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GLEN COVE POLICE and firefighters joined members of Veterans of Foreign Wars in an expression of patriotism at Glen Cove's 9/11 remembrance service.

Glen Cove remembers victims of 9/11 attacks

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On the morning of Tuesday, Sept. 11, 2001, Joseph Zuccala, 52, was at work at Fuji Bank, on the 78th floor of the World Trade Center's south tower, when American Flight 11 slammed into the north tower. It was Zuccala's third day on the job as a banking consultant, and, like many people, he thought it was a terrible accident.

He called his wife, Madeline, to tell her that he and some of his colleagues were headed downstairs to find out what had happened. On their way down, however, Zuccala realized he'd forgotten something, and had to return to his office.

When he arrived back upstairs, United Flight 175 struck the south tower, leaving a gaping, fire-and-smoke-filled hole from the 78th to 84th floors. Zuccala was killed instantly.

For days, not knowing where he was, his family in Glen Cove, including his younger sister, Tina Zuccala Cammarata, and her husband, Robert Cammarata, prayed that he was still alive.

"We had hope in the beginning, but by Thursday we knew he was gone," Robert recalled. The family wanted to bury him, but none of his remains or personal effects were ever recovered. "They told my sister-in-law he pretty much vaporized," Robert said.

The Cammarata family, including daughter Christina, 22, attended this year's 9/11 remembrance ceremony in Glen Cove. Tina said the memorials never get any easier, and she misses her brother every day. But the family



FRANK GIAMBRONE WILL never forget his brother-in-law, Edward Lehman, who was a victim of the Sept. 11 attacks.



TINA ZUCCALA CAMMARATA comforted her daughter, Christina, who still misses her Uncle Joe Zuccala, who died on Sept. 11, 2001.

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By LAURA LANE
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The unofficial results from last night's Democratic primary for Glen Cove City Council reveal a very tight race, but one that unequivocally shows a great deal of support for outsider Marsha Silverman. Coming in second with 581 votes, the independent candidate has earned a slot on the ballot in November, with Republicans, and Democrats who, will compete for six seats on the City Council.

"My major challenge was going up against the entire political machine," said Silverman last night, taking a break from celebrating her win with friends and family at her home. "This is exhilarating."

She describes her campaign as "grass-roots," adding that she believes the people in Glen Cove are ready for change. "They want something outside the status quo," she said. "I have the support of the bluest of blue Democrats and Republicans who are the reddest of red. They see me as someone with integrity that wants to represent every single person."

Annie Phillips, a lifelong Glen Covian, garnered the most votes — 591. "I'm pretty surprised by the results," she said. "I'm not a limelight person, more of a behind the scenes person. But I feel very passionate about the idea of representing the citizens of Glen Cove and working for their best interests."

Incumbent Roderick Watson lost the



Photos by Laura Lane/Herald

THERE WAS AN upset in last night's primary when Marsha Silverman, an independent candidate, won handily. Incumbent Roderick Watson has been eliminated from the race.

race, unless the final numbers, which will become official after absentee ballots are counted, shows otherwise. He had 545 votes, only three votes behind newcomer, Marcela De La Fuente.

Like many of the candidates, winner Gaitley Stevenson-Mathews is entering the political arena for the first time. "I love campaigning and it feels natural and right

for me," he said. "When I first said I'd run I was told I had to go out into the different communities in Glen Cove. But once I did, I realized I know so many people already."

Andrew Bennett, who is also new to politics, said he enjoyed campaigning too. "It invigorated me that so much of what I cared about people care about too — fiscal responsibility with the various projects in



ANNIE PHILLIPS, WITH her daughter, Arianna Romeo, 10, who captured the most votes in the primary.

Glen Cove and that local government needs more transparency," he said.

Tim Tenke who is running for mayor on the Democratic ticket, said the evening was bittersweet, due to Watson's loss.

"The entire team worked so hard together," he said. "We don't ordinarily have primaries. We are now ready to move forward and win in November."

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New activities coordinator for Glen Cove Senior Center

By DANIELLE AGOGLIA

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Last week, the Glen Cove Senior Center welcomed with open arms Eric Shuman, the new activities coordinator.

Shuman, 36, moved to Glen Cove with his family seven years ago. The home the couple bought was the first one they looked at when house-hunting on the North Shore. Shuman said no other place compared to the Glen Cove home. "We knew this was the right one," he said.

Shuman believes his background as a physical education teacher and program director for 15 years in the Great Neck School District will be an asset at his new job. Additionally he's been a director at Camp Hillel in Lawrence, where he did program scheduling and hiring.

And Shuman likes senior centers. His late grandmother, Hazel, who was very active in her senior community in Florida, would tell him about the many different clubs and activities that she enjoyed while there. "When this [the job opportunity in Glen Cove] came up, I thought about her quite a bit," Shuman said. "Based on all my experiences of programming and being a director and working with children of different ages, I was



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ERIC SHUMAN, 36, is the new activities coordinator for the Glen Cove Senior Center.

thinking that it would be very similar to work with the seniors."

The expectation for Shuman was to be a teacher because all of the members of his family are educators. His parents, Barry and Mary taught in the Great Neck School District for over 40 years; sister, Katie, is

an elementary school teacher in Ohio; and his brother, Stuart, is a new recruit teacher for the Rochester Police Department.

"It was truly inspiring how they touched these children and how they impacted their lives," Shuman said, referring to his parents.

He knew physical education was something he would enjoy because he was an athlete and enjoyed fun and friendly competition.

To Shuman, teaching physical education is more than explaining how to play a sport or game, it is about teaching someone to love a sport or activity, which they can carry with them throughout their life. "I enjoyed that phys. ed. can teach you discipline, how to win and lose gracefully," said Shuman. "All very important things you need to learn in life."

With his background in physical education, Shuman hopes to incorporate more physical activities into the center, including a bocce court, an indoor putting green and the game of pickleball, which he brought to Cove Sports Academy and Stanco Park.

Shuman also has plans to take more trips outside of the community, work more with other senior centers and explore the possibility of expanding by adding evening activities. He is also looking for ideas from members. "I can't wait to see what their interests are and what they want to do," Shuman said. "I want to see if I can help them with those ideas and bring them to fruition."

Village Square demolition begins in Glen Cove

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At 10 a.m. on Sept. 7, an excavator crashed its arm down into the side of one of the buildings in the blighted Village Square property in Glen Cove, signaling the start of this major downtown revitalization project, which Mayor Reggie Spinello has said is just as important as the Garvies Point Waterfront project.

City officials and some community members gathered at the intersection of Bridge and Glen Streets to watch the first steps of the demolition.

Property owner and developer, Uniondale-based RXR Realty, began the process by demolishing the buildings above ground. Following that will be the excavation stage, which is the demolition of the foundation and everything below ground. RXR is in the process of acquiring a building permit for the construction of the 16,500 square foot public plaza, retail space and 146 studio, one- and two-bedroom apartments on the 2.66 acres of property.

"Ten years in the making, this project is very important — obviously it's the basis for the revitalization of the downtown," said Mayor Reggie Spinello. "This is another great step for Glen Cove."

The project will result in about 225 to 300 construction jobs, 65 full-time jobs after completion, he says, and hopefully attract young professionals to the area.

"I've been waiting a long time personally, having lived here for more than 35 years; this whole area has been an eyesore," said Republican Nassau County Legislature District 11 candidate Zefy Christopoulos. "But it also marks a new chapter in Glen Cove's history — prog-



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FOLLOWING THE DEMOLITION of the buildings the excavation stage will begin, which is the demolition and removal of foundation and other construction below the ground.

ress. It'll launch the revitalization of the downtown. We need people to have a vibrant downtown, we need businesses."

Legislator Delia DeRiggi-Whitton, who is running for reelection as a Democrat, was not at the demolition. Her aid responded by email that DeRiggi-Whitton did not want to comment on the project at this time.

This long-awaited demolition comes after more than seven months of the city's Industrial Development Agency's push toward eminent domain, after a doctor's office owned by All Island Realty refused to sell their portion of the property, delaying the project. However, the office will be temporarily relocated during construction and move back into a

condominium in the new retail space after the project is complete.

A contract is between RXR and All Island has yet to be finalized.

At the planning board meeting on Sept. 7, a minor subdivision for the public plaza and condominium subdivision for the new doctor's office in the Village Square was approved.

Glen Cove welcomes AMC to the community

Glen Cove Mayor Reggie Spinello along with members of the city's Downtown Business Improvement District, the Chamber of Commerce and local lawmakers hosted an official welcome and ribbon cutting ceremony for the newly renovated AMC Glen Cove 6 Movie Theatre on School Street on Sept. 7.



Courtesy City of Glen Cove

A RIBBON CUTTING signified the official opening of the new AMC theater in Glen Cove.

Spinello congratulated AMC Director of Operations Dominick Zarrillo, General Manager Nick Pearson and building owner Rob DiNoto of The DiNoto Group on the theatre's renovation and opening.

"Thank you to AMC for investing \$4 million in our movie theatre and for helping to make downtown Glen Cove an entertainment destination," said Spinello.

The AMC Glen Cove 6 features AMC signature recliner seating in all auditoriums, enhanced menu items, and all new sight and sound presentation technology.

CRIME WATCH

GCPD Arrests

- Male, 20, from Glen Cove, was arrested for petit larceny, criminal mischief in the fourth degree and criminal contempt in the second degree on Mariners Way on Sept. 7.
- Male, 59, from Westbury, was arrested on four counts of petit larceny and issuing a bad check at Medical Plaza in Glen Cove on Sept. 7.
- Male, 31, from Locust Valley, was arrested for unlawful imprisonment in the second degree and criminal mischief in the fourth degree on Glen Street on Sept. 5.
- Male, 27, from Glen Cove, was arrested for assault in the second degree and criminal possession of a weapon in the fourth degree on Stanco Street on Sept. 4.
- Male, 25, from Great Neck, was arrested for criminal possession of a controlled substance in the seventh degree, unlawful

- possession of marijuana and fugitive from justice on Sept. 3.
- Male, 34, from Great Neck, was arrested for criminal possession of a controlled substance in the fifth degree and a Carver County warrant for fugitive from justice on Continental Place on Sept. 3.
- Male, 27, from Glen Cove, was arrested for disorderly conduct on Cedar Swamp road on Sept. 3.

NCPD Arrests

- Nicole Szafranski, 22, from Glen Cove, was arrested for driving while intoxicated on Northern Boulevard in East Hills on Sept. 3 at 1:55 a.m.
- A male reported that someone entered his vehicle and removed his personal property while it was located on Matinecock Court in Locust Valley between 10 p.m. on Sept. 1 and 10 a.m. on Sept. 2.

GCPD requesting information on fire near Glen Street train station

The Glen Cove Police Department responded to an aided case in the wooded area on the west side of the Glen Street railroad station on Tuesday, Sept. 12 at 5:58 p.m.

When police arrived, they discovered a man, 36, from Glen Cove, who had sustained serious burns to his lower legs. The man was airlifted to the Nassau Medical Center for treatment. His identity has not been released yet.

GCPD Lieutenant Detective John Nagle said there were signs of a fire in the area

where the man was found, but the fire had been extinguished before they arrived. Nagle added that police are still investigating "what the mechanisms were that caused him to ignite and burn," which includes looking at local surveillance videos and interviewing people in the area. Glen Cove Police are requesting anyone with information regarding this incident to call the Glen Cove Police Department at (516) 676-1000.

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THE WEEK AHEAD

Nearby things to do this week



Concert featuring the classics

Join the Gold Coast Public Library on Sunday, Sept. 17, at 2 p.m. for Elvis and Friends. Everett Green from Evergreen Music will perform tunes from legendary musicians Elvis Presley, Buddy Holly, Fats Domino, Jerry Lee Lewis, Johnny Cash, and much more. A splendid time is guaranteed for all. Info: (516) 759-8300.

North Shore High School annual carnival

Get ready for a day of family fun at North Shore High School's annual carnival on Saturday, Sept. 16, at 10:30 a.m. Exciting games and activities at the high school on 450 Glen Cove Ave., Glen Head, include face painting, live music, football clinic, food and drinks, and more. Additionally, the carnival will feature "Dunk the MS Principal" and "Selfies with the Superintendent." Presale wristbands will be available for \$5 at our schools. Wristbands will also be available at the event for \$7. Info: (516) 277-7840.



Chess workshop for kids

You are never too young or too old to learn how to play chess. Learn the basics of this unique and fascinating game at the Glen Cove Public Library on Tuesday, Sept. 19, at 7 p.m. If you are already a chess player, learn new strategies from a master chess player and enjoy playing the game with other children. Sign up early for this popular program. For grades 2 to 5. Info: (516) 676-2130.

Tea time in the Gardens

Relax in the charming setting of Old Westbury Gardens' Orchard Hill, Wednesday and Thursday, Sept. 20-21, 12-1 p.m., and enjoy a full tea featuring tea sandwiches, scones, and desserts accompanied by a selection of teas. Then take in a seasonal garden tour, led by a volunteer docent, to see the gardens in all their fall glory. Tickets are required in advance. Info: (516) 333-0048 or www.oldwestburygardens.org.



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HERALD SCHOOLS



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SCHOOL FACULTY AND staff celebrated the opening of the playground at Deasy with the children, who were overjoyed.

New Deasy playground debuts at back to school barbeque



Clockwise from top left: **WITH ALL OF** the new playground equipment, kids will have fun and get in more physical activity during the school day.

KIDS HAD FUN racing each other down the playground's new slides.

COURTNEY CAPASSO, BACK left, and Jill Carrabs, back right, pushed their children Olivia Capasso, front left, Thomas Capasso, Tyler Carrabs, and Audrey Capasso on the new swings.



Glen Cove families, educators and city officials gathered next to the Deasy School parking lot on Sept. 8 to celebrate the start of the new school year, which has a special addition included — a brand new playground.

Thanks to the efforts of the Deasy School Parent Teacher Association led by Danielle Fugazy-Scagliola, the playground was installed just in time for the start of the 2017 school year.

The Deasy PTA raised money through brick sales, a cross-fit event, the school's annual golf outing and a Go Fund Me page. They also received money through a Capital Revitalization Project grant through Nassau County Legislator Delia DeRiggi-Whitton's office with the help of Deasy Principal Melanie Arfman and District Superintendent Dr. Maria Rianna.

Local businesses also donated time and funds to the project. American Paving & Masonry agreed to take out pieces of the old playground, while Milanese Landscaping provided dumpsters.

The playground, which was approximately \$85,000, includes slides and climbing equipment from American Recreational Products. Also coming soon to the playground will be basketball hoops, soccer nets and benches.

Community members enjoyed music, popcorn and lemonade while they mingled during the back to school barbeque.

Sept. 11, always painful for those who lost loved ones

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appreciated the ceremony.

Zuccala was born and raised in Glen Cove. An Army veteran who served in Vietnam, he was a large man — 6 feet 5 — and was known for his humor and kindness.

His Delta Gamma Omega fraternity brothers at the University of Dayton nicknamed him Zuke. In 2004, they created a scholarship in his memory — the Delta Gamma Omega Endowed Scholarship. It is given to a student who emulates what Zuke valued: strong leadership skills, a sense of community, and patriotism.

Although Zuccala lived most of his life in Glen Cove, he eventually moved to Croton-on-Hudson with Madeline and their daughters, Jolaine and Kaylene. But the families remained close.

“He was the greatest person,” Tina said. “Warm, caring and funny. He was my rock growing up.”

A memorial at St. Patrick’s Cathedral in Manhattan in October 2001 honored Zuccala. Over a thousand people attended. “They all came just for him,” Robert said. “He was a source of wisdom for many, and touched so many people.”

“Yes, so many people coming to St. Patrick’s showed what a beautiful person he was,” Tina added. “He was always a Glen Covian in his heart.”

For days after the terrorist attacks, the family gathered at Zuccala’s Westchester County home. “Every day, going there, we had to pass the plumes of smoke where the buildings had been . . .,” Robert said. “It was hard.”

And there was no escaping what had happened once they were back home in Glen Cove, either. “We live near St. Rocco’s,” Robert said. “We could smell it for weeks.”

People have been reaching out to the Cammarata family for years. “I always receive flowers on my porch on Sept. 11, and get calls and letters,” Tina said, adding that she appreciated the acts of kindness. “It’s very difficult to deal with this each year.”

Christina has never stopped missing her uncle. “I was only 6 when he died, but we were very close,” she said, her voice



Roni Chastain/Herald

MAYOR SPINELLO HELPED Tina and Robert Cammarata place a wreath at the 9/11 monument. Tina’s brother, Joseph Zuccala, died in Tower Two.

wavering. “He was really funny, and I always knew he loved me a lot.”

She began to sob, and covered her face with her hands. When she stopped crying, she pushed up the sleeve of her sweatshirt, revealing a tattoo: Roman numerals on one wrist. “I got it to honor his birth,” she explained, wiping away her tears.

Tina has been to the annual 9/11 ceremony in Lower Manhattan a few times, even reading her brother’s name at the podium one year. She found out from a friend that her voice is included with others at the National Sept. 11 Museum, on a recording of survivors describing how the attacks changed their lives. It’s the audio portion of the permanent exhibit, and runs on a loop all day.

This year, Tina helped lay a wreath at Glen Cove’s 9/11 ceremony, as did Robert, along with Mayor Reggie Spinello. The ceremony included prayers, music, the reading of a poem and a presentation by Spinello, and it honored three other Glen Covians who died that day — Edward Lehman, Matthew McDermott and John Puckett.

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North Shore Junior Soccer

A CAPTAIN AND one of the Vikings' offensive leaders, Seneca got the 2017 campaign off to a positive start by notching the game-tying goal midway through the second half at Manhasset on Sept. 4, giving North Shore a 1-1 tie with Manhasset. Four days later, in a Conference A-II home game against Lynbrook, he scored in the second half to give North Shore breathing room on the way to a 3-0 victory.

GAMES TO WATCH

Thursday, Sept. 14

Field Hockey: New Hyde Park at North Shore.....4:30 p.m.
Girls Soccer: Clarke at Glen Cove.....4:45 p.m.

Friday, Sept. 15

Boys Soccer: North Shore at Hewlett4:30 p.m.
Girls Tennis: North Shore at Great Neck North4:30 p.m.
Boys Soccer: Roosevelt at Glen Cove.....4:30 p.m.
Girls Tennis: Oyster Bay at Glen Cove4:30 p.m.
Girls Volleyball: North Shore at Lynbrook..... 5 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 16

Field Hockey: North Shore at Port Washington 10 a.m.
Girls Soccer: Glen Cove at Oyster Bay..... 10 a.m.
Girls Volleyball: Roslyn at Glen Cove 10 a.m.
Football: Glen Cove at Plainedge 12 p.m.
Football: Carle Place at North Shore..... 2 p.m.
Boys Soccer: Plainview at Glen Cove6:30 p.m.

Monday, Sept. 18

Field Hockey: North Shore at Port Washington4:30 p.m.
Girls Tennis: North Shore at Friends Aca.....4:30 p.m.
Girls Volleyball: Syosset at North Shore.....4:30 p.m.
Girls Tennis: Carle Place at Glen Cove.....4:30 p.m.
Boys Soccer: Glen Cove at Lynbrook.....4:30 p.m.
X-Country: Glen Cove boys/girls at Bethpage4:30 p.m.
X-Country: North Shore boys/girls at Bethpage4:30 p.m.
Girls Soccer: Floral Park at North Shore.....4:45 p.m.
Boys Soccer: Garden City at North Shore4:45 p.m.

By J.D. FREDA

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The Glen Cove Big Red football team dropped its first game of the season at home, 28-14, against Hewlett last Saturday night in a Conference III matchup.

Hewlett running back Vinnie Morello gave the Big Red fits all night, rushing for 106 yards on 19 attempts while also scoring two touchdowns. Hewlett quarterback Matthew Kim also rushed for 88 yards on 11 totes and completed 4 out of 6 passes for 80 yards and a touchdown.

"We said that our unofficial mascot this year is 'The Phoenix', as to say we will rise and rise as one from our play last year," Glen Cove head coach Pete Kopecky said. "As a small group, the team must come together as one from a minor setback in its first game to bounce back for next week."

Under the lights on its home field, Glen Cove took the field with a rowdy crowd and ample support. Hewlett received the ball first and quickly pushed the ball downfield as Kim marched the Bulldogs down to the 11-yard line with 9:17 remaining in the first quarter. Glen Cove then made a huge stop on a fourth-and-goal scenario that seemed to turn the tide.

However, from then on, the offensive unit struggled to produce a first down, succumbing to the team's punting situation where Hewlett's Matthew Manino returned a punt from near midfield back to the end zone for the game's first points.

Glen Cove answered back with a 70-yard touchdown pass from quarterback Devon Christopher to Anthony Rant to tie the game at 7.

Christopher, a sizable sophomore brings a certain physicality to the quarterback position for Glen Cove. He is 1B to senior starting quarterback Joe Grella's 1A, but brings a useful element of differentially that opposing defenses must game plan for.

"Devon Christopher brings a different change of pace at quarterback for us," Kopecky said.

Grella, the starting quarterback, quickly shifted in and out of running lanes Saturday, working the option offense well. However, in the third quarter down by a touchdown and in the red zone, Grella scampered off to the right searching for the pylon. He was hit hard a yard short of reaching the first down and just a few yards away from



Anthony Hughes/Herald

SOPHOMORE DEVON CHRISTOPHER had a long passing touchdown for Glen Cove in last Saturday's 28-14 season-opening loss to visiting Hewlett.

the goal line. The entire Glen Cove team took a knee and awaited Grella to arise.

This unfortunately harkened back to Kopecky's words before this season, where he hesitantly looked back on Grella's injuries last season, but ultimately praising his quarterback for his toughness.

Grella limped off the field and was being attended to by the trainer. Grella returned a drive later and rushed for 18 yards, capping off a spectacular drive with a 3-yard touchdown rush.

However, those would be the Big Red's

last points of the evening, with Hewlett punching in another touchdown to seal head coach John Palladino's first win.

Glen Cove's Samad Hill, an explosive linebacker/defensive back combo, was very active in the opponent's backfield. "Samad is an athletic player on defense for us...he can go make a play," Kopecky said. Devron James, a defensive lineman and running back/fullback, also made a few tackles behind the line of scrimmage.

Glen Cove will look to right the ship when it faces Plainedge this Saturday at noon.

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PASTORAL ASSISTANT NEOFITOS Sarigiannis explained the significance of the religious paintings that are inside the Church of the Holy Resurrection.

An afternoon of Greek culture for seniors

By **DANIELLE AGOGLIA**

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The Regency Assisted Living in Glen Cove holds a monthly cultural day for its residents, to expose them to different societies that may be unfamiliar. This month, the group visited the Church of the Holy Resurrection, a Greek Orthodox Church in Brookville.

The afternoon began with a lunch at Nitalis Grill in Glen Cove, followed by a tour of the Church of the Holy Resurrection, given by Pastoral Assistant Neofitos Sarigiannis.

He explained to the group that the different “tiers” of the church, are represented by murals of religious figures painted on the walls. He also explained the service, and answered questions from the group. Most were curious to know the differences between the Greek Orthodox and Catholic faiths.

Father Andreas Vithoulkas stopped by as well. He and his family are supported by donations from the community.

Sarigiannis then serenaded the group with an Eastern Byzantine song Anastasimatarion from the Resurrectional Hymnal, which is written in ancient Greek.

“The Regency residents just



LESLIE DICAMILLO, LEFT, Maryann Morin and Mary Zini at the altar in the Church of the Holy Resurrection.

enjoy being out, love activity and events, and we try and accommodate them . . . as much as we can,” said Gail Kump, the Regency’s community relations liaison.

“I think it was a very enlightening and eye-opening and welcoming experience,” said Regency resident Mathilda Gould. While she doesn’t usually go to events like this, Gould said she came because she wanted to know more about Greek culture.

After the church tour, the group

went downstairs for refreshments and to meet Vasilianna Fakiris, president of the church’s philanthropic group, the Philoptochos Society. Fakiris said that the church supports the needy, both in and out of the community, by holding fundraisers, like a Thanksgiving food drive and the angel drive around Christmas.

The Church of the Holy Resurrection moved to Brookville in 2005, after sharing its previous location in Glen Cove with a Catholic

Church. Sarigiannis said the move was a combination of a need for a larger building to accommodate more members, as well as a desire to build a church in the Greek Orthodox style. The church has members that come from all over Long Island, even Astoria, Queens.

For more information on the Church of the Holy Resurrection visit www.resurrectiongoc.org. For more information on The Regency Assisted Living, visit www.theregencyatglen Cove.com.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Thursday, Sept. 14

American Legion Post 76 meeting

Glen Cove Senior Center, 2nd floor, 130 Glen St., Glen Cove, 11 a.m. (516) 676-1294.

Meditation with Morgan Rose

Locust Valley Public Library, 170 Buckram Rd, Locust Valley, 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. Learn to uncover the happiness and well-being that's already within you through simple, powerful guided meditation techniques with Morgan Rose. Please come with a meditation cushion (or thick blanket) to sit on. Registration and \$5 fee required. You may register at the circulation desk. Payment must be made at the circulation desk. (516) 671-1837.

STEM Story time

Gold Coast Public Library, 50 Railroad Ave., Glen Head, 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. Kids will love helping this computer program-mable "mouse" navigate its way through a maze to find the cheese! At the same time they will learn computer coding skills by developing a code that will direct the mouse through its maze. Grades K to 2. (516) 759-8300.

Friday, Sept. 15

Antigone Rising fundraiser

Sea Cliff Firehouse, Roslyn Ave., Sea Cliff, 7 to 10 p.m. At Antigone Rising's 2017 Kick Off Fundraiser there will be requests for help to sustain Girls Rising. Thanks to the generous donations the band receives, they are able to share its message on a national and international stage. At the fundraiser, the band will award the first annual Sheila Primont Scholarship and the Milt Okun Scholarship to two young women. The Sheila Primont Scholarship will be presented by Broadway star Linda Eder, who will perform with other Beachfest artists. www.girlsrising.org.

Saturday, Sept. 16

Glen Cove Junior Soccer League Parade

Finley Middle School, Forest Ave, Glen Cove, 10 a.m. The opening ceremony will kick off at 10:30 a.m., and the parade will end at City Stadium where the season will begin. (516) 322-2884.

Paper shredding

Oyster Bay-East Norwich Public Library, 89 E. Main St., 10 to 12 p.m. AARP is sponsoring a shredding truck which will be in our parking lot. First come, first served. Please bring no more than five boxes. (516) 922-1212.

The Slayer Players

Oyster Bay Cove, 5:30 p.m. The Slayer Players present Murder at the Banquet, dinner theater to benefit the Glen Cove Arts Council. Seating limited. Formal attire optional, \$200 per person. For location information and to RSVP gcartscouncil@aol.com.

Team Trivia Night

The View Grill, 11 Lattingtown Rd., Glen Cove, 7 p.m. Special trivia menu and \$5 per person to play. Prizes awarded for top three teams. Please call for a reservation. (516) 200-9603.

Sunday, Sept. 17



International Coastal Cleanup Day

Join the City of Glen Cove as they participate in International Coastal Cleanup Day at Prybil and Morgan Park beaches, on Saturday, Sept. 16, from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. The Glen Cove Beautification Commission will host volunteer registration tables at each beach and will provide clean up instructions and supplies. The items and information collected during the cleanup will be used to educate the public, business, and government agencies regarding the magnitude and consequences of marine debris.

Gloves will be provided at both locations and participants are asked to bring sunblock and insect repellent for their own protection. For more information, call the Beautification Commission at (516) 676-3766.

HMTC film screening

Holocaust Memorial and Tolerance Center, Welwyn Preserve, 100 Crescent Beach Road, Glen Cove, 1 p.m. "The Celuloid Closet" is a documentary that shows the various Hollywood screen depictions of the LGBTQ community and the attitudes behind them throughout the history of North American film. Suggested donation of \$10 for adults and \$5 for students and senior citizens. Light refreshments will be served. (516) 571-8040.

Monday, Sept. 18

Food for Fines Week

Glen Cove Public Library 4 Glen Cove Ave., Glen Cove. Help the library celebrate National Library Card Sign Up Month by participating in its Food for Fines drive. From Sept. 18 to 23, the fine for one Glen Cove library item will be waived for each food item donated. Bring a non-perishable food item (no glass, please) to the Circulation desk and we'll waive fines on overdue books, CDs and DVDs. (516) 676-2130.

Gold apples with strawberries on top

Gold Coast Public Library, 50 Railroad Ave., Glen Head, 4 p.m. Grades K-5 Using local apples, Chef Rob will teach you how to make a delicious autumn treat with ginger gold apples, strawberry preserves, and a sweet oat crisp topping! This culinary masterpiece will be ready to take home and bake. (516) 759-8300.

Tuesday, Sept. 19

Yoga at the library

Glen Cove Public Library 4 Glen Cove Ave., Glen Cove, 5:30 p.m. The cost is \$30 for the entire six week session and is payable at the time of registration. Please register in person at the Reference desk and make check/money order payable to Rebecca Scaramucci. Bring a mat and water with you. (516) 676-2130.

Tom Suozzi town hall meeting

Landmark on Main Street, 232 Main St., Port Washington, 7 to 9 p.m. (516) 474-0430.

Wednesday, Sept. 20

Mah Jongg for beginners

Bayville Free Library, 34 School St., Bayville, 12 p.m. Instructor Susan Piccolo will cover a brief history of Mah Jongg, identifying playing pieces, "The Charleston," finding a hand, pick and discard, rules of play, defensive playing and culminating with hands of playing. Registration and \$15 fee required. Attendees are suggested to purchase a 2017 National Mah Jongg League playing card before the class begins. Cards may be purchased through the National Mah Jongg League or amazon.com.



Yoga at the library

Bring a mat and a bottle of water for an evening of yoga at the Glen Cove Public Library on Tuesday, Sept. 19, at 4 Glen Cove Ave., Glen Cove, 5:30 p.m.

Mobile mammography van

Glen Cove Boys and Girls Club, 113 Glen Cove Avenue, Glen Cove, 8:45 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Nassau University Medical Center Cancer Screening Van will be providing breast cancer screenings for women over 40. If you have insurance, bring a prescription for the exam and past films. A co-payment may be required. The mammography is free for women with no insurance. Pre-registration is required. (516) 571-6211.

Autumn landscapes

Locust Valley Public Library, 170 Buckram Rd., Locust Valley, 7:30 p.m. Larry Gordon, along with a group of landscape and construction professionals, offers solutions and ideas for the enhancement of your property. The program will include ways to treat specific problematic areas, as well as design trends and varied vertical structure ideas to enhance your outdoor living space, within your budget. (516) 671-1837.

Thursday, Sept. 21

Yoga at the library

Gold Coast Public Library, 50 Railroad Ave., Glen Head, 2 p.m. Debra Monaco will teach you the basics of Yoga in this 6 week session. Please wear comfortable clothing and bring water and a yoga mat. There is a non-refundable \$18 fee due at registration. (516) 759-8300.

Friday, Sept. 22

Ozobot Dance Off

Bayville Free Library, 34 School St., Bayville, 12 p.m. Create a dance routine for your tiny robot using programming and your imagination! No prior coding experience necessary. For grades 2 to 5. (516) 628-2765 or ashleysweeting@gmail.com.

Saturday, Sept. 23

Dancerise with Carol

10 to 12 p.m. Come dance yourself into shape with Carol. Exercise and lose inches while having fun. No dance experience needed. This class is designed for everyone. No special attire needed, wear sneakers and bring a bottle of water. Registration and fee required. 10 sessions, \$50. Fee is payable at the Main Desk. (516) 671-1837.

Leafy Hedgehog Magnet Craft

Gold Coast Public Library, 50 Railroad Ave., Glen Head, 10:30 to 11:15 a.m. This hedgehog magnet craft is superfun. Layered with colorful autumn leaf shapes, he'll make a bright addition to your refrigerator magnet collection and his friendly smile will make you smile every time you see him. For ages 3 to 5. (516) 759-8300.

HAVING AN EVENT?

Submissions can be emailed to llane@liherald.com.

NEIGHBORS IN THE NEWS

Rising Tide donates to the Coalition to Save Hempstead Harbor

Rising Tide Market donated approximately \$496 to the Coalition to Save Hempstead Harbor during its Bring Your Own Bag initiative for the month of August.

The CSHH works to inform the community about matters affecting the local environment, monitors water in Hempstead Harbor, creates opportunities for the public to participate in local conservation issues, and more. The CSHH will also be coordinating the International Coastal Cleanup at Tappen Beach on Sept. 16 from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m., sponsored by the Ocean Conservancy and the American Littoral Society.

"We chose the Coalition to Save Hempstead Harbor as our charity of the month because it is aligned with our values of sustainability," said Jerry Farrell, the owner of Rising Tide. "The BYOB program has always been a collaborative effort between our customers and the community. Our customers learn some new habits."



Courtesy Rising Tide Market

RISING TIDE OWNER Jerry Farrell presented the president of CSHH Karen Papasergiou, with a donation from the store's Bring Your Own Bag initiative.

In August, the customers brought in more than 2,300 reusable bags, he added. "Local nonprofits doing great work are the beneficiaries."



Courtesy Life Enrichment Center at Oyster Bay

GINNY LEMANCZYK, FRONT left, Mildred Hayden, Audrey Cupolo, Bea Lester, Carolyn Thomas, back left, Sue Ryan, Mark Virgilio, Instructor Sharon Collins and Joan Kelly prepared for the art show for many months.

'Together,' an art show of watercolor paintings at the Glen Cove Senior Center

The Glen Cove Senior Center will be hosting an exhibit of watercolor paintings by art students of the Life Enrichment Center at Oyster Bay. These talented senior citizens are presently studying painting techniques with Sharon Faith Collins.

Collins is the coordinator of the Golden Eye Gallery at the Glen Cove Senior Center. Prior to her retirement, she taught architecture at the world-

renowned LaGuardia High School of Music & Art and Performing Arts at Lincoln Center and has an endowment scholarship in her name.

The art show, called "Together," will be on display in the Golden Gallery until Oct. 27. The Glen Cove Senior Center is open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., at 130 Glen Street, Glen Cove. For more information call (516) 759-9610 or visit www.glencoveseniorcenter.com.



VIEWFINDER

By SUSAN GRIECO

THE QUESTION:

What's your favorite after-school snack to eat or to make?



I like vanilla ice cream and all colors of ices, except for the purple ones.

MYORR ST. BERNARD
2nd Grade



I make myself Nutella s'mores... I take graham crackers, and I put Nutella and marshmallows and another graham cracker on top, and then I put them in the microwave.

GRACE FUREY
4th Grade



I love Oreos. I either eat them with milk or I crumble them up and put them on vanilla ice cream.

ALEX CONSTANTINO VOLPICELLO
6th Grade



Hmmm, my mom likes making different types of pasta, like pastina, but my favorite is spaghetti and meatballs.

GIOVANNI D'AMATO
3rd Grade



I like to eat mac and cheese or strawberry bars. Oh, and strawberry and raspberry smoothies!

SHIFAA HUSAIN
5th Grade



My mom makes really good cookies, so I like to eat those, especially her star cookies and chocolate chip.

FAISAL NAGEER
5th Grade

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Glen Cove

Dear Glen Cove,

Last week we completed filming *The Week Of*, which is about a family getting ready for a wedding in Long Island. As some of you know, we filmed about a third of the film in Glen Cove this summer.

We are so pleased to say the residents and community greeted us with enthusiasm during preparation for filming, excitement and wonderful hospitality during filming, and much gratitude when we finished filming.

On behalf of Adam Sandler, Happy Madison Productions, the cast, and the entire filming crew, we would like to take this moment to thank everyone in Glen Cove that made this a most memorable and enjoyable experience.

Sincerely,
The Producers, Crew and Cast
The Week Of



Special Thanks and Warm Regards To:

Barbara, Ava and Lilly Duche
Abbruzzese Family
Calante Family
Carlson Family
Comitino Family
D'Leo Family
DiMaggio Family
Gaudio Family
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Macedonio Family
Salvator Family
Schneider Family

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Church of Saint Patrick

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Visit HeritageFarmandGarden.com for details and a full calendar of our Fall events for September and October.

9/17 — 9AM-6PM

Garden Clubs Day

9/23-24 — 10AM-2PM

**Cider-n-Sweets:
Apple Fest & Market**

9/30-10/1 — 10AM-2PM

Autumn Chrysanthemums & Kale

10/7-9 — 10AM-2PM

FALL-A-PALOOZA Weekend!

10/14-15 — 10AM-2PM

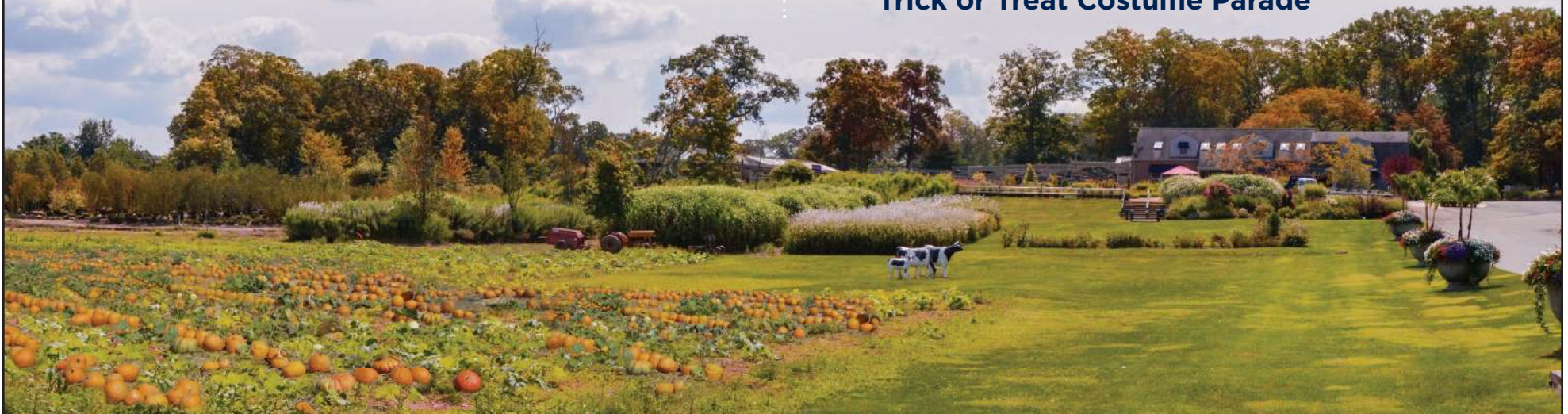
Pumpkins, Gourds and Ghouls Oh My!

10/21-22 — 10AM-2PM

Harvest Hay-Daze Fun!

10/28 — 10AM-2PM

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The pipes beckon in spirited style Nassau County's Irish Festival returns to Nickerson Beach

Its arrival brings about that delightful celebration of all things Irish, the Nassau County Feis and Irish Festival. The annual spectacle is a cherished tradition that gathers visitors and participants who enthusiastically partake in that most time-honored celebration of Irish dance, music, piping, drumming, language, and athletics known as a feis (pronounced fesh).

The dancers are ready and the pipes are calling all to the Ancient Order of Hibernians' 45th Annual Feis at Nickerson Beach Park, in Lido Beach, on Sunday, Sept. 17, beginning at 9 a.m.

The Nassau County Feis, according to the AOH, retains the rare distinction of being a full feis in the traditional meaning of that term, in that it showcases not only Irish step dancing competitions (over 500 dancers are expected this year), but also a full menu of Gaelic bagpiping, traditional Irish music and song, Irish language activities, games, sports, and even baking.

Everyone — including the kids — will find plenty to keep them occupied all day long along with plenty of food and beverages.

Settle in for the day, ready to experience the age-old traditions of this fascinating event. Both the AOH and the Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians of Nassau County sponsor the feis.

Sharing centuries of tradition

From as far back as 18th century Ireland, communities would come together for special festivals of dance and music — involving competitions, laughter and good times. That custom continues here in



Photos by John C. O'Connell

Many bagpipe bands come from throughout the region to entertain and compete.

Nassau County, where the AOH's eight strong divisions organize competitions of dance and piping and bestow awards on the best.

Since 1972, the Ancient Order of Hibernians has presented Nassau County with its annual feis, sharing Irish culture and history, held every year in September.

The Nassau AOH welcomes everyone to enjoy its traditional dance and piping competitions, along with an Irish

Marketplace, featuring all sorts of Irish-related goods and treats for sale, and a special area for the kids.

And since it's a Sunday, mass will be said at noon.

It's a day that focuses on the always vibrant Irish culture. The dance competition showcases some of the finest Irish dancers in the New York metropolitan area, and

pipers from all around come to perform. The sheer energy of the step dancers fascinates the many visitors who come just to see them being judged, so that they can move on to the championships. The dancers perform intricate steps, often arrayed in dazzlingly colorful outfits, dancing jigs, reels, hornpipes and set dances. Winners from last year's feis continue on to national competition and even international competitions.

Other highlights include Gaelic bagpiping and traditional music and song. Individual musicians demonstrate their talents and compete for prizes on a number of instruments, including the fiddle, tin whistle, flute, accordion, all forms of bagpipes, drums and keyboards, or any other instrument of their choice. Singers do the same, and judges have been known to award extra points for songs sung in the Irish language.

And for those who want to delve into the language, the famed Gerry Tobin Irish Language School, "Scoil Ghaeilge Gheróid



Young dancers step lively as they compete in the Irish step dancing programs in a demonstration of their training and talents.

Tóbin," returns this year. Visitors can drop in to the Gerry Tobin tent for "ceol agus craic" (music and fun) a "cupán tae" (a cup of tea), listen to conversation and recitation "as Gaeilge" (in the Irish language) and even learn a "cúpla focail" (a few words).

Then there's the Irish Soda Bread judging, a perennial favorite, and one of the most hotly-contested events of the day. There are as many styles of Irish soda bread as there are bakers, and spectators are free to taste the entries and make their own decisions once the judges are finished.

A special musical act is also featured each year, always adding some additional excitement to the day.

Bring a picnic lunch, and settle in for a taste of Irish culture and hospitality.

An ancient order

The Ancient Order of Hibernians, founded in New York in 1836, now has more than 80,000 members in 46 States, Canada and Ireland. It was founded to protect the Roman Catholic clergy and the Church itself from attack. Its roots are deep in Irish history. It has grown to become the largest and most influential Irish Catholic men's organization in the world.

For more information on the Nassau County Hibernians, visit www.nassauaoh.com or the New York State Hibernian website at www.nysaoh.com.

— Karen Bloom
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IN CONCERT Ramsey Lewis and John Pizzarelli

Prolific powerhouse jazz greats Ramsey Lewis and John Pizzarelli salute Nat King Cole — "the best friend a song ever had" — with their tribute concert "Straighten Up and Fly Right." The evening features Lewis on piano and Pizzarelli on guitar and vocals giving their interpretation of some of Nat King Cole's unforgettable hits, including "Route 66," "This Will Make You Laugh," "Paper Moon," "Nature Boy" and "Hit That Jive Jack,"

WEEKEND Out and About

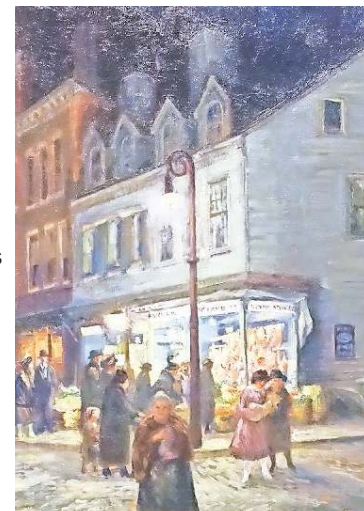
as well as classic songs by Lewis. Nat King Cole broke the pop barrier with his smoky, smooth vocals, stringing along a huge number of solid hits right after his "Straighten Up and Fly Right" soared up the charts in 1943, but was essentially a jazz performer at heart. Lewis and Pizzarelli have crafted a tribute to the titan of '50s pop, highlighting his beloved tunes along with some singular tracks of sophisticated cool jazz that have influenced their own careers.

Friday, Sept. 15, 8 p.m. \$65, \$55, \$45. Tilles Center for the Performing Arts, LIU Post, Rte. 25A, Brookville. (800) 745-3000 or www.ticketmaster.com or www.tillescenter.org.

ART ADVENTURES Travel Through Time

Bring the family to Nassau County Museum of Art to collaborate and create — inspired by the current exhibition, "New York, New York." The Big Apple comes alive as everyone

enters the galleries, traveling through time to discover the New York City of the past, before creating a city of their own vision. Participants can plan and construct three-dimensional urban environments using LED lights to illuminate their cities guided by the dynamic contrast of light and dark as seen in John Sloan's Bleeker Street painting. Also, collaborating with NY Children's Theater, families can write lyrics and stories about the inhabitants of their own communities to bring life to their city sculptures. Sunday, Sept. 17, 1-4 p.m. \$10 materials fee plus museum admission. Nassau County Museum of Art, One Museum Dr. (off Northern Blvd.), Roslyn Harbor. (516) 484-9337 or www.nassauaoh.com.



ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

Coming Attractions

Performances/ On Stage



Barry Manilow

The pop legend in concert, Thursday, Sept. 14, 7:30 p.m. Nassau Coliseum, 1255 Hempstead Tpke., Uniondale, (800) 745-3000 or www.ticketmaster.com or www.nassaucoliseum.com.

America

The iconic folk rockers in concert, Thursday, Sept. 14, 8 p.m. \$95, \$75, \$65. The Space, 250 Post Ave. Westbury. (800) 745-3000 or www.ticketmaster.com or www.thespaceatwestbury.com.

Gypsy

The classic musical set backstage on the 1920s-30s burlesque circuit, Thursday and Friday, Sept. 14-15, 8 p.m.; Saturday, Sept. 16, 3 and 8 p.m.; Sunday, Sept. 17, 2 p.m. \$76 and \$71. John W. Engeman Theater, 250 Main St., Northport. (631) 261-2900 or www.engemantheater.com.

The Liverpool Shuffle

The popular Beatles tribute band in concert, Thursday, Sept. 14, 7 p.m. \$20, \$25 at door. Vanderbilt Museum, 180 Little Neck Rd., Centerport. (631) 854-5562 or www.vanderbiltmuseum.org.

Steve Earle and the Dukes

The country rockers in concert, with Los Lobos, Thursday, Sept. 14, 8 p.m. \$69.50, \$49.50, \$39.50, \$29.50. The Paramount, 370 New York Ave., Huntington. (800) 745-3000 or www.ticketmaster.com or www.paramountny.com.

Jack Glottman Trio

The ensemble in concert, for Latin Jazz Night, Friday Sept. 15, 9:30 p.m. \$15. Sky Room Cafe at Cinema Arts Centre, 423 Park Ave., Huntington. (631) 423-7611 or www.cinememaartscentre.org.

Wine Tasting

Sample wines, along with a light supper, benefitting Last Hope Animal Rescue, Friday, Sept. 15, 7-10 p.m. \$55. Proceeds benefit Last Hope's dog/cat rescue efforts. Walt Whitman House, 246 Old Whitman Rd., Huntington. For information and tickets, visit www.lasthopeanimalrescue.org.

Bijan Mortzavi

The Iranian violinist in concert, Saturday, Sept. 16, 8 p.m. \$200, \$100, \$85, \$65, \$60, \$55. The Space, 250 Post Ave. Westbury. 800-745-3000 or www.ticketmaster.com or www.thespaceatwestbury.com.

Food and Music Festival

Outdoor free event with food trucks and entertainment by Long Island Fringe Festival performers, culminating in a Battle



Martin Sexton

Martin Sexton, known as the "blue-eyed soul man," returns to the Landmark on Main Street stage, on Saturday, Oct. 14, at 8 p.m.

An audience favorite, Sexton is a musician's musician and prolific recording artist. His intricate and spirited songs cover the American musical landscape distilling soul, gospel, R&B, country and blues. His performances are dynamic and bursting with depth and have earned him a devoted following among fans, peers and critics alike.

Tickets are \$60, \$50, \$40; available at 767-6444 or www.landmarkonmainstreet.org. Landmark on Main Street, Jeanne Rimsky Theater, 232 Main St., Port Washington.

of the Bands, Saturday, Sept. 16, 3-8 p.m. Six bands compete in front of a panel of judges. Tilles Center for the Performing Arts, LIU Post, Rte. 25A, Brookville. (800) 745-3000 or www.ticketmaster.com or www.tillescenter.org.



Dick Fox's Doo Wop Extravaganza

Classic doo wop groups in concert, Sunday, Sept. 17, 6 p.m. Lineup includes Lou Christie, The Skyliners, The Tymes, Shirley Alston Reeves, Eddie Holman, The Del Satins and The Knockouts. \$99.50, \$69.50, \$49.50. NYCB Theatre at Westbury, 960 Brush Hollow Rd., Westbury. (800) 745-3000 or www.livenation.com.

Kevin James

The "Kevin Can Wait" star takes his act back on the road, Sunday, Sept. 17, 8 p.m. \$99.50, \$79.50, \$69.50, \$49.50. The Paramount, 370 New York Ave., Huntington. (800) 745-3000 or www.ticketmaster.com or www.paramountny.com.

Complete Works of Shakespeare (abridged)

Madcap comedy with three actors performing 37 of the Bard's plays in a 90-minute romp, Sunday, Sept. 17, 7 p.m. \$15. Arena Players, Vanderbilt Mansion Courtyard, Suf-

folk County Vanderbilt Museum, 180 Little Neck Rd., Centerport. 293-0674 or www.arenaplayers.org.

Salute to Elvis and Friends

Everett Green in concert, Sunday, Sept. 17, 2 p.m. Program includes hits by Elvis Presley, Buddy Holly, Fats Domino, Jerry Lee Lewis, and more. Gold Coast Public Library, 50 Railroad Ave., Glen Head. 759-8300 or www.goldcoastlibrary.org.



Counterclockwise Ensemble

The eclectic chamber music quintet in concert, Sunday, Sept. 17, 7 p.m. Program includes contemporary compositions. Sky Room Cafe at Cinema Arts Centre, 423 Park Ave., Huntington. (631) 423-7611 or www.cinememaartscentre.org.

Yes

The iconic band performs tracks from each of their first 10 albums, Monday and Tuesday, Sept. 18-19, 8 p.m. \$125, \$99.50, \$89.50, \$49.50, \$39.50. The Paramount, 370 New York Ave., Huntington. (800) 745-3000 or www.ticketmaster.com or www.paramountny.com.

For the Kids

Craft Workshop

Design a rainbow lamp, Saturday, Sept.

16, 3 p.m. Decorate and paint assorted designs on a plastic lamp. For grades K-5. Gold Coast Public Library, 50 Railroad Ave., Glen Head. 759-8300 or www.goldcoastlibrary.org.

Weekend Storytime

Families are invited to storytime, Saturday, Sept. 16, 11:30 a.m. Geared for all ages. Gold Coast Public Library, 50 Railroad Ave., Glen Head. 759-8300 or www.goldcoastlibrary.org.

Kidsfest

Varied fun and educational activities, featuring a high-energy performance by the Grammy-winning Tim Kubart & the Space Cadets, Sunday, Sept. 17, 12 p.m.-4 p.m.; concert at 2:30 p.m. Old Westbury Gardens, 71 Westbury Rd., Old Westbury. 333-0048 or www.oldwestbury.org.

Piratefest

Lads and lasses can participate in pirate-related activities, Sunday, Sept. 17, 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Meet pirates from Ye Pirate Brotherhood, go on a treasure hunt, and create pirate-themed crafts. Costumes encouraged. \$15 child, \$5 adult. The Whaling Museum, 301 Main St., Cold Spring Harbor. (631) 367-3418 or www.cshwhalingmuseum.org.

Museums/ Galleries and more...



Creative Crossroads

Works by Adam Handler and Luis Zimad Lamboy are on view in this two-person exhibition of color and shape. Through Sept. 15. Gold Coast Arts Center, 113 Middle Neck Rd., Great Neck. 829-2570 or www.goldcoastarts.org.

The Art of Narrative: Timeless Tales and Visual Vignettes

An exhibition that explores storytelling in art from the 16th through 20th centuries. Illustrations by early American modernist Arthur Dove and others, a genre group by John Rogers, experimental photography by Martina Lopez, and abstract work by James Rosenquist are included, as well as works by Alonzo Chappel, François Girardon, George Grosz, Daniel Ridgeway Knight, Henry Varnum Poor, Adolf Schreyer, and many others. Through April 15. Heckscher Museum of Art, Main St. and Prime Ave., Huntington. (631) 351-3250 or www.heckscher.org.

Ebb and Flow: Seascape and Shoreline Views

An exhibition of works of artists inspired by the sea. Over four dozen paintings, prints, and photographs from the Heckscher Museum's permanent collection are on view, including works by Reynolds Beal, Eugene Boudin, Alfred Thompson

Bricher, Stan Brodsky, Arthur Dove, Edward and Thomas Moran, Roy Nicholson, Jules Olitski, Betty Parsons, Maurice Prendergast, and William Trost Richards, among others. Through Nov. 12. Heckscher Museum of Art, Main St. and Prime Ave., Huntington. (631) 351-3250 or www.heckscher.org.

Seashells...Nature's Inspired Design

An exhibit of seashells from around the world, in celebration of Garvies' 50th anniversary. Through Dec. 30. Garvies Point Museum and Preserve, 50 Barry Dr., Glen Cove. 571-8010 or www.garviespointmuseum.com.

Surreal Encounters in Paint & Pixels

A solo exhibition by Katherine Criss. Through Oct. 1. B.J. Spoke Gallery, 299 Main Street, Huntington. (631) 549-5106 or www.bjspokegallery.org.

Birds With Botany

Explore Caumsett State Historic Park Preserve and search for birds while examining plants, geared for novice adult birders, Sunday, Sept. 17, 9:45 a.m.-11:45 a.m. Bring binoculars. \$4. Registration required. Caumsett State Historic Park Preserve, 25 Lloyd Harbor Rd., Huntington. (631) 423-1770.

Film Screening

See the documentary "Modern Dreams: Art of America," in which British historian Andrew Graham-Dixon traces the role of 19th and 20th century artists in helping America to establish its own distinct culture, Tuesday through Saturday, Sept. 19-23, 11 a.m., 12 p.m. and 1 p.m.; Sunday, Sept. 24, 11 a.m. and 12 p.m. Free with museum admission. Nassau County Museum of Art, 1 Museum Dr., Roslyn Harbor. 484-9337 or www.nassaumuseum.org.



New York, New York

The exhibition, guest curated by Director Emerita Constance Schwartz, portrays the city's grit and glamour, its excitement and bustle as interpreted through more than 140 artworks. Artists on view include John Sloan, Reginald Marsh, Childe Hassam, Red Grooms, Robert Henri, Fairfield Porter, Berenice Abbott, Milton Avery and Georgia O'Keeffe, among others. Through Nov. 5. Nassau County Museum of Art, 1 Museum Dr., Roslyn Harbor. 484-9337 or www.nassaumuseum.org.

'Youthire' developing active young workers

By **NAKEEM GRANT**
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After working in the financial services industry for 30 years, Glenwood Landing resident Thomas Cerna wasn't thrilled with his line of work. When he reflected on the odd jobs he'd performed as a teenager, he thought it would be important to share these experiences with young people.

In 2014, he founded Youthire America, a nonprofit organization that helps local homeowners connect with teenagers and young adults from Sea Cliff, Glen Head, Glenwood Landing and Glen Cove to do odd jobs.

"I wanted to make it into something that was more of a central hub that somebody can come to where they can choose from a lot of different odd job opportunities," Cerna explained.

His website, www.youthire.org, has attracted nearly 270 homeowners and local businesses, along with 230 potential workers, in the North Shore community. Focusing on those ages 16 to 26, Cerna said he is now committed to providing even more work opportunities for teenagers and young adults.

"I think it's important at this point in their lives to get an idea of what drives them, what motivates them, and finding out what's their true passion in life," he said. "I also think it's important at a young age to get your hands dirty and to do some gritty work, which gives you an appreciation for the work ethic, knowing that it's not all going to come easy."

On the website, those interested in work create their own profile pages, listing information about themselves, including school activities and skills that they have or would like to learn. Homeowners who live nearby can post job opportunities, and qualified potential workers are alerted by email about the postings. Additionally, Cerna's website does background checks on both students and homeowners.

Since the site's launch, he has partnered with the North Shore School District and has affiliations with Stony Brook University, Long Island University and New York Institute of Technology.

"A big part of working with Youthire was talking to people, understanding how to promote yourself and learning how to keep up with people I worked for while trying to find more jobs," said Jonathan Swett, of Sea Cliff.

Swett, 17, a freshman at the University of New Hampshire, has done a variety of odd jobs, including yard work, painting, plastering, plumbing, electrical and furniture assembly. Working with Youthire motivated him to seek more job opportunities.

"I developed this great skill set of using tools and doing repair work

because of Youthire," he said. "This is a great program for any young person that's looking for work."

Creating connections

Tracy Warzer, of Sea Cliff, has posted jobs on Youthire for over a year. Most students have been "polite, punctual and responsible," she said, but her most memorable experience came earlier this year when she met Dorian Munaco, a 17-year-old Boy Scout from Troop 195, who helped her organize a garage sale.

Warzer's nephews were former Eagle Scouts in Munaco's troop. After she learned more about him, she helped out with his Eagle project, which involved seniors at the Amsterdam at Harborside, an assisted-living home. Warzer works there, helping to connect young children with older adults. She encouraged Munaco to do his project there.

"We didn't have any visuals to acknowledge our veterans, so Dorian designed a wall featuring photos of the vets in uniform and copies of articles about them," Warzer said.

Munaco and the Boy Scouts later hosted a bake sale, where children met with veterans who shared their stories. Warzer described it as a heartwarming moment.

"I would have never known that kids like Dorian were out there had it not been for Youthire," Warzer said. "The veterans felt honored to tell their stories to today's generation, so that's what made this experience really meaningful."

Skills for a lifetime

Julie Micko, an 18-year-old resident of Glen Cove who has done odd jobs for Youthire since 2016, explained that she has learned several "people skills" through the program, including communicating with others and acting professionally.

"Sometimes, you don't have time to get comfortable with the people you're working for," Micko said. "You have to make good first impressions as soon as you meet them, because they also might set up

a real job for you outside of Youthire."

"These are the kinds of kids who want to work and want to give back to their community," Cerna said. "Even though they're doing low-skilled jobs, it instills in them a sense of accomplishment and achievement, which provides corollary benefits that prepare you for life after school."

He said he believed that Youthire could be a tool to help the North Shore Schools community in its fight against substance abuse. "If you're idle, or if you're not doing something that's productive, you might fall into a bad situation," he said. "The interaction between the child and the homeowner instills in them a sense of purpose and satisfaction. Not that Youthire would be the end-all to solve this problem, but maybe it could be of some help."

As Cerna's organization continues to expand, he said he hopes the program will also boost students' self-esteem. "When they're doing something that makes them feel good," he said, "they'll be more willing to do something that's good for the community as well."



Courtesy Thomas Cerna

THOMAS CERNA, FOUNDER of Youthire America, aims to provide more work opportunities for teenagers and younger adults.

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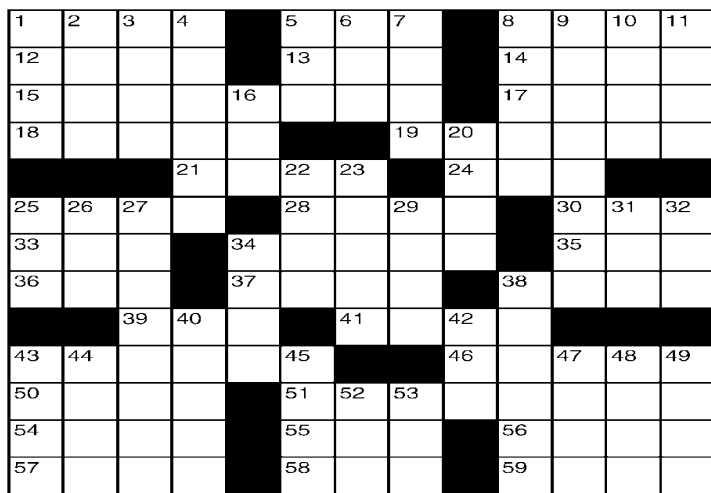
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LAURA CURRAN GREETED supporters after declaring victory in Tuesday night's Democratic Primary for county executive.

Curran will take on Martins in race for county executive

By **ERIK HAWKINS**

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Nassau County Legislator Laura Curran soundly defeated her opponent, County Comptroller George Maragos, when the dust settled on Tuesday's Democratic Primary for county executive.

Once all precincts were counted, Curran had defeated Maragos with 23,093 votes to his 6,265.

"Tonight sends a clear message that Nassau County is ready to chart a new path — that we are ready to put an end to the culture of corruption and make our government live up to the greatness of the people of this county," Curran said, after declaring victory. "There is a better future for Nassau County than what we've experienced these last eight years. We can end this pervasive culture of corruption. We can do away with the entrenched status quo. And, if we work together, we can give Nassau the fresh start it so sorely needs."

Maragos made a brief statement on Twitter late Tuesday night conceding to Curran and offering her his support in the general election.

"I called earlier and left [Curran] a congratulatory message on her resounding primary victory, and offered my full support," Maragos said.

Both Curran and Maragos ran on stridently anti-corruption platforms while outgoing County Executive Ed Mangano fought federal charges of kickbacks and extortion, but name recognition was not enough to carry the eight-year comptroller, a former Republican, to victory.

Curran had the backing of the Nassau County Democratic Committee and numerous sitting and former elected officials, as well as labor groups, while Maragos touted himself and team of county clerk and comptroller candidates as "independent Democrats," who enjoyed the support of many minority organizations.

Maragos, ran alongside a team of "independent Democrats" — Carl

DeHaney and Ama Yawson, running for county clerk and comptroller, respectively. His candidates were also defeated by the Democratic Committee-backed candidates — Jack Schnirman, the Long Beach city manager, who won the comptroller slot on the ballot, and Dean Bennett, who won the county clerk race.

Curran, throughout the race, hammered the message that Nassau County deserved "a fresh start," and vowed to end a perceived culture of cronyism and corruption in Mineola. After declaring victory, she took a pre-emptive shot at Martins, calling him a "typical career politician."

"Nassau County taxpayers don't want any more of the machine's tried and failed status quo," she said. "They don't want another typical career politician who's only going to fight for themselves and their cronies. And they certainly don't want someone who stared corruption in the face, and looked the other way. After tonight's resounding victory, we look forward to going on to victory in November."

Martins released a statement welcoming Curran to the general election, but noting what he called "historically low turnout" in the primary.

"This election is about the future of Nassau County, and electing someone with the experience and qualifications to deal with the challenges that face us," said the former State Senator and mayor of Mineola. "Laura Curran wants to make this about the past, but we must look ahead ... It seems the strategy of 'looking back' hasn't excited Democratic voters, which doesn't bode well for Democrats in the general election."

According to the Board of Elections, 30,195 Democratic ballots were cast in Tuesday's Primary, out of 396,254 registered in the party, as of April. That's a roughly 8 percent turnout — slightly below numbers for the 2013 Democratic Primary between Tom Suozzi and Adam Haber.

THE GREAT BOOK GURU

Spain's uncivil war

Dear Great Book Guru, I am going to the Sea Cliff Civic Association's Newcomers Party next weekend. I am looking forward to meeting the 50 or so others who have moved to Sea Cliff over the last 12 months, but I am a bit shy. If I had a good book to bring up, it might make things easier. Any ideas?

—Eager but Nervous Newcomer



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Dear Eager but Nervous,

No need to be anxious. I am sure you will have a great time, but I do have a book you might enjoy: "There Your Heart Lies," by Mary Gordon. This is the story of Marian Taylor who we meet when she is 19, and a Newport debutante, who leaves her life of ease and affluence to join the Abraham Lincoln Brigade, a group of idealistic Americans who came together to fight

Franco and the Nazis in the Spanish Civil War.

She marries her dead brother's lover so that they can travel to Spain as part of a medical team. Quickly disillusioned by the internecine fighting, the couple rethink their commitment to the war and to each other. We then meet Marion at 92, back in Rhode Island sharing her memories with Amelia, her young granddaughter. When pieces of the story fail to make sense, Amelia returns to Spain to search out the truth. This is a

fascinating tale of one woman's attempt to come to terms with her past and of a country still coping with the horrific aftermath of a civil war. Recommended!

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



Courtesy City of Glen Cove

STATE ASSEMBLYMAN CHARLES Lavine, Youth Bureau Executive Director Spiro Tsirkas and Deputy Mayor Barbara Peebles attended the After 3 Program Summer Showcase.

Glen Cove Youth Bureau presents After 3 Program projects

By **DANIELLE AGOLIA**

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Each year, the Glen Cove Youth Bureau After 3 Program presents a project at the culmination of its summer program. This year, the middle school students researched the history of Glen Cove in honor of the city's upcoming 350th anniversary in 2018. The students then developed essays about the founders of the city and the historic buildings, and built replicas of the landmarks and schools. The educational and creative project allowed for the students to learn more about where they live, while putting a personal and artistic touch on the assignment.

The projects will be on display in the main chamber of City Hall until the end of the week.

For more information on the Youth Bureau's After 3 Program visit www.glen-coveyouthbureau.com.



THE STUDENTS RECREATED Glen Cove buildings including the Mansion and Landing School, and researched the founders of the city.

OPINIONS

The perils of 'make news'

Lots of attention these days is devoted to whether the news is real or fake. That often depends on the eyes and ears of the beholder. One person's fake news is another person's indisputable truth.

What I find more concerning is the current tendency toward what I call "make news." In our information-addicted culture, we are constantly fed a stream of so-called news, and much of it seems to be more concocted than real. Politicians, the media and pundits alike seem to feel compelled to



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"make news" to fill the airways and social media.

Take, for example, the recent brouhaha over President Trump's visits to Houston following Hurricane Harvey. What did some of the media focus on? The length of Melania Trump's high heels as she boarded the presidential helicopter at the White House. Never mind that she wore sneakers when she actually toured the flood devastation. The unending need for news put her shoes front and center in the Harvey media story.

When shoes are the subject, such news-making is harmless enough, though unfair and unnecessary. But where news is stitched together out of stray threads, the result can be downright damaging. The best recent example is the media-manufactured firestorm over which statues should stay and which should go in our town squares. Are we really, seriously talking about taking down Columbus statues because explorers exploited native peoples? Should the slave-owning faces of Washington and Jefferson be obliterated from Mount Rushmore? Where does this obsession with political correctness end?

Let's go back a step further. How does such an improbable discussion begin? Now, we all should condemn the hate-mongers who assembled in Charlottesville, Va., a few weeks ago. There's no place for them in our country. Yet, I don't know about you, but in my lifetime I have never personally come across a neo-Nazi. Can there be more than a pitiful few of them in the U.S., strutting around in ridiculous uniforms, carrying torches, hungry for attention far out of proportion to their tiny numbers? Still, the media shined such a relentless spotlight on these few

nuts in places like Charlottesville that they were made to appear far more numerous than the sick few they really are. That spotlight almost guaranteed that the other tiny fringe, represented by the far-left Antifa, would show up to help stage a rumble for the cameras. Voila, "make news"!

Our country has some very real racial and social problems that we should address. The disparity in educational outcomes and economic progress between blacks and whites is something we must confront. The tidal wave of gang and drug violence is a national crisis. Gun killings in our cities, opioid deaths everywhere — these are the real problems facing America, not which statues should stand and which should come down.

Let's think about what's really important, and work to make America better, not worse. Let's deal with economic disadvantage by growing our economy to create more jobs. Let's reform the tax code to encourage investment and employment.

Let's devise a badly needed national infrastructure program to put more people to work. Let's repair our health care system to make it more affordable and accessible for all. Let's fix our immigra-

tion system and secure our borders. Let's demand that our education system lead to opportunity and progress for the next generation.

These are the real, living issues America faces today. They may not be flashy "news," but in fact they pose the most basic questions about what kind of a country we will leave our children and grandchildren. That's how the best monument to the future can be built: If we're strong and true to our American heritage rather than consumed by what's old, or what's new.

In the past few days, we've begun to see that when the president and Congressional leaders from both parties sit down and negotiate in good faith, they can get things done. The agreement they reached to extend the national debt limit and include almost \$8 billion in badly needed aid for victims of Hurricane Harvey shows what can be done when politics is put aside to deal with the people's business. This could be a good start on a bipartisan approach to all the other issues, like tax relief and immigration reform. Now that would be real good news!

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An end-of-summer weekend for the history books

As autumn spins into view on Force 12 winds, are you feeling what I'm feeling, that the moment is heavy with historic significance? We are clearly in the cross-hairs of various unprecedented forces.

As anchored as I may be to my safe haven here at home, storms both meteorological and political are tossing us about. By the time we go to press, Hurricane Irma will have blasted through Florida and moved on. But right now, like many Long Islanders, my focus is on family and friends who were in the direct path of the storm.



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The anxiety seems an apt metaphor for the general distress of observing our country in the clutches of another destructive force: a president who is also wildly unpredictable and already blowing the roof off our cherished institutions. The difference is that, unlike the random violence of natural disasters, he has intentionality. Our president is on a mission to undo the pro-woman, pro-diversity, pro-student, pro-environment programs that were put in place by his predecessor. New rules and regulations

flow daily from the White House, inflicting suffering on the very people who rely on moral leadership and support from the federal government.

When nature goes wild, some part of us knows to hunker down and ride it out, that when the storm passes, the sun will shine again. Order will be restored. But on the political front, there is no such guarantee.

I used the term Force 12 winds intentionally. It refers to the Beaufort scale and indicates winds at sea, in this case hurricane-force winds. In such conditions, we are told to expect "Exceptionally high waves ... very rarely experienced ... The air is filled with foam and spray; sea is completely white with driving spray; visibility very seriously affected..." Even large vessels may disappear for long periods of time in the deep troughs between the heaving seas.

A frightening description. But such storms can be survived. More frightening is our current political cyclone. The stan- chions of our democracy are also disappearing into deep troughs, and who knows if they can rise again?

We must not take our eyes off the great ship of state. Everything, including the actual weather, is conspiring to distract us from monitoring the president and his cohorts and their daily assault on our freedoms. We need the energy and focus to stay vigilant. No following the shiny objects dangling in the Oval Office. It isn't about last week's Donald Jr. testimony or Ivan-

ka's tone-deaf remarks or even the president's leapfrog over to the Democrats on the debt ceiling. It isn't about verbal duels with Kim Jong-un or abandoning the "dreamers" or transgender service people, important as they may be.

The critical issue is, and will always be, how Donald Trump won the election, if and how his operatives colluded with the Russians, how he demonized our free press and how many of his friends are using the privilege of their government jobs to line their own pockets. There is so much evidence — unprecedented — of the president's own financial conflicts of interest that following the money is a critically important task — and a daunting one.

Still, storms at sea remind us that steady minds and steady hands at the helm can help steer us through. The team headed by Robert Mueller plows on, despite the pushback and side-shows by Trump & Co. Some congressional leaders and judicial voices are being raised in defense of our democracy. We have citizens throughout the country, many who voted for Trump, who now see him for the erratic and uninformed huckster that he always was.

In Irma's wake, Hurricane Jose followed, along with how many other storms behind them? Where will they make landfall, who

will face painful losses and who will be spared? The survivors of Hurricane Harvey are still treading water; and yet our attention is pulled toward new weather events. Scratch "events"; these are freaks of nature, increasing proof of the environmental damage being visited upon the planet. How

many 500-year storms must we survive before the anti-science refuseniks supported by Trump realize that it is still within our power to curb the emissions and toxins that affect our climate?

The storms, the president, the resistance all seem pulled into a tightening vortex, holding us to this spot.

It has been said that newspapers are the first draft of history. My sense is that our time, this particular time and place, autumn 2017, with hur-

ricanes buffeting us physically, politically and emotionally, will stand out in history. It will be important, someday, to have the story of these troubling days set in print. What we can't know, or even surmise, is how this unsettling season will evolve. Hurricanes blow themselves out. We will pick up the pieces. But Trump? After he blows out to sea, what will remain standing?

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HERALD EDITORIAL

On the trains, no summer of hell

Spring was a season of frustration for Long Island Rail Road commuters. Two trains derailed in March and April, crippling LIRR service for days. Later in April, the New York City Police Department, fearing for commuters' safety, was forced to partially shut down Penn Station because it had become so packed with disgruntled passengers.

So commuters braced for the worst when Amtrak, which owns and operates Penn Station, announced plans to close several tracks at the station this summer for major repairs. Gov. Andrew Cuomo gave the repair period an ominous name: the summer of hell.

But over the past three months, there has been no fire or brimstone.

Herald reporters talked to dozens of commuters across the South Shore in June, July and August. The vast majority said they had no problems getting to and from work despite a reduced schedule. There were no derail-

ments or major delays. In fact, the LIRR — the largest commuter train network in the nation, carrying some 600,000 people in and out of the city on 1,300 trains every day — performed better in July and August than it had in months.

According to Amtrak, extra crews and equipment were positioned in the tunnels during the summer to rapidly respond to any incidents. In order to provide the service that LIRR passengers need and expect, perhaps Amtrak should re-evaluate its permanent staffing needs.

Amtrak officials also said in May that Tom Prendergast, the former Metropolitan Transportation Authority CEO and chairman, would review coordination and collaboration among the LIRR, NJ Transit and Amtrak, each of which has its own concourse at Penn Station. Better com-

munication is needed among the three railroads to limit service disruptions and confusion in times of emergency. We hope that the lack of problems on the railways this summer

indicates that communication has improved — and that this cooperation will continue in the future.

We also applaud the LIRR for offering transportation alternatives during the construction. North Shore residents can now take a ferry from Glen Cove. We hope this new service will relieve some train congestion in the future.

Full LIRR service was restored on Sept. 5, but questions about Penn Station's viability remain. We encourage Amtrak to continue to be transparent about repair and construction projects. Hundreds of thousands of people depend on it.

Let's hope the LIRR will continue to operate much more smoothly than expected.

Protect the wetlands, our only defense in a hurricane

In short order over the last three weeks, two Category 4 hurricanes — Harvey and Irma — slammed into the U.S., wreaking havoc in Texas and Florida. At press time, what was left of Irma was pushing north from Florida.

The destruction has been massive. Congress approved, and President Trump signed, a \$15.3 billion aid package for Texas alone. Florida's damage will be historic, no doubt.

Long Islanders are all too familiar with the catastrophic devastation caused by a major hurricane. On Oct. 29, 2012, Superstorm Sandy leveled many areas of the South Shore. And it could have been a lot worse.

Long Island's "mainland" is protected by a string of barrier islands. In between are thousands of acres of wetlands, with hundreds, if not thousands, of mudflat islands, where only Spartina marsh grass grows. In

the event of a hurricane or tropical storm, when the Atlantic Ocean rushes toward the mainland, those mudflats act as giant sponges, soaking up the rush of water known as storm surge.

Without the mudflats between the ocean's onslaught and us, we can only imagine the damage that Sandy could have caused — and the devastation a future storm might create if the mudflats didn't exist.

Despite their central role in helping to keep us safe, Long Islanders abuse those mudflats. Boaters speed through the shallow channels between them, and their wakes erode the islands. People send untold amounts of trash, dog feces, pesticides, herbicides, fertilizers and chemicals into the wetlands via the street drains that empty into South Shore bays, threatening the wetlands ecosystem.

We all could, and should, do more to protect the wetlands. Here's how.

■ If you're a boater, respect mandatory 5 mph zones.

■ Don't wash your car at home. The toxic soapsuds make their way into the street drains, and then into the bays. Instead, take your vehicle to a car wash.

■ Don't throw your dog's waste down the drains.

■ Use only organic fertilizer on your lawn, and sweep up excess fertilizer from sidewalks to ensure that it doesn't get into the bays. And there's little to no need for pesticides and herbicides in a properly managed yard.

■ If you're a smoker, don't flick your butts onto the street. They eventually wash into the wetlands via the drains.

■ Finally, don't litter.

LETTERS

What's there to smile about on a 9/11 memorial?

To the Editor:

It has been 10 years since Nassau County's Sept. 11 Memorial was unveiled, a fine and touching tribute to the 344 county residents who lost their lives on Sept. 11, 2001.

Although the victims' names are etched on the wall, the only two people that visitors actually see on the wall are then President George W. Bush and then County Executive Tom Suozzi. I don't understand why only their photos are there, especially when pictures of the 344 honorees would have helped visitors who never knew them in life to at least see them as real people rather than merely as names.

The two photos are inappropriate because

Never Let It Fade...

9/11

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OPINIONS

In times of trouble, FDR comes to me

made a pilgrimage in August to a shining house on a hill surrounded by lush forests. Below was a valley where apple trees grew in neat rows. In the distance was a wide river. This place, this magical place, was an oasis of calm, a landscape perfectly suited for introspection. I was

happy.

I made the 2½-hour trip from Nassau County to the stately home of President Franklin Delano Roosevelt in upstate Hyde Park, which is now a museum and national park. I wanted to wrap my head around this towering figure of American history.



SCOTT BRINTON

of American history.

FDR died on April 22, 1945, 22 years before I was born. He was 63 years old. I never heard his voice live. I didn't witness the momentous global catastrophes — the Great Depression, World War II — that shaped his presidency and our country.

I wanted to understand better how he solved, seemingly single-handedly (although I know that wasn't the case), the most trying and traumatic one-two punch the United States had ever experienced to that point. In the end, I wanted to know what made FDR such a beloved president —

and, make no mistake, people loved him.

If you have the chance, take the drive to Hyde Park. Get to know FDR for yourself. He was truly one of the most important leaders the world has ever known. At Hyde Park, I believe I learned what made him the authority figure he became.

Fall is coming. With the changing leaves, the drive to his home, which overlooks the Hudson River Valley just north of Poughkeepsie, is sure to be magnificent.

Disease, as I learned on my trip, defined FDR more than I had ever imagined. I had long heard the stories of his polio — and his herculean efforts to conceal his paralysis from the public, lest people think him weak. I hadn't known, however, that he had contracted polio at age 39, during a Boy Scout jamboree at Bear Mountain State Park in the summer of 1921. He visited the jamboree that July 28. By mid-August, he was paralyzed from the waist down.

It was a terrible and terrifying fate. He had been an outdoorsman. He had grown up surrounded by woods through which he regularly hiked as a child. He also rode horses through the nearby hills and sailed a small boat on the Hudson.

Franklin was very much like his fifth cousin, the great President Theodore Roosevelt, only more refined.

A friendly park ranger told a story about FDR that gave me the insight I had come seeking. Through a physical-therapy regimen that he prescribed for himself after he was stricken with polio, FDR regained the use of his arms. Then he was determined to walk again.

That never happened. But he tried. And tried. And tried again.

Outside his brown stucco home is dirt driveway, probably a quarter-mile long, stretching to the main road out front. It is an idyllic path, lined by tall trees that create a canopy. Each day, the ranger said, FDR clambered out the front door and hoisted himself up on crutches. Inch by inch, he dragged himself down the driveway, attempting to reach the street.

It was an exhausting daily struggle that ended only when he collapsed, unable to move any farther. FDR was, however, undaunted. He returned day after day after day.

He never made it.

Standing on that dusty path on a sunny, 80-degree day, I could envision him as if he were right in front of me. I imagined what that crawl — that agonizingly painful crawl — must have been like. To stare down the path that he had trotted up and down hundreds, maybe thousands of times as a boy and young man, and to be unable to reach

the end of it on his own, it must have been devastating, maddening even.

Suddenly, I understood FDR. He was fearless. More so, he was determined. Who knows what endowed him with such bravery, such tenacity. He had the "right stuff," to borrow a phrase from Tom Wolfe.

As president, he spread a contagious sense of optimism with the power of his soaring rhetoric. Through his famed series of radio addresses, dubbed "fireside chats," he spoke directly to the American people, conveying hope — and a deep understanding of *their* plight.

Yes, FDR was born into fabulous wealth. He had enjoyed a host of privileges as a young man, including a Harvard/Columbia education. Yet as president, he understood what it was to be poor, because he understood what it meant to have less. Polio taught him that.

When he spoke to the American people, he poured out his heart and soul, and people responded. Most loved him because he played a central role in saving the world from tyranny, while from the ashes of the Great Depression, he instituted the social programs that led to creation of the great American middle class.

We sure could use an FDR right about now.

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LETTERS

of the larger-than-life size of each — 14 x 20 inches — but especially because both men in the photographs are smiling. Their expressions are anything but somber or sad. In fact, they appear as though they were posing in celebration of some happy occasion! I find this grossly inappropriate and offensive, though unintended, I'm sure. They insult the memories of those very people for whom this memorial was created and dedicated.

It's time to remove the photos. It should be easy for Suozzi to have this done because he represents parts of Nassau County in the U.S. House of Representatives and remains a man of great power and influence.

And the removal can be done easily because they are on thin 1/8-inch panels glued onto a 16-square-foot plaque attached to the wall.

Suozzi ran for Congress with the motto "Suozzi gets it done!" I thank you in advance, Mr. Suozzi, on behalf Glen Cove's four victims, Edward Lehman, Matthew McDermott, John Puckett and Joseph Zuccala, whose names are on the wall.

RICHARD SIEGELMAN
Plainview

Taking from Native Americans yet again

To the Editor:

Many have been outraged by the renaming of the Gov. Malcolm Wilson-Tappan Zee Bridge for former Gov. Mario Cuomo, saying it isn't fair to strip one former governor's honor to give it to another. While people are angered by the removal of a name that was added 38 years after the bridge was constructed, little has been said about the stripping of the original part of the name, the Tappan Zee Bridge.

As many may not know, the bridge was named in 1956 by Gov. W. Averell Harriman in honor of a local Native American tribe called the Tappan Tribe, with "Zee" being the Dutch word for sea.

Recently, Sen. Ruben Diaz brought up a very valid point regarding the redundant actions of New York City Council Speaker Melissa Mark-Viverito, who shared her plans to fight for the removal of the statue of Christopher Columbus, in Columbus Circle in Manhattan, because of Columbus's actions against Native American tribes 400 years ago. She says this action will honor Native Americans.

However, she has had nothing to say about the fact that Gov. Andrew Cuomo has named the new bridge to honor his father.

FRAMEWORK by John O'Connell



Time for a healthy snack at Bailey Arboretum — Lattingtown

I agree with Diaz that if Mark-Viverito is so concerned with doing Native Americans justice, especially over something that occurred 400 years ago, why hasn't she spoken out against our governor taking away the honor given to the Tappan Tribe 61 years ago?

New Yorkers should be outraged that both Wilson and the Tappan Tribe were dishonored by stripping an accolade given to them so many years ago just so the current gover-

nor could name a bridge after his father — a bridge the current Governor Cuomo has said his father wouldn't want to be named for him, because the former governor was well known to brush aside such honors.

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2017 FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

JETS

Sun, Sep 17th vs Raiders | 4:05 PM
 Sun, Sep 24th vs Dolphins | 1:00 PM
 Sun, Oct 1st vs Jaguars | 1:00 PM
 Sun, Oct 8th @ Browns | 1:00 PM
 Sun, Oct 15th vs Patriots | 1:00 PM
 Sun, Oct 22nd @ Dolphins | 1:00 PM
 Sun, Oct 29th vs Falcons | 1:00 PM
 Thu, Nov 2nd vs Bills | 8:25 PM

Sun, Nov 12th @ Buccaneers | 1:00 PM
 Sun, Nov 26th vs Panthers | 1:00 PM
 Sun, Dec 3rd vs Chiefs | 1:00 PM
 Sun, Dec 10th @ Broncos | 4:05 PM
 Sun, Dec 17th @ Saints | 1:00 PM
 Sun, Dec 24th vs Chargers | 1:00 PM
 Sun, Dec 31st @ Patriots | 1:00 PM

GIANTS

Mon, Sep 18th vs Lions | 8:30 PM
 Sun, Sep 24th @ Eagles | 1:00 PM
 Sun, Oct 1st @ Buccaneers | 4:05 PM
 Sun, Oct 8th vs Chargers | 1:00 PM
 Sun, Oct 15th @ Broncos | 8:30 PM
 Sun, Oct 22nd vs Seahawks | 4:25 PM
 Sun, Nov 5th vs Rams | 1:00 PM
 Sun, Nov 12th @ 49ers | 4:25 PM

Sun, Nov 19th vs Chiefs | 1:00 PM
 Thu, Nov 23rd @ Redskins | 8:30 PM
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