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LANDING STUDENTS AMELIA Decker and Claire O'Brien built an intricate tower using Keva Planks.

Students show off their technology skills

Glen Cove hosts first Family Code Night

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Most adults might not know what Bloxels, Ozobots and Keva Planks are, but their children probably do. Bloxels let you build your own video game. With Ozobots, you can create color-coded

pathways for miniature robots to follow. And Keva Planks are the 21st-century version of Legos and Lincoln Logs

Parents saw all of these tech toys and more in action at the Glen Cove City School District's first Family Code Night, held during the Board

of Education workshop on Monday.

The event was put on by science, technology, research, engineering, art and math teachers — whose subjects are known collectively as STREAM — from Landing, Connolly, Gribbin and Deasy

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ELECTION 2017 **Talk about every** vote counting Tim Tenke wins mayor's race by just three ballots

BY LAURA LANE llane@liherald.com

Tim Tenke, 55, a Glen Cove Democratic city councilman, has been declared the victor in the Glen Cove mayoral race. He beat incumbent Reggie Spinello, an Independence Party member who also ran on the Republican line, by just three votes.

"I am humbled by how this came out and pleased that the

Board of Elections took the time and did it the right way, in a bipartisan effort," said Tenke, an attorney. "All the votes were counted, and everyone had a say in this election."

Democrat Marsha Silverman, 46, a financial analyst, won a seat on the City Council. Absentee ballots confirmed her victory over Republican Matthew Connolly. In the final count, Silver-**CONTINUED ON PAGE 4**



DEMOCRAT TIM TENKE won by razer-thin margin, and fellow Democrat Marsha Silverman was elected city councilwoman.



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Making space for new technology in school

By JEFFREY BESSEN

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Part two in the series "Educating the 21st Century Child."

Only a decade or so ago, classroom desks were lined up in neat rows. Students faced the blackboard or whiteboard. Their ability to talk to one another and share particularly when doing so on computers — was limited.

All that was so 20th century, and all of it is rapidly changing.

Educators are rethinking not only how they teach, but the very spaces they teach in as well. If students are to collaborate, then they must work in classrooms that foster communication. So, in many schools, the neat rows are out, and "collaborative spaces," in which students can share in small groups, are in.

Teachers are no longer like conductors, stuck at the front of the classroom, directing the conversation, or lecturing oldschool-style. Rather, they have become more like guides, school officials say. And central to their work is technology. Welcome to the 21st century classroom.

Full STEAM ahead

Increasingly, teachers are infusing STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art and math) or STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) into their curricula. The Hebrew Academy of the Five Towns and Rockaway, a private yeshiva on Central Avenue in Lawrence, is one such school having gone all in on STEM, and is converting its learning spaces in a big way to do so.

HAFTR's old gym is being transformed into a state-of-the-art STEM center, with a 3D printer, a laser cutter and a Makerspace (a community engineering center, com-

plete with a variety of tools) at the high school and middle school. The STEM center was designed to accommodate not only today's students, but also pupils who will attend the school as far as a decade into the future.

Benjamin Gross, HAFTR's technology director, said he believes STEM education is the contemporary version of the vocational education that dissipated in the last half of the

20th century, when there was a push to direct more students to college.

"Resources were directed more toward college-preparatory courses," Gross said. "STEM education is the resurgence and rebirth of the industrial arts. Teaching a student how to create, market and be an entrepreneur is essential for someone seeking 21st century skills."

Despite the new learning spaces, Gross said, HAFTR's focus has been on education, not hardware. Staff development sessions are focused on new, tech-based ways to teach and guide students. "Our students start learning computer programming skills as early as kindergarten," he said. "Our youngest techies can already tell you



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LEE ARAOZ, LAWRENCE High School's instructional technology coordinator, far left, and Stephanie Rubenfeld, an elementary- and middle-school technology teacher, introduced Lawrence teachers to web-based applications in September. Keeping educators up to date on the latest technology is key in an ever-changing world, school officials say.

what an algorithm is and begin coding with simple robots."

Integrating old and new

Despite the technology push, there are elements of the traditional education that must remain, educators insist. Dr. Shawn Robertson, an associate professor of child study, literacy/cognition and childhood and adolescent special education at St. Joseph's College, said that elementaryschool children still need to learn skills that develop their fine motor movements,

such as handwriting.

"Those children born after 2001, they can't live without technology. There is no separating them and the devices," Robertson said. "They're a connected generation. They expect to be taking pictures, screen shots of notes and be using a digital notebook."

To ensure that teachers are keeping up with the latest technology, Robertson said, school districts need to conduct professional

development in house and have support staff who can explain the technology. "Use Skype — plan on it — and show the teacher how to do it," he said.

Dr. Terrence Bissoondial, a science teacher at Hewlett High School who also oversees the Hewlett-Woodmere School District's research program, said that it is incumbent upon him to "stay current, lest I should be quickly relegated to obscurity or a relic of the 20th century." The program has seen a great deal of success, including back-to-back grand prize-winning teams in the prestigious Siemens Competition in Math, Science & Technology in 2012 and 2013.

Through the research program, Bis-

Increasing student engagement with tech

School districts are employing a variety of new technologies to upgrade curricula for the 21st century. That has led to host of new educational terms that are now en vogue, but were unheard of only five or 10 years ago. Here's a glossary of terms, courtesy of the Bellmore-Merrick Central High School District.

■ BYOD – Bring Your Own Device. Students and staff use their own mobile devices, including smartphones, laptops and tablets, in school for educational purposes.

■ Interactive Board Integration – Refers to the use of interactive, interconnected SMART monitors to replace the traditional blackboards and whiteboards, including SMART Learning Suite 17 and SMARTamp Multitouch. Go to www.smarttech.com for more information.

■ 3-D printers — Allow STEAM students to design and engineer objects and then print

soondial said, he teaches the skills he believes are necessary for success in this century. "The most important skills students should have are being able to process large amounts of data, knowing [how] to ask appropriate questions, understanding what tools are required and how to use them, and [how to] make sound decisions through logic and reasoning," he said.

Rebecca Isseroff, a Lawrence High School chemistry teacher who has mentored Siemens competition winners and semifinalists, and top finishers in other prominent science contests, offered a few words of caution.

"It seems that the current generation of school-age children have indeed become easily adept at computer use, but unfortuout plastic models of them.

■ iMac labs — With the new iMacs equipped with video editing and photography software, including Adobe Creative Suite, students can learn graphic arts, publication design and computer programming.

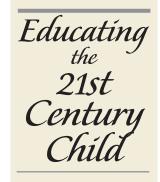
■ Flipped classroom — Allows for "blended" learning, which integrates video from outside the classroom with in-class discussion. Video integration sites such as Flipgrid and Nearpod are used.

■ Google classroom/docs/drive – Using Google-based platforms, students and teachers can access assignments and information outside of school.

■ Media centers — School libraries are much more than just books, and Chrome-book and iPad carts bring technology to the students.

nately at the expense of verbal and reading comprehension, which were more highly developed in the students of the 20th century," she said.

Isseroff said she believes the internet has today's students jumping to quick conclusions and not fully comprehending entire sentences or paragraphs that they must master. She believes, however, that there is hope in collaboration. "Schools are doing their best to prepare students for the 21st century, but the students also have to carry their share of responsibility for success," she said. "Schools are partners with the parents and children, and only if we work hard together will the outcome of a future generation of innovators and educated leaders become a reality."



Glen Cove's new mayor is Tenke

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man had 2,426 votes, to Connolly's 2,403. "They were looking at the absentee ballots before" Wednesday, said Nassau County Board of Elections Commissioner David Gugerty. "But her lead of 23 votes was not contested."

Tenke was down by 21 votes on election night. After Board of Election workers counted the 310 affidavit and absentee ballots, he was still behind, by 13 votes. Then, on Tuesday, Nassau County Supreme Court Justice Jeffrey Brown went to Board of Elections headquarters in Mineola to review 64 absentee ballots that had been deemed questionable. After he finished Brown announced that Tenke was

ished, Brown announced that Tenke was ahead by three votes, and ordered the Board of Elections to double-check its numbers on Wednesday. By noon, Gugerty had confirmed that Tenke's lead had not changed.

"It's like I always say," Gugerty said, "every vote counts, and every absentee ballot counts, too."

Tenke said he was not discouraged at any time during the process, even when it appeared that he might lose. "I was optimistic when I heard that there were 64 ballots that were being contested," he said. "I'm not surprised that I won."

He characterized a rumor that he didn't really want the job of mayor as "ridiculous," saying it couldn't have been further from the truth. "I wouldn't have put my family through the last eight to nine months of this," he said. "Who would go through all of this if they didn't want the job?"

Silverman will be the only Democrat on the City Council. She said she looked forward to serving the city, and repeated her campaign promise. "I will serve everyone's best interest to my fullest capabilities," she said. "I'm satisfied that all the absentee ballots were counted and citizens' voices were heard. Democracy occurred in this race."

Tenke, who will be inaugurated on Jan. 1, said he looked forward to getting started. "Under my leadership, Glen Cove will benefit in a lot of ways," he said. "The projects and issues going on in the city will be addressed, and adequate solutions will be sought to solve problems. There will be some personnel changes that will take place, too, as I find replacements who will do a better job."

CRIME WATCH

Arrests

■ A man, 22, from Glen Cove, was arrested and charged with fifth-degree criminal possession of marijuana on Donahue Street on Nov. 25.

■ A man, 32, from Glen Cove, was arrested and charged with seconddegree aggravated unlicensed operation, circumvent interlock operating without a device and driving too slow on Cedar Swamp Road on Nov. 23.

■ A woman, 49, from Glen Cove, was

Deer found impaled on fence

On Wednesday at 8:22 a.m., a Glen Cove Public Works employee called Glen Cove Police to report that a deer had impaled itself on the fence surrounding the Woolworth estate on Valley Road in Glen Cove.

When police arrived, it was determined that the deer was already dead. A deer similar in appearance had been sighted in Glen Cove in the recent weeks by Glen Cove residents.

"Glen Cove and the surrounding areas have been getting more and more deer sightings in the recent years," said Glen Cove Detective Lt. John Nagle. "If anyone observes a deer in the area, it's never a good idea to approach these animals because they are not domesticated and can injure a person quite easily." arrested and charged with driving while intoxicated and driving through a stop or yield intersection on George Street on Nov. 22.

■ A man, 20, from Glen Cove, was arrested and charged with seventhdegree criminal possession of a controlled substance and unlawful possession of marijuana on Glen Cove Ave. on Nov. 20.

■ A man, 29, from Bayville, was arrested for assaulting a police officer, resisting arrest and trespassing on St. Andrews Lane on Nov. 19.



Photo courtesy GCPD **THIS DEER WAS** found impaled on a fence early Wednesday morning.

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



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School boards take aim

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On Oct. 14, Valley Stream School District 13 Trustee Toni Pomerantz proposed that the New York State School Boards Association lobby for a change to state municipal law to allow school board members to strike down Industrial Development Agency provisions that would affect school taxes. Since then, lobbyists for the association have been meeting with state lawmakers about the proposed change.

"I think these are all the areas that are of importance to our delegates," said Brian Fessler, the NYSSBA's deputy director for government relations.

The school boards association, the state lobbying group that represents more than 600 school districts, meets annually to discuss state laws and how they affect boards of education. Each school board sends a representative to propose a change to state law that it believes the association should lobby for. The representatives then vote on whether the various proposals are worthy causes for the association to take up. If a proposal passes, the association has five years to lobby for it, after which the proposal can be voted on again.

According to Fessler, lobbyists for the organization will ask state legislators to allow school board members to strike down any provision of a payment-in-lieu of taxes, or PILOT, agreement that would adversely affect school taxes.

"They still have a right to issue the PILOT," said Bill Stris, the president of the

 to members of an Industrial Development Agency. "We can just tell them the impact it would have on a school district."
 A PILOT agreement could still go into

effect, Fessler explained, without the provisions about school taxes. "It's not giving the school district superpowers to strike down an agreement," he said. Fessler did not specify how the veto power would work, and said that the school boards association would discuss the plan with lawmakers.

District 13 Board of Education, referring

According to Stris, Pomerantz proposed the resolution on behalf of District 13 because the district was not notified when the Town of Hempstead IDA granted the Green Acres Mall a \$6 million tax break in 2015. In April, the IDA voted to revoke the agreement, asserting that Macerich, the mall's California-based owner, failed to create jobs. As a result, Macerich sued the IDA and will appear in court on Dec. 15.

The tax breaks from the PILOT agreement reduced the taxable property in District 30, which increased taxes in each of the elementary districts.

"We had no say," Stris said. "All of a sudden, we get notified that there was a raise...So, we want a seat at the table."

Bill Heidenreich, the high school district superintendent, said he was not surprised that other school districts throughout the state supported Valley Stream's resolution. "It's a very common-sense thing that school boards should be involved in PILOT decisions," he said.

THE WEEK AHEAD Nearby things to do this week

Step inside Santa's Workshop

Mr. and Mrs. Claus have taken over the enchanting, festively decorated Mill



Neck Manor, in Mill Neck, Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 2-3, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.; also Dec. 9-10. The family friendly event features photos with Santa, refreshments provided by Mrs. Claus, custom holiday gift items, arts and crafts for the kids, tours of the mansion, and more. Bring non-perishable food items and unwrapped toys to help support those in need this holiday season. Info: (516) 628-4238.

Holiday Cocktail Party

There will be a Holiday Cocktail Party for Glen Cove residents at the Regency Assisted Living facility on Thursday, Dec. 7, from 6 to 8 p.m. Each resident is allowed to bring four guests; no minors. Please bring an unwrapped toy for the Glen Cove Boys and Girls Club. (Info): (516) 674-3007.





Coloring, Classical Music and Candlelight for Adults

Join the Locust Valley Library on Tuesday, Dec. 5, for a fun and unique way to unwind and express creativity. Coloring books for adults have more intricate designs and patterns, and are the latest artistic craze used for relaxation. The program will take place from 3 to 5 p.m. Registration required. Seating limited. (Info): (516) 671-1837.

Deck the Halls Gala at Planting Fields



Join us for cocktails, hors d'oeuvres, dinner, dancing and a silent auction to kick off and celebrate the holidays at Planting Fields Arboretum. This event will take place on Saturday, Dec. 2 from 7 to 11 p.m. Tickets are available on Planting Fields' website. For details,

reservations, and sponsorship opportunities, contact Jennifer Lavella at (516) 922-8678.



Holiday tunes with festive flutes

The Long Island Flute Club is ready to get everyone in the holiday spirit with its program of seasonal classics, Sunday, Dec. 3, 1 p.m., at Old Westbury Gardens' Westbury Hosue. The 16-piece flute Holiday Flute Choir performs "O Come, O Ye Faithful" and

"A Christmas Overture," "Parade of the Wooden Soldiers," and "Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer," among other festive classics, at the popular annual concert in the festively decorated Edwardian era mansion. (516) 333-0048 or www.oldwestburygardens.org.

Living Water for Women implements smoke free policy

Bringing in the New Year on a healthy note, Living Water for Women, in Glen Cove, has established a proactive precedent in implementing a Smoke Free Ban for its homes. Executive Director Lisa Cohn recently adopted the policy to safeguard the health and well-being of the residents. Living Water's mission is to help formerly incarcerated and disenfranchised women overcome their weaknesses and nurture their strengths so that they may become vital members of the community.

As executive director and property manager Cohn felt the responsibility to protect the residents from these dangerous toxins.

Carol Meschkow-Manager for the Tobacco Action Coalition of LI approached Cohn with Dr. Sharon Harris, the executive director of SAFE, to collaborate on this vital initiative.

Meschkow is an active member of the SAFE Glen Cove Coalition and has partnered on many environmental strategies throughout the Glen Cove community. TAC is one of 25 community partnerships funded by the New York State Tobacco Control Program advancing tobacco free communities. The coalition has been successful working with property owners and managers, helping them to adopt smoke-free housing policies and tobacco free outdoor bans. The growing trend for



ANNELI SISNO, FAR left, Lisa Cohn, Carol Meschkow and Sharon Harris support smoke free homes. Living Water for Women has implemented a Smoke Free Ban for its homes

smoke free living across the state fuels necessary collaborations of this nature.

For more information about Living Water for Women please visit livingwaterforwomen.org. To learn more about Smoke Free Living, please visit: www. smokefreehousingny.org. For Quit Help please contact the NYS Quit Line at 1866 NYS Quits.

For more information about the SAFE Glen Cove Coalition visit SAFE at www. safeglencove.org or

visit the website at http://www.safeglencove.org or Facebook page at http://www. facebook.com/safeglencovecoalition.



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HERALD SCHOOLS

Operation Safe at Gribbin

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The program, which is held at the school annually, collects vital information on students and incorporates it on an ID card to aid parents and law enforcement officials in the event of an emergency. Students had their photographs, fingerprints, height and weight taken by members of the police department. That information, along with the child's hair color, date of birth and gender, will be stored in a database in Albany that can be accessed within minutes all over the country.



Photos courtesy Glen Cove City School District **GLEN COVE POLICE** Department Officer Darren Pittman weighed Gribbin School kindergartner Brianna Pietri.

GCHS senior named a Commended Student

John Dong was named a Commended Student in the 2018 National Merit Scholarship Program.

John was among 34,000 commended students across the nation recognized for exceptional academic prom-

Glen Cove High School senior ise. Dong placed among the top scorers of more than 1.6 million students who entered the 2018 competition by taking the Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test. Congratulations to Dong.



GCHS PRINCIPAL ANTONIO Santana congratulated senior John Dong and presented him with a letter of commendation.

How many seeds are in a pumpkin? Ask Deasy second-graders

in Michael Battaglia's class recently conducted a creative pumpkin seed-guessing contest.

The lesson began with students creating a script for the contest that asked, "How many seeds do you think are in a pumpkin?" Students practiced the script and then recorded it using an iPhone. They then used the editing program iMovie to edit and publish their final movie. After uploading it to You-Tube and the class website, they sent emails out to parents, members of the

Deasy School second-grade students administration and teachers asking them to vote on how many seeds they thought were in the pumpkin.

After about a week of guessing, the class opened up the pumpkin and sorted the seeds into groups of 10. They then grouped 10 sets of 10 seeds together to make 100. Once they determined how many seeds were in fact inside the pumpkin, they created a page on their class website explaining the process of how to conduct a pumpkin seed-guessing contest and announced the winners.



DEASY **SCHOOL** SECOND-GRADER Kaspar Davlatshoev counted seeds with his classmates.

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HERALD SPORTS Returning nucleus to lead Hofstra

BY ANDREW MCCLURE

Hofstra followed up one of the finest seasons in the history of its women's basketball program with an up-anddown year. The Pride showed promise early on in the season, getting out of the gate with a 7-3 record, but a stretch that saw the team drop nine of 10 games set the tone for what would be a disappointing 13-18 campaign in 2016-17.

After a challenging non-conference schedule, Hofstra will have its hands full in conference play. James Madison, Elon, and William & Mary are among the preseason favorites in the always tough Colonial Athletic Association. Elon is the defending conference champion.

Hofstra returns much of the nucleus from last year's squad, including its leading scorer, but must replace point guard Krystal Luciano's 11.4 points and 6.3 assists per game. Despite have a slew of returnees, a few key injuries and the wait for transfers to become eligible has left head coach Krista Kilburn-Steveskey with a short bench in the early going.

Hofstra (3-3) has had mixed results over its first six non-conference game. It got off to a good start with a 71-55 victory over Maryland, Baltimore County on opening night. Sophomore E'Lexus Davis had 17 points, eight rebounds and nine assists, and Ashunae Durant scored a game-high 18 points and pulled down 13 rebounds.

After dropping three of its next four games, the Pride made a statement with a 69-66 win over Wake Forest in the consolation game of the Lady Rebel Round-Up hosted by Nevada-Las Vegas over Thanksgiving weekend. Senior Aleana Leon scored 19 points and Durant finished with 18, including a 10-for-12 effort from the free throw line.

Kilburn-Steveskey knows the team will need more than just talent to bounce back from a tough season. "With a few starters down and the transfers unavailable, I knew there would be some tough nights," Kilburn-Steveskey said. "We just have to fight harder and understand that we can't cut corners if we're going to be successful. We're still figuring things out."

Durant is the team's go-to player. The

senior power forward led the Pride in scoring and rebounding, averaging a double-double with 16.0 points and 10.6 rebounds per game, and led the conference with 16 double-doubles. Durant was named preseason All-CAA after picking up second-team All-Conference honors as a junior.

Kilburn-Steveskey has high expectations for Marianne Kalin. The 6-foot-1 sophomore forward has a solid midrange game, and has shown tremendous improvement after a strong freshman season. Talented sophomore Mikayah Croskey will give the Pride a big boost when she becomes eligible in late December. Freshman Mie Hoff provides depth in the frontcourt.

Hofstra is incredibly deep at guard. Leon started 30 games as a junior, averaging 9.5 points and 4.3 rebounds per game, including a career-high 22 points in a CAA quarterfinal loss to Elon. Leon and Olivia Askin, who nailed 46 threepointers as a junior, each scored 14 points in the Pride's 69-63 victory over Holy Cross on November 21.

Sophomores Sandra Karsten and Ana Hernandez Gil, who is currently out of the lineup with an injury, are serious threats from the perimeter. Sophomore Sica Cuzic, who scored eight points in the victory over Wake Forest, is a versatile scorer and three-point threat. After logging minimal time as a freshman, Davis has shown some flashes at point guard as a sophomore. Petja Krupenko provides depth at guard.

The long-awaited debut of point guard Lauren "Boogie" Brozoski, a transfer from Michigan who played five years of varsity basketball at Long Island Lutheran, will take place when the league schedule begins. Brozoski, who led Lutheran to four state federation championships, was the New York State Player of the Year in 2014 and 2015.

"Boogs is going to be a big spark and will help us tremendously at the point," Kilburn-Steveskey said. "She understands how we want things to run, and how to get everyone involved. We're looking forward to seeing her out there. We need to get healthy, and get a little deeper in the post. Fully loaded we're going to be fun to watch."



Courtesy Hofstra Athletics Communications

ALEANA LEON EMERGED last season for the Pride and averaged 9.5 points and 4.3 rebounds per game.



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HERALD NEIGHBORS





Celebrating the holiday season in Glen Cove

The Christmas spirit was in the air in downtown Glen Cove on Saturday when the city held an afternoon of holiday celebrations.

Shoppers strolled the downtown to support local stores during Small Business Saturday while sipping hot cocoa and munching on minty candy canes.

Families and friends also enjoyed complimentary horse and carriage rides through the streets where they could view the many trees that make up the Merry Tree Festival, decorated by local businesses and organizations.

Santa himself also stopped by to take pictures and listen to children's wish lists.

The Merry Tree Festival will be open until Jan. 6, 2018. After, all trees will be planted in Glen Cove's Christmas Tree Farm in Dennis Brian Murray Park.



Photos by Dawn DiSimone/Herald Gazette

(Clockwise from top) **JAMIE GOLDEN, LEFT,** Summer Payne, Madeline DiSimone and Elin Payne, front, took part in the downtown tree lighting on Saturday.

FAMILIES AND FRIENDS came out to take part in horse and carriage rides and other holiday celebrations in downtown Glen Cove on Saturday.

KIARA, BACK LEFT, Karyme, Kayla and Kyle Demosthene took a family photo with Santa in downtown Glen Cove on Saturday.

THE SLAYER PLAYERS Theatre Company performed "A Christmas Carol" during holiday celebrations in Glen Cove on Saturday.



COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Friday, Dec. 1

Christmas Fair Dinner

United Methodist Church of Sea Cliff, 63 Downing Ave, Sea Cliff, 5 to 8 p.m. A pork dinner will be served on Friday evening. Reservations required. Residents can shop at the Christmas Fair on Friday evening and all day Saturday. (516) 671-0392.

Blessing of the Creche and an Evening with Santa

St. Patrick's Parish Hall, 235 Glen St., Glen Cove, 6 to 10 p.m. The Evening with Santa is from 6 to 10 p.m. The Blessing of the Creche will be at 7:30 p.m. outside, where the creche will be displayed on the corner of the hill by Glen Street and Pearsall. (516) 676-0276.

Saturday, Dec. 2

Food Festival & Christmas Boutique Church of St. Rocco, 18 3rd St., Glen Cove, 11 a.m. The home of the St. Rocco's Feast is launching an annual Christmas event! The day begins at 11 a.m. with food trucks outside, and a Christmas boutique in the Madonna Room. There will be a tree lighting at 5:30 p.m. complete with Christmas carols! Save the date and bring the whole family! (516) 676-2482.

Christmas Bazaar

Church of our Lady of Kazan, 2 Willow Shore Ave., Sea Cliff, 12 to 4 p.m. Come to the Christmas bazaar in the parish hall. Buy delicious homemade borscht and desserts. Get some holiday shopping done — we have jewelry, Russian nesting dolls, lacquer boxes, and many other gift items. (516) 468-1579.

Christmas with the Roosevelts

Sagamore Hill National Historic Site, 20 Sagamore Hill Rd., Oyster Bay, 10:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Join us for the annual "Christmas with the Roosevelts" holiday event. Seasonal music will be performed by the musical group, Rose Tree, and carolers will be on site to bring holiday cheer. Activities will include arts and crafts for children and complimentary hot cocoa and cider. (516)922-4788.

Sea Cliff Holiday House Tour

Six Sea Cliff homes, dressed in the spirit of the holiday season, open their doors & share their charm and seasonal cheer. Tickets are \$40 for adults and children over 12 years. Children under 12 years are not permitted. Sponsored by the Mutual Concerns Committee. For tickets and information, call or visit Sherlock Homes Realty, 305 Sea Cliff Avenue. (516) 671-1717.

Sunday, Dec. 3

Colonial Christmas Concert and Tea North Shore Historical Museum, 140 Glen St., Glen Cove, 3 p.m. Enjoy a preholiday treat with Emily Bader and Michael Goudket, who will perform with an extensive variety of historic and modern instruments and melodies. Wine, tea, and treats will be served. Admission is \$10. Sponsored by United World Foundation. (516) 801-1191.



Library trip: The Christmas Spectacular

Glen Cove Library, 4 Glen Cove Ave, Glen Cove, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. The Radio City Christmas Spectacular is the sparkling, breath-taking way to get you into the Christmas spirit. The cost is \$95 and includes luxury transportation and orchestra seats at the 90-minute Christmas Spectacular (no intermission). The trip will take place on Tuesday, Dec. 12.

Enjoy time for lunch on your own before the show. Please register at the reference desk. Checks or money orders should be made payable to: The Glen Cove Library Bus Trip Fund. Tickets are limited so register early. Registration is not refundable. (516) 676-2130.

Scrooge Stroll

Sea Cliff Children's Library, 281 Sea Cliff Ave., Sea Cliff, 3 p.m. Enjoy a 'moving' performance of "A Christmas Carol." Actors will walk up and down Sea Cliff Ave. potraying scenes of the classic holiday tale. Sponsored by the Sea Cliff Civic Association.

Santa's Workshop

Mill Neck Manor, 40 Frost Mill Rd., Mill Neck 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Mr. and Mrs. Claus have taken over the enchanting Mill Neck Manor, which will be dashing with holiday décor. This festive, family friendly event will take place inside historic Mill Neck Manor, and feature photos with Santa, baked goods and hot cocoa from Mrs. Claus, customized holiday gift items, children's arts and crafts, tours of the historic mansion and more! Please bring nonperishable food items and unwrapped toys to help support those in need this holiday season. (516) 628-4238.

Red Door Chamber Players

Gold Coast Public Library, 50 Railroad Ave., Glen Head, 2 p.m. Get into the holiday spirit with the Red Door Chamber Players. Their passion for classical music is evident in their exciting programming and the energy they bring to performing. The afternoon promises some musical surprises from this unique flute, violin and guitar trio. Among the potpourri of chamber music selections are works by Paganini and Carulli. Please join us for this exciting concert. (516) 759-8300.

Monday, Dec. 4

Healthy Holiday Meal Oyster Bay-East Norwich Public Library, 89 E. Main St., Oyster Bay, 6:30 p.m. Dr. Robert Dell'Amore will teach how to make a healthy holiday meal with a spicy twist. Learn how to make spicy, fragrant, and sweet one-pot chicken with classic roasted potatoes flavored with roasted tomato, paprika and a pinch of chili powder. (516) 922-1212.

Village Board Meeting

Village Hall, 300 Sea Cliff Ave, Sea Cliff,

Toys for Tots Event

1 School St., Glen Cove, 8 a.m. During the final collection, tractor-trailer trucks will be loaded with toys to be donated to needy children. Santa will take time from his busy schedule to help load toys and spread good cheer. (516) 571-6211.

BAE Systems. They'll talk about how the local industry can remain competitive and grow, and possibly introduce the attendees to new business opportunities that could be beneficial for Long Island. Hosted by Rep. Tom Suozzi. RSVP at (631) 923-4100.

Tuesday, Dec. 5

Meet the Author

Glen Cove Public Library, 4 Glen Cove Ave., Glen Cove, 7 p.m. Meet The New York Times-bestselling author as she returns with a new powerful and passionate historical novel about two women: one European and one American, and the mysterious choral masterpiece by Johann Sebastian Bach that changes both their lives. A book signing to follow. Registration is suggested through the Adult Services tab at glencovelibrary.org. (516) 676-2130.

Cookie Swap

Locust Valley Library, 170 Buckram Rd., Locust Valley, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Join us for a Cookie Swap where you exchange homemade cookies, recipes and lots of fun! Each person attending will bring 20 of one kind of cookie to the swap. All entrants must provide their recipe upon registration so copies can be made for everyone. The library will provide coffee, tea and hot chocolate to enjoy while sampling cookies! (516) 671-1837.

Saturday, Dec. 9

Pancake Breakfast

7 p.m. The board will hold a Conference

Tilles Center for the Performing Arts, 720

Northern Blvd., Brookville, N.Y., 10 a.m.

to 2 p.m. Deputy Assistant Secretary of

Defense Eric Chewning will be speaking

along with industry leaders from compa-

nies such as Northrup Grumman and

Meeting. It will be open to the public.

Defense & Aerospace Industry

Supply Conference

The Regency, 94 School St., Glen Cove, 9:30 to 11 a.m. The Rotary Club is hosting a breakfast with Santa. Adults are \$10, children \$5, children 4 and younger are free. (516) 676-1233.

Downtown Holiday Marketplace

City Hall, 9 Glen St., Glen Cove, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Featuring homemade, handcrafted business gifts and goodies. Proceeds benefit the Glen Cove Youth Bureau. (516) 671-4600.

Introduction to the Nutcracker

Sea Cliff Children's Library, 281 Sea Cliff Ave., Sea Cliff, 10 to 11 a.m. Music and dance and all you ever wanted to know bout the Nutcracker ballet, with Dan DiPietro as Drosselmeyer. (516) 801-3402.

Sunday, Dec. 10

Church of St. Rocco 80th Anniversary Chateau Briand, 440 Old Country Rd., Carle Place, 1 to 6 p.m. Join the church for the evening, which will include cocktails, a four-course meal and dancing. Tickets are \$85 for adults and \$35 for children ages 7 to 14. Children under 7

children ages 7 to14. Children under 7 are free. Tickets may be purchased at the parish office or after all weekend masses. (516) 676-2482.



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NEIGHBORS IN THE NEWS



Photo Courtesy Doris Meado

SEA CLIFF ARTIST Dale Zinkowski debuted his oil painting in the Nassau County Museum of Art at an exclusive preview party.

Sea Cliff artist's work included at Nassau County Museum of Art

Sea Cliff artist Dale Zinkowski's 2017 oil on linen on panel, "Vintage Oreno," was selected for inclusion in "Fool the Eye," the new exhibition at Nassau County Museum of Art. Zinkowski will meet with visitors in the galleries on Sunday, March 4, at 3 p.m. to discuss his work and techniques. The event is free with museum admission. Zinkowski studied at the School of Visual Arts and the Florence Academy of Arts in Italy where, inspired by the work of old masters, he strengthened his understanding of traditional techniques and materials. Currently, Zinkowski studies in Grand Central Atelier's full-time program. For information about "Fool the Eye," visit nassaumuseum.org or call (516) 484-9338.



Photo Courtesy Glen Cove City School District

ALESSANDRA JUAREZ, DESTINY Foy and Morgan Starke examined constellations that helped ships to navigate the globe in the 1800s.

Finley seventh-graders visit Mystic Seaport, learn about the 1800s

Finley Middle School seventh-grade teams Durham and McGahan went to Mystic Seaport in Mystic, Conn., on Nov. 9.

Students walked around the 19th-century reconstructed village to learn about life in early America. There they boarded whaling ships and visited shops, like the cooperage, blacksmith and printer's office, to examine artifacts. They were even able to "attend class" in a one-room schoolhouse and saw firsthand how classes were conducted in the 1800s.



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Neighboring communities 'OK' Mansion project Project to start breaking ground by spring

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Since 2013, two developers have been trying to get the property behind The Mansion developed into a luxury homes community. The project was recently amended to accommodate the concerns of neighboring communities.

CEO of North Shore Hotel Management, Wei "Willy" Wang bought The Mansion and its property in 2015 for about \$10 million from Los Angeles-based Oaktree Capital Management LP, which had started the project in 2013.

Wang continued to move forward with the project, but at the time of project approval by the Glen Cove Planning Board, he faced opposition from neighboring homeowners associations including Lattingtown Ponds and Beechwood Estates.

"The planning board granted the project approval; at that point we didn't have a position of everything we wanted," said Brian Duresta, a member of the Lattingtown Ponds Homeowners Association board. "We continued to oppose the project."

Since 2015 the developer and the homeowners associations have continued to negotiate project details, until they came up with an agreement.



THE RESIDENCES AT The Mansion project will have 40 single-family luxury homes.

Residents of the 56 Lattingtown Ponds homes, which will be most affected by the project, had been concerned about the location of the property line, landscaping and lighting.

The developer agreed to put in shields on the streetlights. They also added a fence to divide the properties, put in a berm with trees to provide a screen and addressed residents' drainage concerns. Additionally, Duresta said buildings were moved to make them more comfortable. After the changes were made, the five members of the Lattingtown Ponds Homeowners Association board unanimously supported the project on Oct. 18.

"We wish them well, it's something that was approved by the city and we had to accept that," said Duresta. "We've taken an opportunity to work with them to address all of our residents' concerns." Residents were informed of the changes, and the majority was satisfied with the updated project.

According to the developer's attorney Kathleen Deegan-Dickson, the next step is a public hearing before the planning board, which they hope to have within the next month. Then they will move into the final subdivision phase of the 40 residences. The hope is to break ground by the spring.

The Residences at The Mansion

In 2013, the City Council adopted an Estate Preserve District in the Zoning Code. If the planning board makes a determination that a certain amount of the property does not contribute to the historical nature, it will be available for development.

In the case of the 55-acre Mansion grounds, 22 were approved by the planning board for development. The project consists of 20 luxury units, with each unit comprised of two attached single-family homes for a total of 40 available residences. Each residence will include a two-car garage, two master bedrooms, and an elevator. The project will also include a private clubhouse, pool and new roads. Each home must also be consistent with the historical style of The Mansion.

The unit sizes range from 2,700 to 3,000 sq. ft. without cellars and the price points range from \$1.2 to \$1.8 million.

"It's something different and it contributes to the diversity housing in the city," said Deegan-Dickson.



Sunday, December 10th 4:00 p.m.

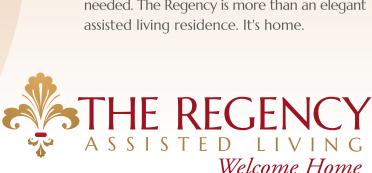
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Eating for life Healthy food choices that pack a punch

You are what you eat.

So why not be a superstar and eat superfoods? Follow an easy-toremember mantra from the American Diabetes Association -"create my plate." First, divide your plate in half. Fill half your plate with non-starchy vegetables, then divide the remaining half between grains and starches and proteins.

Choose the right foods to fill your plate. Certain foods pack a substantial nutritional wallop while also working well within the eating guidelines that people with diabetes should follow.

As with all foods, you need to work these superfoods into your indivualized meal plan.



Citrus Fruit

Oranges, grapefruits, lemons and limes all pack a serious amount of vitamin C. But beyond that, citrus fruits provide soluble fiber. And they smell so good



Yogurt

There's a good chance you're not getting enough calcium on a daily basis. Low-fat dairy is a great source of calcium, which will help build strong bones, teeth and muscles, as well as potassium and vitamin D.



Beans

A half-cup of beans will give you one-third of your daily recommended allowance of fiber. Beans like lentils and chickpeas are low on the glycemic index scale, too, which means they are less likely to send your blood glucose levels soaring.



Give up the chips and crackers,

and feast on nuts instead. They'll provide protein, fiber, and monounsaturated fat, which is good for your heart. Nuts tend to be high in calories, so watch your portion size.



Kale, spinach, collard greens and other dark green leafy vegetables should make regular appearances in your diet. They're low-carb, low-cal, high in antioxidants, and they're just crying out for space on your plate. Plus, kale provides a tremendous amount of vitamin K, which helps keep your bones healthy.



Berries Raspberries, strawberries, blueberries — they're all delicious and good for you, with lots of fiber and antioxidants that provide protection for your cells against damage from



Salmon

Are you eating six to nine ounces of fish each week? Aim for salmon and other fish high in omega-3 fatty acids, such as sardines, mackerel or albacore tuna. Omega-3 fatty acids can help protect your heart and your arteries, and some research indicates they can also help prevent the development of certain types of dementia.



Sweet Potatoes

Vitamin C, potassium, beta carotene — what's not to love about this root vegetable? Plus, one serving will provide about 400 percent of your recommended daily allowance of vitamin A — all for about 90 calories. Keep the skin on for extra soluble fiber.



Whole Grains

White bread has a relatively high glycemic index score — about 70 so you're better off opting for whole grain breads. According to the American Diabetes Association, the germ and the bran of the whole grain aren't available in products made with processed grains. By choosing the whole grain bread, you're also getting magnesium, chromium and folate. Put whole grain pastas, pearled barley and oatmeal on your shopping list, too.



Tomatoes

Whether you prefer slices of fresh raw tomato or a hot fragrant tomato sauce, you're making a good choice. Tomatoes are full of vitamins A and E, as well as lycopene, a powerful antioxidant and the carotenoid that gives this fruit its rich color.



Eggs

Eggs have come in and out of favor over the years, but we now know that eggs are a great source of protein with little saturated fat.



Extra Virgin Olive Oil

There are two kinds of fat: the "good" fat includes polyunsaturated fat, omega 3 fatty acid and monounsaturated fat that can help lower your LDL cholesterol. And the "bad" fat that includes saturated and trans fats. Olive oil falls into the "healthy" category. Look for ways to replace saturated fat like margarine with olive oil.



Eating healthfully and following a meal plan are key components of good diabetes care whether you use oral medicines, insulin, or diet and exercise to manage your diabetes. Learn the tricks to become "label-able" and take the guesswork out of healthful eating.

Take a closer look at labels Use the information on the Nutrition Facts label to make better choices

Understanding food labels is important for everyone, but especially for diabetics. These food labels are especially helpful if you use carbohydrate counting to plan your meals.

Serving Size

Start by looking at the serving size. All of the information on the label is based on the serving size listed. If you eat more, that means you'll be getting more calories, carbohydrates, etc.

Using Amount Per Serving

The information on the left side of the label provides total amounts per serving of the different nutrients. These are shown in grams which are abbreviated as g; or in milligrams, shown as mg.

Use total amounts to compare labels of similar foods. Nutrients that you'll want to limit are listed toward the top of the label. (So choose foods with less calories, saturated fat, trans fat, cholesterol and sodium. Also, try to select foods with more fiber, which is listed lower on the label under total carbohdyrate.

Calories

If you are trying to lose or maintain your weight, the number of calories you eat is important. To lose weight, you need to eat fewer calories than your body burns. Use labels to compare similar products to determine which contains fewer calories.

Total Carbohydrate

Total carbohydrate on the label includes all types of carbohydrate — sugar, complex carbohydrate and fiber. Because all types of carbohydrate can affect blood glucose, it's important to use the total grams when counting carbs or choosing foods to include, rather than just the grams of sugar.

If you look only at the sugar number, you may end up overeating foods such as grains that have no natural or added sugar, but do contain a lot of carbohydrate. You might also exclude nutritious foods such as fruit and low-fat dairy thinking they are too high in sugar. (These foods have natural sugars, but they are packed with important nutrients and are considered healthy choices. Note that grams of sugar on the label does not distinguish between natural and added sugars.)

Sugar Alcohols

Sugar alcohols (also known as polyols) include sorbitol, xylitol and mannitol, and have fewer calories than sugars and starches. If a food contains these, it would be listed on the label as well.

Use of sugar alcohols in a product does not necessarily mean the product is low in carbohydrate or calories. And, just because a package says "sugar-free" on the outside, that does not mean that it is calorie or carbohydrate-free. Always remember to check the label for the grams of carbohydrate and calories.

Courtesy American Diabetes Association

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Glen Cove Hospital, a member of Northwell Health, is dedicated to providing you and your family with result-oriented inpatient rehabilitation services. We aim to maximize your independence, increase your function and improve your quality of life following an accident, injury or illness.

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Inpatient rehabilitation is designed for those who need close daily physician monitoring, 24-hour registered nurses and intensive physical, occupational and/or speech therapy to maximize recovery. We treat conditions ranging from neurological, orthopaedic, spinal cord injury and cardiac. In addition to physical, occupational and speech therapy, we provide comprehensive programs for recreational therapy and neuropsychology.

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⁶ Glen Cove kindergartners are learning to code

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schools to show parents the critical thinking and problem-solving skills their children are using in class.

Alexa Doeschner, the district's science coordinator, said that it is sometimes difficult for students to communicate what they learn in school, especially if it's a hands-on activity. "It's the excitement and the student engagement that the STREAM teachers see in their own classrooms, and maybe parents, when they ask, 'What did you do [today]?' nothing gets through to the dinner conversation," Doeschner explained. The event gave parents a chance to see what their children are learning.

More than 100 families of elementarylevel students signed up for the event.

"It's easy to bring home a story that you write, or it's easy to bring home a math test, but the things we work on in class, things that they could talk to their parents about, it's really hard to get that firsthand experience," said Landing STREAM teacher Kenneth Altamirano. "This is really a night for the parents to see the great work that they're doing, all the critical thinking, the teamwork and collaboration that it takes to be a 21st-century learner."

Students and their parents chose from nine coding stations, each with a different activity that focused on a technological skill. Whether it was directionality, with



Photos by Danielle Agoglia/Herald Gazette JOSEPH LEFTWICH, A fourth-grader at Landing, used Bloxels to design his own video game.

Bee-Bots, or mapping, with the Code-a-Pillar, parents watched their children interact with these advanced "toys."

"I go to the board meetings, but I really love that they're trying to do the educational workshops to get more parents involved," said Tricia Lebowitz, a parent of three. "And when they involve the kids, that's what gets the parents to come. My



HIGH SCHOOL JUNIOR and Math Honor Society member Fernando Portillo showed Hina Asim and her children Daniyal and Allena how to start their coding activity on an iPad.

5-year-old is already saying she wants to be an engineer when she grows up, all because of STREAM." Lebowitz added that she hoped that the district would hold more events like this in the future.

Gribbin second-grader Mia DiFrancisco said that the best part of her STREAM classes is getting to experience new things." Her favorite activity is the Ozobot, she said, because "you get to draw your own playground, a little Ozobot playground."

The night ended with raffles, and a handful of families won the toys used during the event, which were donated by the elementary PTAs, STREAM teachers, the Glen Cove Teachers Association and the Glen Cove Educational Administrators Association.



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Cozy up in the kitchen Host a holiday cookie exchange

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othing says "love" like fresh baked cookies and treats. This holiday season, give the gift of homemade goodness, by inviting friends and family over for some tasty holiday treats. Everyone can get in on the act and share their creations all around.

Make it a Family "Bake" tivity

Get the whole family together and create a makeshift holiday workshop. Have one person measure all of the ingredients, another can mix everything together, and everyone can have fun decorating to favorite holiday tunes. It's a great way to relax and spend some special time together.

Chocolate chip and gingerbread cookies are classics, but find inspiration in trying something new.

Peppermint Mocha Chip Cookies

3/4 cup unsalted butter, softened
3 cups Nestle Toll House Semi-Sweet
Chocolate Morsels, divided
1 1/2 cups granulated sugar
3 teaspoons instant coffee
2 teaspoons vanilla extract
1 teaspoon peppermint extract
3 large eggs
2 1/2 cups all-purpose flour
2 teaspoons baking powder

12 soft peppermint candies, crushed

Preheat oven to 375° F. Grease or line baking sheet with parchment paper.

Melt butter and 1 cup chocolate morsels in medium saucepan over medium heat, stirring constantly, until smooth.

Transfer chocolate mixture into a large mixer bowl; add sugar and beat until combined. Add coffee granules, vanilla extract and peppermint extract; beat just until combined. Beat in eggs. Add flour and baking powder, mixing until all is incorporated. Fold in remaining 2 cups chocolate morsels.

Scoop dough onto prepared baking sheet, spacing 2 inches apart, using a medium size cookie scoop. Sprinkle each cookie with a little of the crushed peppermint candies.



Notes of crisp peppermint perfectly complement the flavors of coffee and semi-sweet chocolate morsels in Peppermint Mocha Chip Cookies. Add a crushed peppermint to each cookie to create a beautiful and seasonal presentation.

Bake for 10 to 12 minutes or until cookies are set. Allow to cool for about 2 minutes on baking sheet and then remove to a wire rack to cool completely. Makes 36 cookies.

Peanut Butter Blossoms

48 Hershey's Kisses, unwrapped 1/2 cup shortening 3/4 cup creamy peanut butter 1/3 cup granulated sugar 1/3 cup packed light brown sugar 1 egg 2 tablespoons milk 1 teaspoon vanilla extract 1 1/2 cups all-purpose flour 1 teaspoon baking soda 1/2 teaspoon salt Granulated sugar

Preheat oven to 375° F. Using an electric mixer, beat shortening and peanut butter together until creamy. Add 1/3 cup granulated sugar and brown sugar, beating until fluffy. Add egg, milk and vanilla; beat well. In a separate bowl, sift together flour, baking soda and salt; gradually beating dry ingredients into wet mixture until dough forms.

Using your hands, shape dough into 1-inch balls. Roll shaped balls in granulated sugar; turning completely to coat. Place sugared balls of dough onto a cookie sheet lined with parchment paper for easy clean-up. Bake for 8 to 10 minutes or until cookies turn a very pale brown. Immediately remove sheet from oven and press a Hershey's Kisses candy into the center of each cookie. Carefully remove cookies from cookie sheet to wire rack and allow to cool completely. Store airtight.

Dreidel Hanukkah Cookies

You can't spin these dreidels, but you sure can gobble them up. The foundation of this recipe is the versatile dough that can be customized to create chocolate or colored cookies.

3 1/2 cups all-purpose flour 1/2 teaspoon salt 1 cup unsalted butter, softened 2/3 cup sugar 1 large egg 1 tablespoon light corn syrup 1 tablespoon vanilla extract Dreidel-shaped cookie cutter Piping Bag Blue Frosting

Cookie Dough:

In a medium-size bowl, mix the flour and salt. In a large bowl, cream the butter and sugar, stir in the egg, then the corn syrup and vanilla extract. One third at a time, add the flour mixture until thoroughly mixed.

Pat the dough into two disks, wrap in plastic, and refrigerate for 1 to 2 hours, or until firm enough to roll. If it is too firm,



Peanut Butter Blossoms are an easy to bake, tasty treat, that's always a crowd pleaser.

soften at room temperature for 5 minutes. Preheat the oven to 375° F. Roll one disk

of dough between two pieces of waxed paper or plastic wrap, 1/4 inch thick. Remove the top sheet and cut out the cookies with cookie cutters.

Using a metal spatula, transfer the shapes to baking sheets, about 1 inch apart. Bake for 8 to 10 minutes or until cookies start to brown lightly around the edges. Remove the baking sheet to a wire rack and cool for 5 minutes.

Using a metal spatula, transfer the cookies to racks and cool completely before frosting and decorating. Makes 12 to 50 cookies, depending on their size.

For Chocolate Dough: After the last third of flour has been added to the dough, mix in 1 ounce melted, slightly cooled unsweetened chocolate. Use your hands to knead in the chocolate.

For Colored Dough: Divide the dough into portions and use a toothpick to add food coloring paste (available at party supply stores) to each one. Knead until the color is evenly distributed. For a flavor surprise, omit the vanilla extract and add 1 teaspoon of lemon extract to the yellow dough, mint extract to the green dough, and strawberry extract to the red dough.

How to Shape Cookies:

Cut out the dreidels from the rolled-out dough and bake as directed (if you cant find a dreidel cookie cutter, make a pattern out of lightweight cardboard). When cooled, pipe one of the four classic dreidel symbols on each cookie (either gimel, shin, nun, or hay) with blue frosting.

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IN CONCERT Sgt. Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band 50th Anniversary

The iconic album gets the all-star treatment from the Classic Albums Live gang. The band recreates Sgt. Pepper live, on stage – note for note, cut for cut (sitars, orchestra,

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and kazoos included), plus additional hits from the Beatles' celebrated catalogue. They deliver a completely faithful rendition of the classic psychedelic rock album, without gimmickry. The band's founder, Craig Martin, is fond of saying that his shows are all about the music: no costumes, fake accents, etc. Relying only on the songs, using what Martin refers to as 'the world's best musicians', Classic Albums Live has defined itself as a mainstay, acclaimed for their renditions of memorable albums. Saturday, Dec. 2, 8 p.m. \$40, \$35 and \$30. Landmark on Main Street, Jeanne Rimsky Theater, 232 Main St., Port Washington. (516) 767-6444 or www.landmarkonmainstreet.org.

SEASONAL DELIGHTS First Night and Tree Lighting

Old Westbury Gardens concludes its season with its annual Holiday Celebration, a popular event that is filled with holiday cheer. A visit to Westbury House – the 23-room

Charles II-style mansion that was home to business magnate John S. Phipps, his wife, Margarita Grace Phipps and their four children – all decked out in its holiday splendor, is always a treat this time of year. Period rooms are decorated with wreaths, mantelpiece drapes, topiaries, plants and other horticultural arrangements. Antique toys and clothing from the Westbury



House collection are also on display. The kids can have fun with holiday crafts and share their holiday wishes with Santa, with hot cider and cookies on the West Porch. The season kicks off with Westbury House's First Night and Tree Lighting, 6:30-9 p.m. The Bethel Concert Choir performs, with Santa in attendance, of course, along with a tree lighting ceremony and refreshments.

Saturday, Dec. 2. \$15, \$8 children. Advance registration required. Old Westbury Gardens, 71 Old Westbury Rd., Old Westbury. (516) 333-0048 or www.oldwestburygardens.org.

ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT Coming Attractions

Performances/ On Stage

Annie

The irrepressible comic strip heroine comes to life in the beloved musical, Thursday and Friday, Nov. 30-Dec. 1, 8 p.m.; Saturday, Dec, 2, 3 and 8 p.m.; Sunday, Dec. 3, 2 and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, Dec. 6,, 8 p.m. \$78 and \$73. John W. Engeman Theater, 250 Main St., Northport. (631) 261-2900 or www. engemantheater.com.

iJoan Rivers Confidential

An evening with Melissa Rivers, Thursday, Nov. 30, 8 p.m. NYCB Theatre at Westbury, 960 Brush Hollow Rd, Old Westbury. (800) 745-3000 or www.livenation.com.



Paula Poundstone The comedienne, known for razorsharp wit and spontaneity, on tour, Friday, Dec. 1, 8 p.m. The Paramount, 370 New York Ave., Huntington. (800) 745-3000 or www.ticketmaster.com or www.paramountny.com.

New Horizons String Orchestra

The orchestra explores varied string quartet works, Friday, Dec.1, 9:30 a.m.-12 p.m. New members playing violin, viola, cello or bass are invited to join. Huntington Public Library, 338 Main St., Huntington. 785-2532 or www.fhso.org.

Tim Dillon

The up and coming young comic performs, Friday, Dec. 1, 9:30 p.m. Sky Room Cafe at Cinema Arts Centre, 423 Park Ave., Huntington. (631) 423-7611 or www.cinememaartscentre.org.

Dave Koz

The acclaimed sax player and friends perform fresh renditions of holiday classics and other tunes on the 20th Anniversary Christmas Tour, Saturday, Dec. 2, 8 p.m. Tilles Center for the Performing Arts, LIU Post, Route 25A, Brookville. (800) 745-3000 or www.ticketmaster. com or www.tillescenter.org.



Jackie Mason An irascible comedian on tour, Saturday, Dec. 2, 8 p.m. NYCB Theatre at Westbury, 960 Brush Hollow Rd, Old Westbury.(800) 745-3000 or www.livenation.com.



The Nutcracker

The holiday treat returns, presented by the Eglevsky Ballet, at Tilles Center, on Saturday, Dec. 16, at 1 and 5 p.m., and Sunday, Dec. 17, at 2 p.m. Eglevskyi's annual production is enhanced with additional choreography by Executive Artistic Director Maurice Brandon Curry. His highly theatrical version stars Unity Phelan, New York City Ballet soloist, as the Sugar Plum Fairy and New York City Ballet Principal Dancer Jared Angle as her Cavalier. Other stagings of the classic holiday ballet include Leggz Ltd. Dance's production, with the South Shore Symphony Orchestra, at the Madiison Theatre, Dec. 1-3; also New York Dance Theatre's production, performed each year in the classic style of the legendary George Balanchine, at Hofstra's John Cranford Adams Playhyouse, also Dec. 16-17.

Tickets for Eglevesky's The Nutrcracker are \$78, \$58, \$48.; available at (800) 745-3000 or www.ticketmaster.com or www.tillescenter.org. Tilles Center for the Performing Arts, LIU Post, Route 25A, Brookville.

Dec. 2, 8 p.m. The Paramount, 370 New York Ave., Huntington. (800) 745-3000 or www.ticketmaster.com or www.paramountny.com.

Colonial Christmas Concert and Afternoon Tea

Emily Bader and Michael Goudket in concert, using historic and modern instruments, Sunday, Dec. 3, 3 p.m. With tea and rerfreshments. North Shore HIstorical Museum, 140 Glen St. 801-1191 or www.nshmgc.org.

Colors of Christmas

A concert of Christmas classics and greatest hits, Sunday, Dec. 3, 7 p.m. With Peobo Bryson, Marilyn McCoo and Billy Davis Jr., Ruben Stoddard and Jody Watley. NYCB Theatre at Westbury, 960 Brush Hollow Rd, Westbury. (800) 745-3000 or www.livenation.com.

Holiday Sing-Along

Pianist-entertainer Stan Wiest in concert, Sunday, Dec. 3, 2 p.m. Program includes popular tunes and old favorite songs. Locust Valley Library, 170 Bukram Rd., Locust Valley. 671-1837.

Red Door Chamber Players

The trio in concert, Sunday, Dec. 3, 2 p.m. Progralm includes season tunes and works by Pagnini and Carulli. Gold Coast Public Library, 50 Railroad Ave., Glen Head. 759-8300 or www.goldcoastlibrary.org.

Sirena Huang

The violinist in concert, with pianist Edward Laurel, Sunday, Dec. 3, 3 p.m. Program includes Stravinksy, Bloch, Paganini, and more. Tilles Center for the Performing Arts, LIU Post, Route 25A, Brookville. (800) 745-3000 or www. ticketmaster.com or www.tillescenter.org.

Tom Politio and Friends

The six-piece band in concert, Sunday, Dec. 3, 2 p.m. Program includes old-time

favorites and holiday tunes. Glen Cove Public Library, 4 Glen Cove Ave., Glen Cove. 676-2130 or www.glencovelibrary.org.

Broadway Holiday

Holiday musical showcasee, performed by a cast of Broadway theater stars, Thursday, Dec. 7, 7 p.m. Reservations required. Coe Hall, Planting Fields, 1395 Planting Fields Rd., Oyster Bay. 922-8600 or www.plantingfields.org.



Marshall Tucker Band The southern rock band in concert, Thursday, Dec. 7, 8 p.m. The Paramount, 370 New York Ave., Huntington. (800) 745-3000 or www.ticketmaster. com or www.paramountry.com.

For the Kids

Ugly Sewater Cookie Party Create cut sweater cookie treats, Friday, Dec. 1, 4:30 p.m. For grades 5-12. Registration required. Oyster Bay-East Norwich Public Library, 89 East Main St., Oyster Bay. 922-1212.

Christmas with the Roosevelts

Celebrate the season in the style of the Roosevelt family, Saturday, Dec. 2. With seasonal music performed by Rose Tree, carolers, kids activities, and refreshments. Kids can decorate holiday cookies and more. Sagamore Hill National Historic Site, 20 Sagamore Hill Rd., Oyster Bay, 922-4788.

Frosty the Snowman

Join Jenny and Frosty on their chilly adventures as they try to save the town of Chillsville from mean old Ethel Pierpot and her evil machine that will melt all the snow, Saturday, Dec. 2, 11 a.m.; Sunday, Dec. 3, 10:30 a.m. John W. Engeman Theater, 250 Main St., Northport. (631) 261-2900 or www.engemantheater.com.

Museums/ Galleries and more...



Tony Vaccaro: An American Photographer Works by the acclained photographer, who become one the most sought after photographers of his day, photographing everyone from John F. Kennedy and Sophia Loren to Pablo Picasso and Frank Lloyd Wright, are on view. Through Feb. 4. Gold Coast Arts Center, 113 Middle Neck Rd., Great Neck. 829-2570 or www.goldcoastarts.org.

The Art of Dr. Seuss

An exhibit that celebrates the artistic legacy of Theodore Geisel, focusing on his private collection of paintings and sculptures created through nearly 70 years of artistic innovation. Through Dec. 24. LaMantia Gallery, 127 Main St., Northport. (631)754-8414 or www.lamantiagallery.com.

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, and many others. Through April 15. Hecskscher Museum of Art, Main St. and Prime Ave., Huntington. (631) 351-3250 or www.heckscher.org.

Harvest of Artists

An annual non-juried sxhibition of local artists. Through Jan. 14. B.J. Spoke Gallery, 299 Main Street, Huntington. (631) 549-5106 or www.bjspokegallery.org.

Fool the Eye

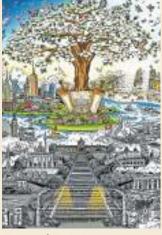
An exhibit that examines how artists use perceptual illusions, devising visual tricks to manipulate space, incorporating spatial illusion. Featured are 20th- and 21st-century artists whose work has explored illusion, including Salvador Dali, Janet Fish, Audrey Flack, Jasper Johns, Judith Leiber, Roy Lichtenstein, Vik Muniz, Ben Schoenzeit, and Victor Vasarely. Through March 4. Nassau County Museum of Art, 1 Museum Dr., Roslyn Harbor. 484-9337 or www.nassaumuseum.org.

From Frankenthaler to Warhol: Art of the '60s and '70s

An exhibition that delveds into the two trends that defined the art of the 1960s and '70s: abstract and representational works. Color Field, Minimalist, Pop, and Photorealist work by Don Eddy, Audrey Flack, Helen Frankenthaler, Jasper Johns, Roy Lichtenstein, Richard Lindner, Claes Oldenburg, Fairfield Porter, Robert Rauschenberg, Larry Rivers, James Rosenquist, Andy Warhol, Tom Wesselman, and others are included. Through March 11. 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.





Heroes of the Holocaust An exhibition of works by 3D pop artist Charles Fazzino. With new works, sculptures and a curated selection of Fazzino's Judaica-themed art from the past 25 years. Through Dec. 8. Holocaust Memorial & Tolerance Center, 100 Crescent Beach Rd., Glen Cove. 571-8040 or www.hmtcli.org.

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BRUCE CHESHIRE, FAR right, first row, was an active member of the Glen Cove Volunteer Fire Department for 10 years.

Former GCVFD fireman dies

BY DANIELLE AGOGLIA

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Bruce Cheshire, 65, from Glen Cove. died suddenly on Nov. 6, 2017. He was an active member of the Glen Cove Volunteer Fire Department for 10 years after he joined in his early 20s.

Growing up one of nine in Glen Cove, Cheshire was close with his younger brother, Richard, even though there were two siblings in between them. Richard, who affectionately referred to him as "Brucey," said they lived together after high school, and both joined the GCVFD along with their older brother Donald.

After joining in September 1976, Cheshire rose through the ranks from second lieutenant to first lieutenant and eventually became captain of the department's Chemical Engine Company No. 1.

Richard remembers the two of them being the first

to respond to many fires because they lived so close to the firehouse. "He always helped people," Richard said. "He was there when you needed him."

He recalled one instance when the pair had tried to put out a building filled with burning mattresses alone, with Cheshire on the ladder of the brush truck with the hose while Richard was pumping the water.

"He was an all-around nice guy," said Tony Tripp, a Glen Cove volunteer fire-



BEFORE HIS DEATH, Bruce Cheshire was an honorary member of the Glen Cove VFW.

became the manager of the Hess station

in Glen Cove.

ard said Bruce was always helping people. About five years ago, he lost his right leg to blood clots, but that didn't stop him from helping locals, especially veterans. He spent a lot of time at the local VFW and became close with the veterans there. He also continued to attend fire department events and became an honorary member of the Glen Cove VFW.

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man. "Always friendly and always looking to make a joke." The two were close friends during Cheshire's time in the department. They also ran on the drill team together. "He was a very likable guy, always liked to have a good time and was always friendly with everybody." After 1986, Cheshire put

in his resignation and joined the GCVFD's Exempts Association, where he was an active member. "He was a good captain," said GCVFD Public Relations Officer Ronnie Pascucci. "He fulfilled his duties and represented the captains seat respectively."

Since high school, Cheshire was a fan of cars. In addition to his volunteer work at the fire department, he took a job washing cars. He then went to mechanic school and developed a career as a mechanic and parts man. He then worked for Tyler Motors, a now-defunct Lincoln Mercury dealership, and later

Even toward the end of his life, Rich-



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Congratulations to those who won their seats. I was so very honored to have run on the Team Tenke ticket, and, I especially look forward to calling Councilman Tim Tenke by his new title beginning in January - Mayor of Glen Cove!





VIEWFINDER

Bv SUSAN GRIECO

THE OUESTION: What's on your holiday wishlist?



I want a hoverboard. You stand on it and lean forward and it takes you all around.

JAIDEN WALCOTT 3rd Grade



I want a laptop, I've always wanted one to play games, watch YouTube and use it for homework.

JULIANNA CALABRESE 4th Grade



ALIA CARRANDA 1st Grade

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want a dragon.

I want a Jamal Adams Jets jersey, No. 33. After watching the draft, I like him and hopefully I'll be able to wear it a long time because he's a voung plaver.

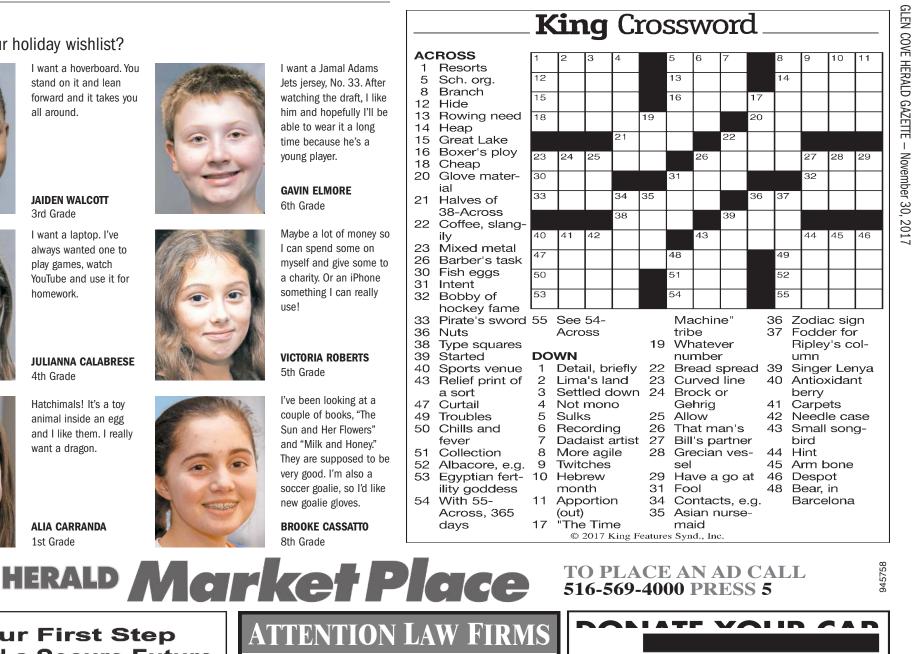
GAVIN ELMORE 6th Grade



VICTORIA ROBERTS 5th Grade

I've been looking at a couple of books, "The Sun and Her Flowers" and "Milk and Honey." They are supposed to be very good. I'm also a soccer goalie, so I'd like new goalie gloves.

BROOKE CASSATTO 8th Grade



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Madeline McCord, a teacher, athlete and leader in women's sports and education, dies

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Madeline McCord was a Glen Cove teacher, athlete and natural leader. She was always striving to make herself better for her family, according to her children. She died suddenly at 88 at St. Francis Hospital on Nov. 16, due to surgery complications following a heart attack.

McCord was born Madeline A. DeBellis on April 21, 1929 in the Bronx, where she lived until marrying William J. McCord in 1950.

After playing as a starter and captain of the basketball team at Our Lady of Grace High School in Queens, McCord was recruited to play professionally for AXA Equitable Life Insurance Company in the 1940s.

At that time, women were only allowed to play half-court games. McCord became part of the initiative to get women fullcourt game access by proving they could play as well as the men. Her children viewed her as a pioneer for women in sports and in life.

McCord was still in college after she got married, but put her education and career on hold after having her children, William, Richard and Maureen.

At the same time, she had accepted a

teaching job in the Glen Cove City School District. McCord taught during the day, and went back to school part time at night to get several degrees. She received a bachelor's degree in education from LIU Brooklyn, a bachelor's in Health from Queens College and nearly a decade later, a master's in Special Education from NYU.

McCord went on to teach physical education and health at every school in the Glen Cove City School District for over 40 years until retiring in 1993.

Former Glen Cove resident Nancy Peet had McCord as her physical education teacher and was under her supervision in the high school's Leaders Club during all four years. In the club, girls were introduced to and learned how to play a variety of sports, like archery and volleyball.

"You actually looked forward to going to her classes," said Peet. "She got you motivated."

She said during that time it wasn't common for girls to be as involved in sports as they are today. "Because of her it was accepted," she explained. "She got girls motivated to participate in sports."

Not only was McCord a fun coach and a natural athlete, she was always there to give advice, Peet said.

In the 1980s, McCord became president

of the Glen Cove Teacher's Association, where she advocated fiercely for equal pay for both men and women.

McCord was a Republican Committeewoman and the Glen Cove representative to the Nassau County Federation of Republican Women. She was also involved with St. Patrick's Church.

She also served as Second Vice President of the Sons of Italy Loggia 1016, and was a member since 1982. She also chaired their golf outing. "She was very faithful to the Lodge and always attended meetings when she was available," said Kathy Grande, a lodge member.

Richard, Glen Cove city court judge, said right up until her death, his mother was bowling weekly, golfing, swimming, and keeping active at the YMCA. "She was remarkable," he said. "Her death came very suddenly, but right up until the end she was socializing and having a grand old time."

McCord leaves behind three children, William (Anne), Richard (Maryann) and Maureen (Steven), seven grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at Dodge-Thomas Funeral Home and the funeral mass was held at St. Patrick's Church in Glen Cove, N.Y. Burial was at Holy Rood Cemetery.



Photo Courtesy McCord Family **MADELINE MCCORD WAS** an advocate for women's rights in sports and education throughout her life. She was an intelligent woman and a hard worker who always put her family first.



LEGAL NOTICE LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

HEARING Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held on Tuesday, December 19th, 2017 in the Chambers of the Glen Cove City Hall, 9 Glen Street, New York at 5:00 p.m. on the matters of amending the Glen Cove civil service rules RULE VII: RECRUITMENT OF PERSONNEL RULE XIV: PROBATIONARY TERM

And by adding titles to the civil service rules as follows: Non-Competitive Class

ADD: (Note: The symbol "@" denotes policy influencing or confidential.) Deputy Director of Public Works @ Security Guard

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OBITUARIES

Joan A. Bruce

Joan A. Bruce, 86, of Locust Valley, N.Y., died on Nov. 24, 2017.

Wife of the late Peter, mother of Roy, Peter, Bryan, Eileen and Alexander, proud grandmother of 15. Visitation at the Dodge-Thomas Funeral Home Glen Cove. Funeral Mass at the Church of St. Gertrude, Bayville. Burial at Locust Valley Cemetery.

Edna Shotwell

Edna Shotwell, 92, of Glen Cove, N.Y., died on Nov. 23, 2017. Wife of Richard Allen Shotwell and the late Clarence Heagney; mother of Lawrence Patrick Ludlam (Robye) and the late Donald Mer-

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ritt Ludlam; grandmother of seven; great grandmother of nine. Also survived by step daughter Beth Bowman (David). Arrangements entrusted to Dodge-Thomas Funeral Home of Glen Cove. Service at First Presbyterian Church of Glen Cove, Friday Dec. 1 at 2 p.m. Burial at Locust Valley Cemetery. Donations may be made to First Presbyterian Church of Glen Cove, 7 North Lane, Glen Cove, N.Y. 11542.

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t's easy to look at the nation's capital these days and conclude that the place has deserted reality, to put it mildly. While everyone obsesses about tax reform and whether that will be a net gain or loss for taxpayers, budget deficits continue to soar, the national debt piles higher, and many very real



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many very rear problems facing the nation go unaddressed. It's as if the entire D.C. establishment were acting out a farce in which both parties compete to see which one can best avoid reality rather than face it. The hard reali-

The hard reality is that the federal deficit this

past fiscal year totaled \$666 billion (maybe we should call it the "mark of the devil" deficit), and the national debt is over \$20 trillion and climbing. If this rate of increase isn't slowed, the nation could face \$30 trillion in debt in 10 years, according to the nonpartisan Congressional Budget Office — truly dangerous fiscal territory.

Whether the economy grows substantially or not based on what Congress does on taxes, big deficits are projected for the foreseeable future. Eventually, as outsized federal government borrowing vacuums up huge loans, the inevitable result will be that interest rates will jump, private-sector borrowing will be crowded out, consumer confidence will plummet, and the country will slip into a deep recession, one potentially steeper and harder to shake off than the last one, in

2007-09. And since as much as a third of every dollar that the federal government borrows comes from outside the U.S. (i.e., China), we would end up owing our economic soul to foreigners, who could eventually demand a day of reckoning. We may indeed find that getting into fiscal hell is easier than getting out. Think it can't happen? See Spain, or Greece, or Italy, or France . . .

So what do our leaders

say about this looming threat? Republicans say, "Don't worry, we'll cut taxes and hope we grow out of the crisis." Democrats say, "Don't worry, let's keep spending as usual and hope we don't go broke." This don't-worry-be-happy attitude of the parties must change if we're to avoid falling off the approaching fiscal cliff. It will require a fundamental shift in partisan attitudes that have poisoned recent efforts to get our fiscal house in order. Every aspect of federal spending must be examined. No program can remain sacrosanct. And the one area that requires most urgent attention is "entitlements," which consume well over half of the federal budget. That means dealing with the socalled third rail of federal spending, Medicare and Social Security. This spending has been off-limits for a genera-

> tion. The last time modest changes were made to Social Security was in 1983. That was done only because President Reagan and Congress had established the bipartisan National Commission on Social Security Reform in 1981. It was chaired by Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan, and its members included my former colleague Patrick Moynihan, New York's senior senator at the time. This distinguished group

hammered out adjustments to Social Security that have helped keep it solvent for the last 34 years, including a key provision gradually raising the age of full Social Security benefits from 65 to 67. Congress adopted the commission's proposals with overwhelming bipartisan majorities, and Social Security was saved for a time.

But it is again time to revisit this entitlement. Otherwise the Social Security system will run so short of funds that by 2035 it will be able to pay only three-quarters of benefits that retirees would otherwise expect. The reason? Since the program first began paying benefits in 1940, the average life expectancy for American men has increased to 76, and for women it has jumped to 81. And because members of the baby boom generation those born from 1946 to 1964 — are entering retirement age in droves, still more pressure is being placed on the retirement system. In the meantime, the American workforce has shrunk, so fewer workers are contributing to Social Security, even as more people are entering the system. A revenue shortfall is thereby ensured.

Because of these factors, the Social Security system must again be adjusted to stay solvent. That can be achieved by gradually raising the retirement age to 69 over the next decade, following the pattern set by the last Social Security commission. It may take another special commission to propose a bipartisan solution, and if so the president and Congress should agree on one. The time to act is now, not when it's too late.

This and other hard choices will need to be made if the U.S. is to avoid sinking into economic decline from which it may not be able to fully recover.

Al D'Amato, a former U.S. senator from New York, is the founder of Park Strategies LLC, a public policy and business development firm. Comments about this column? ADAmato@liherald.com.

Home is where the heart – and New York bagels – are

ur Thanksgivings are different from many, in that our kids travel from far-flung places and move in for the

entire week. This is a plus-minus experience for all of us, I'm guessing, except



RANDI KREISS Lilly Bee, the dog, who is out of her mind with unadulterated joy. I mean, think of all the extra smelly socks and dropped food and unzipped backpacks stuffed with stashes of candy.

This year I had a new idea, which is always dangerous. I decided to

improve our sleeping arrangements. On impulse, I bought two pop-up sleeping tents and two mattresses to set up in our living room. The idea was that the grandkids, 14, 12, 10 and 9, could have their own private spaces instead of the usual sleeping bags and improvised "nests." The two adult couples could then have their own childhood bedrooms, and everyone could get a good night's sleep. Ha, ha, ha.

The tents were so wildly popular that the kids moved in immediately, and basi-

cally hung out inside 24/7, except for forced marches, meals and the search for outlets to charge their devices. My living room looked a little like a Civil War battleground, with tents and supplies and half-eaten rations. I confess, I channeled my inner Mary Todd Lincoln, screaming and all, when I spotted two mustardencrusted hot dogs rolling under the couch.

Every year, my son and daughter inspect the house, checking out what, if anything, is different, which is laughable, because nothing ever is. My daughter did find a previously undiscovered yellowed note taped to her old bedroom wall, with instructions on how to "reboot a computer from a floppy disc." She suggested we turn our house into a museum of the '80s and charge admission.

Still, even with all the unsolicited critiques of our décor and retro brown furniture, it is evident that the power of this home, this place that holds their childhood memories, is fierce and lasting. We built something here that will stand even after the house falls down.

This year they decided to go to the city as much as possible, and we were blessed with beautiful weather, so they came and went over the week.

Two of my grandchildren, who live in a rural area out West, had never been to a real mall, so last week I treated them to the Full Monty of malls — a day at Roosevelt Field — where we visited every store, ate bad mall food and generally became over-stimulated and over-fed. They loved it.

Then, everyone decided to go to the city on Tuesday before Thanksgiving to visit Chinatown, eat at Joe's Shanghai and then walk over the Brooklyn Bridge. I was supposed to stay home, shop for Thanksgiving dinner and do all the cooking. But then I thought, why be the worker bee when everyone knows I'm the queen? I never get to see the kids. I'm going to the city, too, and I did.

The next day they all abandoned the mother ship again, and headed for the city. That day, I discovered that I could make pretty much an entire Thanksgiving meal for 12 people, including shopping for the food, in eight hours. (Full disclosure: I had cooked ahead and frozen the gravy, one blueberry cake, one apple cake and one spinach pie.)

I headed to the supermarket at 7:30 a.m. on Wednesday. I bought a fresh turkey, seasoned it and then roasted all the sweet potatoes, cauliflower, broccoli and squash. I baked a salami and composed a cheese platter.

On Thanksgiving Day, everyone was in residence. The grandkids set the table. My daughter made the stuffing, with much drama and dire predictions about how a good stuffing can go bad with insufficient rosemary.

My son, using four thermometers, roasted the turkey. My son-in-law went surfing. My daughter-in-law wisely kept a low profile, because the rest of us were shouting in the kitchen about too much salt and not enough butter. I heated up the roasted veggies.

It was the most chaotic, dysfunctional cooking experience I have ever been part of. But somehow, at 6 p.m., the precise appointed hour, we sat down to a fabulous meal, cooked by committee, and stuffed ourselves until we were neither ambulatory nor sentient. I might have combusted if I didn't take a walk around the block after dessert.

Like all of our Thanksgivings, it was a Thanksgiving unlike all the others. Except for one thing: Everyone came home.

What my husband and I asked ourselves after they flew off: How many more years can we do this? Would they come if we didn't pay for their tickets? Do they all eat this much at home? How can we ever bear *not* having these faces around our table when Thanksgiving rolls around?

Do they just come for the bagels?

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HERALD EDITORIAL

The great Republican tax scam

n the coming weeks, many of us will be busy with — that is, distracted by — holiday preparations. December has traditionally been a time to tune out Washington political wrangling. This year is no time to check out, however.

The current debate raging over tax "reform" might soon lead to a congressional vote on a tax package that could have dire consequences for Long Islanders.

Republican lawmakers would have us believe they are working furiously to simplify the nation's onerous tax code and give hard-working, middleclass Americans a break in their federal income taxes. We say, baloney. Our GOP representatives and senators are seeking massive tax cuts on the order of 15 percent annually — for corporations, as well as a bagful of goodies for the wealthiest Americans.

Current Republican tax plans, for example, would eliminate the alternative minimum tax, which was first enacted in 1969 to ensure that really rich Americans pay at least some federal income taxes — because, once upon a time, they paid little to nothing by claiming the many deductions available to them. CNN recently reported that President Trump would see a \$30 million tax cut if the alternative minimum tax were nixed. Other gifts to the wealthy include the abolition of the estate tax, and the preservation of special treatment for capital gains and the so-called "carried interest" provisions, which candidate Trump said allowed the wealthy to "get away with murder."

Meanwhile, what would the Republican tax plans — there are two, a House and a Senate version — mean for Long Islanders? Higher tax bills on top of already high tax bills. Here's why: The GOP plans would reduce or eliminate deductions for state and local taxes and property taxes, which, on the Island, are astronomical. Additionally, they would

f the majority party gets its way, Long Islanders could see their collective annual tax bill rise by \$2.5 billion. end the deductibility of mortgage interest payments. This would make home ownership on Long Island even more unaffordable than it already is.

If Republican lawmakers agreed on a unified tax bill and the president signed it sometime in the coming weeks, Long Island-

ers could see their collective annual tax bill rise by \$2.5 billion, according to U.S. Representatives Tom Suozzi and Peter King. You can imagine how sucking \$2.5 billion out of the region every year could send our local economy into a tailspin.

The Island is only now starting to recover from two decades of economic upheaval after the Grumman Aerospace Corporation left in 1994 and was reconceived as Northrop Grumman, which now has its corporate headquarters in Virginia. We are seeing an increasing number of high-tech companies either moving onto — or at least expressing interest in — Long Island, largely because of our highly educated workforce. If new taxes on top of already high taxes make the region unaffordable for the middle class, that progress could be jeopardized. In interviews with the Herald, real estate brokers and agents have expressed grave concern with GOP plans to limit or eliminate the propertytax deduction. Affording a house on Long Island is hard enough as it is. The GOP plan would make it that much tougher.

King, a Republican from Seaford, and Rep. Lee Zeldin, a Republican from Shirley, are fighting hard to defeat their party's tax plans. We must give credit where credit is due: They have bucked their own party on this one and appear ready to go to the mats to defeat the GOP tax plan.

The only way the Republican tax plan might be defeated, it appears, is this: Suburban voters in high-tax regions like Long Island must raise their voices in unity and signal to Republican lawmakers like King and Zeldin that the plan, if enacted, could mean their defeat in the 2018 midterm election.

The argument against the GOP tax plans is pretty simple: They were thrown together in haste, with minimum debate and no Democratic input, largely to benefit wealthy Americans.

Trump and the GOP lawmakers tell us that reducing corporate taxes would encourage companies to expand operations in the U.S., thereby increasing jobs. That might be true. Why, however, would big companies return jobs to the U.S. when they could continue to employ workers for significantly less in China, India, Pakistan, Bangladesh and a host of other countries, no matter how deeply the federal government cut taxes?

Now, not later, is the time for all of us to speak up and out against these ill-conceived GOP tax plans. It's time that lawmakers return to the drawing board.

LETTERS

Voting matters

To the Editor:

I've been thinking about this past election. In prior years, I voted only during federal elections. Not too long ago, I couldn't have picked out a local candidate on the ballot if my life depended on it.

As with many others, much has changed for me since the 2016 election. Something clicked and I realized inactivity is not an option anymore. I promised myself that rather than expending energy on Facebook, I could effect more change by becoming an active member of the electorate.

In January I became a volunteer for Tom Suozzi, my congressman in the 3rd district. I also spent some time canvassing, calling and writing letters for Laura Curran and her team. Her win is big in Nassau County, and I couldn't be more excited. In fact, Democrats had a big showing in this year's races. Similarly, I did the same for the Town of Oyster Bay Democratic <image><image>

ticket. But the results didn't pan out the way we had hoped.

I'm hearing that, as in past non-federal election

years, voter turnout was low. Luckily, this did not hurt Curran. But specific to Oyster Bay, according to the 2010 Census, of the roughly 300,000 residents

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OPINIONS It's a new day in Nassau County and Hempstead Town

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County Executive-

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elect Laura Gillen

ov. 7 was a historic day in Nassau County political history. Democratic candidates scored major victories in the county and the Town of Hempstead, and the oldline Republican establishment is still in shock. And like Robert Redford in the movie "The Candidate," there is no doubt that on the morning after the election, both Laura Curran, the county executiveelect, and Laura Gillen, the Town of Hempstead supervisor-elect, had to be thinking, "Now what?"

Today's Nassau County is a much different place than back in the 1960s, when



the Democrats elected Eugene Nickerson as the county leader, and years later, when Tom Suozzi managed to beat the Republican Party machine. To start with, we have a very different voter enrollment. A few years ago, for the first time, the number of

enrolled Demo-

JERRY KREMER

crats exceeded the number of registered Republicans. And the portion of voters who shun both parties is now over 25 percent. Once upon a time, newcomers to the county registered Republican on the advice of their neighbors, who suggested that it was the best way to get a stop sign or to get your street plowed after a snowstorm. So it was a given that

the vaunted Republican Party would win almost every race for almost any post, from sanitation commissioner to county clerk. But times change, and party loyalties are no longer written in stone. Check the contribution reports and you'll find Republicans donating to Democrats, and vice versa. Years ago that would have been considered treason. An independent elector-

ate is just part of the prob-

lem that the two newly elected Democrats face. Street gangs, opioid addiction deaths, traffic nightmares and the demands of the not-in-my-backyard crowd will stress both Curran and Gillen. Social media is a potent weapon for an angry public, and small political mistakes can be enlarged beyond imagination. The public no longer has patience for corruption or the appearance of corruption.

Back in the 1960s, a local elected official could make a major mistake, and there

would be plenty of time to explain the other side of the story. Today's public official may have only precious minutes to respond intelligently and credibly. So both women will need the guidance of smart professionals who can spread their mes-

sage and know how to respond when an emergency arises.

One of the biggest challenges that Nassau County must deal with is its sluggish business economy. With very little land available for expansion, it will be a challenge to attract new businesses and the jobs that come with them. Regrettably, over the past 10 years there have been few major announcements of new businesses seeking to plant their

flags here. Companies do come here, or expand, in small numbers, but the county has failed to chase the big names or even make an attempt to do so.

Another problem has been the lack of planning for the future. Nassau needs better highways, new sales tax revenue, modernized facilities for public use and affordable housing. The builders who have profited from residential housing need to be coaxed into creating apartments and homes that young couples can afford. Thanks to Gov. Andrew Cuomo, service on the future Long Island Rail Road will be faster, but we need our college graduates to stay behind in a place that conforms to their budgets.

Both Curran and Gillen will take over governments that have been run in mysterious ways. The county budget has been shrouded in gimmicks, and there has been an ongoing war with the Nassau Interim Finance Authority, the state-mandated control board. Finding good people to unravel the fiscal mess should be a high priority, and there are many qualified people out there who could help. The Town of Hempstead has been saddled with a heavy dose of patronage, and the true state of its finances is unknown and might have stayed a mystery but for the voters deciding that it was time for a change.

Being a successful public official these days is a gigantic challenge. The road to success is littered with land mines. Both of these new executives are honest and eager to do the right thing. We hope they succeed, because if they do, we do.

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FRAMEWORK by Ellen Strojan



Guess what adult beverage is big at the local bars - Cayman Islands

religions, family income levels and cultures. In doing so, were resisting the system of segregation on Long Island.

Only 21 percent of our region's school districts roughly mirror the demographic composition of Long Island. In most districts, students are isolated from their peers of different races and ethnicities. At the conference, the students experienced what it's like to learn in an environment that embraces diversity and inclusion. They learned about combating racism, segregation and inequity, and the role of student activism in creating a future we want to see.

We are thankful for the partners, educators and parents who participated. We also wished our partners a Happy Native American Heritage Day, marked this year on Nov. 24 to celebrate the rich and diverse cultures of American Indians.

Are you interested in moving forward with the agenda to create equity in education? Join our Education Equity Working Group by visiting our website, www. eraseracismny.org/.

> V. ELAINE GROSS President, ERASE Racism

LETTERS

voter turnout was again low — about 24 percent. I'm thinking that there must be a lot of people who, like me for many years, don't show up for local races.

When talking about local elections, I've heard that Democrats don't vote in off-year elections but Republicans do. What's up with that? If this is true, you have to ask yourself why. And then the next question is, How can this be changed?

If you didn't vote this year, please ask yourself why. "My vote doesn't count" is what I mostly hear from people who don't vote. Clearly, you can see how, especially in this election, your vote could have counted.

So now I vote, and I get involved and am activate for candidates who I believe can make a difference. One thing I regret is that I didn't do enough in this election. But I guess I did more than most.

Next time you find yourself on Facebook griping about stuff, stop and ask yourself what you do to make a difference. Because it does matter.

> CINDY PABST Glen Head

A community with a heart

To the Editor:

Within the City of Glen Cove there are so many agencies that give, not just dur-

ing the holidays, but all year round. Bigheartedness abounds in our great community, and it is with utmost sincerity that the Glen Cove Senior Center thanks the Glen Cove Woman's Club, the Glen Cove Anglers Club, the Atria at Glen Cove, the Inter-Agency Council, Glengariff Health Care Center, the Police Department, the PBA, the Youth Bureau and the Regency at Glen Cove for their most recent generosity. We all have times of hardship, but this community does not hesitate to step up and wrap its arms around those in need time and again.

The senior center is so very proud and humbled to be a part of such an extraordinary city. The spirit of giving can be seen and felt, so don't ever be reticent to reach out for a helping hand or to offer one. We're all here for each other.

THE GLEN COVE SENIOR CENTER

Erasing segregation

To the Editor:

The Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. once said, "We must continue to resist the system of segregation." We hold dear his words at ERASE Racism, a Syosset-based nonprofit organization.

We recently brought together nearly 70 students from 16 schools for a day-long gettogether of students of varied races and backgrounds, reflecting different ethnicities,



GLEN COVE SCHOOL DISTRICT MARKET REPORT November 1st – November 15th

NEW TO MARKET

ADDRESS	TOWN	LIST PRICE	STYLE	BEDS	BATHS
30 Pearsall Ave	Glen Cove	\$195,000	Co-Op	1	1
19 Pearsall Ave	Glen Cove	\$340,000	Colonial	3	2
126 Forest Ave	Glen Cove	\$375,000	Ranch	3	1
124 Saint Andrews Ln	Glen Cove	\$506,000	Colonial	3	2
4 Hilldale Rd	Glen Cove	\$519,000	Ranch	3	2
4 Kelly St	Glen Cove	\$528,000	Ranch	3	2
7 Dorset Way	Glen Cove	\$689,000	Split	3	3
10 Mechanic St	Glen Cove	\$699,000	Duplex	6	6
47 Viola Dr	Glen Cove	\$1,179,000	Colonial	4	4
91 Highland Rd	Glen Cove	\$1,399,999	Colonial	5	5

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ADDRESS	TOWN	LIST PRICE	STYLE	BEDS	BATHS
30 Pearsall	Glen Cove	\$185,000	Co-Op	1	1
34 Pearsall Ave	Glen Cove	\$325,000	Co-Op	2	2
17 Poplar Pl	Glen Cove	\$349,000	Ranch	3	1
19 Mercadante Pl	Glen Cove	\$349,000	Ranch	3	1
111 Woolsey Ave	Glen Cove	\$569,000	Ranch	3	2
30 Knott Dr	Glen Cove	\$570,000	Colonial	4	3
60 Knott Dr	Glen Cove	\$649,777	Colonial	4	3
177 Shore Rd	Glen Cove	\$765,000	HOA	3	3
8 Overlook Rd	Glen Cove	\$850,000	Colonial	3	4
2 Shell Dr	Glen Cove	\$995,000	Split Ranch	4	4

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ADDRESS 20 Clement St 21 Eldridge Pl 17 Southland Dr

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Glen Cove	\$429,900
Glen Cove	\$555,000
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