, adequate parking," Cox said. "I've been to some of these other facilities, there's nothing around. Ours would be surrounded by lots of activities and food."

Councilman Tim Tenke asked about preparations for the current fields. "Aside from availability," Tenke asked, "what do we have to do?"

Cox replied that with some unspent

None of the tournament games will interfere with any current city or school teams.

TOM HOPKE
Glen Cove resident

grant money that the city received from the N.Y. Mets baseball franchise, the city could improve the existing fields until they choose to make the move to artificial turf. Cox also said that Perfect Game has very strict rules for the treatment of the fields during game-play, including re-lining the fields after each game.

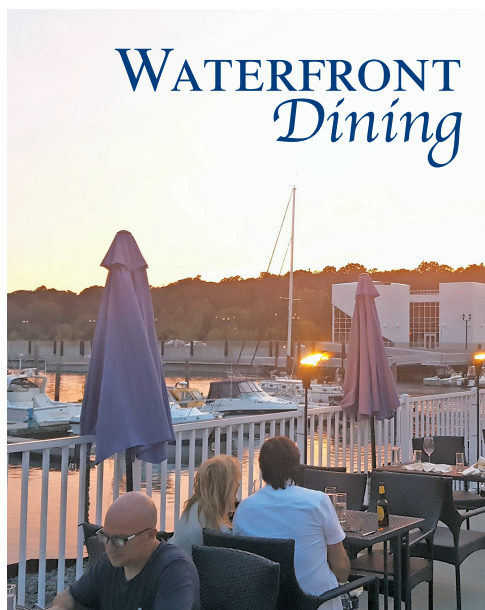
Mayor Reggie Spinello said that the public relations department of the city could create an activities and food guide for visitors who come for the tournaments and that the partnership could benefit many of the surrounding villages as well. "Families could stay for the entire weekend," Spinello mused. "Kids can even go out to Bayville to go play mini-golf."

Cox said the members of the recreation committee voted unanimously to approve the project. "It's one of the lowest risk things I've seen," Cox concluded. "[It's] only for 10 weeks for the first year and then we can review after the seasons over."

While travel fees can be expensive, from \$5,000 to \$12,000 a season, Hopke assured the council that they would never turn a player away for their inability to pay. The start date for tournaments would be in July of 2017.

The city council members agreed to continue discussing the issue.

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It's all in the family for grand marshals

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this with Mom," he said.

Julie, who originally considered a career in business like her parents, decided instead to work as a draftsman for the Long Island Lighting Company. In 1955 she married Robert Albin, from Glen Cove. "Bob was a handsome sailor, of Irish descent," she said. Being Irish, she added, has always been important to her.

In 1958, she went to work for her sister, Terry, as a receptionist at Tamar Hair Stylist in Locust Valley. Some of the customers were the wives of local doctors, and one of them sponsored Julie when she became a member of the Glen Cove Hospital Ladies Auxiliary. She remains a member, and has accrued more than 9,000 hours of volunteer work.

She loves volunteering at the hospital, she said, but also has a personal connection there. "When my son was 14, he said he wanted to go to West Point," Julie recalled. "I told him he had to do community service to go there. He went to Glen Cove Hospital and volunteered in the emergency room."

Chris soon became fascinated by medicine. "He spent his life there, and I never had to worry where my son was," Julie said. "He ended up becoming a registered nurse. I wanted to give back to the hospital."

Chris said that watching doctors and nurses work feverishly to save lives was what made him want a career in medicine, specifically as an emergency room nurse. "I still am a nurse," he said. "I wanted to be a police officer and a nurse. I've been an R.N. since 1988."



Photo by Laura Lane

THIS YEAR'S GRAND marshals for Glen Cove's St. Patrick's Day Parade are a mother and son — Julie and Christopher Albin.

Chris is also a drummer. When he was 12 he joined the Gordon Highlander's Pipe Band at the Locust Valley American Legion. His father joined, too, and the two had many memorable experiences together, which Chris treasures.

"I played the opening of the Hard Rock Café in New York City, multiple times at the Waldorf Astoria, and at a floating barge party in New York Harbor during the Macy's Fourth of July fireworks display," he recalled. "And yes, even Carnegie Hall."

According to Chris, the best thing about his time with the Gordon Highlander's was the fact that he got to experience all of this

with his father.

Chris joined the Glen Cove Police Department in 1994. During his 23 years there, he has worked on patrol, DWI enforcement, motorcycle patrol, narcotics enforcement and his current position as a detective. St. Patrick's Day is a special day for him, and not only because he is Irish. He was promoted to detective on St. Patrick's Day 2011.

Chris is also proud to be a Hibernian. "The Irish community needs to continue," he said. "They were a big part of developing this country. Our heritage needs to stay alive so people will remember what the Irish

did for this country."

The Albins will be accompanied by aides Sophie McCabe and Fred Hill. McCabe, a graduate of Glen Cove High School, became a payroll assistant, and volunteers at the Glen Cove Senior Center. Her husband, Jim, who died last year, was probably Glen Cove's most active Hibernian.

Hill is a Vietnam veteran who served in the 101st Airborne Division, and a longtime Hibernian. A former post office employee, he also worked in construction, and started his own business, Fred Hill Construction, in 1977. He has been involved in the parade since it began in 1989.

"Aides are usually picked by our parade committee," Andrew Stafford, the Hibernians treasurer, explained. Stafford, who is also the event's post chair, ran the parade from 2001 to 2010.

The proceeds from the parade always go to charities. This year's designees are the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial and the American Cancer Society.

Preparing for the parade is a yearlong process. "We sell raffle tickets and a commemorative journal, and secure small sponsorships," Stafford said. "It's all raised by our members to benefit charities."

Lisa Forgiione has chaired the parade for the past four years. "I do it for my Irish heritage and my Irish friends and family," she said, adding that it's a lot of work, but she enjoys it. "I have to admit, though, it's good to relax the day after the parade."

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At 91, Glen Cove resident Fred Mueller has not let his age stop him from doing what he loves — telling jokes. Mueller, who has been a comedian for 12 years, headlined his own comedy show for the first time at The Regency Assisted Living on March 9. He is a resident there.

Laughter was heard throughout the audience, which mostly consisted of senior citizens, as Mueller told each of his jokes. He received a huge standing ovation from the crowd and smiled with joy when he heard the round of applause.

"I enjoy getting up in front of people and hearing them laugh over the jokes that I am telling them," Mueller said.

He was so popular that day that even when he checked the small sheet of paper that he had in his pocket — to make sure he didn't forget any of the jokes — the crowd clapped.

Mueller has performed open mic comedy at libraries, coffee houses, and bars throughout New York. But he said he would have loved to be an actor but instead. In recent years, Mueller had not performed as often, so Pat Marone, chef at The Regency Assisted Living, who is also a comedian, thought it would be a great idea to have Mueller headline his very own comedy show.

"He came to me one day and he told me that he used to do comedy and he



Nakeem Grant/Herald

LEFT TO RIGHT, Manuel Erias, George Saltz, Fred Mueller, Debbie Bazza, Pat Marone, and Les Bayer at The Regency Assisted Living. Each comedian volunteered their time to support Mueller's dreams.

was so happy to hear that I would help him put a show together," Marone said. "I picked some of my comedy friends who are volunteering their time and it was great to see this all come together."

Marone also said the atmosphere at the assisted living home is a great place for people like Mueller to refuel his passion. He said he knew the residents

would love the jokes that Mueller prepared.

"I hope the residents are excited but half of them are sleeping," Marone said jokingly. "I have a lot of cooking demos here and they love that so it is great to see that they were also excited to watch Fred perform."

Manuel Erias, who goes by his stage

name, "Tugboat Manny," also performed at the assisted living home and said that Mueller is his role model. Erias is an advocate for mental health and he said that performing with people like Mueller gives him fulfillment.

"It means so much to me to be here and to see a 91-year-old person living his dream," Erias said. "To see the smile on his face and everyone else's face makes me want to do this every day."

The Regency Assisted Living has helped many people get back on their feet, including the late Marty Napoleon, a jazz pianist who performed with musician Louis Armstrong. Stella Shank, director of special projects said he had stopped playing the piano for 10 years before he arrived at the assisted living home.

"We kept nudging him to play the piano and he eventually started playing again and he even started booking gigs," Shank said. "We gave him a rebirth and this might be the same thing for Fred so we are really excited."

Mueller has lived in Glen Cove for only three months but he already likes the town, its residents, and everything that the assisted living home has done for him. He said he has many more jokes on his list that he did not have the chance to perform at his comedy show. He would love to share them at a performance in the future.

"I still have a good memory for jokes even though I am 91 years old," he said.

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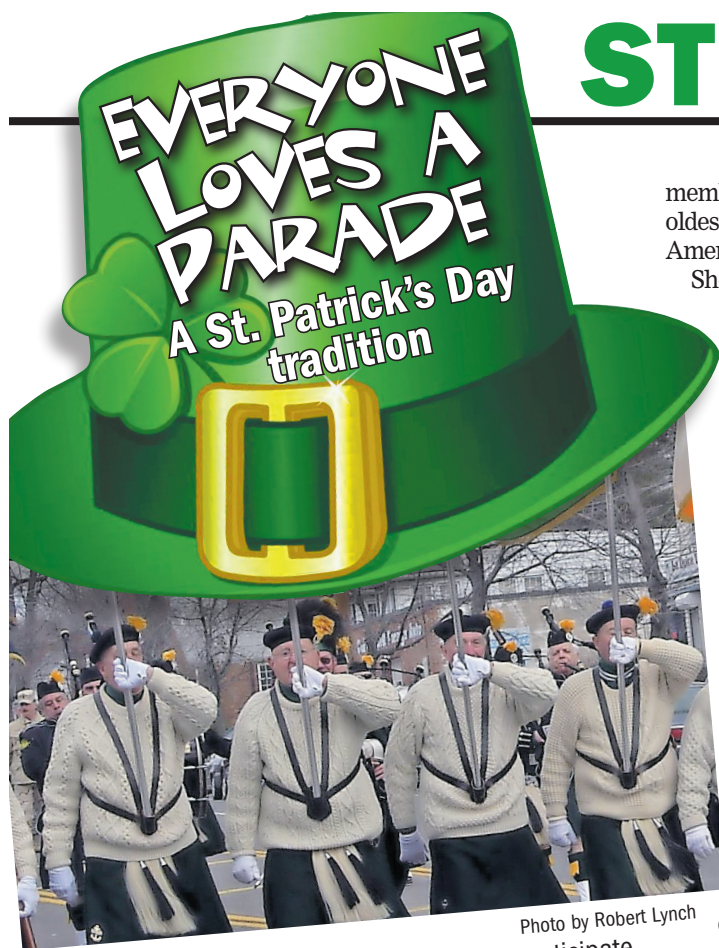
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STEPPING OUT

Where to go, what to do,
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member of the Ancient Order of Hibernians (the oldest and largest Irish Catholic organization in America) knows quite a bit about this popular North Shore parade.

"The St. Patrick's Parade in Glen Cove is unique for its hometown, family feeling," O'Connell told the Herald Gazette.

"I've been to a great many parades honoring the Patron Saint of Ireland, and they're all great. Rockville Centre's parade, the Irish-American Society's one in Mineola, many in Suffolk and the famous one up Fifth Avenue in Manhattan are all joyous and fine opportunities to show Irish pride. But for a happy day of community and family fun, Glen Cove's march is the place to be."

"I was honored to be the grand marshal of Glen Cove's parade a few years back, and I've been marching in it for 20 years, so I know the tons of work that members of Division 8 of the Ancient Order of Hibernians and the Ladies AOH put into organizing this parade for the Glen Cove-area communities every year. Enjoy all the parades as I do, but know there is no more genuinely nice and heartwarming parade than the Hibernian parade in Glen Cove."

Led by Grand Marshals Julie Albin and Christopher Albin, the parade begins to form up at 12 p.m. at Finley Middle School on Forest Avenue. It steps off at 1 p.m. following the usual route through downtown Glen Cove to St. Patrick's Church. Ample parking is available in the municipal garages and at the end of the parade route. Shuttle buses will run between the parking areas and the formation area.

This year's parade is followed by a family-friendly post-parade party, hosted by the Glen Cove Hibernians, at St. Patrick's Parish Hall, at the end of the parade route. For more information, visit www.gcirish.org or call (516)-782-7494.

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Photo by John C. O'Connell

The parade draws a mix of community groups and residents, including Kevin Horton, founder of the Gold Coast Gazette, seen here at a previous parade.

A colorful array of marchers enthusiastically participate, sharing their Irish pride.

It's been said that Irish descendants in the U.S. put on a noisier and bigger St. Patrick's Day celebration than their brethren in Ireland. That's certainly holds true in Glen Cove, where thousands descend each year in a grand salute to the Old Country.

A proud occasion

The 29th annual St. Patrick's Day parade, on Sunday, March 19, is not only the largest annual parade in Glen Cove, but a joyous civic celebration that is eagerly awaited by residents — on both the North Shore and South Shore — each year. Sponsored by the Glen Cove Hibernians, it is regarded by many as Long Island's premiere St. Patrick's Day celebration and one of the most colorful in the country — featuring a large number of pipe bands, marching bands and other attractions.

The heart of the parade, as always, is its exciting mix of marching groups who participate in the jubilant spectacle. A true community event, antique cars, motorcycles, twirlers, Scouts, and Irish Dance Academies, and costumed performers, along with fire and police units, take part. The parade forms behind the Finley Middle School on Forest Avenue.

John O'Connell, the former executive editor of Herald Community Newspapers, and a national board



Irish soda bread, whether in its traditional form, or a new version, is a welcome treat year round, but essential for your St. Patrick's Day menu.

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Bring some of that Patrick's Day spirit into your home by eating festively. Favorites including, corned beef and cabbage, Irish stew and soda bread, of course, are always appealing.

Among these quintessential foods, Irish Soda Bread is a tasty quick bread that everyone enjoys and is easy to make. It gets its name from the baking soda used as a leavener, instead of yeast. While traditionally made with only flour, buttermilk, salt and baking soda, there are all sorts of modern takes on this delectable bread that are worth trying.

Irish Soda Bread

- 2 1/2 cups all-purpose flour
- 3 tablespoons sugar
- 2 teaspoons baking powder
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/3 cup cold butter, cut into chunks
- 1 1/4 cups buttermilk
- 1/2 cup currants or raisins

Heat oven to 375°F. Line baking sheet with parchment paper; set aside.

Combine all ingredients except buttermilk and currants in bowl; cut in butter until mixture resembles coarse crumbs. Stir in buttermilk and currants just until moistened.

Turn dough onto lightly floured surface; knead gently 10 times. Shape into ball. Place onto prepared baking sheet. Pat into 6-inch circle. Cut 1/2 inch deep "X" in top of dough with sharp knife.

Bake 30-35 minutes or until golden brown. Serve warm — with hot tea and organic jam, Irish stew, traditional Irish cabbage dishes — or enjoy on its own.

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IN CONCERT Alan Doyle

Canada's treasured musician-storyteller, Alan Doyle, visits Long Island with his traveling band, the Beautiful Gypsies, for an ebullient evening of folk-rock. Doyle, an actor, producer and newly-minted best-selling author, best known as lead singer-guitarist for Newfoundland's beloved Great Big Sea, is on tour following the release of his recent solo album, "So Let's Go." During his time with Canadian folk-rock group Great Big Sea, Doyle created a specific sound that borrowed from Celtic traditions, rock, and traditional sea shanties that established an enthusiastic following. With



WEEKEND Out and About

Great Big Sea now officially retired, Doyle has continued this tradition on his own, still fusing Newfoundland traditional music with his own pop sensibilities. *Saturday, March 18, at 8 p.m. \$35, \$30 and \$25. Landmark on Main Street, Jeanne Rimsky Theater, 232 Main St., Port Washington. (516) 767-6444 or www.landmarkonmainstreet.org.*

ON STAGE Chris Botti

The acclaimed trumpeter-composer's creative expression begins in jazz and expands beyond the limits of any single genre. His signature sound transcends the worlds of pop, jazz and classical music. He's worked with a wide range of performers, including



Paul Simon, Yo-Yo Ma, Herbie Hancock, Mark Knopfler, Barbra Streisand, and, in a career altering partnership, was featured in Sting's band in the late '90s. Since the release of his 2004 acclaimed album "When I Fall In Love," he has released four #1 jazz albums and has amassed many honors, including multiple Gold and Platinum albums and a Grammy Award for "Impressions" (2012), which cemented his reputation as one of the most innovative figures in contemporary music. *Sunday, March 19, 7 p.m. \$75, \$60, \$40. Tilles Center for the Performing Arts, LIU Post, Rte. 25A, Brookville. (800) 745-3000 or www.ticketmaster.com or www.tillescenter.org.*

Performances/ On Stage

Jekyll & Hyde

The musical horror-drama based on Robert Louis Stevenson's classic tale, Thursday and Friday, March 16-17, 8 p.m.; Saturday, March 18, 3 and 8 p.m.; Sunday, March 19, 2 and 7 p.m. \$76 and \$71. John W. Engeman Theater, 250 Main St., Northport. (631) 261-2900.

Music Jam

Bring an acoustic instrument and voice and join in or just listen, Thursday, March 16, 7:30 p.m. Sea Cliff Library, 300 Sea Cliff Ave., Sea Cliff. 671-4290.

Sarah Jarosz

The multi-instrumentalist/vocalist in concert, Friday, March 17, 8 p.m. \$35, \$30 and \$25. Jeanne Rimsky Theater at Landmark on Main Street, 232 Main St., Port Washington. 767-6444 or www.landmarkonmainstreet.org.



Chris Smither and David Lindley

Guitar masters Chris Smither and David Lindley join forces for a dynamic double bill on the Landmark on Main Street stage, on Sunday, March 26, at 7 p.m.

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Johnny Rivers

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The lively musical revue featuring the

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For the Kids

Storytime

All ages are invited to a weekend story-time session, Saturday, March 18, 11:30 a.m. Gold Coast Public Library, 50 Railroad Ave., Glen Head. 759-8300 or www.goldcoastlibrary.org.

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Follow along with a lonely frog prince who lives in a swamp on a large kingly estate, Saturday, March 18, 1 p.m. \$10, \$8 chil-

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See "Hacksaw Ridge," the historical drama based on the true story of a pacifist Army medic who served during the Battle of Okinawa, Tuesday, March 21, 6 p.m. Glen Cove Public Library, 4 Glen Cove Ave., Glen Cove. 676-2130.

Film Time

See "Lion," the drama based on a true story of a young Indian boy who gets lost thousands of miles away from home and years later reconnects with his family, Tuesday, March 21, 1:15 p.m. Sea Cliff Library, 300 Sea Cliff Ave., Sea Cliff. 671-4290.

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Movie Showing

See "Allied," a romantic spy thriller about a Canadian intelligence officer who develops a relationship with a French resistance fighter during World War II, with Brad Pitt, Thursday, March 23, 2 and 6:30 p.m. Oyster Bay-East Norwich Public Library, 89 East Main St., Oyster Bay. 922-1212.

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HERALD SPORTS

Glen Cove eyes strong season

By JD FREDA
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Implemented for the start of this season, the Nassau County girls lacrosse conferences have been realigned based off recent team records.

North Shore, which competed in Conference B last season, will now contend against competitors in Conference C after a sub-.500 finish last year. However, unwavering head coach Nicole Sileo is taking this as an opportunity to make improvements, gain traction, and eventually be in contention for a conference championship.

In early preseason practices, the Lady Big Red, led offensively by two Division II recruits, is focused on fortifying an identity and building upon its strengths from last season. Sileo also made it a point that she values her girls trusting each other and playing as one on the field.

“Early on, personally, them jelling and working as a team is important,” Sileo said.

With a combination of a large group of returning seniors and a mixture of underclassmen all set to contribute this spring, Sileo is confident of her team’s ability to be competitive. Two of the program’s returning seniors have also committed to play at the Division II level.

Alyssa Zangari and Tristyn Hudson will be playing lacrosse next year at Mollo College and the University of Cumberlands respectively. Before graduating, though, they look to leave their mark on this year, their senior season.

Sileo had nothing but flattering words and confidence in not only Zangari and Hudson, but all of her returning seniors. She spoke briefly about her seniors on the offensive end. “We have some seniors that are extremely good athletes and lacrosse players. Their ball-handling skill and overall lacrosse IQ is excellent and they are a real threat on offense.”

Sileo also lauded the work ethic and overall improvement over the offseason of sophomore goalie Colleen Lynch. “She has been working really hard over the past year,” Sileo stated. “She has improved a lot for this season.”

One of Glen Cove’s strengths last season includes its defensive pressure on the ball, and Sileo believes that the success her team saw defensively last year is only a glimpse of what is yet to come with so many returning starters.

As the regular season begins to inch closer, Sileo had asked some of her players what their goals and aspirations for the upcoming season would be. The answers, as she stated, were of a resounding hunger to take home the conference title.

Sileo, a college lacrosse player under LIU head coach Meghan McNamara (.861 career winning percentage), looks to take what she calls her “true lacrosse education” taught by McNamara and instill it in her team.

Glen Cove has athleticism and skill on



Tony Bellissimo/Herald

THE BIG RED will be counting on, clockwise from bottom left, Lindsey Patton, Alyssa Zangari, Tristyn Hudson and Katherine Willson, to lead the way to good things this spring.

the offensive end and the ability to hassle opposing team’s with various layers of irritable pressure to make up a stingy defense. The path to ultimately attaining a conference title has already begun, on the

frigid grass fields of Glen Cove, attaining a team identity and working towards one true goal.

Glen Cove is set to open its season at home against West Hempstead on March 21.

BASKETBALL PLAYOFFS

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NIFA OKs up to \$500k for budget cut consultant

By **ERIK HAWKINS AND MELISSA KOENIG**
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The Nassau County Interim Finance Authority will use up to \$500,000 for an outside consultant to identify county budget cuts that can be made to avoid a possible \$100 million shortfall in 2018.

Although NIFA, after a lengthy and contentious back and forth, approved the Legislature's and County Executive Ed Mangano's 2017 budget in December, the financial control board still found "significant budgetary risks," according to a Jan. 20 request for proposal.

Nassau is the only county in New York that is required to pay all property tax refunds rather than individual districts, at a yearly cost of \$100 million or more, which is covered mostly through borrow-

ing, according to the New York Property Tax Monitor.

According to NIFA Chairman Adam Barsky, the county borrows an average of \$80 million a year to fulfill that guarantee, and the deficit further increases when the county has to borrow money to settle a lawsuit.

In an attempt to mitigate this problem, NIFA plans to have its consultant present the Legislature with proposals to cut spending in the 2018 budget on May 31.

"We would like to work with Nassau County," Barsky said in February, "but we want to be prepared that in the event we get presented with a budget that is not sufficiently balanced, we can make our own cuts."

County officials scrambled for months to find revenues with which to reduce the

2017 budget deficit. Last September, Mangano proposed increasing certain traffic fines by \$105. After citizens complained, the Legislature decided to reduce the proposed hike to \$55, leaving a \$36 million gap in the budget.

Nassau's finalized budget includes a freeze on hiring new police officers until March, a reduction of bus funding and an end to aid for local villages. The Legislature also voted to increase the tax map verification fee for real estate transactions by \$130. These proposals reduced the projected deficit from \$142 million to \$106 million.

NIFA does not believe this is enough, however. "We still see significant pressure on spending," Barsky said, "so they need to make more significant efforts to either reduce their spending or increase their revenue, and increasing the reve-

nue doesn't appear to be on the agenda for this year."

According to a NIFA spokesman, the scope or actual cost of the consultant's work is still unknown, but negotiations will begin soon with the top two of the nine consultants who responded to the RFP.

According to NIFA's resolution, which was approved unanimously last week, the consultant, or consultants, will "review [the county's] budget and multi-year financial plan in order to make recommendations on operational, structural and financial matters with the goal of yielding immediate financial savings for the county. These recommendations are to be in the form of reduced expenditures, which can be implemented immediately without legislative actions or delays caused by existing labor contracts or laws."

County has until March 31 to turn over all contracts to NIFA

By **ERIK HAWKINS**
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After demanding in November that County Executive Ed Mangano's office turn over all county labor contracts by the end of January, the Nassau County Interim Finance Authority has extended the deadline to March 31.

The financial control board said, in a Nov. 29 letter, that they had tried multiple times over the past year to obtain the con-

tracts, only to be provided with an insufficient, "multi-volume set of materials."

What the county provided was not what NIFA "expected, or were seeking," NIFA Chair Adam Barsky wrote in the letter.

The Nov. 29 directive was a formal demand for the contracts, with the penalty for noncompliance potentially being NIFA not approving any new contracts.

Many of the contracts in question, including those with the Civil Service Employees Association and Police Benevolent Associa-

tion, are set to expire at the end of 2017.

In the letter, Barsky said that the contracts had previously been approved without NIFA being provided with "a single discreet contract" for each union. "To date we have not had any response from the county assuring us that they are working on compiling the terms of all the contracts into the format that NIFA requested," Barsky wrote.

NIFA indicated in the letter that if the documents were not provided, the control board would deny new or renewed labor

contracts when they expire.

Representatives of the CSEA, PBA and Superior Officers Association had not responded to requests for information on the state of their contracts by press time.

Brian Sullivan, president of the Sheriff's Correction Officers Benevolent Association, said in December that both the association and county have possession of a substantial document containing all contractual information, and that they have not been asked to produce any other information.



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A burglary is the illegal entering and remaining inside a building (house) for the purpose of committing a crime therein. A robbery is the physical use of force, or threatened use of physical force to obtain property from another person. Your typical burglar wants to get into your house, steal property, and leave without being seen. There are some things you can do to make sure you don't become a burglary victim.

■ When leaving your home lock the doors and windows. Don't make it easy for a criminal to get inside your house. I've been to many burglaries and many times the homeowner explains that they left a door or window unlocked.

■ If you have an alarm, set the alarm. If you are paying a service to have the alarm it makes sense to utilize it.

■ Install sensor lights around your home. Remember burglars don't want to be seen. Sensor lights are pretty easy to install and they are relatively cheap. Timers can also be utilized to turn your lights on and off while you are away.

■ If you are going away don't advertise it. Although it may be nice to put the highlights of your vacation on social media

sites in doing so, you might also be sending out an invitation for a thief to come over and break into your house. The thief may be enjoying your valuables while you are enjoying your vacation.

■ A dog is a great burglary deterrent. Even a small dog that likes to bark can deter someone from breaking into your home.

■ If you are away, have a neighbor or family member collect your mail, and stop newspaper deliveries. There is nothing better for a burglar than to see than five or six newspapers lying in your driveway. It screams: "We are not home!"

■ Be a nosy neighbor. If you see a suspicious vehicle or person in your neighborhood give the police a call. We like it when you call us to report something suspicious, your call may prevent a crime like a burglary from being committed.

■ Technology is a great thing. Various companies now offer wireless cameras that you can place in various locations inside your home that detect motion. Once movement is detected, not only do they notify your smartphone but they also record the intruder.

It is always a good practice to take pictures of your jewelry and other valuable items. Pictures can be very useful in helping us identify your property after the bur-



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glary has taken place. You should hide your valuables but don't hide them in your sock drawer. A lot of people think that's a good hiding spot, but it's not. If someone does get into your house they will certainly look in your bedroom for things to steal.

When it comes to home protection, stay alert, lock your doors, don't make it easy for anyone to get into your house. If you are going on vacation, you can notify the Glen Cove Police at (516) 676-1000. Let us know how long you will be gone and what cars will be in your driveway. Remember, "an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure."

OBITUARIES

Carmine Gigliotti

Carmine Gigliotti, 86, of Glen Cove, N.Y. died on March 8, 2017. Husband of the late Michelina and father of Nella (Gino), Maria (Dave), Albert (Donna) & Michael (Jessica). Grandfather of Albert, Carina, Adrianna, Anthony & Olivia. Mass was held at the Church of St. Rocco. Visitation was held at Dodge-Thomas Funeral Home, 26 Franklin Ave., Glen Cove, N.Y. Entombment at Holy Rood Cemetery. www.dodgethomas.com

Parker Davis

Parker Davis, 83, of Glen Cove, N.Y., died on March 5, 2017. Beloved partner in life for over 20 years to Kathryn Regan. Loving "Poppy" to Devan Bernstein and devoted father to Jay and Scott. Parker was an avid golfer at the Glen Cove Golf Course and loved the Washington Red Skins professional football team. Services and internment were conducted privately through Dodge-Thomas Funeral Home, 26 Franklin Ave. Glen Cove, N.Y. www.dodgethomas.com



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Dear Great Book Guru,
I plan to be celebrating St. Patrick's Day in Brooklyn this week with friends and family. I know I annoy them with my many, many questions about this popular borough so I would like to read something that will provide me with some answers. Any suggestions?
Baffled by Brooklyn



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the Southern migration, two World Wars, the postwar suburban exodus, and finally bringing us to today's Brooklyn — one of the world's most desirable urban and urbane locations. The roles ship building, sugar distilleries, subway lines, bridges, and yes, breweries played in Brooklyn's history are highlighted throughout in colorful detail. Focusing on seven neighborhoods—Park Slope, Williamsburg, the Brooklyn Navy Yard, Sunset Park, Bedford-Stuyvesant, Brownsville, and Canarsie — she details how each exemplifies "what it takes to bring a city back." In later chapters,

she wrestles with the question "can this new wealth lift up the long disadvantaged?" Highly recommended!

Would you like to ask the Great Book Guru for a book suggestion? Contact her at annmdipietro@gmail.com.

Dear Baffled by Brooklyn,
I remember reading a short story by Thomas Wolfe "Only the Dead Know Brooklyn" and wondering if it were true because to me Brooklyn has always seemed cloaked in myth and mystery. Well, I just finished a book that brought great enlightenment to me: "The New Brooklyn," by Kay Hymowitz. The author takes us on a journey of hundreds of years from the 1600's Dutch farmlands, through the Civil War years,



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VIEWFINDER

By SUSAN GRIECO

THE QUESTION:

What are your March Madness predictions?



Monmouth is going to make the tour and do well. I think they will be a 12 seed.

ANTHONY HEFFERON
Operating Engineer



Kentucky is always in the mix, but it would be nice to see an underdog make it this year.

GEORGE VASSELMAN
Retired



Mount St. Mary's looks good. They're on a 5-game winning streak. I think they'll be a 16-seed rank.

TOMMY BALDACCHINO
Student



I think Gonzaga with make it three rounds and Duke will go to the semis, but Kansas will take it all.

JAMES MONAHAN
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Louisville, because the coach is Italian. But Italian coach or not, I also like UCLA.

TONY TORCASSO
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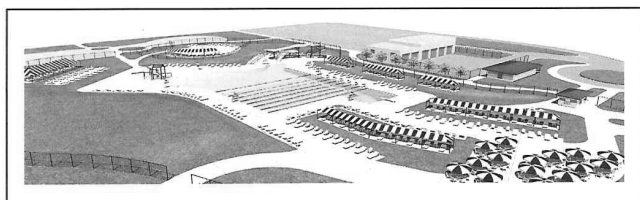
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Special meeting of the qualified voters of the Glen Cove Public Library will be held in pursuant to the provision of the Section 260 and 2007 of the Education Law of the State of New York at the Glen Cove Public Library, 4 Glen Cove Ave., Glen Cove, New York, in said District on April 4, 2017 between the hours of 9 a.m. and 9 p.m. Said meeting will be help for the following purposes:

To vote on the following propositions:
 RESOLVED that the proposed budget of the Glen Cove Public Library, Glen Cove City School District, as prepared by the Trustees of the said public Library, for the year 2017/2018, and as the same may have amended, be and hereby is approved; and that the amount thereof, less receipts, be raised by the levy of a tax upon the taxable real property in the said School District.

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PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Library Board pursuant to the provisions of Section 260 and 2007 of the Educational Law hereby calls said Special District Meeting.

FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that petitions nominating the candidate for the office of Trustee of the Glen Cove Public Library must be filed with the clerk between the hours of 9a.m. and 5p.m., no later than March 6, 2017, the thirtieth day preceding the election, at which time the candidate so nominated is to be elected. Each nominating petition shall be directed to the Clerk of the District, must be signed by at least twenty-five (25) qualified voters of the District, shall state the residence of each signer, and must state the name and residence of the candidate. Sample forms of the petitions may be obtained from the Clerk of the District at the Glen Cove Public Library, 4 Glen Cove Ave., Glen Cove, New York.

FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a copy of the proposed estimated expenditures to be voted upon shall be made available at the Glen Cove Public Library, 4 Glen Cove Ave., Glen Cove, New York, between the hours of 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. each day other

than Saturday, Sunday or holiday, during the fourteen days preceding such meeting.

FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Trustees of the Glen Cove Public Library will hold a special budget hearing on March 21, 2017 at the Glen Cove Public Library, 4 Glen Cove Ave., New York at 7p.m. FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the qualified voters of the District may register between the hours of 9a.m. and 4p.m. The final date to register for the meeting to be held on April 4, 2017 is March 21, 2017. If a voter has voted in any election within the last 4 years (2013) or if he or she is eligible to vote under Article 5 of Election Law, he or she is eligible to vote at this election. All other persons who wish to vote must register.

The registration list prepared by the Board of Elections of Nassau County will be filed in the Office of the District clerk of the Glen Cove Public Library, 4 Glen Cove Ave., Glen Cove, New York and will be open for inspection by any qualified voter of the district between the hours of 9a.m and 4p.m. prevailing time, on any day after Tuesday, March 21, 2017, and each of the days prior to the date set for the Library Election and Budget Vote, except Saturday, Sunday, or holiday, including the date set for the

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ABSENTEE BALLOTS
 PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that applications for absentee ballots for the Library Election and Budget Vote may be applied for at the office of the District Clerk, of the Glen Cove Public Library, 4 Glen Cove Ave., Glen Cove, New York. Such applications must be received at least (7) seven days before the elections if the ballot is to be mailed to the voter, or the day before the election if the ballot is to be delivered personally to the voter. No absentee voter ballot shall be canvassed unless it shall have been received at the office of the District Clerk, Glen Cove Public Library, 4 Glen Cove Ave., New York, not later than 5:00p.m., prevailing time, on the date of the election.
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York State Education Law, transportation requests received after the above date will not be accepted unless a reasonable explanation is given for the delay or the District can provide the transportation under existing arrangements without additional expense. A belated decision to enroll a student into school is not a reasonable explanation for late submission of a transportation request. Those students who move into the District after the expiration of the deadline can still submit a written request for transportation provided such request is made within

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HERALD EDITORIAL

The Red Cross celebrates 100 years on Long Island

In 1917, the International Committee of the Red Cross received its first of three Nobel Peace Prizes for its life-saving work on the nightmarish battlefields of World War I. The Long Island chapter of the Red Cross was founded that same year.

The International Red Cross, which was born in 1863 in Switzerland as the International Committee for Relief to the Wounded, went on to earn the Nobel Prize in 1944, during World War II, and again in 1963. The nonprofit organization is the only three-time recipient of the Peace Prize, according to Nobelprize.org.

It is important to remember and recognize the organization's critical work in March, which has been designated by every U.S. president since World War II as National Red Cross Month.

For a century, the Long Island chapter, which is based in Mineola and serves Nassau and Suffolk counties, has been doing

God's work, as they say. In celebration of its 100th anniversary, the organization is planning a gala at the Nassau County Country Club in Glen Cove on June 15.

At the Herald Community Newspapers, we have a special place in our hearts for the Red Cross. Our co-publisher, Stuart Richner, is vice chairman of the Long Island chapter's board. At the same time, as journalists, we have a front-row view of the good work the Red Cross does.

We certainly cannot forget its immediate response after Hurricane Sandy pummeled the South Shore in 2012, leaving so many of our neighbors homeless and shell-shocked. The Red Cross set up an emergency shel-

ter in the Nassau Community College gym, where many displaced people lived for days.

Moreover, the Red Cross is part of our daily lives, whether we realize it or not. It serves some 2.8 million people in Nassau and Suffolk, responding to home fires and building collapses — and, yes, floods — whenever they occur. The Red Cross provides immediate assistance in the wake of disasters to help people get back on their feet. At the same time, it sponsors life-saving blood drives and informational seminars.

That is why we should all support the Red Cross. It is a vital community organization.

How to help

To purchase tickets for the Long Island Red Cross's 100th-anniversary celebration at the Nassau County Country Club, go to rdcrss.org/2nisbeg. For more information, call (516) 747-3500.

State must fully fund libraries

For 10 straight years, starting in 2007, New York state has reduced aid to libraries. Now Gov. Andrew Cuomo is proposing to cut another \$4 million in library funding in the 2017-18 state budget, due April 1. That is unacceptable. Libraries are an integral part of our communities. The state should treat them as vital educational institutions rather than a convenient means to balance the books.

According to the New York Library Association, state education law requires that New York appropriate \$102.6 million for libraries across the state, but our legislators in Albany are not doing that. In fact, the proposed state budget would cut library funding by a little less than 4 percent, to \$98.6 million.

A 2017 Siena poll found that 92 percent of New Yorkers believe that libraries provide important, if not vital, services. According

to that poll, library use over the past five years is up by 15 percent among women ages 18 to 34, 15 percent among Latinos, 15 percent among African-Americans and 20 percent among families with annual household incomes of less than \$50,000.

What does that tell us? That cutting library funding would hurt many of the most vulnerable New Yorkers.

Libraries, which are funded primarily by property taxes, are community centers where those without the luxury — yes, luxury — of a home computer can conduct online research, communicate via email, even create on 3-D printers. And, of course, they can take out books, or sit and read a newspaper or magazine.

At libraries, older adults can have their income taxes done by nonprofit organizations. There are blood drives. Children can

join the chess club. And let's not forget the numerous lectures and films that are offered to inform and edify us.

After Hurricane Sandy, South Shore libraries became critical to our day-to-day living. They were places to find the latest information, recharge cell phones, warm up, grab a cup of coffee, and catch up with storm-battered neighbors.

State Sen. Todd Kaminsky, a Democrat from Long Beach, and Sen. John Brooks, a Democrat from Seaford, recently sent a letter to Cuomo urging him to reconsider state cuts to library funding. "Our libraries are precious to all of our citizens," the senators wrote, "and they work hard to provide outstanding services with very little funding."

That is why Cuomo must show libraries the respect they so richly deserve by providing the state's fair and full share of funding.

LETTERS

We support opt-out

To the Editor:

Testing season is upon us again. Students in grades three through eight will be forced to sit for an ELA exam and a Math exam that each will take three days of testing, with unlimited time. Students in grade four will also take a two-day science exam. For some children this will mean half their school day for each of these six to eight days may just be test taking. Also, keep in mind that for most students, the testing is very challenging in both content and endurance at these young ages.

During this time all teaching stops, along with support services (academic support, speech, reading, counseling), because these teachers are pulled to assist in giving exams. Then they are pulled again on additional days to those students



who may have been absent on any of the testing days. Testing days are each followed by make-up days for absent students. This amounts to at least two full weeks for grades three through eight to focus primarily on test taking, not to mention the

test prep that takes place weeks before during school and the homework that is given.

This testing has caused a narrowing of curriculum that deprives students of a rich, whole child education. The results of these tests have

OPINIONS

We still have a lot to learn from our grandmothers

The old saying, “The apple never falls far from the tree,” is accurate in my case. To know anything about me, you have to get to know a little bit about the women who came before me. You need to know their stories.

First, my grandma Rosa. She’s only 5 feet tall, but don’t be fooled. This feisty Italian woman has no problem saying — or shouting — what’s on her mind. Rosa



**REBECCA
ANDERSON**

emigrated from the small town of Toritto, in the southern part of Italy, to Long Island when she was only 16. With little money, a baby on the way and zero knowledge of the English language, she was scared to move halfway across the world.

I believe it was at this vulnerable time in her life when she found strength, resilience and courage.

After meeting the right people and settling in, Rosa started her life in America. She gave birth to a girl — my mother —

and over the years taught her how to work hard, how to stay humble and, of course, how to prepare authentic Italian recipes. But the biggest lesson that Rosa passed down was to tell the truth always. In her book, a liar was considered nothing short of a criminal.

My mother, in turn, instilled these values in me, and they have molded the person I’ve become. Every Sunday night, after meatballs and espresso, I continue to teach my now 67-year-old grandmother proper English (to the best of my ability), and in return she tutors me in Italian. Mom is often listening in the background, nibbling on prosciutto and helping with phrases.

I credit my other grandmother, Dorothy, with helping me develop a love of writing. She earned a doctorate in literature and English studies from NYU, and dedicated her life to teaching. Every Christmas I would receive classics by Hemingway, Bronte, Dickens, Hardy or Woolf. With every novel, I became more fascinated by words, and I turned into a book junkie. You could

often find me deep in the stacks at the back of the library, engrossed in the anatomy of bugs, or spread out on my bedroom floor with an autobiography of George Washington. No matter the subject, if a book was in front of me, I was reading it.

If Dorothy had had it her way, I would have become an English teacher. In her book, there was nothing nobler. But as it turned out, my love of books was topped only by my interest in people. Combine that with writing and you’ve got my dream career: journalist.

Language can save you when you’re scared and in a new environment, like Rosa was. It deepens your appreciation for the classics, and how writers before us perceived the world. Before breast cancer took her life over two decades ago, Dorothy helped me understand this. In a way, my grandmothers also learned a lot from each other. Although one was a foreigner and one had had a comfortable American upbringing, they had no trouble finding common ground. They were, after all, two strong,

independent, take-no-crap women.

I’ve read that J.K. Rowling, the author of the Harry Potter series, sketched the outline of the first of her mega-hits on a diner napkin because she couldn’t afford a notebook — and that a number of publishers initially rejected her queries. That information has stayed with me for a long time. It takes a truly determined and persistent individual to fracture barriers before breaking through — just like my grandmothers.

I like to think that every one of us has all the material we need for a book of our own. We write paragraphs every single day, even if only in our minds, and do lots of erasing as well. Some of us have picture books; some of us scribble only a few words on a page. As for me, I have a scrapbook. Some of my pages are colored by Rosa, and others by Dorothy. The pages are stamped with love, and the best thing about this book is that it never ends. Who knows? Maybe I’ll start it on a napkin, and finish it on an elegantly printed page.

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LETTERS

been used to not only evaluate students, but also to evaluate their teachers.

Until the State Education Department gets testing right, the Glen Cove Teachers’ Association will continue to stand with parents who choose to protect their children from this madness, by opting them out. Please see the full page opt-out letter in this newspaper that can be used, compliments of the GCTA.

KAREN FERGUSON, PRESIDENT
Glen Cove Teachers’ Association

We’re all Islanders

To the Editor:

The Herald’s editorial last week about the Islanders potentially returning to Nassau County (“Bring the Islanders home to the Coliseum”) was spot on. Seeing our team play at the Coliseum is a topic that so many of us are passionate about, and your piece encouraged me to tell my own story.

Like most of us who grew up on Long Island, I have a special place in my heart for the Nassau Coliseum. The “old barn” was where we saw Van Halen and other greats of the 1980s, the circus, pro wrestling, and, of course, our New York Islanders.

My earliest memory of an Islanders game is from the winter of 1980-something. Mike Bossy recorded a hat trick and the home team beat the New Jersey Devils. I was there, along with my Cub Scout troop, attending my first live game at Nassau Coliseum. I wonder

if my parents still have the ticket stub.

This was my introduction to hockey, and I loved the pace of the action. To me, Bossy was magical, and being there in person was what roped me in. Just seeing him play live made me feel connected to the glory of the “drive for five” Stanley Cup championships.

As a lifelong Isles fan, I’ve been through the LaFontaine era, the Turgeon era (I still hate Dale Hunter) and even the lean years with the Gorton’s fisherman logo.

The Islanders were *our* professional sports franchise, and gave us a sense of pride and identity. We were all Islanders, united by a passion for our team.

Fast-forward to April 25, 2015. John Tavares scored his last goal at the Coliseum in the Islanders’ 3-1 victory over the Washington Capitals. It was Game 6 of the Eastern Conference quarterfinals, and I was there. The energy and noise were incredible. Yet even after a great playoff win, we all felt the impending greater loss — our Islanders were leaving.

After the final buzzer sounded, after the jubilation, the arena began to empty. We were in no rush to leave, however: I thought, “This could be my last time here.” I wanted to soak it in. Then I saw something that I’m sure I’ll never forget: a grown man, a regular guy, middle-aged, clutching his chair and weeping.

His team was moving to Brooklyn, and there was nothing he could do about it. I felt his pain, and we all still feel it. But we don’t have to.

A great community like ours deserves leadership that will allow us to realize our potential. But moving forward doesn’t mean ignoring our past. It means embracing what is great in our community and making it even better:

One of mine taught me Italian and the importance of honesty, and the other made sure I was familiar with the literary classics.

FRAMEWORK by Vincent Gattorno



Vincent Gattorno, who has had his work shown at the Sea Cliff Library, considers this shot, “Morgan Park,” taken after the blizzard of 2013, as one of his best.

When we lost the Islanders, we didn’t just lose a hockey team; we lost a piece of our collective identity. But here’s the good news — not only can we get it back, but we can also make it better.

Right now, the planning for the Coliseum’s future feels like it’s being done on the fly and in the dark. That is unacceptable. Forward-looking leadership would fight to bring the Islanders back from Brooklyn — which doesn’t want them anyway — and back home to us, the fan base. We would embrace best practices from across the nation and put plans in place to make the Coliseum the retail, entertainment and residential hub that it ought to be, including

21st-century transportation options.

Moving forward would mean that I could take my daughter to see our Islanders — or the circus, or a concert — right here in Nassau County.

Seeing the Isles at the Coliseum was a great Long Island family tradition. I know that with the right leadership and planning, we can create new traditions and great memories for the next generation of Long Islanders.

JACK SCHNIRMAN
Long Beach

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OPINIONS

The media swing and miss, again

Last Friday, President Trump moved to eliminate the last remnants of the Obama administration, prosecutors at the Justice Department. The president ordered the 46 holdover U.S. attorneys to “tender their resignations immediately.” The move made headlines locally because it also meant that Trump expected Preet Bharara to resign as the U.S. attorney for the Southern District of New York.



**ALFONSE
D'AMATO**

The media have played this up like it's a purge of the Obama Administration, and that Trump was so incensed by the constant leaks in his administration that he opted to remove the remaining U.S. attorneys.

Friends, once again, don't believe everything you read. What some

media outlets are neglecting to report is that this isn't the first time a new president has fired all of the holdover U.S. attorneys. Did you know that in March 1993, President Clinton and his attorney general, Janet Reno, fired 93 of the 94 U.S. attorneys, and only Michael Chertoff of New Jersey was

retained? That's right, Clinton fired twice as many attorneys as Trump did. Where is that in the news?

This is just the way the political business works: There's no scandal, no juicy story, even though the media want to make it seem like there is. The 46 Obama appointees have probably been on the hunt for new jobs since November, because this is a common practice, and they fully expected it to happen.

Bharara has made a name for himself in New York by prosecuting elected officials on public corruption charges and investigating insider trading. He's done an amazing job of drastically reducing corruption in state politics and sending a message that Albany's “business as usual” was over.

But the news about his dismissal came as a surprise, because Bharara had met with the president-elect in November at Trump Tower, and told reporters afterward that both Trump and his pick for attorney general, Jeff Session, had asked Bharara about staying on as the U.S. attorney in Manhattan.

Under Bharara, the Southern District was admirably nonpartisan, prosecuting both Democratic and Republican elected offi-

cial with equal zeal. Bharara served with pride, and wanted the people of New York to know that he was doing all he could to eliminate corruption and crime.

Bharara refused to resign, however, and it was announced on Saturday that he had been fired. While the details of the dismissal are unclear, he's now out of a job.

Bharara has an extremely impressive resume, and I believe he has a bright future in politics if he chooses that route. Don't be surprised if you begin hearing his name being thrown around for high-level positions around the state, and with his reputation for rooting out corruption and being non-partisan, he would be taken seriously.

But for now I would simply like to congratulate and commend him for a distinguished career as U.S. attorney. That position is a great honor, and he made all New Yorkers proud. I look forward to seeing what his next move is — perhaps a campaign in the near future.

The media have also zeroed in on the Republican proposal to revise Obamacare to make it more efficient. Many outlets want you to believe that the Trump administration is going to leave 10 million Americans

uncovered, but that's simply not true. No one is really sure what the plan is, exactly, so to criticize or admonish House and Senate Republicans — and Trump's — aggressive approach to changing the law for the better is ridiculous.

The president has stated time and time again that he is open to further negotiations on changes to the health care bill, and wants to be certain that those revisions will benefit Americans. One thing we do know about Obamacare that the media sometimes forgets to report is that for many Americans, it's a disaster.

The average premium will rise 116 percent in Arizona, 53 percent in Pennsylvania and 40 percent in North Carolina. Try telling people in Phoenix that continuing Obamacare will cut health care costs. Yes, the Affordable Care expanded coverage to 20 million working-class Americans across the country, but there are also many problems with it that must be addressed immediately, because if the program is left unchanged, it will increase the long-term federal deficit, and that's a mistake we can't afford.

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Pit-bull reporting could topple Trump

Have you heard of Ida Tarbell? In 1903 she wrote a series of pieces for McClure's magazine about the monopolistic practices of the Standard Oil Company under the ownership of John D. Rockefeller. As a result of her investigative reporting, the government sued the company, and the U.S. Supreme Court found Standard Oil to be in violation of antitrust laws. The monopoly was busted.

What if Donald Trump had been president then, and accused McClure's of publishing fake news?

In 1906, Upton Sinclair wrote about the Chicago meatpacking plants — specifically, the filth and corruption and unsanitary conditions imposed on immigrant workers. His work led to the Pure Food and Drug Act of 1906 and the Federal Meat Inspection Act of 1906.



**RANDI
KREISS**

What if Donald Trump had been president then, and accused Sinclair of reporting fake news?

In 1953, Murrey Marder, a reporter for The Washington Post, started covering Sen. Joe McCarthy's accusations of espionage involving army personnel in New Jersey. Marder's investigative reports revealed that all of the accusations were false, and the

men were exonerated.

What if Trump had been president then, and accused Marder of creating fake news?

From 1962 to 1964, newsman David Halberstam reported from Vietnam, challenging the government's claims of victory over the enemy. President Kennedy was so outraged that he tried to get The New York Times to pull Halberstam out of Vietnam. But he stayed, won a Pulitzer Prize for his reporting, and his work led to more reliable reporting from the war zone.

What if Trump had been president then?

In 1969, Seymour Hersh, a reporter for a tiny news outlet known as Dispatch, exposed the My Lai massacre in Vietnam and its subsequent cover-up. The story was picked up nationally, and Hersh won a Pulitzer in 1970 for his reporting.

Fake news?

In 1971, Daniel Ellsberg, a military analyst, leaked thousands of pages of internal memos prepared by the Pentagon about the covert origins of the Vietnam conflict. The papers were published in The New York Times and The Washington Post, leading to the end of the decades-old war. President Nixon ordered the newspapers to stop publication of any of the Pentagon memos, and the case went to the Supreme Court, which ruled in favor of the press.

Fake news?

In June 1972, five men were arrested for burglarizing the Democratic National Committee office at the Watergate Hotel in Washington. The whole affair smelled bad, and two pit-bull reporters from The Post, Bob

Woodward and Carl Bernstein, grabbed hold of the story and wouldn't let go. They and their newspaper eventually brought down Nixon's presidency. Some 40 administration officials were indicted, Nixon resigned in disgrace and The Post won the 1973 Pulitzer for investigative journalism.

Fake news?

In 2002, The Boston Globe wrote stories exposing the sexual abuse of children by

priests in the Boston archdiocese. More than 250 members of the clergy were accused of abusing minors. The newspaper won the Pulitzer for Public Service in 2003 for revealing the cover-up by the archdiocese, and the story of the investigation became the Academy Award-winning movie “Spotlight.”

No one at The Globe imagined that their investigative reporting would lead to a global crisis for the church that continues to this day.

What if a leader of the church had tried to sweep away the accusations of pedophilia as “fake news”?

In 2013, according to the Brookings Institute, The Post and The Guardian published stories about the National Security Agency's surveillance of American citizens and foreign officials. Their source was Edward Snowden, a former NSA analyst who said he was acting out of conscience. Both papers won Pulitzers for their reporting.

The corrosive concept of fake news has struck deep roots in the dark soil of the Trump White House. When newspapers accurately reported the size of the crowd at his inauguration, he called the news “fake.” When they said there was chaos in the West Wing, he said it was media lies. As newspapers gather compelling evidence of Russia's interference in the 2016 election, the president claims it's all bogus.

We're in the midst of a perfect storm, comprising evidence of Russian interference in our election, possible complicity by Trump operatives and a president who's lying to the public and calling out the press as an “enemy of the people.”

This cannot stand.

I'm counting on the perseverance and integrity of the investigative reporters who follow in the footsteps of Woodward and Bernstein and Marder and Tarbell. The new

muckrakers must not give up. They must not be intimidated, and the great newspapers that stand behind them must go to the wall to uncover the truth.

A free press and free speech are pillars of this great experiment known as American democracy. If responsible media outlets lose their credibility, those pillars will fall and topple the house.

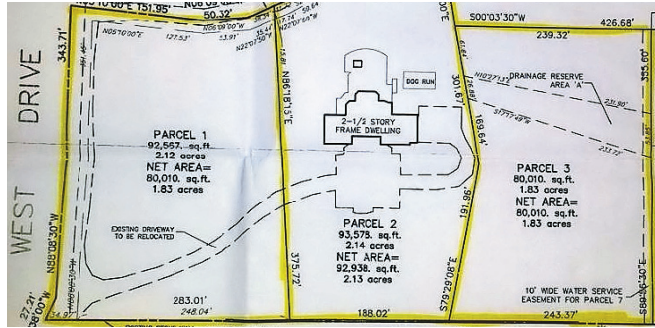
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