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Plenty of Easter eggs at Glen Cove hunt

Isabelle Cavelles, brought two baskets so she could gather as many eggs as possible at the Glen Cove Easter Egg Hunt. See story and photos on page 12.

Addict finds hope at Living Water

Glen Cove transitional home aids jailed women

By **DANIELLE AGOGLIA**
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A lot can happen in 43 years. Some people raise families. Some people start businesses. Some people travel the world. For Kelly Cavanagh, more than four decades of her life were dedicated to a singular obsession — heroin.

In November 2014, the Long Beach Herald reported that a mother and son were charged in a heroin bust after selling to undercover police several times earlier that year. The mother was Cavanagh. Then, she was the stereotypical image of the addict in her mugshot

— emaciated, worn-out. Now she looks nothing like that. Today she is preparing to celebrate one year of sobriety on May 19.

Cavanagh, now 55, called that arrest the rescue that she needed. She got clean for the nine months she was in jail, and it was there that she met Lisa Cohn, the founder and executive director of Glen Cove's Living Water for Women, a transitional home for formerly incarcerated women. "She had this aura about her," Cavanagh said of Cohn. "I just connected with her."

The addict's life

An addict since her teenage

years, Cavanagh was looking for a way to turn her life around after her arrest. Living Water gave her just that. The story of how she finally found help is a long, circuitous one, though.

Back in the 1990s, Cavanagh was already heavily addicted to heroin. At the time, she was living in Long Beach. There, she met her future partner Bill (last name withheld), and in 1992 she became pregnant with their first son. She thought the pregnancy would be the turning point, that she would stop using and get her life back on track for the sake of her son. But she

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A city jewel neglected for too long

County plans to conduct new study on Crescent Beach

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With the New York City skyline in the distance and peaceful low tides, Crescent Beach was once known to many residents as one of the most relaxing places in Glen Cove. But they have not experienced its wonders since 2009, when the beach was closed due to water contamination. The Nassau County Department of Public Works recently announced that it would conduct a new, \$72,000 study of the beach in order to determine the cause.

Resident Dr. Helen Green said it is unusual to see a beach closed for so long without a resolution. "It bothers me ... that people would let a part of our seashore become polluted and let it go on for eight years," she said.

Green has lived in Glen Cove for 65 years, and Crescent Beach, she said, was always a place where kids would play while their parents chatted. She used to visit the beach with her children to have lunch and enjoy the weather.

"When the kids got older, they

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Nakeem Grant/Herald

CRESCENT BEACH HAS been closed for nearly a decade due to water contamination. Residents are hopeful for a solution.

Planned Parenthood and Living Water at IAC meeting



Photos by Danielle Agoglia/Herald

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Two employees from Planned Parenthood of Nassau County shared some information at the Interagency Council of Glen Cove's April 12 meeting, regarding the many services that the health care provider offers, which may have surprised some.

REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE senior center, school district, library and many other local groups listened to presentations given by Planned Parenthood and Living Water for Women.

Family Planning Benefit Program Coordinator Samuel Ware said that 40 percent of its patients are older than 30. And not only does Planned Parenthood offer reproductive care including OB GYN services, prenatal care, and birth control, but also HIV testing and cancer screenings for both men and women. A variety of educational services, offered in English and Spanish have been implemented in schools, substance abuse centers and shelters. Additionally, Planned Parenthood offers social services, including enrollment in Medicaid and various types of counseling, Ware added.

The Family Planning Benefit Program is part of the NYS Medicaid system, he said, and is available for NYS women, men and teens who earn up to \$26,256 a year. The program allows the patient access to free, confidential reproductive health care from Planned Parenthood.

Pamela Davis, Glen Cove's Planned Parenthood's director of community health outreach, shared information about the Patient Activation Measure Program. It is committed to reducing the number of people using the emergency room for non-emergencies. Through PAM, bilingual health coaches reach out to residents to help them determine what primary and preventative care they can receive. The PAM Project is statewide and funded through the NYS DOH. For more information on Planned Parenthood and its services, visit: <https://www.planned-parenthood.org/planned-parenthood-nassau-county>.

Lisa Cohn, the executive director of Living Water for Women Inc., the transitional home in Glen Cove for formerly incarcerated women over 30, also spoke at the IAC meeting. This social service agency provides 12 women at a time with a home, food, clothing, life skills training, spiritual guidance and counseling for a nine-month period. Living Water for Women's mission is to help the women develop their strengths to become vital members of the community again. For more information, visit: <http://livingwaterforwomen.org/aboutus.shtml>

After the presentations, the IAC members discussed a few potential fundraising events, including a possible food drive in the fall.

For more information on the agencies involved in the IAC of Glen Cove, visit <http://www.iacglencove.org/>.



BEFORE FOUNDING Living Water for Women Inc. in 2010, Lisa Cohn passionately volunteered at the Nassau County Correctional Center.

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CRIME WATCH

Arrests

■ A male, 32, of Glen Cove, was arrested on Fox Street for attempted robbery in the third degree, criminal contempt in the second degree, endangering the welfare of a child, criminal possession of a controlled substance in the seventh degree, criminal possession of marijuana and open warrants from Nassau County on Fox Street on April 9.

■ A man, 17, from Huntington Station, was arrested on two counts of criminal possession of a forged instrument in the third degree and improper use of the parking garage on Brewster Street on April 10.

■ A woman, 36, from Glen Cove, was arrested for harassment in the second degree and criminal mischief in the fourth degree on Phillips Road on April 10.

■ A woman, 24, from Hempstead, was arrested for obstructing governmental administration in the second degree and aggravated unlicensed operation in the third degree on Glen Cove Arterial Highway on April 10.

■ A man, 57, from Glen Cove was arrested for disorderly conduct, consuming alcohol in a public place, possession an open container of alcohol and littering on Cottage Row on April 11.

■ A man, 22, from Locust Valley, was arrested for criminal possession of a controlled substance in the seventh degree on Duck Pond Road on April 11.

■ A woman, 18, from Glen Cove, was arrested for petty larceny on Glen Street on April 12.

■ Evan Stockell, 29, of Glen Cove, was arrested for driving while intoxicated on Glen Cove Road in Greenvale on April 12.

■ A woman, 59, was arrested for criminal mischief in the fourth degree, endangering the welfare of a child and harassment in the second degree on Clement Street on April 14.

■ A man, 31, from Glen Cove, was arrested for criminal trespass in the third degree on Sherwood Road on April 14.

■ A man, 18, from Lattintown, was arrested for ability impaired by drugs and leaving the scene of an accident on Forest Avenue on April 15.

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THE WEEK AHEAD

Nearby things to do this week



Walk in the woods

Join the North Shore Land Alliance and Rob Alvey for an early spring walk at the Garden City Bird Sanctuary in Garden City on Sunday, April 23 at 11 a.m. Alvey will lead the group through this fascinating old sump property, now a bird sanctuary, when lovely spring bulbs are in bloom. Registration required. To register, please contact North Shore Land Alliance at (516) 922-1028 or email jjackson@northshorelandalliance.org. To become a member, visit www.northshorelandalliance.org

Landmarks and historic sites of Europe

The Gold Coast Public Library invites residents to go on a historical journey with Ralph Brady on Wednesday, April 26 at 7 p.m. Author of "Landmarks & Historic Sites of Long Island" Brady will cover more than 20 years of travel throughout Europe to visit its historic places. Using a spectacular collection of color photographs, Brady will outline the history of 60 landmarks in Europe, some that are well known and many more that may come as surprise even to the most seasoned travelers. Info: (516) 759-8300.



Long Island's Naval History

Journalist, author and historian Bill Bleyer will discuss the naval history of Long Island throughout the centuries at the Glen Cove Public Library on Tuesday, April 25 at 7 p.m. Learn about the patriot whaleboat raids, the first amphibious landing of troops in American History - at Plum

Island, the sinking of the HMS Culloden off Montauk as well as the sinking of the USS San Diego by a German mine off Fire Island in WWI. Info: (516) 676-2130.

Dancing the night away

The '70s come alive in ABBA-eque style when the tribute band Dancing Dream appears on the Landmark on Main Street stage, on Saturday, April 22, at 7:30 p.m. The dynamic band brings poeity of charisma and energy to their entertaining concert, which, of course, feature the mega-hits "Mamma Mia," "Dancing Queen," "Take A Chance," "Fernando," and more. Info: (631) 698-9696 or www.landmarkonmainstreet.org.



Stepping out with your dog

Old Westbury Gardens goes to the dogs, during its Spring Dogs Days weekend, Saturday and Sunday, April 22-23. Bring your furry friend, leashed, of course, and enjoy an invigorating outing among the gardens. Meet fellow dog lovers and participate in related activities. Info: (516) 333-0048 or www.oldwestburygardens.org.

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HERALD SPORTS

Glen Cove back in win column

SPOTLIGHT ATHLETE



ALYSSA ZANGARI

Glen Cove Senior Lacrosse

ONE OF FOUR captains for the Big Red, Zangari is helped lead the team's offense from an attack position. Through four games, she registered a team-leading 14 goals to go with three assists. She had three-goal games against Great Neck South, Freeport, and Valley Stream District and found the net five times against Wheatley. Two of her three assists came against Great Neck South in the season opener.

GAMES TO WATCH

Thursday, April 20

Girls Lacrosse: Glen Cove at Roosevelt 4:30 p.m.
Baseball: Wantagh at Glen Cove 4:30 p.m.
Baseball: V.S. North at North Shore 4:30 p.m.
Softball: Mineola at Glen Cove 4:30 p.m.
Softball: Roslyn at North Shore 4:30 p.m.
Girls Lacrosse: C.S. Harbor at North Shore 4:45 p.m.

Friday, April 21

Boys&Girls Track: North Shore Invitational 4:30 p.m.
Boys Tennis: Hicksville at North Shore 4:30 p.m.
Boys Tennis: Glen Cove at Bethpage 4:30 p.m.
Boys Lacrosse: Lawrence at Glen Cove 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, April 22

Softball: G.N. North at North Shore 10 a.m.
Softball: Wheatley at Glen Cove 10:30 a.m.
Boys Lacrosse: C.S. Harbor at North Shore 11 a.m.

Monday, April 24

Baseball: North Shore at Lynbrook 4:30 p.m.
Baseball: Glen Cove at Plainedge 4:30 p.m.
Softball: Glen Cove at Mineola 4:30 p.m.
Girls Track: Clarke at North Shore 4:30 p.m.
Boys Track: Lawrence at Glen Cove 4:30 p.m.
Boys Tennis: Carle Place at Glen Cove 4:30 p.m.
Boys Tennis: North Shore at Garden City 4:30 p.m.
Softball: Malverne at North Shore 4:45 p.m.
Girls Lacrosse: North Shore at MacArthur 7:15 p.m.

NOMINATE A SPOTLIGHT ATHLETE

Nassau County High School Athletic Directors, varsity coaches and parents of varsity athletes can nominate candidates to be highlighted on the sports page. Please send all materials, including a digital photo (head shot), to sports@liherald.com.

By J.D. FREDA

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Glen Cove's boys' lacrosse team traveled to Freeport on April 13 looking for something positive to build on.

Needing a win after dropping three straight, the Big Red were focused on the task at hand and relied upon their strong midfield and defensive support, and ultimately defeated Freeport 8-3.

"We really focused on holding them down defensively and getting opportunities for our guys on offense," Glen Cove coach Steve Tripp said. "We had a few guys play very well defensively for us and we really pressured them."

Those strong defensive efforts were, in part, due to junior defenseman Jack Kaffl, who tallied eight ground balls and five defensive turnovers for the Big Red. Senior defenseman Jared Buehre also forced five turnovers for Tripp's crew, helping the cause on the defensive half of the field. Junior defender Gurmehar Khuarana was also lauded by his coach for his efforts. "(Khuarana) was another guy who stepped in and played really well defensively when he was called upon," Tripp said.

The strength of this Glen Cove team also lies in its midfield prowess. Steven King, a senior midfielder whom many followers of Glen Cove are familiar with, put in another outstanding performance at Freeport. Out of the first seven goals that the Big Red had scored, King had his hand in each of them, accounting for 5 goals and 2 assists. "Steven really went out there and dominated that game at midfield," Tripp said.

When squaring up with Glen Cove (3-5 overall), although a lot of the opponent's attention is on King, a very offensive-minded midfielder, Tripp exclaimed there's a not-so-secret success formula to this team's group of midfielders.

"Dominic Gaudio is a really important piece to this team, especially defensively," Tripp said. "While King is the guy that is going to take the ball and push it up the field, Gaudio is responsible for being 'the other guy' for us. He is the guy that is going to stop the opponent's fast break and that takes some pressure off of the rest of our defenders."

Senior goalie Danny Neice, who Tripp has spoken about before the season as someone who is very important while continuing to improve, made 9 saves on April 13, only allowing three goals in total en route to a victory.

When asked about what the focus was going into their next conference matchup with No. 2 seeded Friends Academy, Tripp echoed the similarities between the two teams, before discussing his gameplan.

"We're similar in the sense that they also have a really good midfielder in Andrew Marsh that we're looking to target."

Tripp went on to discuss how he has seen patterns where he believes a zone defensive gameplan could be effective to



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SENIOR STEVEN KING came up big for Glen Cove in its 8-3 non-league victory at Freeport on April 13 with five goals and a pair of assists.

somewhat negate the attack of Marsh and Friends Academy.

An aspect of Marsh's game that Glen Cove wishes to be more efficient in is also a focal point. "(Marsh) is their face-off guy too...that's something we have to work on for sure."

Glen Cove also looks to be more consistent in the man-up game, going a perfect 3-for-3 in one game and then a possible 0-for-5 the next. "I think it's just about building consistency," said Tripp. "It's about finding the right number of guys to work out our plays together."

Councilman Tenke running for Glen Cove mayor

By DANIELLE AGOGLIA

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Glen Cove native and Democratic councilman Tim Tenke says he will be running for mayor in the upcoming November election against current city mayor Reggie Spinello.

Tenke stated in a phone call that his main concern is the financial status of the city and the burden the upcoming city revitalization projects will put on taxpayers. "I think that although the mayor is doing his job, I think it can be done better," said Tenke. "The mayor proposed a way of paying for amenities that I didn't agree with."

Tenke added that "it's been a very positive thing to get the Democratic backing of Nassau County."

He has the support of former Glen Cove mayor and former Nassau County Executive, U.S. Rep Tom Suozzi, Nassau County Legislator Delia DeRiggi-Whitton and state Assemblyman Charles Lavine. "Having them back me and be on my side makes me feel really good because we know the future of Glen Cove is determined by what we do now," Tenke said.



Tim Tenke

"I am happy to endorse Tim Tenke," DeRiggi-Whitton said. "Tim has Glen Cove's best long term interests in mind. We both would like to see new development in Glen Cove, but the taxpayers should benefit from the developments, not pay the bills the developers are responsible for. We share the concern regarding the direction our city is taking."

Tenke said he has known Suozzi for basically his whole life, as both are Glen Cove natives. "Tim and I grew up together and he has devoted a big part of his life to our hometown," Suozzi said. "From City Hall and its finances, to the ball fields and the golf course, to the schools and our downtown, Tim knows Glen Cove and he is devoted to its success. He will give his all to work as hard as he can, and as responsibly as he can, for our future."

Tenke plans to begin a "positive" campaign at the end of May. "I'm looking forward to getting out and campaigning and meeting people I haven't met in the past," Tenke said. "In order to make Glen Cove a great place to live and visit, we have to take action now while the waterfront is being built and other projects are being implemented."

City Council approves tax lien on Photocircuits' property

By DANIELLE AGOGLIA

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In 2007, the Glen Cove circuit-board manufacturer Photocircuits closed its operation on Sea Cliff Ave., leaving about 740 people without jobs.

Last Thursday, the city council voted to approve a tax lien of \$2.5 million for this property, which has been under remediation since 2013. Before remediation began, the property was deemed a Class 2 superfund site in the state registry of Inactive Hazardous Waste Sites by the NYS DEC, which means it represents a significant threat to public health or the environment and action is required. The NYS DEC's plan involves remediating the contaminated groundwater underneath the property.

According to Mayor Reggie Spinello, "the assessment was \$8.5 million, but that was prior to a cost being established for remediation, which would in essence bring the value to zero. Also at \$8.5 million the taxes were never paid," he added. "Now with this settlement we get back taxes and taxes going forward. Truly a win for the city."

Earlier that day news reports said

that the investors in the property, Spectrum Origination LLC., had been in discussion with Costco to lease the property to the retail giant. At the time of the vote, Spinello said if that were to be the case in the future, there would be a public forum held on the issue.

Several residents expressed their concern, saying they were opposed to building a Costco. But Spinello said that the vote was not a resolution that had anything to do with Costco. It was a vote to approve a tax lien.

"To me, it's a giveaway," said former city councilman Steve Gonzalez. "You're giving away an \$8 million dollar assessment and reducing it to \$2 million. That does bother me."

The City Council decided to add an ordinance to a code that would require the Glen Cove Shopping Center crosswalk to be maintained by the owner.

That evening the council also voted to award East Coast USA Construction Inc. with a contract to renovate the Morgan Park lower bathhouse. Stop signs on Smith Street and Caruso Way were also approved.

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AT THE LAUNCH PARTY VIP reception for the new Glen Cove and Sea Cliff Herald Gazettes, local officials, business people and residents had a chance to meet the staff of the paper and discuss local issues.

Herald Gazette VIP reception a success

Sunny skies prevailed when Herald Community Newspapers celebrated the launch of its two newest publications — the Glen Cove Herald Gazette and the Sea Cliff/Glen Head Herald Gazette — at a reception at The Cove Restaurant & Oyster Bar on April 18. Among the attendees were the papers' editor, Laura Lane, and reporters Nakeem Grant and Danielle Agoglia, who thanked attendees for stopping by to

show their support for the publications. Roughly 40 community leaders and activists were on hand. Lane said that the weekly papers are committed to reporting on news that is critical to Glen Cove and Sea Cliff/Glen Head, while giving a voice to residents there. She encouraged readers to share their story ideas or announcements by calling (516) 569-4000, ext. 327, or emailing her at llane@liherald.com.



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(clockwise from top left)

FATHER DANIEL NASH and Father Elias Carr of the St. Patrick's Catholic Church with Michael Zangari at the reception.

CHATTING OVER APPETIZERS and drinks, Charlotte Ludwig with the Herald and Steven Warshaw with RealtyConnectUSA.

AMY FRANKLIN, SANDRA Potter, Maria Hlatky, Deputy Mayor Barbara Peebles and Lisa Travatello.

DENNIS AND MARIA Hlatky and Carmen Martinez met with several other residents.



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(clockwise from above) **GIRL POWER;** the Rev Vicky Eastland, Editor Laura Lane, reporter Daniel Agolia and Sea Cliff Trustee Dina Epstein chatted about local issues.

GLEN COVE BOYS and Girls Club members Rashimi Nelson and Franco Trunz.

U.S. REP TOM Suozzi stopped by the reception and spoke to Herald publishers Stuart and Cliff Richner.



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JUDGE MCCORD HAS been with the city of Glen Cove for almost 30 years.



ST. PATRICK'S PASTOR Daniel Nash, left, offered to hold Judge Richard McCord's Hispanic Community Action event at the church.

Judge to hold Hispanic community event at St. Patrick's

By **DANIELLE AGOGLIA**

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In January of this year, Glen Cove Supervising City Court Judge Richard McCord realized he could be doing more to help the large Hispanic population in the city. He has been working for years with the students at Glen Cove High School, and recently the middle school students too. He realized that the Hispanic community, especially the adults, needed him perhaps even more. McCord wants to help them understand the court system.

He will be holding a Hispanic Community Action Group on Sunday, April 23 at 10 a.m. immediately following the Spanish mass at St. Patrick's Church in Glen Cove. The speakers will include: Father Daniel, Deputy Police Chief Christopher Ortiz, Assistant District Attorney Cindy Ayers, Criminal Bar Association representatives, and Glen Cove City Schools Superintendent Dr. Maria Rianna.

McCord spent the winter months trying to find the best way to reach the Hispanic community. He even contacted local Hispanic leaders to seek their advice, including Hender Alvarado, the president of the Glen Cove Chamber of Commerce. He thinks the outreach meeting is a great idea.

"First and foremost we have a big Hispanic community in Glen Cove," said Alvarado. "I believe by coming together and having more information and knowing the different agencies we can go to to ask for help with something as simple as how to apply for a permit, is going to be a huge success for the Hispanic community because they are not going to be that afraid or concerned anymore."

McCord attend the school district's ESL classes. Then he went to the library to meet people from the Hispanic community in a more casual setting.

He has also met with leaders from the church, city and school district and attended GED classes held in conjunction with La Fuerza Unida, a Glen Cove not for profit that assists the Hispanic community. He also spoke to members of Glen Cove Chamber of Commerce at one of its meetings about his plans.

McCord said he understands people's reactions in court — they become nervous and stressed and can only focus on why they are there and not the ways that the court can be of help. "I can only imagine where English is not the primary language how much more difficult the situation is," he said. "It dawned on me that maybe they don't even understand what the whole system is about. If nobody talks to them and nobody tells them, we just expect them to understand?"

Alvarado said a large part of the problem is the language barrier, which easily allows for the information to get distorted. "City Hall is not a place that you go only when you're in trouble, but you can go to ask questions," Alvarado said. "I believe that together we are stronger than divided."

McCord hopes that the April 23 event will be the first of many outreach initiatives for the Hispanic community to make sure they understand the functions of the court, which he said is, "to serve the community, protect the community and enforce the law for everyone in the community."

His outreach program has the full support of all the clergy members from St. Patrick's Church and St. Rocco's Church.

"Glen Cove is a very diverse place where many people of different backgrounds I think coexist very well," he said. "We decided to stay here and raise our children here because we love Glen Cove — we think it's a great place."

A light breakfast will be served, provided by the Glen Cove YMCA. "Everyone I have spoken to is very pleased about this joint effort between the local court system and the Hispanic community," said McCord. "We are looking forward to meeting and talking with all our Hispanic neighbors."

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ROBERT RIZZO, LEFT, Joseph Cappiello, AJ Perfetti, Michael Morra, Dominic Gaudio and Robert Cavallone threw money into the crowd.

High school seniors show their passion for fashion

On Friday, April 7, Glen Cove high school seniors participated in the annual Senior Class Fashion Show, a long standing tradition at the school. The seniors put on a fabulous show that incorporated many props, including fake money and hoverboards.

The senior class officers and their advisors held several meetings with both students and parents leading up to the event, including a four-hour rehearsal the night before.

The Fashion Show was organized by class officers AJ Perfetti, Grace Brady, Kat Willson, and Lindsey Payton, senior class advisor Jason Bieder and several parents.

The clothes for this years show were provided by local stores including: Victor, Talbots, Lester's, Camille La Vie, PGA Superstore, Girl Obsessed, Valley Trophy, Orvis, En Toto, and Sundown.



GRACE BRADY, LEFT, GraceAnne Woods, Evangelia Markoulis, Amara Phillip, and Tristyn Hudson put on a performance that had attitude while dressed in Glen Cove gym attire.



AJ PERFETTI "PROM-POSED" to Abigail Carmona on the stage during the fashion show. She said yes.



A GROUP OF boys had to keep their cool while balancing on hoverboards .

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WITH A LITTLE help, the children were able to gather lots of eggs.

An 'eggcellent' day for an egg hunt



THE CHILDREN FOCUSED on filling their baskets.

LEVONNE PITTMAN WHO brought her children, Darian and Payton to the egg hunt, made sure to stop by to see the Easter Bunny first.



By **DANIELLE AGOGLIA**
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Over 12,000 candy-filled eggs were scattered all over the John Maccarone Memorial City Stadium last Saturday, but as anyone who lives in Glen Cove knows, the eggs would not be there for long. It was the annual Spring Egg Hunt in Glen Cove, a day beloved by the city's many children. A record breaking 400 children and their families came out to the event this year, to fill their baskets with as many colorful plastic eggs as possible.

The hunt started at 11 a.m., but many families arrived early to make sure they didn't miss the starting time. Children sat along the bleachers while they anxiously waited and then at exactly 11 a.m., Parks and Recreation Director Darcy Belyea gave the go ahead and the children stormed the field, clearing the ground as they moved farther and farther into the outfield to collect the eggs.

The eggs, filled with various kinds of chocolates and candies, were the perfect anecdote to replenish one's energy after run-

ning around a field. And like years in the past, the event was over almost as fast as it started.

Peter Cottontail was also seen hopping around the stadium and taking pictures with the children. All the children received a raffle ticket for entry into a drawing to win sweet treat prizes, like chocolate rabbits, donated by Henry's Sweet Shoppe. Peter Cottontail also helped award the three raffle winners their prizes.

"This is always a terrific event but this year because of the timing that we had it the day before Easter I think it drew the largest crowd we've ever had," said Mayor Reggie Spinello.

Isabella Carreras, 8, and her brother Mateo, 4, collected more eggs than they could count. "It was very fun," Carreras said. "I would have grabbed even more eggs but I had to grab some for my baby cousin." It was the siblings first time at the Glen Cove Easter egg hunt and they plan on coming back next year.

As for next year, the city plans on having more activities for the children to make the egg hunt one of its premiere events.

Celebrating spring all over Glen Cove

Warm temperatures have led many people living in Glen Cove to venture outside to enjoy what is proving to be a spectacular spring. With all of the parks, beaches and the golf course, it's

hard to decide what to do first to enjoy the beauty of the city.

TULIPS ARE A welcoming sight at the entrance of Pratt Park.



Photos by Elisa Dragotto/Herald



CHRIS BROWN AND Eric Niclas said spring means its time for a round of gold at the Glen Cove Golf Course.



WARM TEMPERATURES ALLOWED for Tali Vogel, 3, to spend a lot more time at Stanco Park.



TERRENCE DAVIS, LEFT, and Alec Kleinman celebrated the beginning of spring with a picnic lunch at Morgan Park.

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BRIEF

Upper Brookville becomes certified Clean Energy Community

Upper Brookville has become the first of 96 Long Island villages to be designated a Clean Energy Community by the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority (NYSERDA). The designation recognizes the initiative of communities in reducing energy use, cutting costs and driving clean energy.

The \$16 million Clean Energy Communities initiative, which was announced by Governor Cuomo last August, supports local government leaders across the state to implement energy efficiency, renewable energy and sustainable development

projects in their communities. It also advances Cuomo's Reforming the Energy (REV) strategy by demonstrating the importance of communities in helping New York reach its Clean Energy Standard of 50 percent electricity coming from renewable energy resources by 2030.

Upper Brookville received the designation for completing four out of 10 high-impact clean energy actions. In addition, the designation gives Upper Brookville an opportunity to apply for up to \$100,000 toward additional clean energy projects, with no local cost share.

"The Village of Upper Brookville is

proud to be the first Long Island village to earn the Clean Energy Community designation," said Upper Brookville Mayor Elliot Conway. "We began by facilitating our residents' conversion to natural gas heat and, recently, created a voluntary solid waste district to significantly lower the cost to residents and reduce the average road miles travelled by heavy trash trucks. This will reduce emissions as well as wear and tear on our roads. We also expect to save four times the cost of converting our street lights to LEDs through lower electricity and maintenance costs. This designation highlights the impor-

ance that we place on renewable energy and conservation. We are delighted to play a leadership role in the state's goal to reform the energy landscape and promote smart, impactful clean energy initiatives."

To achieve the Clean Energy Community designation, Upper Brookville completed the following high-impact clean energy actions:

- Converted over half of the village streetlights to energy efficient LED technology.
- Approved an energy benchmarking policy to track and report energy use in the village's police headquarters building.
- Adopted the New York State United Solar Permit to streamline the approvals process for local solar projects.
- Completed energy code enforcement training on best practices for code compliance officers and other municipal officials.

John B. Rhodes, President and CEO of NYSERDA, congratulated the village on their accomplishments. "The village is helping to lead the way for other communities on Long Island and across the state in advancing Governor Cuomo's REV strategy and ensuring a cleaner, more resilient and affordable energy future for all New Yorkers."

Cities, counties, towns and villages with 40,000 residents or more that complete at least four of 10 high-impact clean energy actions are designated Clean Energy Communities and are eligible to apply for funding of up to \$250,000 with no local cost share, with the option of receiving up to 25 percent paid in advance to support additional clean energy projects. Those with fewer than 40,000 residents, like Upper Brookville, are eligible to apply for up to \$100,000. At least two of the four actions must have been completed after August 1, 2016. For more information on Clean Energy Communities, visit www.nyserdera.ny.gov/cec.

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Thursday, April 20

Music jam at the library

Sea Cliff Village Library, 300 Sea Cliff Ave., 7:30 to 9:15 p.m. Bring your acoustic instrument and your voice or just come listen to an old-fashioned jam. (516) 671-4290.

Live music series

From, The Sheiks, Russel Seeger will perform at The Metropolitan Bistro, 39 Roslyn Ave., Sea Cliff, 8 p.m. (516) 801-4500.

Spring Fling

Hosted by the Sea Cliff Beautification Committee at the Metropolitan Bistro, 39 Roslyn Ave, Sea Cliff, 5 to 7 p.m. (516) 801-4500.

Tech assistance for adults

Locust Valley Public Library, 170 Buckram Rd, Locust Valley, 6 to 7 p.m. Sign up to have one of our Teen Tech Tutors to assist you in the library. Please be sure to bring your device with you. (516) 671-1837.

Reflecting on L.I.'s Gold Coast

Writer, teacher and Gold Coast historian Orin Finkle offers a lecture on the grand estate properties of Long Island's Gold Coast at the Glen Cove Public Library, 4 Glen Cove Ave., Glen Cove, 7 p.m. He'll share portions of his huge personal collection of period magazines, books and other ephemera. (516) 676-2130.

Friday, April 21

Friday night at the movies

Hidden Figures, the story of a team of African-American women mathematicians who served a vital role in NASA during the early years of the U.S. space program. Gold Coast Public Library, 50 Railroad Ave., Glen Head, 7:30 to 10 p.m. (516) 759-8300 or gcinfo@gold-coastlibrary.org.

Team trivia night

The View Grill, 11 Lattingtown Rd, Glen Cove, 7:30 p.m. Special trivia menu and \$5 per person to play. Prizes are awarded for teams in 1st, 2nd and 3rd place. Please call (516) 200-9603 for a reservation.

AARP smart driver class

Glen Cove Public Library, 4 Glen Cove Ave, Glen Cove, 9 to 5 p.m. The cost is \$20 for AARP members and \$25 for non-members (payable by check or money order to AARP). Register in person at the Reference desk. (516) 676-2130.

Saturday, April 22

Baseball/Softball parade

Opening Day Parade and Ceremony for Sea Cliff Baseball and North Shore Softball, 9 a.m. Parade route along Sea Cliff Avenue. Ceremony at Clifton Park.

Film screening

The Founders will be featured at the North Shore Historical Museum, 140 Glen Street, Glen Cove, 2 p.m. The Founders film is about finally recognizing those unseen efforts and identifying these women as true icons of sport and equality. The film will be followed by a



5K Walk with HMTc

The Holocaust Memorial and Tolerance Center invite all residents to participate in their inaugural Walk the Talk - Never Again 5K walk on Sunday, April 23 at 10:30 in Glen Cove. The walk was created as a fundraiser in support of HMTc's education programs on the North Shore and throughout the rest of Long Island.

Registration starts at 9:30 a.m. Complimentary docent led museum tours will be available from 11:30 to 1:30 p.m. Later in the afternoon, there will be a community wide Yom HaShoah commemoration program at 2 p.m. For more information, call (516) 571-8040 or email info@hmtcli.org.

Skype discussion with Shirley (516) 801-1191.

Science Saturday

Discover the life cycle and anatomy of butterflies and learn how they use their unusual senses to find food at the Glen Cove Public Library, 4 Glen Cove Ave., Glen Cove, 2 p.m. Take home your very own caterpillar and watch it change into a beautiful adult. When your butterfly hatches, take a picture and email childrenslibrarian@glencovelibrary.org it will be featured on the library's Facebook page. (516) 676-2130.

Sunday, April 23

5K walk to support HMTc

Holocaust Memorial and Tolerance Center, 100 Crescent Beach Road, Glen Cove, 10:30 a.m. Registration starts at 9:30 a.m. Complimentary docent led museum tours available from 11:30 to 1:30 p.m. (516) 571-8040 or info@hmtcli.org.

Pancake breakfast

Hosted by the North Shore Kiwanis Club at North Shore High School, 450 Glen Cove Ave., Glen Head, 8 to 12 p.m. \$8 for adults, \$6 for senior citizens and children (10 and under). Entertainment & free balloons, raffle prizes; Proceeds sponsors our "Klothes for Kids" Program This pays for back to school clothes for community children.

Monday, April 24

AARP smart driver class

Glen Cove Public Library, 4 Glen Cove Ave, Glen Cove, 10 to 12 p.m. (516) 676-2130.

Tuesday, April 25

Tech assistance for adults

Locust Valley Public Library, 170 Buckram Rd, Locust Valley, 6 to 7 p.m. Sign up to have one of our Teen Tech Tutors to assist you in the library. Please be sure to bring your device with you. (516) 671-1837.

Movie at the library

Jackie, starring Natalie Portman at the Gold Coast Public Library, 50 Railroad Ave., Glen Head, 2 to 4 p.m. The film chronicles the experiences of First Lady Jacqueline Bouvier Kennedy as she copes with tumultuous grief, change, and the scrutiny of both America and the international community. (516) 759-

8300.

Wednesday, April 26

Bunco at Bailey's

Bunco, the game of luck and laughs returns to Bailey's Arboretum, 194 Bayville Rd, Locust Valley, 10 a.m. Hosted by the Locust Valley Garden Club. Eileen Duffy who chairs the event said she has some new twists to the game to keep you guessing. Your donation of \$15 is the toll for this fundraiser. Moneys raised will be used for the club's many service projects. (516) 801-1458.



Science Saturday

Discover the life cycle and anatomy of butterflies at the Glen Cove Public Library on Saturday, April 22, 4 Glen Cove Ave., Glen Cove, 2 p.m.

Thursday, April 27

Zumba class

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

Tech assistance for adults

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Live music series

The Stolars, Lesley & Brad will perform at The Metropolitan Bistro, 39 Roslyn Ave., Sea Cliff, 8 p.m. (516) 801-4500.

Friday, April 28

Adult coloring

Sea Cliff Village Library, 300 Sea Cliff Ave., 3 to 3:45 p.m. The library invites residents to join in on a creative, relaxing, and soothing afternoon of coloring. Coloring sheets and pencils will be available at the circulation desk. (516) 671-4290.

Saturday, April 29

Tech assistance for adults

Locust Valley Public Library, 170 Buckram Rd, Locust Valley, 3 to 4 p.m. Sign up to have one of our Teen Tech Tutors to assist you in the library. Please be sure to bring your device with you. (516) 671-1837.

An afternoon of poetry & music

Glen Cove Public Library, 4 Glen Cove Ave., Glen Cove, 2 p.m. In celebration of National Poetry Month, local poet Evelyn Kandel offers an enlightening program and will read from her published poetry books. (516) 676-2130.

Sunday, April 30

Songs to remember

Glen Cove Public Library, 4 Glen Cove Ave., Glen Cove, 2 p.m. Featuring Broadway, Jazz and Light Opera songs, old and new, as performed by soprano Jeanne Whelan and pianist Shiahnnuo Wong. (516) 676-2130.

Exploring Long Island shipwrecks

Gold Coast Public Library, 50 Railroad Ave., Glen Head, 2 p.m. This informative presentation will explore a number of different shipwrecks from all eras in Long Island history. In this program, the library will discuss the history of shipwrecks from the Revolutionary War through modern times and show the viewer what some of these wrecks look like today underwater. A discussion that highlights some of the marine life that inhabits these artificial reefs is included. (516) 759-8300.

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First bilingual Easter dawn service

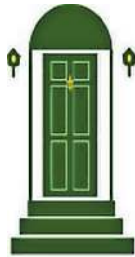
Over a hundred people gathered from Glen Cove and the North Shore of Long Island for the first bilingual Easter dawn service held in the City of Glen Cove's Morgan Park. While services have long been held in Morgan Park at Easter, this is the first time that the service has been shared in both English and Spanish. With the backdrop of the Hempstead Harbor and an 18-foot cross that was temporarily erected, the service began with

songs and scripture readings in both English and Spanish. Pastors from three Glen Cove churches hosting the event (Calvary A.M.E Church, Iglesia Ciudad de Refugio and First Presbyterian Church), each shared a short message and song leaders from the congregations led everyone in song. Pastors leading the community service included Rev. Craig J. Wright, Rev. Juanita Lopez and Rev. Joan Finck. Music for the half hour service was led by Merle Richards, choir president at Calvary A.M.E; Josue Correa, associate pastor; and Ericka Bautista, song leader at Iglesia Ciudad de Refugio; and by Gaitley Stevenson-Mathews, elder at First Presbyterian Church. Several elected officials attended the service including Legislator Delia Deriggi-Whitton, City Councilman Tim Tenke, City Councilman Roderick Watson, and former City Councilman Tony Jimenez.

THE BILINGUAL EASTER service also included music.

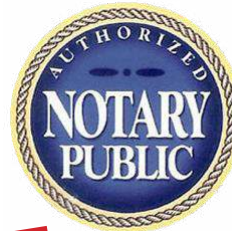


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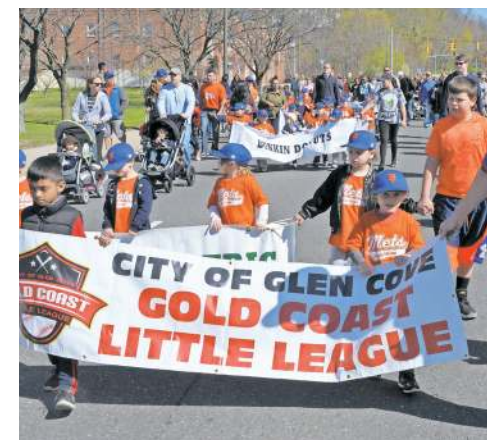
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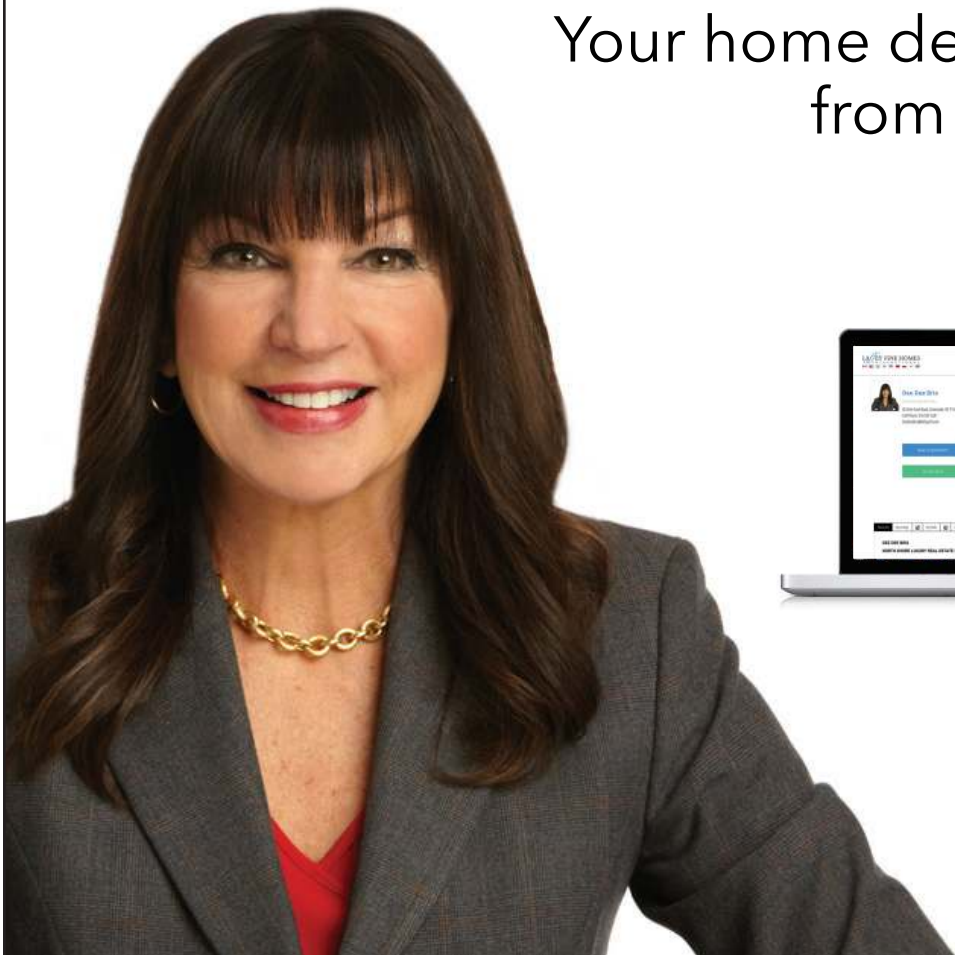
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Thinking about selling? Now's the time

The market is heating up

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Spring has sprung — and local realtors are eager to embrace the season. Long Island's real estate market is moving at a robust pace, according to the latest data from the Multiple Listing Service (MLS).

The number of closed transactions grew 4.9 percent in Nassau in January, compared with a year earlier. The February 2017 median home price for homes sold was \$450,000, up 2.3 percent from a year earlier, according to listing service numbers.

The major factor that's affecting the market now is a shrinking number of homes for sale. Buyers are finding fewer homes available to them. Across Long Island, MLS reported the total number of homes for sale in February 2017 was 14,671, down 17.9 from the same time last year.

"That's our biggest problem right now," said Rick Arnold, broker, founder, and co-owner of the Richard B. Arnold Real Estate in Sea Cliff. "The market is tight and it's tough to find enough houses for our buyers."

Terry Sciubba, broker-owner of Sherlock Holmes Realty in Sea Cliff, said that compared to last year, prices are higher due to the low amount of homes on the market. "We're waiting for April to get more inventory," she said. More houses usually come on the market in the spring and the fall."

The positive outlook among local brokers leads to expectations that, despite a diminished supply of homes, 2017 will see continued growth and strong sales. "We're very pleased with this year's results so far," Arnold said. "I think we're ahead of what we did last year."

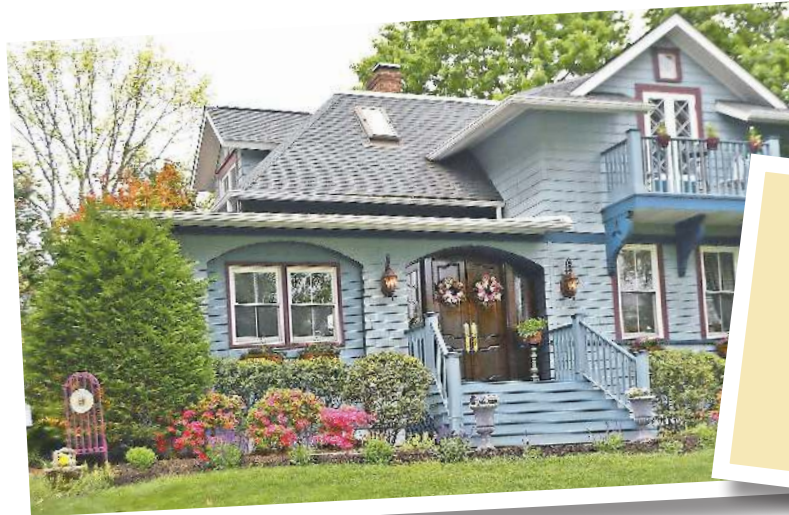
Patricia Santella, associate broker with Douglas Elliman in East Norwich, reports a strong showing so far this year. "Last month I put four deals into contract in like three weeks," she said. "Three I was the listing agent on, and three homes in which we had multiple offers above asking."

Sarah Gilligan-Hynes, co-owner of Gilligan Realty in Sea Cliff, expects more homes to come on the market once temperatures start to rise. "We kind of had a long winter," she said. "We encourage our clients to wait until the spring. The best potential for a home to be shown is when everything is flourishing and the landscaping is in good shape."

The brokers surveyed have high expectations, expecting to carry over their success from last year. "It's very active here and there's a large buying pool," said Ed D'Ambrosio, executive sales director for Douglas Elliman, who describes market as "robust."

"There's a general feeling that the economy looks to be doing well."

Brokers across the North Shore noted that interest rates are still low for the most part,



Sold: Recent sales include (top), a custom-built center hall Colonial on 3.66 acres in Muttontown; a 3 bedroom, 1.5 bathroom Colonial in Glen Head (left).

which is especially encouraging to first-time buyers.

"Interest rates have not hindered the market at this time," said Clifford Packingham, broker-owner of Engel & Volkers in Locust Valley. "I expect 2017 to have stronger sales than last year."

Many of the people looking for homes this spring are either first-time home buyers (generally in their 30s) or those looking to downsize after their family has moved out. "There is a very strong market here," Sciubba said, of the North Shore. "People want to live here. It's close to the city."

Santella added that the current influx of buyers are "new families that were renting, not buying. It's usually driven by the school year."

There are signs, however, that the luxury market is not faring quite as well. According to Philip and Mark Laffey, broker-owners of Laffey Real Estate in Greenvale, the high-end market has experienced a stall. "Defined as homes selling for greater than \$1.5 million, there is considerably less activity than a year ago, especially in the \$2 million and greater range," the Laffey's reported.

"The traditional estate may be out of fashion as buyers move away from the excessively large three-plus acre manor homes and concentrate on the more lifestyle-focused one to two acre properties offering more local amenities, closer to transportation and downtowns. In particular, millennials are making big ticket decisions to purchase homes with more function and less pomp and circumstance."

The message is clear: there's opportunity now for both buyers and sellers.

Understanding the market

Advice from the experts

The 2017 housing market moves along with rising prices, a tight supply of homes and fierce competition among buyers. Here are some keys to maximizing your opportunity.

Sellers:

1. Set a realistic price.

It's the No. 1 rule and it is absolutely essential," said Richard B. Arnold Real Estate's Rick Arnold said. "Pricing is always critical because if you miss that mark, you'll have to start adjusting the price over a period of time and then it becomes stale."

"If you price it right, your job is half done," said Sarah Gilligan-Hynes, of Gilligan Realty. If the house does become stale, "people will wonder what's wrong with the house and they won't realize it's the price."

2. Hire the right agent.

"Hire a professional realtor with significant technology in terms of marketing and global website presence," Engel & Volkers' Clifford Packingham said.

Douglas Elliman's Ed D'Ambrosio explained that finding the best agent is a "crucial" part of the selling process. "The real estate agent handles every point from A to Z. Interview the agent and be sure that the agent you hire has integrity and transparency."

Buyers:

1. Be ready, be early, be flexible.

Start out with a plan and be prepared.

"Buyers should be critically informed at all times," Arnold said. His partner, John Langone, agreed and added prospective buyers should also have the right letters prepared.

"They should definitely have their preapproval letter, not just the prequalification," he said. "Speak to somebody that you trust, give them accurate information on employment, credit and finances so that you can get an actual preapproval."

Philip and Mark Laffey concur: "Be ready, in the event that you are ready to commit," they urge. "Get pre-qualified, find an attorney, and be ready to take action. In today's seller's market, if you see something you like, do not wait. It is highly unlikely it will be available later. Demand is low so waiting a week is not advisable. Finally, do not nickel and dime the sellers. They know there are other buyers in this market and will likely move on quicker than you might think."

2. Find an agent with a solid network.

In the current market, buyers are up against plenty of competition. That's where the agent can best represent you — their client. Patricia Santella cautions buyers not to make appointments directly with the listing agent, who has the seller's best interests in mind. "If someone were suing you, would you hire that person's lawyer to represent you? Similar situation here. Find an agent that you can trust to represent you and get you through the entire home buying process and beyond," she advises.

Murder at View Grill

Breaking news — Murder at The View Grill in Glen Cove ... Did I get your attention? Well this murder was a lot of fun. No, it didn't involve any politics but it did



KEVIN HORTON

involve a bunch of locals. On April 1 and 8 the Slayer Players presented an interactive play at The View Grill and the sold-out crowd not only saw the play "Murder at the Banquet," but also

enjoyed an excellent dinner. The best part — the cast — were all locals. "Murder at the Banquet" featured: Robert Wiesman, Eve Lupenko, MD, Susan Potter Wepler, Fred DiMenna, Chelsea Dunham, John Canning, James Curtis and Jon Luc Monteforte.

Ever been to a murder mystery dinner? Usually you don't know who the cast is and they are often part of the audience. But because this was a local performance the audience knew the

actors, like John Canning, Eve Lupenko and The View Grill chef's husband Fred DiMenna, so it was a different experience. But it turned out to be a very interesting one. Sure, they'd slip in and out of character talking local talk with people, but when they'd interact with each-other, it was right on script.

A murder at The View Grill, in this case, was a delight! And according to the chef and owner of The View Grill Jeanine DiMenna (who by-the-way had a few lines in the performance), there could be a repeat performance, so stay tuned.



THE SLAYER PLAYERS had as much fun putting on their first show as the audience did viewing it.



DARLENE GAFFNEY SPENT some quality time with the children at All Saints Regional Catholic School recently.

Author Reads at ASR

Darlene Gaffney, the author of "Raffie Reads," recently visited All Saints Regional Catholic School in Glen Cove to read her book to first graders. Mrs. DiCaprio's first grade class. o ignored

At ASR, Gaffney not only read her book but entertained and interacted with the children with song and play, teaching the children the skills of reading. Gaffney is a retired reading specialist, literacy coach and adjunct professor in special education.

"Raffie Reads" is available through her web site at www.Dagaffney.com or through Amazon.com.

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By SUSAN GRIECO

THE QUESTION:

Why is the Earth the best planet?



It has all this great stuff to do everywhere in the world. It has buildings like the Empire State Building and it has parks.

SALVATORE MONTALBANO
Student



It has life here, and without life, we can't live either!

MARY KATE SUSSMAN
Student



The earth has air, food, shelter, transportation and animals.

JASON MARRERO
Student



We can live here. There's lots of fruit and trees to climb on. Oh, and there's ice cream!

JOEY DIRUSSO
Student



Earth is great because we have sunny days and we have nice houses to live in. Oh, and we have Easter too!

AVA MARRERO
Student



We have water here and it's not too close to the sun. And we have gravity... and that's good for playing tag!

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NEIGHBORS IN THE NEWS

The North Shore Kiwanis Club Goes On A Nature Walk At Gravies Point

At the North Shore Kiwanis Club meeting on March 30, the Garvies Point Museum & Preserve took center stage with two presentations for the program.

In 1970, Kathryn Natale began working at Garvies by developing the educational department. In 1980, she became the supervisor and curator of the museum and held that position until her retirement in 2009. She is currently President of the Friends of Garvies Point Museum. Her daughter, Veronica Natale, a graduate from North Shore High School and Stony Brook University, is currently the Garvies program supervisor.

This mother-daughter team gave a very informative presentation regarding the wonderful things Garvies Point has to offer. Some of the information shared included that Garvies was founded in 1967, and has been a part of Glen Cove for 50 years as a natural history museum and nature presence on Long Island's North Shore. The preserve has two ponds and about 62 acres of glacial moraine covered



Courtesy North Shore Kiwanis Club

KATHRYNE AND VERONICA Natale with Kiwanis President Cesar Sosa.

by woodlands. Garvies also holds many spring and summer events where the community is invited to join in on the fun. For information regarding the North Shore Kiwanis Club visit www.nskiwani.org.



Buying a home?

Find it in our classified real estate pages

Residents hope to enjoy Crescent Beach once again

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would meet down there to have bonfires," she said. "It was just a wonderful place."

Green lives just a few minutes from the beach, but she hasn't set foot there since it closed. She said she would love to see the beach open again someday, but is displeased with the city's efforts.

"We've had so many different mayors over the years," she said. "I don't know all the details, but something is wrong."

Mayor Reggie Spinello explained that earlier this year the county proposed the installation of a sewer system in homes near the beach, which would have cost \$37 million. He added that the project was "not feasible" for residents. The plans were revised recently, and now call for the installation of groundwater-monitoring wells to collect water samples. The wells would be installed at a lift station on Woolsey Avenue, near Hardwood Drive East, which gathers raw sewage from underground pipelines. "They will probe down 12 to 25 feet to gather some samples to see the water conditions," Spinello said.

He added that a second task for the county is to collect storm water samples on Cobble Court and Valley Road, near the beach. Spinello said that this area was chosen because few homes there own sewage pumps. This portion of the project would take three to four months. Spinello also said that the beach would likely remain closed for the rest of the year.

The city and the county, he said, have



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DR. HELEN GREEN, a resident, spent many summers at the beach with her family, but hasn't set foot there since it closed.

tried in the past to solve the water problems at the beach, but figuring out exactly what the problem is has been the biggest challenge. Cesspools and septic systems were installed near the beach years ago, Spinello said, which may have contaminated the water. "Some people have cesspools that are compromised and they don't even know it," he said. "We do free pump-outs for those areas, but we're really trying to narrow down this problem."

Another resident, Tom Taranto, recalled being a regular beachgoer for 40 years. A law enforcement retiree, he used to help organize beach cleanups. Growing up, he would visit the beach to party and spend time with his friends. Now, he occasionally walks his dog on the shore, but misses the water.

"It's horrible to see this beach closed," Taranto said. "It was one of my favorite beaches."

County Legislator Delia DeRiggi-Whitton explained that the city hoped to secure funds from the county in 2015 for a feasibility and design study of sewage management in Glen Cove and Roslyn Harbor. But it was projected that the study would cost \$30 million, which was too expensive for the city. After discussions with county engineers, DeRiggi-Whitton said, a decision was made by the county to focus the study on Crescent Beach, but how it will be financed hasn't been finalized yet. She would like the county to invest \$10 million in a more broad-based study, but no decision has been made yet.

"My hope is that with the \$10 million, we'll be able to alleviate this issue with the beach," DeRiggi-Whitton said. "We're going to see what we can do with that amount, and hopefully it'll be good enough to get the beach open."

DeRiggi-Whitton grew up in Glen Cove, and has many memories of Crescent Beach. "It was always one of my favorite beaches, especially when my kids were little," she recalled. "It's a very, very beautiful area." Restoring the beach, she said, would depend on pinpointing the problem so that the county could properly utilize the funds to construct new sewer systems where they are needed most. She added that many nearby septic tanks are not in good shape, so the county is also trying to figure out which tanks are contributing to the pollution.

Spinello said that there are a few alternatives if this study is unsuccessful. The county would consider building outfall pipes, which would disperse the polluted water further out into the Long Island Sound. He said that he's aware of the concerns residents have, and he is hopeful that the study can solve this problem for good.

"The beach is important to us, and I know how much people enjoy it," Spinello said. "It has some quietness to it and it's very serene. The county is doing their best, and we hope to get this resolved soon."

The study is scheduled to begin in two weeks.

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STEPPING OUT

Where to go, what to do, who to see

The springtime table Bring out your inner chef as you spring into the season

As the weather perks up and we're enjoying some spring in our step, it's a great time to recharge and refocus on our eating and dining routines.

The start of spring is the perfect time for new beginnings, including a fresh start on eating healthy. The trick is introducing smart habits so tasty that your eating plan becomes a way of life than a short-lived commitment.

Although grilling season is not yet in full swing, we can still find some seasonal inspiration as we move away from winter stews and soups into lighter fare using the latest crop of seasonal veggies.

One appealing way to stay on track with healthy, tasty eating is by adding watermelon to your diet, giving your body a low-calorie option to curb an appetite for unhealthy snacks. Watermelon can satisfy a craving for something sweet — it only contains 80 calories per 2-cup serving. Watermelon contains fiber and water, and packs a wealth of health benefits, including strong levels of vitamins A, C and B6.

Perk up your cuisine by getting everyone into the kitchen and see if you've got what it takes to be a "Top Chef." Find inspiration with these recipes.



There's no need to wait for summer to enjoy watermelon. This healthy, yummy bite is a delectable addition to your culinary repertoire.

Watermelon Protein Bites

Recipe courtesy of Anya Shinall of Anya's Eats

1 cup pitted dates, soaked in purified water
1 1/2 cups sprouted watermelon seeds, divided, plus additional for garnish
1 tablespoon coconut butter
1 cup fresh watermelon, chopped

1/8-1/4 cup roughly chopped beets (optional)

Chop dates in half. Place them in a bowl of purified water and soak 1-2 hours.

Remove dates from water bowl and place them into food processor.

Pulse a few times then add 1 cup water-melon seeds, coconut butter and watermelon.

Add chopped beets, if using.

Blend until well combined, scraping sides of food processor as you go.

Add remaining watermelon seeds and pulse, leaving some seeds chunky.

For smoother texture, continue to blend.

Remove mixture from food processor, place in small bowl and cover; allowing to cool in refrigerator 30 minutes.

Remove mixture from fridge. With fingertips slightly wet, roll mixture into balls and place on a plate.

Once done rolling, add watermelon seeds to top.

Place watermelon bites in freezer 1-2 hours, or until frozen.

1 teaspoon fennel seed

1 teaspoon coriander seed

1 teaspoon whole cumin seed

1 teaspoon mustard seed

1/2 teaspoon ground cardamom

Pinch cayenne

2 cups canned tomatoes, with juices

3 cups homemade or low-salt canned chicken broth; more as needed

2 tablespoons chopped fresh cilantro

1 teaspoon whole cumin seed, toasted in a dry skillet until fragrant

Heat the oven to 350°F. In a Dutch oven or high-sided skillet, heat oil over medium-high heat. Season the lamb shanks with salt and pepper. Working in batches, brown the lamb on all sides; transfer to a plate. Pour off all but a few tablespoons of fat from the pan.

Reduce the heat to medium and add the onions. Cook, stirring often, until the onions are tender and just beginning to brown. Stir in the garlic, ginger, fennel, coriander, the whole cumin seed, the mustard seed, the cardamom and the cayenne and cook one minute more. Return the lamb shanks to the pot, and add the tomatoes and enough chicken broth to barely the shanks. Bring to a gentle simmer on the stovetop then transfer the pot, uncovered, to the oven.

Braise in the oven, basting and turning the meat occasionally. Adjust the heat as necessary to maintain a gentle simmer (barely bubbling). The lamb is done when it's tender enough to cut with a fork and easily comes away from the bone, about 2-1/2 hours.

Transfer the lamb to a plate, let the liquid cool, and spoon off any fat. (For a smooth, refined sauce, strain the liquid and return to the pot.) Bring the sauce to a simmer and reduce until it thickens enough to coat the back of a spoon. Return the lamb to the pot.

When ready to serve, warm the meat in the sauce, basting frequently. Stir in the cilantro and toast cumin just before serving.



Lamb is the centerpiece of many a spring meal. Try a lamb shank instead of the traditional roast for a change of pace.

Lamb Shanks Braised with Tomatoes and Coriander

2 tablespoons olive oil
6 pounds lamb shanks
Kosher salt and freshly ground black pepper
3 cups sliced onions
2 tablespoons chopped garlic
2 tablespoons chopped ginger

Make Ahead Tips

The lamb is even better made a day or more ahead. Prepare the recipe through the step of reducing the sauce, then return the lamb to its sauce and refrigerate, covered, for up to five days or freeze for up to three months. To serve, reheat the lamb shanks in their sauce, and stir in the cilantro and toasted cumin.

— Karen Bloom
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ART ADVENTURES NCMA's Family Day

Enjoy some spring inspiration at Nassau County Museum of Art, indoors and out. Converse, collaborate and create together during a museum outing, which features an exploration of new art materials and ideas with a museum educator. Take the kids on a docent-led walk-through of the current exhibition, "Halston Style," the first comprehensive retrospective of the iconic designer's career. Family art projects will draw inspiration from his garments and



WEEKEND Out and About

documentation. Also, spend some time in the sculpture park, which features over 50 works, many of the monumental in size. For more outdoor fun, traverse a nature trail among the museum's 145 acres, ideal for family hikes.

Sunday, April 23, 1 p.m. Free with museum admission. \$12, \$8 seniors 62 and older; \$4 children. One Museum Dr. (off Northern Blvd.), Roslyn Harbor. (516) 484-9337 or www.nassaumuseum.org.

SEASONAL DELIGHTS Walk the Talk

Step outside for an important cause and walk the grounds of Welwyn Preserve, for "Walk the Talk...Never Again," a 5K walk to support the Holocaust Memorial and



Tolerance Center of Nassau County. Enjoy an invigorating hike through the preserve in support of HMTIC's educational programs that empower and mobilize people to stand up to anti-Semitism and intolerance and advocate acceptance for all. Docent-led tours of the museum will be offered following the walk, along with a community-wide Yom Hashoah commemoration program at 2 p.m.

Sunday, April 23, 9:30 a.m. registration; 10:30 a.m. walk. Holocaust Memorial and Tolerance Center, 100 Crescent Beach Road, Glen Cove. (516) 571-8040 or www.hmtcli.org.

Performances/ On Stage

The End of America

The folk-rock trio in concert, with special guests Ladybird, Thursday, April 20, 8 p.m.; open mic at 7:30 p.m. \$15. Hard Luck Cafe at Cinema Arts Centre, 432 Park Ave., Huntington. (631) 425-2925 or www.fmsh.org.

Jekyll & Hyde

The musical horror-drama based on Robert Louis Stevenson's classic tale, Thursday and Friday, April 20-21, 8 p.m.; Saturday, April 22, 3 and 8 p.m.; Sunday, April 23, 2 and 7 p.m. Wednesday, April 26, 8 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, April 20, 7:30 p.m. Sea Cliff Library, 300 Sea Cliff Ave., Sea Cliff. 671-4290 or www.seaclifflibrary.org.

Rain: A Tribute to The Beatles

The acclaimed Beatles tribute show, Thursday, April 20, 7 p.m. The history of the Fab Four is covered in full, from their beginnings through the hard rocking hippie days. \$125, \$99.50, \$69.50, \$49.50, NYCB Theatre at Westbury, 960 Brush Hollow Rd., Westbury. (800) 745-3000 or www.livenation.com.



Steve Winwood

The iconic British rocker in concert, with special guest Lilly Winwood, Thursday, April 20, 8 p.m. \$150, \$85, \$79.50. The Space, 250 Post Ave. Westbury. (800) 745-3000 or 283-5566 or www.ticketmaster.com or www.thespaceatwestbury.com.

The Goat or Who is Sylvia?

Edward Albee's provocative black comedy that questions the boundaries of love, Friday and Saturday, April 21-22, 8 p.m.; Sunday, April 23, 3 p.m. \$15-\$25. Arena Players, Vanderbilt Carriage House Theater, Suffolk County Vanderbilt Museum, 180 Little Neck Rd., Centerport. 557-1207 or www.arenaplayers.org.

Jessie's Girl

The acclaimed tribute band performs its "Back to the Eighties" show, hosted by original MTV VJ Nina Blackwood, Friday, April 21, 8 p.m. \$30, \$25, \$15. The Paramount, 370 New York Ave., Huntington. (800) 745-3000 or www.ticketmaster.com or www.paramountny.com.

New Horizons String Orchestra

The orchestra explores varied string quartet works, Friday, April 21, 9:30 a.m.-12



Karla Bonoff and Livingston Taylor

Two powerhouse singer-songwriters team up together for a dynamic performance on the Landmark on Main Street stage, on Saturday, May 6, at 8 p.m. The enduring folk icons still resonate with audiences, appearing in concerts that demonstrate their perserverance and continuing appeal. Tickets are \$50, \$45, \$38; available at (516) 767-6444 or www.landmarkonmainstreet.org. Landmark on Main Street, Jeanne Rimsky Theater, 232 Main St., Port Washington.



p.m. New members playing violin, viola, cello or bass are invited to join. Huntington Public Library, 338 Main St., Huntington. 785-2532 or www.fhso.org.

The Price is Right Live

An interactive live version of the classic TV game show, Friday, April 21, 8 p.m. \$79.50, \$69.50 and \$49.50. NYCB Theatre at Westbury, 960 Brush Hollow Rd, Westbury. (800) 745-3000 or www.livenation.com.



John Kouri and the Hambones

The band performs Bob Dylan's "Blood on the Tracks," Saturday, April 22, 2 p.m. Sea Cliff Library, 300 Sea Cliff Ave., Sea Cliff. 671-4290 or www.seaclifflibrary.org.

Paul Shaffer

The legendary bandleader, of David Letterman fame, in concert, with The World's Most Dangerous Band, Saturday, April 22, 8 p.m. \$124.50, \$99.50, \$89.50, \$74.50, \$69.50, \$49.50. NYCB Theatre at Westbury, 960 Brush Hollow Rd, Westbury. (800) 745-3000 or www.livenation.com.

Naomi Zeitlin

The popular vocalist in concert, with "A Soulful Springtime," Sunday, April 23, 2 p.m. Hear favorites by Joan Baez, Judy Collins, Patsy Kline, Shania Twain, and more. Gold Coast Public Library, 50 Railroad Ave., Glen Head. 759-8300 or www.goldcoastlibrary.org.

Aaron Lewis

The singer-songwriter in concert, Thursday, April 27, 8 p.m. \$45 and \$30. The Space, 250 Post Ave. Westbury. (800) 745-3000

or 283-5566 or www.ticketmaster.com or www.thespaceatwestbury.com.

The Music Man

The classic musical about the fast talking traveling salesman, presented by the Community Synagogue Theater Company, Thursday, April 27, 7:30 p.m.; Saturday, April 29, 7:30 p.m.; Sunday, April 30, 1:30 and 5:30 p.m. \$44 and \$28. Jeanne Rimsky Theater at Landmark on Main Street, 232 Main St., Port Washington. 887-3144 ext. 280 or www.landmarkonmainstreet.org.

For the Kids



Monster Jam Triple Threat Series

The monster trucks in action, Friday and Saturday, April 21-22, 1 and 7 p.m. Nassau Coliseum, 1255 Hempstead Tpk., Uniondale. (800) 745-3000 or www.ticketmaster.com or www.nassaucoliseum.com.

Science Saturday

Examine the life cycle and anatomy of butterflies, Saturday, April 22, 2 p.m. Take home a butterfly and watch it change into an adult. For grades 2-5. Glen Cove Public Library, 4 Glen Cove Ave., Glen Cove. 676-2130 or www.glencovelibrary.org.

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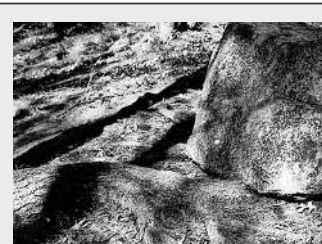
Blue

A fiber and clay exhibition featuring local

artists. Varied works by Barbara Karyo, Sally Shore, Michaelann Tostanoski, Marcia Widner, and Nancy Yoshii, among others are on view. Through May 7. Oyster Bay Historical Society, 20 Summit St., Oyster Bay. 922-5032 or www.oysterbayhistorical.org.

This and That

A solo exhibition by member artist Bert Winsberg. Works on view represent his interest in music, cities and landscapes. B.J. Spoke Gallery, 299 Main Street, Huntington. Through April 30. (631) 549-5106 or www.bjspokegallery.org.



Thaddeus: Holownia: Walden

Revisited This exhibition pays homage to Henry David Thoreau, whose experiment in simple living unfolded over two years at Walden Pond in Concord, Massachusetts beginning in 1845. Presented as a full-gallery installation that approximates Thoreau's and Holownia's experience of Walden Woods, the images focus closely on individual trees, creating a portrait of the site and encouraging quiet contemplation of nature's grandeur. A companion exhibition, "Earth Muse: Art and the Environment," features artists whose work continues the theme of reflection, highlighting nature's beauty and diversity, the eternal rhythms of the natural world, and man's impact on the environment. Through July 30. Heckscher Museum of Art, Main St. and Prime Ave., Huntington. (631) 351-3250 or www.heckscher.org.

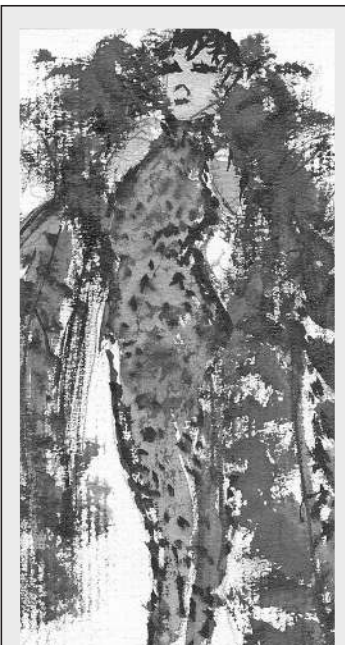


Film Time

See the classic black comedy "The Ladykillers," about five diverse odd-ball criminal types planning a bank robbery who rent rooms on a cul-de-sac from an octogenarian widow, Friday, April 21, 2 p.m.; also "Jackie," the biopic about Jackie Kennedy during the days following President Kennedy's assassination, Tuesday, April 25, 2 p.m. Gold Coast Public Library, 50 Railroad Ave., Glen Head. 759-8300 or www.goldcoastlibrary.org.

Thar She Blows: Whaling History On Long Island

The exhibit explores one of the region's most important industries. Visitors can smell a foc'sle, work on a ship hull, learn the hows and whys of whaling, and find out how the whaling industry launched a conservation movement. 301 Main St., Cold Spring Harbor. (631) 367-3418 or www.cshwhalingmuseum.org.



Halston Style

A comprehensive retrospective of the works of the American fashion designer Halston. The exhibition includes many never-before-seen objects from the designer's personal archives and more than 60 Halston fashions, juxtaposed with photographs, artwork, illustrations and accessories as well as film and video documentation. Through July 9. Nassau County Museum of Art, 1 Museum Dr., Roslyn Harbor. 484-9337 or www.nassaumuseum.org.

Having an event?

Submissions can be emailed to kbloom@liherald.com.



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By SUSAN GRIECO

THE QUESTION:

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SALVATORE MONTALBANO
Student



We can live here. There's lots of fruit and trees to climb on. Oh, and there's ice cream!

JOEY DIRUSSO
Student



It has life here, and without life, we can't live either!

MARY KATE SUSSMAN
Student



Earth is great because we have sunny days and we have nice houses to live in. Oh, and we have Easter too!

AVA MARRERO
Student



The earth has air, food, shelter, transportation and animals.

JASON MARRERO
Student



We have water here and it's not too close to the sun. And we have gravity... and that's good for playing tag!

CHRISTOPHER VERDI
Student



Laura Lane/Herald

Ball fields nearly ready for opening day

The City of Glen Cove is busy preparing for Gold Coast Little League's opening day on Saturday April 22. Recently they covered the fields with one hundred and fifty tons of ball field clay to ensure that everyone has a winning season. Dan Cox, co-chair of the Recreation Commission, said it's going to be a great year to play baseball in Glen Cove.

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Old Brookville hires counsel after Starbucks rumor spreads

By **GEORGE WALLACE**

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A rumor that a commercial interest of some kind — possibly a Starbucks or other coffee shop — was eyeing new use of a long boarded up gas station building at the corner of Rtes 25A and 107 has led the Old Brookville Village Board to hire outside counsel to examine ‘the status and circumstances’ of how the property may be used.

At the board’s regular meeting on April 17, Mayor Bernie Ryba and board members voted to hire the law firm of Meyer Suozzi as independent counsel to offer advice and counsel on the matter.

“That corner has not been anything operationally for a number of years,” Ryba told a crowd of residents who came to the board meeting with questions about the rumor. “We have brought in Meyer Suozzi because there is possible abandonment of the property, and we want to know what the implications of that are.”

According to the Old Brookville mayor, that report will be available at the next board meeting.

The property in question is an approximately half acre site on the northeast corner of Route 25a and Rte 107, and serves as a gateway corner to Old Brookville. At the board meeting on Monday night, no clear statement was made concerning the property’s current zoning status. Accord-



Laura Lane/Herald

PEOPLE ARE WORRIED that the abandoned gas station on the corner of Route 25A and 107 may become a Starbucks.

ing to the village, it was originally residential property but 40 to 50 years ago was zoned as commercial.

But David Ross, the owner of the property, told the Oyster Bay Guardian that he has no knowledge of any intent to open up a coffee shop at the site. “The property had four uses in the past — gas station, mini-convenience store, auto repairs, auto supplies,” he said. “We’ve cleaned it up — taken out a truckload of debris, old cars and other items — and removed the old underground storage tanks. My understanding is that it can still be used as a

gas station.”

The board announced its action as numerous community residents voiced concerns about the potential for increased traffic congestion, becoming a teen hangout, or disturbing the ecology of the area.

“I understand it was originally zoned residential, became commercial, but is zoned residential again,” said local resident John Lumpp. “Whatever it may be, is it in our best interest to entertain a change of zoning? Can we keep it residential? Can the village purchase it?”

“We don’t have the funds to purchase the property,” Ryba replied.

As for the rest? “We want to be absolutely sure, which is why we’re seeking a legal opinion from Meyer Suozzi,” Ryba said. “Until we have that opinion we will not speculate.”

It is unclear how the rumor of a possible new retail use of the corner surfaced. According to the board, there is no application before the village for use. The owner of the property, said Ryba, was “completely unaware this was being presented to the village.”

So why did the village put the item on their agenda for discussion?

“The village obtained an email that someone had a client — possibly Starbucks — that was interested in the property,” Ryba said. The email, he said, went on to ask that the board place this on the agenda at the Apr 17 meeting.

The mayor is concerned. He said that the village would not hold discussions with parties other than the principals in the property itself. “The outreach has no standing,” said Ryba. “We will deal with the owner.”

And while Ross may not have any information to offer on new retail use of the property, he acknowledged that he does have unnamed “partners” who might. “I own the property, and I have no knowledge of any planned use,” he said. “But my partners may.”



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Stret Whitting, 'always there to help people,' dies

BY DANIELLE AGOLIA

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Strettle F. Whitting Jr., a former resident of Glen Head and Montauk, died on March 30 in Jensen Beach, FL. He was 78.

Affectionately known as Stret, Whitting owned and operated Whitting Funeral Home in Glen Cove with his twin brother Scott for almost 40 years. His parents started the business over 75 years ago, and the brothers joined them after high school, attending embalming school and completing a residency with their father. "I think he always thought he'd follow in his father's footsteps," said his wife, Joan.

Joan and Stret met at North Shore High School when they were 15, and had been together ever since. They enjoyed a long and wonderful 54 years of marriage. "He was very kind, gentle, a hard worker," Joan said. "He was always there to help people." The couple shared many adventures, taking trips to Alaska and Europe and boating in the Caribbean.

"He was a real, avid, dedicated fisherman," said Whitting's identical twin, Scott. "We used to do a lot of fishing and scuba diving. We would finish work at night and put our wetsuits on and go scuba diving for lobsters."

The Whitting brothers did almost everything together. The only time they

were really separated was when Scott was in the military. "We lived, worked and played together," Scott said.

The brothers were very active members of the Glenwood Fire Department, both serving as president and secretary. Stret was named secretary emeritus. The brothers were even on the Glenwood Greenhorns, the department's drill team and featured on the Wide World of Sports back in the day.

Stret and Scott were also members of the Matinecock Rod and Gun Club. They were known for their handyman work and were members of the Free and Accepted Masons Lodge of Glen Cove. They did a great deal of the construction work at the funeral home too, including concrete block work. The brothers even built their own fishing boats.

After the brothers passed down the funeral home business to Whitting's sons, Whitting and Joan moved out to their summer home in Montauk to live in the beach town year-round. Montauk was a great fit for Whitting; he was able to pursue his boating and fishing passions. He started the charter boat business Wake Boat Charter, and was president of the Charter Boat Captains Association.

After living in Montauk for several years, the Whittings moved back to Glen Head, where Stret became the oldest



Courtesy of Joan Whitting

STRETLE WHITTING in his element: boating

launch boy at Sea Cliff Yacht Club. They also started snowbirding in Florida, like so many New Yorkers do. Eventually the Whittings moved down to Jensen Beach, FL. full time, where they had been living for almost 10 years.

When people ask Scott what his broth-

er was like, he's quick to say, "He was just like me! We balanced each other out. We had a lot of good times and a lot of hard work together."

"He just had a generally nice way about him that people really liked," Joan said. "It's amazing. He was very supportive."

OBITUARY

Wilfrido Rodriguez

Wilfrido Rodriguez of Glen Cove, N.Y., died on April 12, 2017. He was the beloved husband of Gladys, devoted father of Wilfrido Jr. and Carmen, loving grandfather of Kyleigh, Kody, Dante and Jordan, and dear brother of Radames. Interment will be held at Juana Diaz Cemetery in Puerto Rico. Funeral will be held at the McLaughlin Kramer Megiel Funeral Home in Glen Cove, N.Y.

Helen L. Moskal

Helen L. Moskal, of Glen Cove, N.Y., died on April 10, 2017. She was the beloved wife of the late Stanley ("Stas"), devoted mother of Joan Wansor and the late Helen Stasky, cherished grandmother of Cheryl, Chuck, Chad Stasky, Tucker and Wendy Wansor, and dear sister of the late Joseph and Leon. Funeral mass was held at the Church of St. Hyacinth. Interment was held at Holy Rood Cemetery. Visitation was held at McLaughlin Kramer Megiel Funeral Home in Glen Cove, N.Y.

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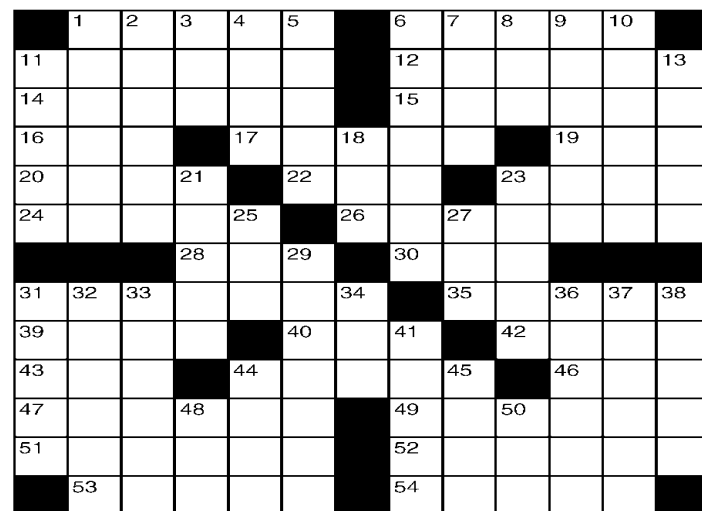
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Living Water offers hope to addicts

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couldn't stop. The couple named their son Little Bill.

The newborn spent the beginning of his life in a neonatal unit, but he suffered no permanent physical damage during the pregnancy. Cavanagh saw the other babies in the hospital with tubes attached to their bodies, some the size of her hand, and she felt guilty that she had used while she was pregnant. She attended a women's program in Freeport, where her counselor said she had to shed her shame if she wanted to stay sober, but she needed time to accept the advice. Child Protective Services was involved in Cavanagh's life from the day her son was born until the day he turned 18.

While Cavanagh said she never forced her son to use, he grew up watching his parents abusing drugs, which led to Little Bill also becoming an addict too. He turned 22 in 2014 — the same year he was arrested with Cavanagh on Thanksgiving in Long Beach. Today he is in an outpatient rehabilitation program in California.

Getting sober

While Cavanagh was in jail, she attended weekly writing and art workshops facilitated by Cohn, of Living Water. "What impressed me about [Cavanagh] is, yes, she's been using drugs a long time, but there's no facade," Cohn said. "She is who she is, and she's open and honest about it. I value that about a person."

Upon release from jail, Cavanagh moved into the Living Water transitional home, where she lived for several months. In the fall of 2015, she started going back out with friends and drinking. She had fallen back into her old ways. One night, she returned to the house "stewed," packed her belongings and moved to Oceanside.

In February 2016, Cavanagh came down with pneumonia and was rushed to South Nassau Communities Hospital in Oceanside, where she remained for a month. While in the hospital, her friends visited. One time, they sneaked heroin, morphine and Xanax to her. Later that day, Cavanagh was in the shower when she dropped the shower gel. Bending down to pick it up, she realized she couldn't pull herself back up, even using the handicapped rail. The next thing she knew, she woke up in the intensive care unit. Cavanagh had overdosed. "It was kind of like God slapping me in the head," she said.

Once out of the hospital, Cavanagh was moved to a nursing home in Island Park, where Cohn, of Living Water, visited her. It was there that Cavanagh asked whether she could return to the house, and Cohn agreed.

Cohn understood that Cavanagh wasn't ready to commit to getting sober the first



Danielle Agoglia/Herald

KELLY CAVANAGH has had a hard life. She's committed to remaining drug-free.

time that she was at Living Water, but Cohn saw that Cavanagh was committed to a new life after her near-death experience. "She couldn't lie to me, and I've seen that change in her," Cohn said. "She really wants this, and that's what I look for in a person."

In February, after two years of living in a Far Rockaway nursing home, Cavanagh's partner died at 59 from various health issues, but mostly as a result of decades of drug abuse.

Cavanagh called the fight with addiction a war. "He didn't make it through the war," she said of her partner. "That's what this was — this was life and death, like a war. I made it through the war, and I'm not going back to it anymore."

Cavanagh tries to stay in communication with friends who use, but she admits it's hard. "I try to stay in touch with people that tell me, 'Kelly, I'm ready. Can you help me?' I wish all my friends would get clean because they wouldn't believe how awesome it is. I try to stay away from people that are toxic for me because I don't want to get roped in."

Now that Cavanagh is sober, she looks back on her life and sees all that she missed while she was high. The woman about to mark a year as sober is not the same person who was arrested with her son three years ago. She's positive, friendly, and has a keen sense of humor.

Over the past year, Cavanagh enjoyed her first sober Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's Eve in a very long time. She described the experiences as amazing. As for the future, Cavanagh must move out of the home and find a place of her own. Eventually, she wants to tell her story at jails to help other women who are in the same situation that she was in.

"People, I think, get mad around here 'cause I'm always happy," she said. "I'm blessed to be here. I was always too stoned to see my blessings. Things happen to me now that prove to me, if you stay clean and have faith, things work out."

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GLEN COVE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
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in said district Tuesday, May 16, 2017 at 7:00 a.m. prevailing time, at which time the polls will be open to vote by voting machine upon the following items between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m., prevailing time.

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B. AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that for the purpose of voting at such meeting, on Tuesday, May 16, 2017, the polls will be open between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m. prevailing time to vote upon such proposition(s) by voting machine.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Budget Hearing will be held on Monday, May 08, 2017 at 7:30 p.m. at the Glen Cove High School Cafeteria, Dosoris Lane, Glen Cove, New York prior to the regular Board of Education meeting.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that petitions nominating candidates for the office of member of the Board of Education shall be filed between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. prevailing time with the District Clerk of said School District at the District Office, Administration Building, 154 Dosoris Lane, Glen Cove, New York, on or before Wednesday, April 26, 2017 at 5:00 p.m. prevailing time. Such petition must be directed to the District Clerk; must be signed by at least one hundred (100) qualified voters of the district; must state the name and residence of the candidate.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the qualified voters of the District may register between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. in the

main office of each of the school buildings of the district and the office of the District Clerk in the Administration Building during the school year, and only in the Office of the District Clerk during the summer months of July and August. The final date to register for the annual meeting to be held on May 16, 2017 is Tuesday, May 2, 2017. If a voter has heretofore registered pursuant to the resolution of the Board of Education, and has voted at any Annual School District Election and Budget Vote or special district meeting within the last four (4) years (2013), or if he or she is eligible to vote under Article 5 of the Election Law, he or she is also eligible to vote at this election. All other persons who wish to vote must register. Any person will be entitled to have his or her name placed on such register, provided that he or she is known or proven to the satisfaction of the District Clerk, and the Board of Registration to be then or thereafter entitled to vote at such Annual School District Election and Budget Vote for which the register is prepared and that the register so prepared pursuant to Education Law and 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 School District, in the District Office, Administration Building, 154 Dosoris Lane, Glen Cove, New York, and will be open for inspection by any qualified voter of the district between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. prevailing time, on and after Tuesday, May 2, 2017, and each of the days prior to the date set for the Annual School District Election and Budget Vote, except Saturday and Sunday, including the day set for the meeting.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Registration of the District will also meet from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. on May 16, 2017, at each of the polling places to prepare the register for meetings and elections held subsequent to such annual meeting or election.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that applications for absentee ballots for the election of a school board member and proposition(s) may be applied for at the Office of the District Clerk at the Administration Building, 154 Dosoris Lane, Glen Cove, New York, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., prevailing time on any school day. However, such application must be received by the District Clerk at least seven (7) days before the election 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's ballot shall be canvassed unless it is received in the office of the District Clerk of the said School District no later than 5:00 p.m., prevailing time, on the date of the election. A list of all persons to whom absentee ballots shall have been issued will be available in the said office of the District Clerk on each of the five (5) days prior to the day of the election, during regular office hours until the date of the election. AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a copy of the statement of the amount of money which will be required for the ensuing year for school purposes may be obtained by any resident in the district upon request on May 2, 2017, and during the fourteen (14) days immediately preceding such Annual School District Election and Budget Vote except Saturday, Sunday, or holiday, and at such Annual School District Election and Budget Vote at the Administration Building - 154 Dosoris Lane, Glen Cove High School - Dosoris Lane, Robert M. Finley Middle School - Forest Ave., Deasy School - Dosoris Lane, Gribbin School - Walnut Road, Landing School - McLoughlin Street, and Connolly School - Ridge Drive, Glen Cove, New York during regular school hours; and on the Glen Cove schools website (www.glen Cove.k12.ny.us)

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that in accordance with the rules adopted pursuant to 2035 of the Education Law, any qualified voter may have a proposition or an amendment placed upon the ballot, provided that such amendment (a) be typed or printed in the English language; (b) that it be directed to the District Clerk of the said School District; (c) that it be submitted to the District Clerk no less than sixty (60) days preceding the date of the Annual School District Election and Budget Vote, i.e. no later than Friday, March 17, 2017, 4:00 p.m. prevailing time, at the District Office, Administration Building, 154 Dosoris Lane, Glen Cove, New York; and (d) that it be signed by at least one hundred (100) qualified voters of the district. However, the school board will not entertain any petition to place before the voters any proposition for the purpose of which is not within the powers of the voters to determine, nor any proposition or amendment which is contrary to law.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Real Property Tax Exemption Report prepared in accordance with Section 495 of the Real Property Tax Law will be annexed to any tentative/ preliminary budget as well as the final adopted budget of which it will form a part; and shall

be posted on District bulletin board(s) maintained for public notices, as well as on the District's website.
Dated:
Glen Cove, New York

March 2017
Ida Johnson
District Clerk
Board of Education
Glen Cove City School District
Glen Cove, New York
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LEGAL NOTICE INVITATION FOR BIDS FOR CITY STADIUM CONCESSIONS

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the City Council of the City of Glen Cove has authorized the advertisement of sealed bids for the City Stadium Concessions license fee to operate concessions for the sale of refreshments and other appropriate merchandise at John Maccarone Memorial (City) Stadium.
The concessionaire will have access to two concession stands on the City Stadium. The season at City Stadium will commence on April 22, 2017 and will continue daily through August 30, 2017 for the upper stand at the City Stadium facility. The lower stand will be vacated no later than November 19, 2017.

Sealed bids will be received by the Purchasing Agent, City of Glen Cove, New York, City Hall, Glen Street, Glen Cove until 10:00 AM on Wednesday, May 1, 2017, at which time they will be opened, publicly read aloud and awarded as soon thereafter as practical for a license to operate concessions for the sale of refreshments and other appropriate merchandise at John Maccarone Memorial (City) Stadium to be obtained.

Bid forms and specifications may be obtained from the Purchasing Department during regular business hours at the above address.
BY: Nancy Andreiev
Purchasing Agent
City of Glen Cove
79405

LEGAL NOTICE INVITATION FOR BIDS FOR BEACH CONCESSIONS

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the City Council of the City of Glen Cove has authorized the advertisement of sealed bids for the Beach Concessions license fee to operate concessions for the sale of refreshments and other appropriate merchandise at Prybil Beach and/or Morgan Park.
The concessionaire will have access to a deck adjacent to the concession stand at Prybil Beach for serving customers, as well as two large patio areas at Morgan Park. The season will commence on May 27, 2017 and will continue daily through September 4, 2017 or longer if desirable.

Sealed bids will be received by the Purchasing Agent, City of Glen Cove, New York, City Hall, Glen Street, Glen Cove until 10:30 AM on Wednesday, May 10, 2017, at which time they will be opened, publicly read aloud and awarded as soon thereafter as practical for a license to operate concessions for the sale of refreshments and other appropriate merchandise at Prybil Beach and/or Morgan Park to be obtained.

Nassau Veterans Memorial Coliseum dedicated to veterans

Long Island veterans and dignitaries unveiled and dedicated a new Veterans Memorial on April 8 at NYCB LIVE, home of the Nassau Veterans Memorial Coliseum.

The Veterans Memorial recognizes the men and women who have served in the military, from the U.S. Army to Air Force, Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard, who protect the nation, including Long Island's expansive coastlines. Veterans from all branches of the armed forces attended the ceremony.

The memorial, designed by Fluidity and BLD Architecture, is positioned in a highly visible and prominent location by the venue's front entrance and features a graceful sculpture honoring all U.S. veterans, with special attention given to Long Island veterans. The focal point is a dark granite oval, 19-and-a-half feet by 16-and-a-half feet in diameter. A constant source of water flows from the stone's center and spreads over its surface to create an "infinity edge." In the center of the oval, National Grid honors veterans with an eternal flame.

"We are proud to share this moment and monument with the veterans of Long Island," said Bruce Ratner, executive chairman of Forest City Ratner Companies. "We built this memorial to demonstrate our thanks for what our veterans have so selflessly given to protect this nation and our freedoms. Our commitment to our troops and our thanks are eternal."

"We are proud to unveil the Veterans Memorial which pays tribute to those who have served in our nation's armed forces," said Brett Yormark, CEO of Brooklyn Sports & Entertainment. "In the Coliseum's redevelopment, we made it a priority to honor its storied history, which first and foremost includes the brave men and women for whom the venue is named for. To all veterans, we thank you for your service."

"My administration made certain that the name - Nassau Veterans Memorial Coliseum - would forever remain at the arena and renewed our commitment to our nation's hometown heroes by constructing a respectful Monument on the plaza," said Nassau County Executive Edward Mangano. "This Monument, and its eternal flame, represent our country's eternal gratefulness to our veterans for their service and dedication to our nation. Together with the Chairs of Honor within the Veterans Memorial Coliseum, this



VETERANS FROM ALL over Nassau County came to celebrate the dedication of the new Veterans Memorial at Nassau Coliseum. The memorial features a sculpture, a 19ft granite oval, an infinity pool and an eternal flame.

venue truly pays tribute to our veterans."

"We are honored to light the Veteran's Memorial Eternal flame in honor of all our veterans," said Ken Daly, president of National Grid New York. "Our support of the flame, and the natural gas lamps that surround it, reflects the esteem with which we hold our veterans who work here at National Grid and in the Long Island communities that we proudly serve."

"In 1972, the original Nassau Veterans Memorial Coliseum was named to honor and remember the men and women who served our country in the United States Military," said Frank Colon, Jr., president of United Veterans Organization of Nassau County. "On behalf of the United Veterans Organization and all of its members, I would like to thank the Forest City Ratner Companies and New York Community Bank for continuing to honor Nassau County veterans in this way."

"We are able to enjoy this wonderful facility because of the freedoms fought for by our veterans," said Norma Gonsalves, presiding officer of the Nassau County Legislature. "It's important to me that this building continues to bear the name 'Veterans Memorial' to honor the sacrifices made by our brave servicemen and servicewomen."

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HERALD EDITORIAL

The governor takes aim at the gender pay gap

Over the past several decades, women have made tremendous strides in the workforce. Working mothers are now the single or primary source of income in 40 percent of American households with children, according to the Pew Research Center.

But the pay gap between the sexes still exists. According to data from the U.S. Census Bureau's 2012 American Community Survey, female workers in the New York metropolitan area earned 84 percent of what men made. Fortunately, that number seems to be going up. Two weeks ago, in conjunction with Equal Pay Day on April 4, the National Partnership for Women & Families reported that women in New York state earn 89 cents for every dollar that men are paid.

No doubt, New York has made great progress toward equal pay, particularly considering that, nationally, women are paid only 80 cents for every dollar that a man makes, and that only 15 years ago, women made 73 cents on the dollar. Still, more needs to be done to achieve true salary parity.

In an effort to help close the gender pay gap, Gov. Andrew Cuomo signed two executive orders this year. The first, in January, prohibits state agencies from asking job candidates about their salary history, eliminating the possibility that candidates will be evaluated based on their prior salary. The second, which will take effect June 1, requires all state contractors and subcontractors to disclose data on their employees' gender, race, ethnicity, job title and salary. This will allow the state to identify contractors who are paying women less for the same work that men do.

In an era when more women than men are enrolled in colleges and universities and earn degrees, why does the pay gap still

What men and women make

Year	Men	Women
1960	\$1	60 cents
1970	\$1	59 cents
1980	\$1	60 cents
1990	\$1	71 cents
2000	\$1	73 cents
2015	\$1	80 cents

Source: The National Committee on Pay Equity

exist? Research released last year by Stony Brook University management professor Julia Bear tells part of the story. Bear found that when two equally qualified male and female job candidates were considered for a job, employers were more likely to assume the male candidate was the family breadwinner, and offered him a significantly higher salary than the female candidate, who was more likely assumed to be in the traditional role of caregiver.

The persistent wage gap is often interpreted as clear evidence of this kind of gender discrimination, but there are other factors at work. According to the American Association of University Women, men may earn more because their job choices more often depend on their earning potential, and more women than men are happy with certain jobs that pay less. AAUW research also shows that women are disproportionately represented in education, office and administrative support positions, while more men work in construction, maintenance and repair, and production and transportation. Segregation by occupation is a major contributor to the gap, the AAUW's 2017 "Behind the Pay Gap" report concludes.

Still, experts say, discrimination and bias are undoubtedly contributing factors, and the gender pay gap is widening in male-dominated careers like computer programming and financial services. According to the AAUW, women in financial services make only make 65 percent of the salary of their male counterparts, and those in computer programming earn only 81 percent of what men are paid.

In this season of college graduations, what do these statistics tell young women who have worked just as hard as, if not harder than, their male classmates, to prepare for careers?

Women need to learn how they can help eventually solve this problem. Since most employers have some latitude when it comes to salaries, negotiating skills are essential. Knowing what men make for the work they do, making clear what women bring to the table and emphasizing common goals are tactics that have been shown to be effective for women. And asking legislators and journalists to stay involved in the discussion of the gender pay gap can only help.

Companies must be made aware that paying women fairly is a legal and ethical necessity, and that it will only improve employee morale and, in the long run, their bottom lines. We encourage them to take the White House's Equal Pay Pledge, and commit to equal pay for their employees. As of December 2016, more than 100 Fortune 500 companies had signed the pledge.

The public also needs to express its displeasure with President Trump's executive order revoking the Fair Pay and Safe Workplaces order, which was signed by President Obama in 2014. It ensured that businesses that receive federal contracts do a better job of adhering to labor and civil rights laws.

LETTERS

Many thanks

To the Editor:

On behalf of the Mutual Concerns committee, I would like to extend my gratitude to the Boy Scouts Troop #43 and the Sea Cliff Friends of the Library for organizing food drives for us and delivering food to our emergency food pantry in Sea Cliff Village Hall. I would also like to thank Ken Kraft and the Glenwood Landing American Legion for supplying Easter gift certificates to those in need.

Many people don't realize that there are people in our community who go without proper food every day due to a variety of factors, including low wages, job loss, injuries, illness, age, or divorce. While all of us are susceptible to hard times, children and the elderly are the most at risk, and they make up the largest number of people we serve.

Once again, thank you all for your generosity.



OPINIONS

The free press, making America great

No matter how hard I try, I just can't seem to get away from Donald J. Trump.

Case in point: In the past, much of the discussion at the New York Press Association's April convention centered on subjects critical to a community journalist's work: how to file a Freedom of

Information request; how to craft a lead that anyone would want to read; how not to get sued for libel.

This year was different, however. President Trump — specifically, his overt disdain for the press — was front and center in talk after talk.



SCOTT BRINTON

Even when Trump had nothing to do with the subject at hand, he managed to worm his way into the discussion.

Clearly, journalists are angry with the president, and they need to talk. The convention, April 7-8, became a highly cathartic group therapy session.

Trump's assertion that the press is the "enemy of the people" has journalists baffled, miffed, flabbergasted, disgusted, worried — and mostly questioning ourselves. How did it come to this? We're left wondering. Past presidents have derided the press, most notably Richard Nixon. Trump's

term, however, is downright reprehensible.

Most journalists I know didn't get into this profession — with its long, often unpredictable hours coupled with ceaseless deadline pressures — because they sought a life of leisure, or fame and fortune. They did so to give a "voice to the voiceless" and transform the world for the better.

Journalists have long enjoyed a tight-knit relationship with the public. People have traditionally called us to air their grievances against the government. And that, quite simply, is why Trump is attempting, with all his might, to sever the centuries-old partnership between news organizations and the people they cover. If he were to succeed, he would hold absolute power.

The press is this nation's check on power. The founders intended it to be that way when they wrote press freedom into the First Amendment. They gave the press virtually free rein so no elected leader might become a dictator.

The power of the press lies in its ability to convey truth, with a capital "T." Trump seeks to denigrate the press, to diminish it, by labeling our reporting "fake news." No doubt, there is fake news out there. It is not, however, what real news organizations produce. Sure, there's the occasional aberration. The New York Times's Jayson Blair comes quickly to mind. He fabricated many of his stories in the early 2000s and was forced to resign in May 2003. But he was the exception.

In the wake of revelations surrounding the Blair case, it became apparent that the relationship between news organizations and the citizenry is not a given. It requires

continual nurturing. Journalists must be committed to the "discipline of verification," the rule that emerged from the scientific process that requires a minimum of three separate points of verification before a story can be printed or broadcast. If journalists dig and verify, dig and verify, they'll be just fine, and the press will survive the tempest in a teapot that is the Trump phenomenon, which, it seems, is fading.

Trump certainly caused a disturbance in the force. The press is, however, a far larger institution than he is. Because of press freedom, news organizations are ubiquitous across the nation, with small, medium and large shops working daily to ignite local, regional and national conversations that will stir people's hearts and incite action.

That is a powerful force — far more powerful than presidential bluster telegraphed in 140-character sound bites on Twitter. Ideas based in sound reasoning ultimately drive sustainable societies, and the press lives and breathes ideas. They are the foundation for all great journalism.

Trump's tirade against the press has received more attention than it deserves because of the vociferous nature of his attacks and the inability of the press to promote itself. Journalists tend to shun the limelight, certain TV pundits excepted. Many journalists believe that their work should

speak for itself. They need not defend it, even against attacks by the president. And, they believe, they need not explain themselves.

I disagree. Journalists should discuss their work. They should be transparent. They should be willing to hold conversations with readers. And the best outlet to foster open communication, I believe, is the community newspaper.

Community papers are "little gems," as one of my first editors, Randi Kreiss, described them. Media critics often underestimate their importance or confuse them with the weekly circulars that arrive by mail. A real community paper, however, is the furthest thing from them.

Fiercely independent, community newspapers tell America's story, town by town, village by village, school district by school district. Readers have taken notice. According to the Reynolds Institute at the Missouri School of Journalism, community papers boast a combined nationwide readership of 150 million, or 47 percent of the population.

Yes, America is a great nation, in large part because of its free press. Long live journalism! #nottheenemy

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LETTERS

You make this community a great place.

PEGGIE COMO,
President, Mutual Concerns Community
Sea Cliff

Supports the Trump agenda

To the Editor:

I support President Trump's "Make America Great Again" agenda.

First, my grandparents and my parents supported President Roosevelt's and President Truman's efforts to protect our nation and its citizens against an invasion by Nazi Germany and Japan. If that meant keeping people out to protect America, those presidents did a great job.

Now we face an even stronger radical group that wants to end not only America, but also Israel and the rest of the world. Today, unlike past wars, we have to worry about a nuclear threat. So I support Trump's efforts to protect America.

At the same time, unlike years ago, the middle-class American dream is out of reach for our children and grandchildren. In the past, with or without an education, a middle-class person could find a great union job with benefits and live the American

dream. My grandparents and parents were able to live the American dream and own a home. My generation was able to do it with a high school diploma.

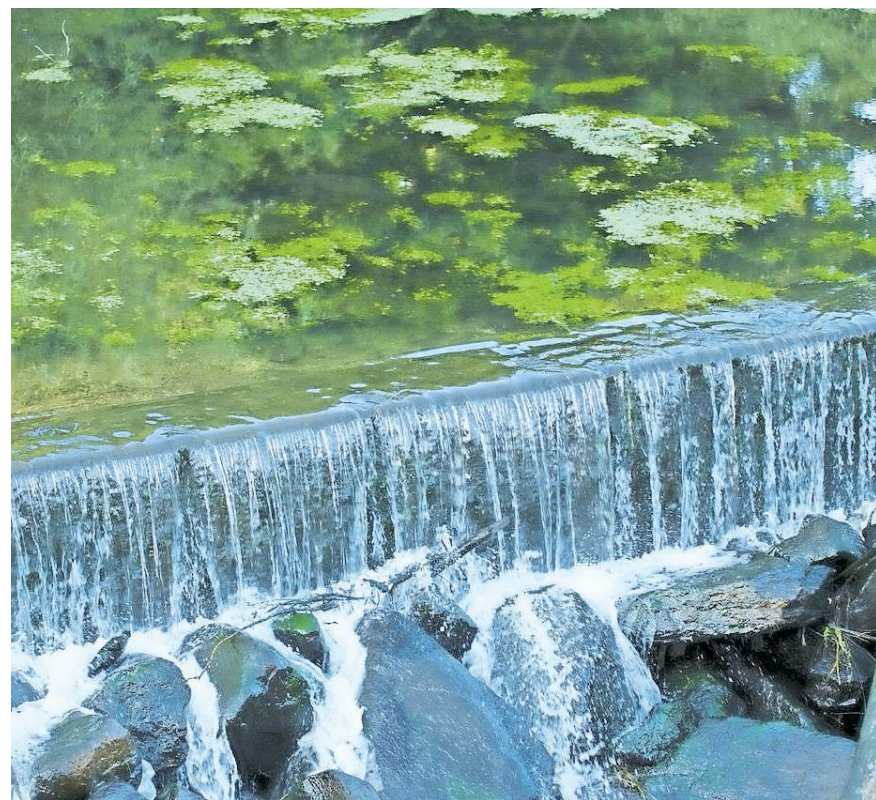
Today, because of jobs lost to Mexico, China and elsewhere, we are left begging for minimum-wage hikes at McDonald's. Our children and grandchildren with college degrees are coming back to live in our homes because they are saddled with massive loans, and the job market doesn't support their degrees.

More liberal programs and more tax increases won't solve these problems. We have seen the failure of handouts. Making America great again isn't a racist slogan; it's the middle-class hope of dealing with our modern-day problems.

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Behind the Glen Cove Fire Department on Hill Road tranquility always prevails.

OPINIONS

The mainstream media have gone mad

Ever since President Trump authorized a missile attack against the Syrian air base used to attack innocent civilians and children with chemical weapons, the mainstream media have bashed him for changing his position. They're out of their minds!

During the presidential campaign,



**ALFONSE
D'AMATO**

Trump was opposed to entering the Syrian conflict, and he was right. But the situation has deteriorated to a point that it became obvious to the military that if the war were left unchecked, our U.S. interests and allies would be seriously jeopardized.

Kudos to you, Mr. President, for having the courage to listen to the professionals — in this case, military advisers. With our demonstrations of strength, we are sending a strong signal that the U.S. will no longer be bullied by tinhorn dictators and Russia. When a situation changes, every president has an obligation to analyze and make the appropriate decision, even if it represents changing a position due to the

circumstances.

Trump's strong action in dropping the so-called "mother of all bombs" on the tunnels harboring ISIS fighters was the right thing to do, and sends a signal to those who have been encouraged over the past eight years to deal with the U.S. as if we were a paper tiger without the ability to defend our national interest and those of our allies.

The missile strikes against Syria were interpreted as a warning to North Korea. The real question is, will the irrational little madman, Kim Jong-un, get the message? That message got even clearer when China finally stepped in and told North Korea that if it continued to conduct nuclear weapons or missile testing, it would likely face military action by the U.S.

The People's Daily, the Communist Party of China's official paper, stated, "Not only is Washington brimming with confidence and arrogance following the missile attacks on Syria, but Trump is also willing to be regarded as a man who honors his promises." China made it clear that the United States will not co-exist with a nuclear-armed Pyongyang, and that China is prepared to finally abide by sanctions against North Korea as a sign of good will.

North Korea has taken an aggressive stance since the Syria missile strike, promising to counteract any military moves by the U.S., and even going as far as to say that the country was "ready for war."

Now that China is acting in accordance with the U.S., however, this may be a fight that North Korea is not willing to start. According to reports, the U.S. has deployed the USS Carl Vinson aircraft carrier and several other battleships from Singapore to the Korean peninsula. In addition, China has reportedly moved 150,000 troops in

preparation for a wave of possible refugees in the event of an attack.

Trump seems to have turned relations around with Chinese President Xi Jinping. During the Obama administration, the relationship between China and the U.S. was often described as "strained" or "rocky." In just three months, feelings have changed drastically.

Trump stated that he and Xi have a "good chemistry," and he recently announced that China offered a sign of solidarity by turning away North Korean coal ships and returning them to their home port of Nampo.

This is not only a rebuttal to the Trump

administration, which has complained that China isn't doing its part to adhere to sanctions and stop North Korea's nuclear program. It is also a gesture that China is willing to ease tensions with the U.S. According to reports, the U.S. is in talks with China to begin selling coal to China again. This would be the first time coal would be exported to China since 2014.

Trump has already proven that we are not afraid to once again utilize our military might to solve a problem. Yes, it's nice that Beijing appears to finally be doing its part to persuade North Korea to end its nuclear program, but with or without China's support, the U.S. will launch an attack and could aim to remove Kim Jong-un from power.

When Trump was elected, this is what his supporters were expecting. Finally, the U.S. has shaken the title of paper tiger it earned under President Obama, and has once again proved to the world that we will protect our allies and honor our treaties. Kim better take heed of China's warnings, because it appears that we have finally made up our minds that we will stop North Korea from conducting any further tests.

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What's in a name? Just about everything.

If I call my dog an average of five times a day for the next 16 years (that's about how long my dogs live), then I will use the name 29,200 times. Do I really want to be shouting "Tallulah, come get your biscuit!" or "Sir Winston, time for your walk"?

Let me back up. As many readers know, my sweet old Zoe died last August at the reasonably good age of 16. Zoe was a purebred. Our first dog, Sheba, lived to 18. She was a mixed-breed adopted from the North Shore Animal League.

After Sheba, my husband became allergic, so we had to find a breed that didn't shed or produce dander. Zoe was our darling girl, and I think about her every day, especially when her shadow sweeps along the edges of the room, just out of sight.



**RANDI
KREISS**

Shortly after she died, I began discussions with a new breeder with the idea that I

would be ready to welcome a new dog this spring. The puppies were born in February, and we hope to have our girl in our arms by the end of May.

Let me back up. Whether or not to get

another puppy prompted a serious but brief discussion. We are not puppies ourselves anymore. Walking a dog in the snow is not terribly inviting. We travel often. Training a pup takes time and commitment and patience.

Fair enough. But give up one of the greatest joys in human life because it may be inconvenient at times? Life isn't worth living without a dog friend. If that's your motto, and it is ours, fear of long walks on snowy nights does not compute. Poop on the Persian rug is not a deal-breaker.

So, back to the puppies. I found a congenial and highly professional breeder who lives out West and raises only one litter every couple of years. She subscribes to "puppy culture," which is a method of raising puppies with special attention to neurological and social development. Puppies are raised in the home, exposed to all kinds of real-life stimuli, including regular outings to noisy, busy places like supermarkets and parks. They have playpens and toys and are challenged with a variety of noises and moving objects.

The breeder takes prospective owners' requests and then makes her decision about placement depending on personalities and lifestyle (both the pups' and the people). The owners state preferences but do not get the final say. The puppies are released to their new homes when they're 12 weeks old.

If you aren't cool with this, then you

don't work with this breeder.

Now we're just a couple of weeks away. We're getting the girl from the litter of five puppies, and it seems like she'll be a great match for our household.

My problem is a name. The breeder has named all the puppies, but I assume she knows that new owners will want to confer a name of their own. She understands that naming is a profound act. It connects the new dog to its new family.

And then there's nominative determinism. If you call a new pup Sunshine, it colors his future in a different way than Killer would. Do you want an ordinary-person name, like Alice, or a pet name, like Whiskers? Should we go for a famous-person name, like Cher or Golda?

In our family, we don't object to naming dogs in honor of people we know. My daughter's family named their dog Grandma. She's a great girl, and smart, and quite beautiful. Her teeth are whiter than mine, and she can run like the wind. Go, Grandma.

I have been mulling this decision for months and am down to a few special names for considering. I beg your indulgence and your input. Help me choose from among these. I have looked up the

provenance of all the names and feel comfortable with their origins and implications.

Perhaps it would help if I added a brief description of the new girlfriend. She is a Malagasy Coton de Tulear, about 11

pounds when fully grown, fluffy white hair with tawny striations. She is growing up in the West so yes, I've gone through all the Western flowers and trees for possible names. I've considered all the spices appropriate to her coloring: (Cinnamon? Saffron? Curry?)

You haven't seen this obsessive side of me before, have you? Well, we all have our quirks.

Back to the names. I'm down to the following choices and welcome your opinions. Dovey, Juno, Maya,

Kashi, Savannah, Honey Bee, Honey Bear, Miranda, Lilly Bell, Lily Bee, Remi, Cally, Willa, Simone, Garbo, Bella, Rosebud, Poppy, Rumi, Pearl, Sundance, Saffron, Quito, Mambo, Camille, Luna, Ava, Jasmine, Yoshi, Cameo, Lucia, Raffaella, Trixie, Tally, Gaia, Lotus, Petunia, Annabelle, Davey or Dixie.

Your thoughts?

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