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**BROTHERS ELIJAH AND** Isaiah James, at lectern, who attend the high school, addressed the large crowd of marchers at Glen Cove's March for Our Lives.

## Students march in G.C.: 'This is just the beginning'

By ALYSSA SEIDMAN and ZACH GOTTEHRER-COHEN

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Nearly a thousand people marched from Finley Middle School through downtown Glen Cove last Saturday morning in the city's March for Our Lives rally. It was one of more than 700 demonstrations held across the country demanding action to make schools safe places to learn.

Participants came from across the North Shore to voice their collective anger in the wake of the school shooting in Parkland, Fla., last month. "Enough is enough," read many of the demonstrators' signs.

The event, which began as a series of conversations among students at the high school, landed on the Glen Cove City Council's agenda on Feb. 27. "We're here because we're too young to vote," student organizer William Casale, 17, told the council. "But our voices must be heard." The council unanimously approved the students' request for a march route and necessary support from police.

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## Local leaders seek day center for homeless

## 'These men have nowhere to go'

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It's our people.

**GUSTAVO GITLIN** 

**Congregation Tifereth** 

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By ZACH GOTTEHRER-COHEN

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At around 5:50 p.m. every day during the colder months, a group of 10 or so men wait by

the side door of the First Presbyterian Church in Glen Cove. Between the hours of 6 p.m. and 6 a.m., the church is as close as they can get to something resembling a home.

Before they were let into the church on Tuesday, one man, speaking Spanish, complimented a friend on his bright yellow, reflective jacket. Another called out, "Well, here comes Smiley."

Smiley, dragging a piece of wheeled luggage, looked up and grinned even wider.

Once inside the church, the men gave their names to a North Shore Sheltering Program staffer and went upstairs to retrieve their sleeping gear, which they brought back down and laid out on the floor in neat rows. Some used wet wipes to clean the floor around them. Some gathered in folding chairs around a TV in

the corner. Many simply changed their clothes, got into their sleeping bags and closed their eyes.

On April 1, the church will close its doors to them until November, when the cold returns. For some, like Sky, who didn't want to give his last name, it will mean sleeping outdoors, at least for a little while. Sky said that of the 30 or so men who relied on NSSP over the winter, about 25 of

them would be spending their nights outside.

Justin Hicks, a counselor at the Mellilo Center for Mental Health and an overnight staffer for NSSP, said that when it

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## City seeks feedback on charter changes

By ZACH GOTTEHRER- COHEN

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At a pre-council meeting at City Hall, Glen Cove's policymakers heard a proposal from Carolyn Wilson of the Charter Review Committee to study whether to make certain fundamental changes to the city charter, including amendments regarding councilmembers' term lengths, term limits and whether the terms should be staggered.

Wilson and the rest of the 12-member committee — founded in 2015 under Mayor Reginald Spinello — poured through every line of the 53-page charter to see where it had to be updated. "We didn't propose any drastic changes," Wilson said, a redundancy here, or an inadvertently created contradiction there.

But after the work of cleaning up the charter was done, the committee began to ask whether there were any significant changes that could be made to help the city's government run more smoothly.

The three proposals — limiting the number, lengthening the duration, and staggering the turnover of terms on the city council — would need to be approved by referendums wouldn't come up for a

vote until November

Wilson said that well before it gets to that stage, the committee wants to gauge public interest in each proposal. The committee set up an online survey and will provide opportunities for public feedback both online and through hard-copy paper survey distributed through the city's official newsletter.

In the interest of understanding the benefits and limitations of the proposals, the Herald talked to Stan Klein, a political science professor from LIU Post, about each one.

### **Staggered Terms**

Klein said that staggering the terms of council members would be "consistent with how most municipalities in Nassau and Suffolk do things." Staggered terms, he said, would lower the learning curve for new elected officials who have to learn on the job about the inner workings of city government.

Wilson agrees. She recalled just one time in her decades worth of government experience when the mayor and all of the council members were new to the work. "They would have nobody to learn from," she said. "If they bring in all new department heads, nobody knows what was happening before, nobody knows what's going on. There's a continuity you need."

Klein agreed. "It's always good to have institutional memory," he said.

### **Longer Terms**

Currently, Glen Cove's elected leaders serve 2-year terms. The mayor's term is uniquely brief. Of 14 similar municipalities in New York that the committee used for comparison, the only other with a 2-year mayoral term is Port Jervis. As for council members, half of the comparable municipalities had 2-year terms, and the other half had 4-year terms.

Wilson said that the short terms for both the mayor and the council make it hard to govern effectively. For people who had never served on the council before, she said, "It takes them a good six to eight months to figure it out, and then before you know it they're running again. Now we're looking at extending the terms from two years to maybe three or four years."

Again, Klein agreed. "It becomes too onerous to run," with such short terms, he said. "It's easier to discuss and describe upcoming policy when you have 3 years to do it instead of just two."

He also talked about the importance of politicians learning on the job. "If you go to a doctor or dentist," he said, "you want someone with experience. For politicians, people say, 'He's never been in government before, let's see what he can do."

Klein doesn't believe that politicians need to be inexperienced to have fresh ideas. They should have a working understanding of what working in government requires, he said, and how a specific government works. The problem is that the pool of qualified people is too small, and he said that term limits could be a way to solve that problem.

## **Term Limits**

Term limits, Klein said, would result in "more people being more qualified," but only under certain circumstances.

Term limits, Klein said, are a good way to balance experience with new ideas. "You have someone in office for [a long time,] they get experience, but they don't get new ideas."

If term limits only apply to the council and the mayor, he said, it wouldn't fix much. "I think they should apply to everyone," he said. "What's good for one part of government is probably good for



## Cobbling together a piecemeal water plan

## City submits measures to avert crisis, aims to have 4 of 6 wells open by mid-summer

By ZACH GOTTEHRER-COHEN

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The Glen Cove City Council voted on March 27 to approve a \$404,000 deal with two contractors as part of an emergency plan to fabricate a special type of filter to make certain that the city will have enough water to get through the peak demands of the summer.

The filter — which is meant to be a temporary two-year stopgap while a permanent one is procured — is just one part of a compliance plan recently submitted to the Nassau County Health Department outlining how the city will avert a water shortage following the closure of two wells at the facility on Duck Pond Road where contaminants were found late last year.

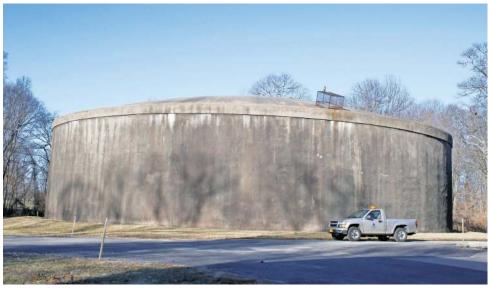
Because the contaminant — Freon 22 — can't be sufficiently removed by the wells' existing carbon-based filters, it requires a special "air stripper," which pumps air bubbles through the water. The Freon, which evaporates easily, travels with the bubbles up and out of the water supply.

At a pre-council meeting in early March, the city council discussed a plan raised by Bill Merklin, of the engineering firm D&B, to build an air stripper from a used aluminum shell that could address the Freon contamination at the Duck Pond well site.

"Basically, everything inside is going to be new," said Mayor Tim Tenke of the piece of equipment. "That's our shortterm solution"

The temporary filter would be used until the city can obtain a permanent filter through a normal procurement process, which could take up to two years, Merklin said.

From the \$404,000 that the city appro-



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**THE WATER STORAGE** tank at the Duck Pond Road well facility, where a special filter is expected to be installed in early summer will allow two closed wells there to re-open.

priated Tuesday evening for the air stripper, \$285,000 will go to Phillip Ross Industries, the engineering firm currently in possession of the air stripper shell, for equipment and installation.

The remaining \$119,000 will go to D&B Engineers and Architects, who have been working closely with the city on water related projects for years. This includes \$12,000 for preparing the compliance plan submitted to the county, and the remaining \$107,000 to develop an installation plan, and to inspect and oversee the installation of the air stripper.

With four of its six wells currently closed, the city would face a shortfall of about 48 percent of the water it has historically needed during peak summer demand, according to data included in the compliance plan submitted to the county.

If the city can successfully install a working temporary air stripper, the two re-started Duck Pond wells would eliminate the expected shortfall, and create a surplus able to meet a demand almost 5 percent higher than the historical peak.

If the project began immediately, Mike Colangelo, the water department supervisor said at a Pre-council meeting on March 20, the engineering and installation of the filter wouldn't be completed until late June or early July, already well into the summer season.

"[The Nassau County Department of Health] has to approve the plan," said Mary Ellen Laurain, department spokeswoman, adding that as of press time, the department was still reviewing the plan and had yet to issue an approval. Laurain said that the department is expected to officially respond to the plan within the next week.

City spokeswoman Lisa Travatello said that the department had verbally given the plan "positive feedback," and that in the interest of time, the city had to get the ball rolling in lieu of official approval.

The temporary air stripper is just one piece of the city's compliance plan. By the end of April, the city expects to complete repairs on the electrical equipment at the Kelly Street well, which has been closed since lightning struck it last summer. Even without the Duck Pond air stripper, that would bring the city up to three of six wells in operation, and reduce the anticipated shortfall to about a quarter of the historical demand.

The city could also turn to its neighbors to supplement its water supply. The county had stated in a letter that relying on nearby water district's instead of the city's own infrastructure would be unwise but suggested in a January correspondence that officials should "determine the availability of emergency interconnections should the need arise," and find out how much water could come from the surrounding area.

Given the anticipated re-opening of the

## **A Likely Timeline**

- 1. The Kelley street well comes back online in April, reducing the summer demand shortfall to 25 percent.
- 2. Since demand will likely begin to rise around June, which is also the earliest an emergency filter is expected to be installed, the city might have to turn to the Locust Valley Water District to supplement its water supply, reducing the shortfall to 12 percent. To keep demand from exceeding supply, the city could begin enforcing conservation measures at this point.
- 3. When the emergency filter is installed around mid-June, the city's own wells will produce a surplus of about 2 million gallons of water per day over peak demand, which means it will be able to disconnect from Locust Valley's supply and lift the conservation measures.

Kelley Street and Duck Pond wells, Tenke said, "We should have sufficient water to not have to purchase water from our surrounding communities, but we have to look at all the possibilities."

The Locust Valley Water District said that they could offer about one million gallons per day, which, along with the other measures would provide the city with a supplemental supply of water.

Once the plan is reviewed by the county, Tenke plans to invite a county expert to discuss the history of the problem, share the city's plan to prevent a shortage and assuage residents' concerns about the safety of the city's water.

According to a water quality report put out by the city last May, "The Glen Cove Water Department conducts over 5,000 water quality tests throughout the year, testing for over 130 different contaminants."

Laurain said that Freon 22 is "not a regulated contaminant," and added that there's no requirement for suppliers to test for it

Tenke said that the process that led to the recent closure of the two Duck Pond wells was an indication of the "very high standard" the city has for its water quality. He added that if someone buys a bottled water, "they probably cannot tell you when that water was tested for contaminants. I can tell you when our water was tested," he said. "It's tested regularly, and I can tell you exactly what's in it."

Since Jan. 22, Colangelo said at the March 20 Pre-council meeting, testing at one of the Duck Pond wells consistently reported "undetectable" levels of Freon.

The city's wells		
Well name	Status	Plans
Kelly Street	Inactive – struck by lightning, summer 2017	Should be operational by mid-April, following electrical repairs.
Seaman Road	Inactive - Freon 22 detected in 2009	Should be operational by summer 2019, following installation of an air stripper.
Nancy Court	Active	No actions planned.
Duck Pond (30)	Inactive - Freon 22 detected late 2017	May be operational by summer 2018, following installation of a temporary air stripper.
Duck Pond (31)	Inactive - Freon 22 detected late 2017	May be operational by summer 2018, following installation of a temporary air stripper.
Duck Pond (32)	Active	A permanent air stripper for all three Duck Pond wells is expected by summer 2020.



**COUNTY EXECUTIVE LAURA** Curran announced the new School Resource Program designed to help police respond to potential school shooting much faster and more efficiently.

## Ryder: Police to visit county schools daily

**By DAINE TAYLOR** 

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Dozens of uniformed officers and recruits lined up outside of the Nassau Police Academy in Massapequa Park on Tuesday to show their support for the new School Resource Program, which will provide additional resources and manpower to school districts in the event of an active shooter situation.

Officers will now make regular daily rounds at all of the school buildings in each the 56 school districts in Nassau County. They will be working with the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, local village police and individual school districts to maximize the efficiency of their response to violent or gun-related incidents throughout the county.

"There's 177 cars out there, and every single cop is mandated to visit a school building every day and walk the interior of the building with a school resource officer or school security officer," said County Police Commissioner Patrick Ryder.

"That cop will then be more familiarized with that location . . . They will be working with school security to ensure they know what to do in the event of a shooting."

The announcement was made just minutes after reports of a shooting in a Maryland high school resulted in the injury of two students, and the death of the shooter. One of the students later died.

"We're going to have two officers from Homeland Security department working with our [community-oriented officers], also with our community affairs working hand-in-hand with our village police and of course our parents," said County Executive Laura Curran. "Gone are the days when we're working in silos; we are collaborating so we can be as quick and responsive as possible in any emergency involving a school."

Ryder also emphasized the use of the RAVE system, which police already have in place at 40 of the county's 56 school districts. RAVE is an alert system that allows teachers and administrators to contact 911 operators directly during an emergency utilizing an application on their smartphone. Police can then monitor school

security cameras and access information to respond quicker and more efficiently.

"Never before has there been this kind of direct collaboration, and of course it's to ensure the safety of our children in all of our school districts," Curran continued.

"It's a special challenge, seeing as there are 56 independent school districts here in Nassau County," she said. "It's an extra challenge to our police and the village police to coordinate, but I'm very heartened and happy for the cooperation we're getting from our school community."

Several superintendents from districts across Nassau joined Curran and Ryder to welcome the new safety program.

"Since 1999 in Columbine, we've witnessed a tremendous amount of gun violence in our schools," said David Flatley, Carle Place's superintendent, and president of the Nassau County Council of School Superintendents. "I guess there is a tipping point at some point people realize that enough is enough, and it's time to maybe take school security to the next level."

Flatley supported the county's push for school safety, particularly in light of the day's most recent example of school gun violence.

"I'm glad for the opportunity to have additional resources from the Nassau County Police Department," he said. "They've always been great partners for our schools and these added resources will certainly be welcome by the school districts."

Ryder cited FBI statistics, saying that about 70 percent of school shootings end within five minutes and 50 percent of these end in two minutes.

According to Ryder, Nassau County police response time to violent crimes in progress is three to five minutes. "What we're looking at is closing that gap, that 60-second gap," said Ryder. "When it comes to school shootings, we have to mitigate that time, slow down the defendant, and increase the response by [police]."

"We're a bit ahead of the curve, but we're nowhere near finished," he said. "This program is going to create a direct liaison, and we're going to be able to mitigate that time and get there [sooner] to keep your children safe."

## **CRIME WATCH**

## Arrests

- Male, 23, from Locust Valley, arrested on Bridge Street for second-degree aggravated unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle, failure to signal turn, and unlicensed operation on March 23
- Male, 43, from Glen Cove, arrested on School Street for consuming alcohol in public and littering on March 23
- Male, 29, from Roosevelt, arrested on Cedar Swamp Road for first-degree aggravated unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle, third-degree driving while intoxicated, driving while under the influence of alcohol, failure to signal, and improper U-turn on March 24.
- Male, 44 from Brentwood, arrested on School Street for driving while intoxicat-

- ed, operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol, failure to signal, and unlicensed operation on March 24.
- Male, 34, from Glen Cove, arrested on School Street for seventh-degree possession of a controlled substance on March 24.
- Male, 30, from Glen Cove, arrested on Glen Street for disorderly conduct and resisting arrest on March 24.
- Male, 43, from Glen Cove, arrested on Coles Street for third-degree assault on March 25
- Male, 27, from Glen Cove, arrested on Robinson Avenue for second-degree aggravated unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle, and unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle on March 27.

## SAFE G.C. Coalition monitoring opioid crisis

The SAFE Glen Cove Coalition is conducting an opioid prevention awareness campaign — "Keeping Glen Cove SAFE" to educate and update the community regarding opioid use and its consequences.

According to the National Institute of Drug Abuse, every day, more than 115 Americans die after overdosing on opioids. The misuse of and addiction to opioids — including prescription pain relievers, heroin, and synthetic opioids such as fentanyl, is a serious national crisis that affects public health as well as social and economic welfare. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention estimates that the total "economic burden" of prescription opioid misuse alone in the United States is \$78.5 billion a year.

NIDA maintains that the current crisis is attributed to the behaviors of pharmaceutical companies in the 1990's who reassured the medical community that patients would not become addicted to prescription opioid pain relievers and healthcare providers began to prescribe them at greater rates. This subsequently led to widespread diversion and misuse of these medications before it became clear that these medications could indeed be highly addictive. Opioid overdose rates began to increase. In 2015, more than 33,000 Americans died as a result of an opi-

oid overdose, including prescription opioids, heroin, and illicitly manufactured fentanyl, a powerful synthetic opioid. That same year, an estimated 2 million people in the United States suffered from substance use disorders related to prescription opioid pain relievers, of which 591,000 use heroin.

In response to the opioid crisis, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services is focusing its efforts on five priority areas: improving access to treatment and recovery services; promoting use of overdose-reversing drugs; better understanding the epidemic through public health surveillance; providing support for cutting-edge research and pushing better pain management practices.

The Coalition, composed of 12 sectors of the community — youth organizations, parents, business community, school, law enforcement, religious organizations, civic groups, healthcare professionals, state, county and local governmental agencies and others with expertise in substance abuse — will continue to monitor and educate the community about this serious crisis.

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

–Laura Lane



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## THE WEEK AHEAD

## Nearby things to do this week

## A discussion with the D.A.

On Monday, April 16, join the North Shore Coalition Against Substance Abuse for a presentation on Social Host Liability, featuring Nassau County District Attorney Madeline Singas. The event will discuss consquences for violating social host laws. The presentation will be held at Glenwood Landing Elementary School, 60 Cody Ave., Glen Head, at 7 p.m.



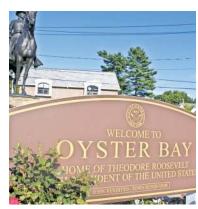


## **Babysitting Workshop**

Learn the basics of being a babysitter including diaper changes, feeding, playtime and emergency procedures. Gain confidence and skills to be the best babysitter in town! This program will be led by certified RNs at the Locust Valley Library on Monday, April 9. Please bring a baby-sized doll or stuffed animal with you to the workshop. Online registration is required. Certificates will be awarded. Locust Valley Library, 170 Buckram Rd., Locust Valley. Info: (516) 671-1837.

## **Art in the Roosevelt Home**

Many people do not know that besides his many other accomplishments, President Theodore Roosevelt was a patron of American art. Presenter Janet Parga will discuss 10 artists and the provenances of their artwork that connects them to the Roosevelts. This program will be held at the Oyster Bay-East Norwich Library on Saturday, April 7 at 1 p.m. Register at the Reference Desk, or call (516) 922-1212. 89 E. Main St., Oyster Bay.





## **Elephant & Piggie on stage**

Elephant & Piggie step out of the book and onto the Long Island Children's Museum stage, Monday through Wednesday, April 2-4, 11:30 a.m. and 2 p.m. Ripped from the pages of Mo Willems's award-winning books, this vaudevillian romp will have audiences dancing in their seats. Gerald, Piggie and their friends delight families in a rollicking romp filled with plenty of pachydermal peril and swiney suspense. It's a stylish, hilarious introduction to theater for young audiences. Info: (516) 224-5800 or www.licm.org.

## **Welcome spring at Garvies Point Preserve**

Be a nature detective at Garvies Point Museum and Preserve, always a fascinating place to spend some time and take in the Long Island Sound shoreline near Hempstead Harbor, on Wednesday, April 4, 11 a.m., 1 and 3 p.m. Investigate and explore the spring woodland and meadow environments and the living things (plants and animals!) that call these communities home. The engaging program for all ages also includes a flower/nature origami craft session. Info: (516) 571-8010 or 571-8011 or www.garviespointmuseum.com.





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## **HERALD SCHOOLS**

## Glen Cove STREAM teachers present at tech conference

Glen Cove City School District STREAM (science, technology, research, engineering, arts and math) teachers Cheryl Carmody and Jessica McKenna led a workshop, "Igniting the Citizen Scientist in Your Students," at the Suffolk ASSET's Technology Conference on March 12 at the Huntington Hilton.

The pair's presentation discussed children's natural curiositv about nature and what is going on around them, including research that indicates children who have more nature experiences demonstrate more advanced cognitive and emotional development. It also revealed that more and more children are suffering from nature deficit disorder, where although they may go outside for play or sports, children lack a connection to nature and the outside world around them.

Carmody and McKenna then asked the question: How could teachers provide more opportunities for students to practice their observational skills and build awareness of the world around them and to practice science in a real, tangible way, with meaning? They proposed introducing students to citizen science would achieve these objectives.



GLEN COVE CITY School District STREAM teachers Cheryl Carmody, left, and Jessica McKenna presented at the Suffolk ASSET's Technology Conference.

The presentation included an overview of five citizen science projects and lesson ideas within these programs. The teachers also demonstrated the apps and how students can submit their observations. Participants saw how these submissions actually

help real scientists with their research. Information was offered on various citizen science websites and apps that teachers may use with a variety of age

Citizen science blends the use of technology with the study of

the great outdoors to benefit scientists everywhere. It also offers students an opportunity to not just learn science but to feel like a scientist using data they gathered themselves to discover changes in the world around them.

## Students build boats and rafts at Gribbin

Glen Cove first-graders at to build the floating apparatus. Gribbin School constructed boats and rafts using craft sticks, straws, pipe cleaners and masking tape during a recent STREAM (science, technology, research, engineering, art and mathematics) class.

The students, under the direction of STREAM teacher Jessica McKenna, read Ellen Appleby's book "The Three Billy-Goats Gruff." The folktale tells the story of how three billy goats outsmart an intimidating troll. The students were asked what they could build in class that could help the billy goats cross the river, similar to the book. Eventually they decided to build a boat or a raft.

The first step was to plan their project and determine how They then were paired with a partner and had to review both of their plans and select the one that they felt would work.

McKenna said students planned, sketched and labeled their plans. They also had to make sure their rafts or boats could float after construction. She said they are learning the important skills of creating, collaborating and communicating.

-Zach Gottehrer-Cohen

**GRIBBIN SCHOOL STREAM** students Xavier Perez, left, and Donato Grella were excited that their raft could float.



Courtesy Glen Cove Schools



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**GEORGE, A MEMBER** of the staff at the North Shore Sheltering Program, amid the cubbies where homeless men who spend their winter nights at the First Presbyterian Church keep their belongings during the day.

## They're looking for someplace to go'

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comes to finding shelter, "You kind of have to get lucky, because housing on Long Island is so expensive." He said that one of the homeless men who uses NSSP works full time, seven days a week, at a carwash in Sea Cliff. "There's no reason he shouldn't be able to pay for a place," Hicks said, "except that it costs so much."

For one older man, who works parttime as a paralegal and asked that his name not be used so that his clients would not learn about his situation, the closing of the church will mean living in his car in one of the downtown parking garages and showering at a nearby gym, where he's a member.

Because of complaints from local establishments about the men — that they hang out in coffee shops without buying anything, that children at the library are frightened of them — the NSSP is exploring ways to provide a more permanent, more useful resource for homeless people in Glen Cove.

"Whether it's the winter or the summer, our 365-days-a-year issue is that during the day, these men have nowhere to go," Deputy Mayor Maureen Basdavanos said. "Whenever they leave the shelter, or wherever they're staying, they're looking for someplace to go."

Basdavanos has taken an active role in encouraging civic leaders to come up with a solution. Representatives of Glen Cove institutions, including the library, the senior center and the Police Department, met twice in March, and she hopes they will be able to come up with something. "We're throwing around a lot of ideas," she said. "Whether it's through fundraising, whether we expand a part of the sheltering program that's going on now, whether it's bringing our churches together and having everyone pitch in just a little bit, I feel really positive that we're going to be able to find some sort of solution."

Cantor Gustavo Gitlin, of Congregation Tifereth Israel, the president of NSSP's board of trustees, said he wasn't comfortable discussing specifics, because the process is just getting started. "There are conversations," he said of the discussions in Basdavanos's group, "but there's nothing firm."

Gitlin did say that the conversations included the North Shore Soup Kitchen, which is open all year, and that the ideal facility would resemble "what might be called a wellness center."

"Something like that would probably do a lot of good," Hicks said. "A space where they could work toward goals they might have, that would be great." He added, "A lot like a library."

Basdavanos said that the solution is simple. All homeless people need is a room furnished with "some tables and chairs, possibly a television, some cards, some newspapers, some snacks," she said, adding that the challenges are "rent and supervision."

When she brought up her group's efforts at a recent meeting at City Hall, Ann Fangmann, the executive director of the Glen Cove Community Development Agency, said she would look into grant opportunities that could help pay for solu-

tions to the "365-days-a-year issue," and added that although she had one in mind that she considered a promising, if competitive, option, there wouldn't be enough time to put together a proposal for this year before the deadline. The CDA, Fangmann said, would work with Basdavanos's group on a proposal for next year.

In the meantime, Hicks noted, the current NSSP setup "is all donations-based, no federal money, no city money. A few big donors and local churches," he said, but that's it

Basdavanos said she thought local clergy would play a large role in the solution,

but Gitlin resisted distinguishing between clergy and lay people. "What's the role of clergy?" he asked rhetorically. "It's no different from any other person. We're here to fix the world, one mitzvah" — Hebrew for good deed — "at a time . . . We, as a community, we want to take care of our people. And that's important. It's our people.

"This is a very affluent area," Gitlin continued. "Nobody should go hungry, nobody should go homeless in this area. It's a *shande*." That's Yiddish for scandal, or shame.

## **NEWS BRIEF**

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-Alyssa Seidman

## HERALD SPORTS Molloy in search of more success

By JOSEPH KELLARD

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Molloy is finding its way after graduating four four-year starters that led the team to the NCAA Division II Softball College World Series a season ago.

The Lady Lions (11-9) rode a three-game winning streak into this week after splitting with Merrimack and sweeping Holy Family in two-game series at home March 17-18. The Rock-ville Centre school seeks a return to the national championship round after getting bounced by West Virginia Wesleyan and Humboldt State in the eight-team double elimination tournament last May.

"Merrimack was a big matchup for us because at the time they were ranked twenty-fourth in the nation," said head coach Susan Cassidy-Lyke.

Prior to playing Merrimack, the Lions won a dramatic neutral-site home game versus Northwood, 7-5, on March 15. Tied at 5-5 in the eighth inning, senior Sarah Rambo smacked a ball over the left field fence for a two-out, two-run walk-off homer.

Molloy opened the season 4-2 on the road at Myrtle Beach, defeating Eastern Stroudsburg, Lock Haven, Concord and Clarion, before heading to Florida where they took just four out of 10 games.

While the offense has sometimes sputtered, Cassidy-Lyke expects her bats will come around. She is also looking for her players to improve on the mound and with their gloves if they are to contend this spring.

Junior starting hurler Jenna Turato, who tallied 17 wins last year, is filling a void left by Chelsea Hawks, who graduated after winning Pitcher of the Year in the East Coast Conference with 20 wins and a 1.7 ERA. A Carey High School alum, Turato started the season 5-0 but has since lost five games and has a 2.60 ERA.

Cassidy-Lyke is encouraged by the experience Turato gained pitching in the regionals and National Championships last season, but needs her to han-



Courtesy Molloy College Athletics Communications

**SENIOR SHORTSTOP BRIANNA** Dalton anchors the Lady Lions' defense and has driven in 61 runs over the past two seasons, including 42 in 2016.

dle the big games as well as Hawk did last season.

"Jenna has to step into that role," she said. "She's done a good job to start us off. I think we need to see a little bit more from her and I think she can give it to us."

The coach also needs Turato to continue to lead two freshmen on the pitching staff. Fellow right-hander Tonianne Larson from Long Beach is 4-0 with 1.80 ERA over 31 innings and was named conference Rookie of the Week in mid-March. Lefty Courtney Greene landed a spot in the rotation after winning a Suffolk County championship at East Islip and All-State First Team honors in 2017.

Among the defensive shifts Cassidy-Lyke made after four starters departed was sending junior Kaitlyn Snyder the team's best offensive player with 10 doubles and a .354 average hitting leadoff—to second base from left field.

Another offensive leader with a .352 average, Christina Heyer will replace Snyder in an outfield that has become the team's rock.

Fellow senior Olivia Banulski provides exceptional stability in centerfield as a fourth-year starter. She is grooming freshman right fielder Sarah Glaser as her successor in center for 2019. Banulski and Glaser are adept slap hitters from the left side of the plate.

Meanwhile, Rambo has made a seamless transition from first base, where she played last year, to third, her position in high school.

Greene took over at first and, in addition to her star rising on the mound, leads the team with 16 RBIs and has three homers while hitting .333.

Sophomore Mikaela Tribby was sidelined several games with an injured thumb and is slated to return this week or next to rotate with Greene at first and produce some pop with her bat.

"I've always been a big defensive coach, and we've always stayed in games because we've played well defensively, so I'd like to see us tighten up our defense," Cassidy-Lyke said about her moves

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## **HERALD NEIGHBORS**



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SOON AFTER JOHN Luboja gave the "Go" order, the children's empty bags quickly filled up with plastic eggs with candy inside.

## Magic, eggs and fun at the Regency





**CHRISSY LEACH, ABOVE,** left, Juliett Castronovo and her sister, Ella surveyed the Easter eggs on the floor, plotting their plan of attack.

**RYDER KATZ, 5,** didn't bring a basket to the egg hunt, but he didn't let that slow him down.

**PARTICIPANTS SAT ON** the floor, with Regency residents behind them, to watch a magic show and munch on their snacks.



Glen Cove families gathered at the Regency assisted living center on March 24 to celebrate the arrival of Spring with an Easter egg hunt.

A thousand plastic eggs, filled with tasty treats were scattered around the floor of the Regency. About 20 children waited in the reception area, huddled behind a velvet rope barrier, waiting for the hunt to start.

"On your mark," John Luboja, the Regency's director of recreation, said. "Get set." The children had all but knocked over the pillars between which the velvet rope dangled. "Go!"

Before he finished uttering the starting syllable, the children were down the hall, making faces of amazement as they turned the corners of the hallway, only to see hundreds more colorful eggs scattered about.

Baskets already overflowing, many of the children created makeshift sacks from the bottoms of their shirts, or tried to hold as many eggs as they could between their ear and shoulder.

The hunt lasted less than three minutes, and the floor of the Regency was left spotless, not an egg to be seen. The children had gone into another room to inventory their plunder of candy, take photos with a costumed Easter bunny and to pester their parents for money to buy even more sweets at the bake sale.

The children joined some of the Regency's residents in a large room, where they sat on the floor, munching on sweets and dodging parents' attempts to wipe chocolate from their faces.

## **COMMUNITY CALENDAR**

## Thursday, March 29

### Vote on budget adoption

North Shore High School library, 450 Glen Cove Ave., Glen Head., 7:30 p.m. The North Shore School District's Board of Education will vote to adopt the proposed 2018-19 budget.

## Friday, March 30

### Me and You Music with Keri Wirth

Locust Valley Library, 170 Buckram Rd., Locust Valley, 10:30 a.m. Parents, caregivers and children are invited to join us for music, movement and fun. Space is limited. Register online. (516) 671-1837.

## Saturday, March 31

## Egg-celent Celebration

The Whaling Museum and Education Center, 301 Main St., Cold Spring Harbor, 1 to 4 p.m. Did you know that many ocean animals lay eggs? Join us for an egg-citing program where you will discover egg-laying creatures, and see a real scrimshawed Ostrich egg. Go on an egg hunt through the museum and decorate a Faberge-style egg. Admission is \$12 per parent/child pair; members receive half price. Recommended for children ages 2 to 7. (631) 367-3418.

### Teen waffle breakfast

Gold Coast Library, 50 Railroad Ave., Glen Head, 11 a.m. Come make homemade waffles, whipped cream, strawberry compote and bacon that you can enjoy with your friends. Recommended for children in grades 6 through 12. (516) 759-8300.

## Tuesday, April 3

## Birdwatching walk

Garvies Point Museum and Preserve, 50 Barry Dr., Glen Cove. Learn about "field marks' for a quick ID, birds' habitats, how they act, and how to use binoculars. Participants will also have the chance to make a birdfeeder craft. Recommended for children ages 5 and up. (516) 571-8010.

### Library budget vote, trustee election

Glen Cove Library, 4 Glen Cove Ave., Glen Cove, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. The Glen Cove Public Library will present its annual budget to the citizens of Glen Cove for a vote. The public will also be asked to vote for members to serve a five-year term on the Library Board of Trustees. (516) 676-2130.

## Cool apps for your iPhone and iPod

Locust Valley Library, 170 Buckram Rd., Locust Valley, 6:30 p.m. Discover apps you can't live without. Bring your iPhone or iPad or just come and listen. All welcome to this free class. Registration is requested. (516) 671-1837.

## Wednesday, April 4

### Spring nature walk

Garvies Point Museum and Preserve, 50 Barry Dr., Glen Cove. Be a nature detective! We will explore and investigate the woods and meadow, and the plants and animals that call these habitats home.



Courtesy Gaitley Stevenson-Mathews

## **Easter Dawn Service at Morgan Park**

An Easter Dawn Service will be held at Glen Cove's Morgan Park at 7 a.m. on Easter morning, Sunday, April 1. Pastors from seven churches will be involved in the service. Music will be provided by Merle Richards, Choir President at Calvary A.M.E; Associate Pastor Josue Correa, and Song Leader Ericka Bautista of Iglesia Ciudad de Refugio; and Gaitley Stevenson-Mathews, Elder at First Presbyterian Church. The service will also include a scripture reading from Luke 24: 1-12. The music and readings will be shared in English and Spanish.

Participants will also have the chance to make flower origami. (516) 571-8010.

## Thursday, April 5

## Long Island wildlife

Garvies Point Museum and Preserve, 50 Barry Dr., Glen Cove. Get up close and personal during our animal presentation to observe and learn about animals that live right here in our own backyard! Includes a DIY sand art craft. (516) 571-8010.

### Medicare made clear

Locust Valley Library, 170 Buckram Rd., Locust Valley, 7 p.m Come and find out benefits you're entitled to under Medicare. Presenter Mark Papagni is a Medicare Broker who works with several companies to help his clients make informed decisions. Registration requested. (516) 671-1837.

## Friday, April 6

### Beach discovery

Garvies Point Museum and Preserve, 50 Barry Dr., Glen Cove. Explore the shoreline for snails, mussels, crabs and more! Learn how they adapt to survive in the environment. Participants will also have the chance to create a sand-casting craft. (516) 571-8010.

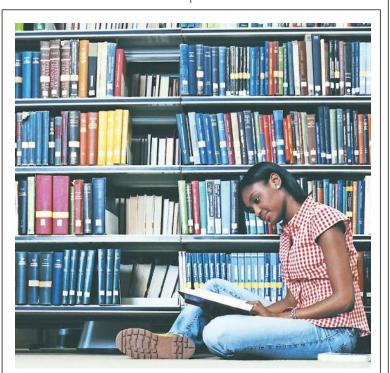
## Saturday, April 7

### Grow your own

Glen Cove Library, 4 Glen Cove Ave., Glen Cove, 1 to 4 p.m. Besides giving you the  $\,$ 

basics on growing successful vegetable starts, we'll introduce you to varieties of peppers, tomatoes and eggplants that you wouldn't typically find in the big box

stores and garden centers. Materials provided. Registration required. (516) 676-2130.



## **Library Amnesty Week**

From April 8 through the 14 the Glen Cove Library will celebrate National Library Week and offer Amnesty Week. Bring your overdue books and audio-visual items to the library and have your fines waived -- no questions asked! Amnesty applies to undamaged, overdue materials from the Glen Cove Library only. 4 Glen Cove Ave., Glen Cove. (516) 676-2130.

### **Structure superstars**

Glen Cove Library, 4 Glen Cove Ave., Glen Cove, 2 p.m. Recommended for children ages 5 and up with an adult. Registration required. (516) 676-2130.

## Sunday, April 8

## A.M.E. celebrates Women's Day

Calvary A.M.E. Church, 80 Cottage Row, Glen Cove, 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Celebrate Women's Day at Calvary A.M.E. Pastor Deirdre D. Ceruti of Mt. Zion Beth-El Holiness Church in Hempstead, will minister the Women's Day service. Dinner will follow. All are welcome. (516) 759-9060.

## Monday, April 9

### Forgotten women of the Torah

Congregation Tifereth Israel, 40 Hill St., Glen Cove, 7 p.m. Free admission. (516) 676-5080.

## Tuesday, April 10

### "Spaceman" book discussion

Glen Cove Library, 4 Glen Cove Ave., Glen Cove, 2 p.m. Librarian Michael Fitzpatrick leads a discussion of the book "Spaceman." Copies are available at the Reference desk. (516) 676-2130.

## Coloring, classical music & candlelight

Locust Valley Library, 170 Buckram Rd., Locust Valley, 3 to 5 p.m. Join us 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. Registration required. Seating limited. (516) 671-1837.

### Home cooking for your pets

Locust Valley Library, 170 Buckram Rd., Locust Valley, 6:30 p.m. Happier, healthier and better-behaved pets start with a species appropriate diet! Learn how easy and affordable it is to make your own pet food and treats from Christine M. Filardi. All welcome to this free program. Registration is requested. (516) 671-1837.

### Wednesday, April 11

## Library bus trip: "My Fair Lady"

Glen Cove Library, 4 Glen Cove Ave., Glen Cove, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Take a trip with your library friends to see "My Fair Lady" at The Vivian Beaumont Theatre at Lincoln Center Theater. The cost is \$122; includes tickets and transportation. Enjoy time for lunch on your own before the 2 p.m. show. Register at the Reference desk; make checks or money orders payable to: The Glen Cove Library Bus Trip Fund. Tickets are non-refundable. (516) 676-2130.

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## Hop into spring with Glen Cove's annual Spring Egg Hunt

Glen Cove's youth will be hopping in line, baskets in hand, to participate in the city's Annual Spring Egg Hunt on Saturday, March 31, at 11 a.m. The fun-filled event will take place at John Maccarone Memorial Stadium and include a chance to meet a costumed Peter Cottontail and enter to win delicious chocolate Easter Bunnies from Henry's.

This annual tradition is sponsored by the Glen Cove Parks & Recreation Department and children will have a grand time filling their baskets with surprise filled plastic eggs of every color. "Each year our team distributes over 12,000 colorful goodie-filled eggs across the lower fields of City Stadium and the children enjoy the fun of finding the eggs and filling their baskets to the brim," said Darcy Belyea, Director, Glen Cove Parks and Recreation.

Children ages three to ten years old are invited to bring baskets and participate in this free event, and parents are encouraged to bring their cameras for a special photo op with Peter Cottontail. This event is for Glen Cove residents only and parental supervision is required. A rain date has been set for Monday, April 2, at 11 a.m.

## PTA's Diamond Club honors leaders

The Glen Cove Council of PTAs held its scholarship luncheon on March 11 to recognize the efforts of individuals who have gone above and beyond in working with the Glen Cove School District. The Diamond Award is presented to those individuals who have demonstrated sincere efforts and dedication working to benefit the children of the Glen Cove School District.

Each school in the district chooses one honoree. This year's honorees were: Meryl Gordon of the Deasy PTA, Francine Santoro of the Gribbin PTA, Karen Serani of the Landing PTA, Ted Karousos of the Connolly PTA, Richard A. Maccarone of Finley Middle School, Allen Hudson III of the Glen Cove High School PTSA, and Cortney Farrell of SEPTA.

"Congratulations to the 2018 Glen Cove

PTA Council Diamond Club Honorees who do so much for the Glen Cove Community and give so tirelessly of themselves," Mayor Tim Tenke said.

All proceeds from the event benefit the Glen Cove Community Scholarship Fund for Glen Cove High School Class of 2018 graduates. "I was very impressed by the amount of time and effort that the committee put in to make this event a success," 돌aid Legislator Delia DeRiggi-Whitton. 로 The fund was founded in 1958 and annually administers grants in the form of scholarships to deserving Glen Cove High School seniors. If you would like to donate to the fund, please contact Tina Braja at cjbraja@optonline.net.

-Zach Gottehrer-Cohen



THE 2018 DIAMOND Award honorees, school officials and members of the City Council.

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## **VIEWFINDER**

By SUSAN GRIECO

## THE QUESTION:

What's your favorite thing about Easter?



The Easter Bunny because he brings candy and Easter Eggs. And I love going to the Easter Egg hunt in the park.

MAE LAWLER Kindergarten



I like that you get to collect all the eggs that the Easter Bunny leaves, especially the ones with jelly beans in them.

RYAN MIGDALEN
1st Grade



My little brother and I go looking for the baskets that the Easter Bunny leaves for us by following his clues. Then we go to church to thank God for sacrificing his son for us.

LILLY WALSH 5th Grade



We all go to Mass in the morning and then get together with my family at my uncle's house, where we always get to eat good food.

ELENA MAGNO 6th Grade



I like dying Easter eggs with my sister and then going to my Grandmother's house on Easter Sunday and eating really good food.

CONSTANCE BERRY-ROWLEY 6th Grade



I like finding the Easter eggs in our house and in our backyard. It's really fun because they're filled with chocolate or money!

JOHN HASSETT, III 1st Grade

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## **EASTER MESSAGE**

## 'Love one another as I have loved you'

The major events of Holy Week began with Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem. Great excitement stirred the crowd when Jesus entered that ancient city riding on a donkey. He came not to condemn the world, but to bless it by bringing new life and new hope.

In the midst of school shootings and worldwide turbulence, we desperately need to experience the love and hope of Easter.

This year at Our Savior's Sunday School children led a procession complete with a life-size donkey on wheels. They waved palm branches and smiled from ear to ear. The donkey was made for our congregation in return for a donation to Operation Smile. Our donation to Operation Smile completely covered the cost of surgery and all follow-up visits for a child in need. Such a gift is an example of the life Jesus calls us to lead, a life spent loving our neighbors as God has loved us.

God still enters our hearts and our world today in gentleness and love. Jesus

said, "I give you a new commandment: Love one another as I have loved you!"

Our Good Friday Service is also known as a Tenebrae Service. Tenebrae comes from the Latin word for shadows or darkness. It is an ancient service in which candles are extinguished during the worship as a reminder of the death of Christ who is the light of the world.

On Easter Sunday, we celebrate with boundless joy the resurrection of Jesus. We will also share a delicious Easter breakfast and a community Easter egg hunt. We are filled with joy because Christ is risen! Out of death, comes new life. Out of despair, hope is born. Martin Luther explained that God has written the good news of the resurrection not just in the Bible alone, but on every leaf in Springtime. Love lives. We wish all of you in our community a very blessed Holy Week and a joyful Easter!

– Rev. Dr. Kimberly A. Wilson, Our Savior's Lutheran Church, Glen Head

## **PASSOVER MESSAGE**

## Freeing yourself from the metaphorical Pharaoh

The eve of March 30 marks the beginning of the Jewish holiday of Passover, an eight-day holiday commemorating the emancipation of the Israelites from slavery in ancient Egypt. Most are probably familiar with the biblical story of how God liberated the Jewish nation from their bondage amid stunning miracles, such as the 10 plagues and the parting of the Red Sea.

With the last of the 10 plagues, Pharaoh's resistance was broken, and he chased his former slaves out of the land. The Israelites left in such a hurry, in fact, that the bread they baked, as provisions for the way, did not have time to rise. For this reason, it is the Jewish tradition not to eat any leavened breads for the duration of the holiday, and instead eat matzah, which is flat, unleavened bread.

Although the exodus of the Israelites from ancient Egypt is an occurrence of the distant past, the story carries an eternally relevant message for each of us in our personal lives. While none of us are enslaved to the Pharaoh, it is common for a person in this day and age to experience different types of slavery.

For example, people can be enslaved to addictions, electronic devices, or to social pressures. These forces prevent the person from living life the way they would truly like to. Instead of a person controlling his or her environment, the environment controls the person. Although there is no physical Pharaoh around to enslave us, the "metaphorical Pharaoh" might still be there, and prevents the spirit of the person from truly being free.

## The focal points of the Seder are:

- Eating Matzah.
- Eating bitter herbs to commemorate the bitter slavery endured by the Israelites.
- Drinking four cups of wine or grape juice, a royal drink to celebrate the newfound freedom.
- The recitation of the Haggadah, a liturgy that describes in detail the story of the Exodus from Egypt.

The story of Passover inspires us to rise above our personal limitations and allow our essential selves to be expressed, constituting a personal exodus from a personal bondage. Each step we take out of our comfort zones is another step out of our own versions of slavery. This is one of the many lessons the ancient story teaches us.

Let us pray that all people the world over experience true freedom, and that liberty replace oppression wherever it is found.

For more information about Passover, visit www.chabadofbrookville.com, or email Rabbi@ChabadofBrookville.com.

– Rabbi Mendy Heber, Chabad of Brookville & Glen Cove



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STUDENT COMMITTEE MEMBER William Casale rallied participants before the March for Our Lives in Glen Cove.

### Zach Gottehrer-Cohen/Herald Gazette

## G.C. marchers demand stricter gun control

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Though council members also took part in the march, the leadership of the event rested squarely with the students.

Before leaving the middle school's parking circle, Casale asked the crowd via loudspeaker to keep the march "tight" — to take up only half the street to avoid infringing on the mobility of police vehicles, which patrolled the route throughout the event.

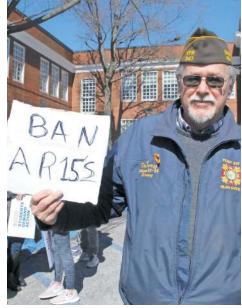
Student organizers ran up and down the perimeter, leading the crowd in chants, including "Stop the silence, end gun violence," "Hey hey, ho ho, the NRA has got to go," and "This is what democracy looks like."

At the end of the route, the same student committee that, a month earlier, had stood before the City Council greeted marchers from a grandstand, and gave speeches voicing their frustrations and their fears, but mostly their hopes.

"We march in declaration that enough is enough," Casale said. "This is just the beginning for change."

The Herald Gazette spoke with participants about their decision to march in solidarity with the movement.

Frank Cortale graduated from Glen



Zach Gottehrer-Cohen/Herald Gazette

**AMERICAN LEGION MEMBER** Terry Price, who served in Vietnam, said he opposed civilian use of AR-15s.

Cove High School in 1981. His daughter Emilia cited the need to feel safe at school, and her father agreed. "There's no need for civilian people to have AR-15s," he



Alyssa Seidman/Herald Gazette

**FORMER GLEN COVE** High School student Christina Cappiello returned to her alma mater to support the current students' fight for safer schools nationwide.

said

Glen Cove resident Barrie Dratch said she was marching for Scott Beigel, who was killed in the Parkland shooting. She had worked with Beigel at Camp Starlight for 18 summers. "I'm here to support him, and every other victim of every school shooting," Dratch said.

Locust Valley residents Shelly Ventresca and Barbara Garriel commended the students for standing up for their own safety. "It's a vile thing that these children are being referred to as the 'mass shooting generation," Garriel said, "But we're here to support their activism for smart gun safety legislation. This is grass-roots democracy at its best."

The students read the names of the Parkland victims, and for each, displayed a bright orange rose. They included a rose for 16-year-old Jaelynn Willey, who was wounded at Great Mills High School in Maryland on March 20 by an armed student. She was taken off life support and died the day before Saturday's march.

Rabbi Irwin Huberman, of Congregation Tifereth Israel, and the Rev. Roger Williams, of First Baptist Church, spoke at the rally. "We need to keep praying with our feet," Huberman said.

Williams agreed, calling for an end to America's culture of violence. "We don't need hate," he said. "We need love."



Alyssa Seidman/Herald Gazette

AT THE END of the march, participants were encouraged to register to vote.



**MORE THAN** 1,500 protesters, including many children, turned out for a March for Our Lives rally at **SUNY** Farmingdale on Saturday morning. The demonstration was one of more than 700 that took place at points around the country, attracting hundreds of thousands of gun-control activists. The Washington, D.C. march alone drew an estimated crowd of 800,000.

## 'Enough is enough,' protesters cry

## SUNY Farmingdale gun-control rally draws 1,500 students, educators and activists

By SCOTT BRINTON

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Nearly 25 years have passed since Colin Ferguson stepped onto a Long Island Rail Road train in Mineola and started indiscriminately firing a 9mm pistol at passengers. Six were killed and 19 wounded. Kevin McCarthy, a broker with Prudential Securities in New York City, took a bullet to the head, but he survived. His left arm remains partially paralyzed.

McCarthy appeared at the March for Our Lives rally at SUNY Farmingdale on Saturday morning, and was one of the last speakers in a long line of students, educators and elected leaders in an hour-and-a-half-long program focusing on stricter gun controls — in particular, bans on assault weapons and bump stocks — and denunciations of the all-or-nothing politics of the National Rifle Association

The rally was one of more than 700 that took place across the country on Saturday, five and a half weeks after the mass shooting at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland, Fla., in which 17 students and teachers were killed by a lone gunman, a former student at the school, who brandished an AR-15 semi-automatic assault rifle. The demonstration included 17 seconds of silence to remember the victims.

"I'm here as a victim," McCarthy told the crowd of 1,500, which overflowed from the expansive Nold Athletic Complex gymnasium into the foyer.

McCarthy's father, Dennis, died in the LIRR massacre. His mother, Carolyn, ran successfully for Congress on a gun-control platform in 1996. The Mineola Democrat, a former nurse, served in Congress for 18 years, until a cancer diagnosis forced her into retirement in 2015.

Kevin McCarthy was met by thunderous applause when he called on lawmakers to stand up for citizens rather than special interests. Then he said simply, "Enough is enough," and spectators erupted, chanting



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**AMONG THE FEATURED** speakers was Kevin McCarthy, a victim of the 1993 Long Island Rail Road massacre in Garden City, in which he was shot in the head and lost his father, Dennis.

the message in unison while stomping their feet on the

It was the same chant that U.S. Rep. Thomas Suozzi, a Democrat from Glen Cove, led earlier in the program. "I want all of the young people to recognize that we need you," said Suozzi, a primary organizer of the rally. "Your country needs you."

Suozzi spoke at length about the 1993 LIRR massacre. "It's been 25 years, and our lawmakers in Washington refuse to support common-sense gun-control measures," he said. "There is something wrong in this country," the congressman continued. "There is something severely wrong." In young people, however, he noted, "We see the hope for America."

Catherine Chen, a Hicksville High School junior, was among the student speakers. She spoke out against a

recent proposal to arm teachers, calling the plan "myopic" and saying she believed that it was proposed "to shift public attention away from meaningful gun legislation." Chen went so far as to call the NRA's political contributions "blood money."

Mehr Sharma, also a Hicksville High junior, called for a ban on "semiautomatic weaponry." "Do not use the Second Amendment to justify the selling of arms," she said

Jack Stalzer, of Sea Cliff, is a senior at North Shore High School in Glen Head. He was on a student trip to Spain on Feb. 14, the day of the mass shooting at Stoneman Douglas High. His host family, he said, asked why he thought such shootings keep happening in the United States, because they do not occur with regularity in Spain. "I had no words," Stalzer said.

On Friday, however, all of the eligible seniors at North Shore High registered to vote, and that, he said, "gives me hope."

Justin Dynia, of Merrick, a senior at Kennedy High School in Bellmore, introduced Nassau County District Attorney Madeline Singas, a Democrat, before she spoke. "This is very refreshing to see the youth get involved," Dynia said in an interview before the rally. "I'm hoping something gets done." He was among 40 students who helped organize the demonstration.

Camille Pfeiffer, of Franklin Square, was in the audience with her 14-year-old daughter, Gianna, a ninth-grader at H. Frank Carey High School. "We're looking for safety in the schools," Camille said.

"I want to feel safe when I go to school," Gianna said, "and I want my friends to feel safe, too."

Debbie Gershow Lindell, of Plainview, was a guidance counselor at Memorial Junior High School in Valley Stream for 15 years. "Kids have to be able to walk into math class and not worry about where they'll hide if a shooter comes in," she said. "We're traumatizing a whole generation of children."

## Tears but no fear at D.C. March for Our Lives

By LAURA LANE

Approximately 800,000 marchers descended on Washington D.C. on Saturday for the March for Our Lives, an event organized by high school students as a demand for common-sense gun legislation.

A three-hour presentation on Pennsylvania Avenue, with the Capitol looming behind it, included performances by "Hamilton" star Lin-Manuel Miley Cyrus and superstar Jennifer Hudson.

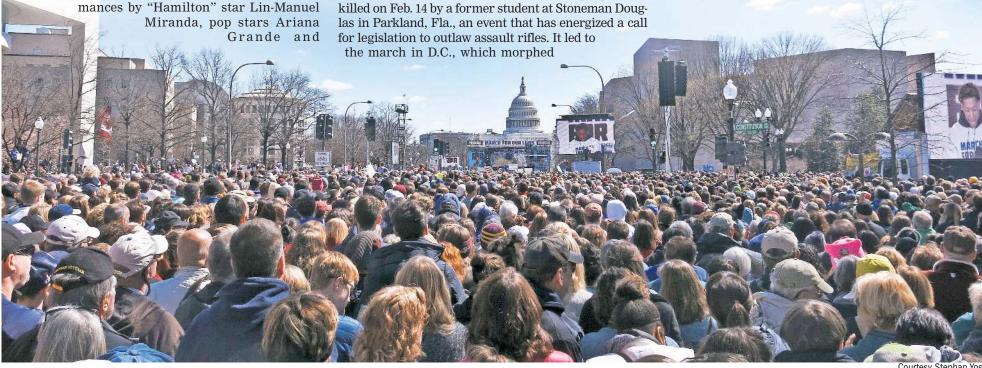
But the day belonged to the survivors of the Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School tragedy, who managed to rally everyone by sharing their personal stories, visions of hope for the future and plans to energize a voting population that have traditionally been absent at the polls – the 18-25-year-olds.

The students are committed to ending gun violence in schools and everywhere else. Seventeen people were killed on Feb. 14 by a former student at Stoneman Doug-

into a nationwide event.

The march was peaceful and solemn, with many marchers crying during the heartfelt speeches by family members of victims and survivors of gun violence from Florida, Sandy Hook, Chicago, Los Angeles and D.C. Even Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s 11-year-old granddaughter spoke.

It was a memorable day that the students say is only the beginning of a movement.



THOUSANDS OF PROTESTORS could see and hear the three-hour March for Our Lives demonstration on jumbotrons. It included moving personal stories from student survivors.

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## STEPPING OUT

Where to go, what to do, who to see

## On the springtime holiday table **Spring forth with festive traditions**

ith the arrival of Passover and Easter we can (hopefully) close the book on winter as we welcome the season. Spring holidays are an opportunity to move away from hearty cold weather foods and enjoy the start of seasonal bounty — such as new potatoes, asparagus and tender greens.

Expand upon your family's heritage when planning holiday menus. Of course, prepare those comforting recipes handed down from generation to generation, but supplement family favorites with some that give the meal a contemporary twist.

Spring celebrations wouldn't be the same without one classic component: lamb. Whether roasted or grilled, it's among the highlights of the Passover or Easter table. For a new take on tradition, swap conventional mint jelly for a pesto for a fresh, but familiar, flavor that complements lamb's rich taste.

### **Rack of Lamb with Quinoa-HazeInut Crust and Mint Pesto**

2 tablespoons red quinoa

2 tablespoons white quinoa

1/2 cup water

1/4 cup, plus 1 tablespoon, finely chopped toasted hazelnuts, divided 2 racks of lamb, about 1 pound each 3 tablespoons olive oil, divided

1 1/8 teaspoons sea salt, divided

1/4 teaspoon black pepper

2 teaspoons lemon juice

2 tablespoons mint

1/8 teaspoon garlic powder

1 cup plain Greek yogurt

Rinse quinoa; drain well. In small saucepan over medium-high heat, bring quinoa and water to boil. Reduce heat to low; cover and simmer 13 minutes, or until liquid is absorbed, stirring occasionally.

Spread cooked quinoa on baking sheet to cool. Stir in 1/4 cup hazelnuts. Set aside.

Heat oven to 450 F. Brush racks of lamb lightly with 1 teaspoon oil. Sprinkle with 1 teaspoon sea salt and pepper. Coat

lamb with quinoa mixture, pressing firmly to adhere. Place lamb on roasting rack in foil-lined, shallow roasting pan. Drizzle with 2 teaspoons oil.

Roast 20-25 minutes, or until desired

To make Mint Pesto: In small bowl, mix remaining oil, remaining hazelnuts, lemon juice, mint, garlic powder and remaining sea salt until well blended. Stir 1 teaspoon pesto into yogurt.

To serve: Carve lamb into chops. Drizzle with remaining pesto. Serve with yogurt sauce.

### **Bunny Butt Cupcakes**

12-layer size white cake mix 1 tablespoon, plus 2 teaspoons, pure lemon extract, divided

1 tablespoon vanilla 3/4 cup white chocolate chips 2 sticks butter, softened

16 ounces confectioners' sugar 2 tablespoons milk 10 drops green food color

1-2 drops red food color 12 large marshmallows, halved crosswise

3 tablespoons white nonpareil sprinkles

Prepare cake mix as directed on package, adding 1 tablespoon lemon extract and vanilla. Spoon 3 tablespoons batter into 24 paper-lined muffin cups. Bake as directed on package for cupcakes. Cool cupcakes on wire rack.

To make bunny feet: In medium, microwave-safe bowl, microwave white chocolate chips on high 30 seconds. Stir until completely melted and smooth.

Spoon into pastry bag or re-sealable plastic bag. Snip small corner from bag. Pipe 24 pairs of bunny feet onto parchment or wax paper-lined cookie sheet. Use toothpick to smooth out bumps or rough edges, and gently tap cookie sheet on counter to help settle. Allow to harden 2 minutes in freezer or 15 minutes in refrigerator.



A rack of lamb makes for a dramatic roast that's an ideal centerpiece for a festive meal. Try it topped with a pesto, which gives roasted lamb terrific flavor.

To make frosting: In large bowl, beat butter and remaining lemon extract until light and fluffy. Gradually add confectioners' sugar, beating well after each addition and scraping sides and bottom of bowl frequently. Add milk; beat until light and fluffy. Remove half the frosting and place in medium bowl. Add green food color; mix until evenly blended.

Spoon into pastry bag fitted with grass decorating tip. Set aside. Remove half the remaining frosting into small bowl. Add red food color; mix until light pink. Spoon into another pastry bag.

Using pink frosting, pipe three toes and padding on each bunny foot. Once frosting has set (about 1 hour) gently press down on pink frosting to create smoother look.

To assemble cupcakes: Pipe green frosting onto each cupcake in series of short motions to create individual grass spots. Cover top of each cupcake

To make bunny butts: Place cut sides of marshmallow halves onto each frosted cupcake, leaving room for bunny feet. Shape remaining white frosting into dimesized balls then roll with white sprinkles to cover. Pipe small drop of remaining pink or white frosting onto top of each marshmallow. Press bunny tail on top.

Place both bunny feet against base of marshmallow with toes facing down. Recipe courtesy of Amanda Rettke of "I am

### **Flourless Chocolate Cake**

1/4 teaspoon salt 1 teaspoon vanilla 1/2 cup cocoa



Cupcakes modeled after the Easter bunny are an appealing holiday dessert.



Simple and decadent, flourless chocolate cake has many varieties, most made with just a few ingredients. It's a treat that finds a place on the table for many occasions, not just for Passover.

> 1 cup sugar 6 large eggs, slightly beaten 10 ounces good quality semisweet or bittersweet chocolate 1/4 cup confectioner's sugar

1 cup margarine or butter Mint sprigs and assorted berries for garnish

Preheat oven to 350 F. Grease a 10-inch springform pan, then line bottom of pan with parchment paper.

In a small saucepan, combine chocolate and margarine and cook over medium-low heat, stirring occasionally, until completely melted. Remove from heat and let cool. In a large workbowl, combine sugar, cocoa, and salt with a whisk until incorporated. Add eggs and vanilla and whisk until smooth. Add 1/3 of chocolate mixture and stir until incorporated; repeat with remaining 2/3 of chocolate.

Pour batter into prepared pan and bake for 40 minutes, until just set but still soft in the center. Let cool completely.

Sift confectioner's sugar over the top of the cake, and garnish with mint and

Karen Bloom



## **ON STAGE Awesome Allie:**

Blast off into outer space on an adventure that's out of this world, when Plaza Theatrical Productions stages the musical "Awesome Allie: First Kid Astronaut." Yesterday Allie was just a normal kid, but now she's headed into outer space on an amazing adventure in the cosmos. A somewhat isolated only child who has trouble relating to her video-game obsessed peers, Allie has an urge to soar. She dreams of being the

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first kid astronaut, of leaving her lonely world and traveling billions of miles into the cosmos. With the help of a trusty talking dog Captain Chaos and Rover the Dancing Robot from Mars, Allie's on a mission across the solar system to save Earth, and maybe learn some things about science along the way. But she'd better be home in time for dinner. Allie takes over Cradle of Aviation Museum's Dome Theatre, in its first theatrical production. The staging utilizes the unique theater to create an environment where the audience will get the effect of gently floating through space.

Friday and Saturday, March 30-31, 11 a.m.; also Monday through Sunday, April 2-8, 11 a.m. (with additional 2 p.m. show on April 4). \$15, \$13 children 2-12. Cradle of Aviation Museum, Museum Row, Garden City. 572-4066 or www.cradleofaviation.org.

## **IN CONCERT U.S. Air Force Concert Band**

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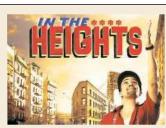
the United States Air Force, joined by the Singing Sergeants, the official chorus of the Air Force, make their way to the Tilles Center stage for a rousing spring concert. The two groups, made up of approximately 75 active duty musicians and singers, will perform selections from a variety of musical genres. Their program includes traditional and new wind ensemble repertoire, instrumental and vocal soloists, medleys of opera classics and Broadway favorites, and moving patriotic melodic tributes to our heroic

Wednesday, April 4, 7:30 p.m. Admission is free but tickets required; available on a first-come, first-served basis. Tilles Center for the Performing Arts, LIU Post, Route 25A, Brookville. (516) 299-3100 or www.tillescenter.org.

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## Performances/ On Stage



### In The Heights

The acclaimed musical about a community on the brink of change, Thursday and Friday, March 29-30, 8 p.m.; Saturday, March 31, 3 and 8 p.m. Wednesday, April 4, 8 p.m. John W. Engeman Theater, 250 Main St., Northport. (631) 261-2900 or www. engemantheater.com.

### **Celtic Woman**

The inspirational Irish music ensemble in concert, Thursday, March 29,7:30 p.m. Tilles Center for the Performing Arts, LIU Post, Rte. 25A, Brookville.(800) 745-3000 or www.ticketmaster.com or www. tillescenter.org.

### **Michael Bolton**

The singer-songwriter in concert, Thursday, March 29, 8 p.m. The Paramount, 370 New York Ave., Huntington. (800) 745-3000 or www.ticketmaster.com or www.paramountny.com.

### **Godfrey Towsend**

The guitarist performs a tribute to Eric Clapton, Friday, March 30, 8 p.m. The Space, 250 Post Ave. Westbury. (800) 745-3000 or 283-5566 or www.ticketmaster.com or www.thespaceatwestb ury.com.



### Pablo Francisco

The comedian shares his biting social commentary, with special guests Neil Rubenstein and Steve Lazlow, Friday, March 30, 8 p.m. The Paramount, 370 New York Ave., Huntington. (800) 745-3000 or www. ticketmaster.com or www.paramountny.com.

## The Wedding Singer

Musical about a rock star wannabe, based on the hit 1998 Adam Sandler movie, Friday, March 30, 8 p.m. Broad-Hollow Theatre, BayWay Arts Center, 265 E. Main St., East Islip. (631) 581-2700 or www.broadhollow.org.

## **For the Kids**

## Marvel's Age of Heroes

A live action stunt show featuring popular superheroes, Thursday, March 29, 7 p.m.; Friday, March 30, 1 p.m.; Saturday, March 31, 11 a.m., 3 and 7 p.m.; Sunday, April 1, 2 p.m. Tickets start at \$20. Nassau Coliseum, 1255 Hempstead Tpke., Union-



## Laura Benanti and Linda Benanti

It's a family affair when Broadway leading lady Laura Benanti and her mom Linda Benanti visit the Landmark on Main Street stage, on Saturday, April 14, at 8 p.m.

The Tony Award-winner/new mom and her mother Linda Benanti take their audience on a musical journey through the special relationship between a mother and daughter in "The Story Continues." The mother-daughter duo — who first presented this show, just three months after the birth of Laura Benanti's daughter — share songs and stories about their lives and careers, as well as reflect on and celebrate their relationship.

As a child, Laura Benanti first began studying voice with her mother, an accomplished actress-singer who had performed on Broadway, off Broadway, and regionally. Linda transitioned out of performing following her turn in the 1981 revival of "Brigadoon" in order to dedicate more time to being a hands-on mother, and has been a highly sought after voice teacher since. This show marks Linda Benanti's return to the stage.

Tickets are \$65, \$55, \$45; available at 767-6444 or www.landmarkonmainstreet.org. Landmark on Main Street, Jeanne Rimsky Theater, 232 Main St., Port Washington.

dale. (800) 653-8000 or www.ticketmaster.com or www.nycblive.com.



## The Wizard of Oz

A fresh new musical comedy, based on Frank L. Baum's classic story, Saturday, March 31, 11 a.m. John W. Engeman Theater, 250 Main St., Northport. (631) 261-2900 or www. engemantheater.com.

## **Breakfast with the Easter Bunny**

Join Mr. Bunny and his friend Li'l Chick at the annual event, Saturday, March 31, 9 p.m. Breakfast is followed by egg hunt and planetarium show "One World, One Sky," starring Elmo and Big Bird. Seating is limited. Vanderbilt Museum, 180 Little Neck Rd., Centerport. (631) 854-5579 or www.vanderbiltmuseum.org.

## **Egg-Cellent Celebration**

Take part in spring festivities, Saturday, March 31, 1-2 p.m. (ages 2-4) and 3-4 p.m. (ages 5-7). Dscover egg-laying creatures and see a real scrimshawed Ostrich egg. With an egg hunt through the museum and Faberge-style egg decorating. The Whaling Museum, 301 Main St., Cold Spring Harbor. (631) 367-3418 or www.cshwhalingmuseum.org.

## "I Survived" Challenge

Two teams perform challenges based on several of the "I Survived" books, Monday, April 2, 2 p.m. Each book in the series tells an historical story, giving an up close and personal view of terrifying and thrilling adventures based on disasters that have left their mark on history. No pervious knowledge of the books is necessary. For grades 3-6. Registration required. Glen Cove Public Library, 4 Glen Cove Ave., Glen Cove. 676-2130 or www.glencovelibrary.org.

### **Bird Watching Walk**

An introduction to bird watching, Tuesday, April 3, 11 a.m., 1 and 3 p.m.

Examine field marks for a quick ID, bird habitats and behavior, plus learn how to use binoculars. With bird feeder craft and film. For ages 5 and up. Garvies Point Museum and Preserve, 50 Barry Dr., Glen Cove. 571-8010 or www.garviespointmuseum.com.

## **Build-a-Boat Workshop**

Bring your imagination to create a wooden vessel with lots of "help yourself" materials, Tuesday, April 3, 2-4 p.m.; also Thursday, April 5, 2-4 p.m. For ages 4 and up. The Whaling Museum, 301 Main St., Cold Spring Harbor. (631) 367-3418 or www.cshwhalingmuseum.org.

### **Mysteries of Flight**

Uncover the science behind flying, Tuesday, April 3, 5-6 p.m. Build gliders, hovercrafts and planes and test them on a runway. Gold Coast Public Library, 50 Railroad Ave., Glen Head. 759-8300 or www. goldcoastlibrary.org.



### Long Island's Wildlife

Observe and learn about animals that live here, Thursday, April 5, 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Meet a variety of animals, including a Great Horned Owl, opossum, Eastern Screech Owl, and more. With sand art craft and film. Garvies Point Museum and Preserve, 50 Barry Dr., Glen Cove. 571-8010 or www.garviespointmuseum.com.

### **Poetry in Motion**

Explore hip hop lyrics and poetry with Karen De Mauro, Thursday, April 5, 7 p.m. Uncover thoughts and gain a new appreciation of rhythm and sound. For grades 6 and up. Registration required. Glen Cove Public Library, 4 Glen Cove Ave., Glen Cove. 676-2130 or www.glencovelibrary.org.

## Museums/Galleries and more...

### Expo 37

An exhibit of works by 20 artists, winners of of B.J. Spoke Gallery's 37th annual national juried fine art competition. Through March 30. B.J. Spoke Gallery, 299 Main Street, Huntington. (631) 549-5106 or www.bjspokegallery.org.

### **Collective Consciousness**

An exxhibition of artists who explore man's relationship with our planet. Works by Lauren Skelly Bailey, Yoon Cho, Charles Cohen, Linda Cunnigham, Beth Garrett, Nancy Gesimondo, and Luba Lukova are on view. Through April 1. Gold Coast Arts Center, 113 Middle Neck Rd., Great Neck. 829-2570 or www.goldcoastarts.org.



Long island's Best: Young Artists 2018
This juried exhibition, now in its 21st year, features 80 works of art by students in grades 9 through 12 attending public and private schools throughout Nassau and Suffolk Counties. Through April 15. Heckscher Museum of Art, Main St. and Prime Ave., Huntington. (631) 351-3250 or www.heckscher.org.

## 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

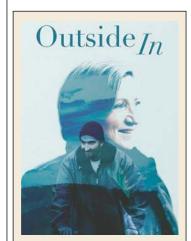
as works by Alonzo Chappel, François Girardon, George Grosz, Daniel Ridgeway Knight, and many others. Through April 15. Heckscher Museum of Art, Main St. and Prime Ave., Huntington. (631) 351-3250 or www.heckscher.org.

### The Jazz Age: Picasso, Matisse, Chanel, Gershwin, Joyce, Fitzgerald and Hemingway

The wild times and brilliant work of a tightly connected group of musicians, artists and writers during the 1920s are the subject of this exhibition. On view are masterpieces of the 1920s, including neoclassical paintings by Picasso. Through July 8. Nassau County Museum of Art, 1 Museum Dr., Roslyn Harbor. 484-9337 or www.nassaumuseum.org.

### Seashells...Nature's Inspired Design

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



## Film Screening

See "Outside In," a new drama from Lynn Shelton ("Your Sister's Sister'), starring Edie Falco, Saturday, March 31, 7 p.m. The film centers on an ex-con struggling to readjust to life in his small town who forms an intense bond with his former high-school teacher (Falco). Reception follows with Falco. Cinema Arts Centre, 423 Park Ave., Huntington. (631) 432-7611 or www. cinemaartscentre.org.

## **Movie Time**

See "Roman J. Israel Esq.," a legal drama about a driven, idealistic defense attorney who finds himself in a tumultuous series of events that lead to a crisis, Thursday, March 29, 2 and 6:30 p.m. Oyster Bay-East Norwich Public Library, 89 East Main St., Oyster Bay. 922-1212.

### **Book Planter Workshop**

Create a planter out of an old book with art instructor Shirely Ruby, Monday, April 2, 6:30 p.m. Decorate pages with stamped designs and paper flowers, then fill with colorful pebbles and an air plant. Registration required. Gold Coast Public Library, 50 Railroad Ave., Glen Head. 759-8300 or www.goldcoastlibrary.org.

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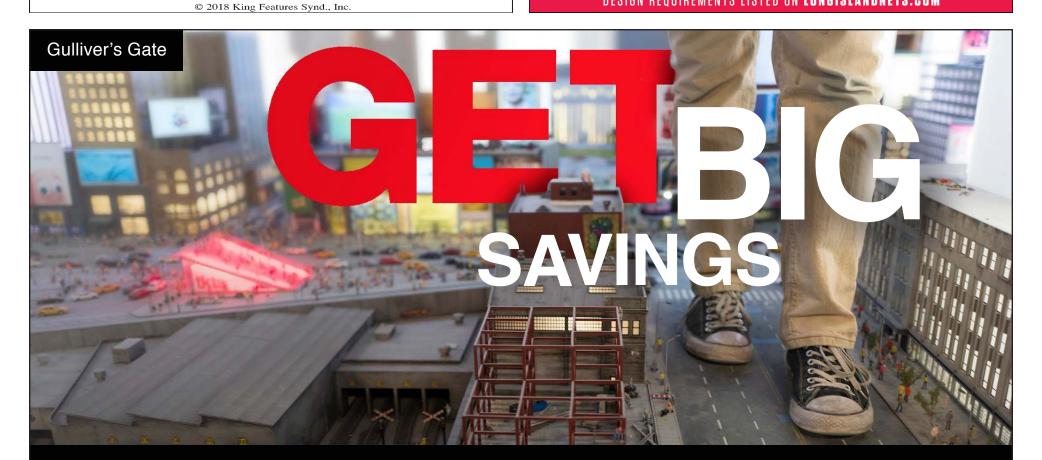


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--Laura Lane

KATHLEEN KRALICH, FAR left, and Marianne Degen, made certain they were festively dressed for the occasion.

MARY MORAN ENJOYED a dance with Bill Doherty at the St. Patrick's Day Dinner Dance, hosted by the Hibernians.



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LEGAL NOTICE LIBRARY DISTRICT MEETING ON APRIL 3, 2018, OF GLEN COVE PUBLIC LIBRARY TO VOTE ON THE PUBLIC

LIBRARY BUDGET
AND ELECT TWO TRUSTEES OF THE GLEN COVE PUBLIC IIRRΔRY

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Special meeting of the qualified voters of the Glen Cove Public Library will be held pursuant to the provisions of Section 260 and 2007 of the Education Law of the State of New York at the Glen Cove Public Library, 4 Glen Cove Ave., Glen Cove, New York, in said District on April 3, 2018 between the hours of 9 a.m. p.m. Said meeting be held for the

following purposes: To vote on the following

proposition RESOLVED that REJULYED that the proposed budget of the Glen Cove Public Library, Glen Cove City School District, as prepared by the Trustees of the said Public Library for the Library, for the year 2018/2019, and as the same may have been amended, be and hereby is approved; and that the amount thereof, less receipts, be raised by the levy of a tax upon the taxable real property in the said School

For the purpose of electing; two (2) Trustees for the Glen Cove Public Library. One for a (5) five-year term and one Trustee to complete (4) years of a (5) five year

term.
The vote on the aforesaid

matters will be ballot in a ballot box.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Library Board pursuant to the provisions of Section 260 provisions of Section 260 and 2007 of the Education

Law hereby calls said Special District Meeting. FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that petitions nominating the candidate for the office of Trustee of the Glen Cove petitions Public Library must be filed with the Clerk of the District between hours of 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., no later than March 5, 2018, the thirtieth day preceding the election, at which time the candidate so nominated is to be elected. Each nominating petition shall be directed to the Clerk of the District must be signed by at least twenty-five (25) qualified voters of the District, shall state the residence of each signer, and must state the name and residence of the

candidate. petitions may be obtained from the Clerk of the District at the Glen Cove Public Library, 4 Glen Cove Ave., Glen Ćove, New York. FURTHER NOTICE

HEREBY GIVEN that a copy of the proposed estimated expenditures to be voted upon shall be made available at the Glen Cove Public Library, 4 Glen Cove Ave., Glen Cove, New York, between the hours of 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. each day other than Saturday, Sunday or holiday, during the fourteen days preceding such

meeting. FURTHER NOTICE HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Trustees of the Glen Cove Public Library will hold a special budget hearing on March 20, 2018 at the Glen Cove Public Library, 4 Glen Cove Ave., Glen Cove, New York at

7:00 n m 7:00 p.m.
FURTHER NOTICE IS
HEREBY GIVEN that the
qualified voters of the
District may register
between the hours of 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. at the Glen Cove Public Library, 4 Glen Cove Ave., Glen Cove, New York. The final date to register for the meeting to be held on April 3, 2018 is March 20, 2018. If a voter has voted in any election within the last 4 years (2014) or if he or she is eligible to vote under Article 5 of Election Law, he or she is eligible to vote at this election. All other persons who wish to vote must register. registration list prepared by the Board of Elections of the Board of Elections of Nassau County will be filed in the Office of the District Clerk of the Glen Cove Public Library, 4 Glen Cove Ave., Glen Cove, New York and will be open for inspection by any qualified voter of the district between the hours of 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. prevailing time, on any day after Tuesday, March 20, 2018, and each of the day after Tuesday, March 20. 2018, and each of the 20, 2018, and each of the days prior to the date set for the Library Election and Budget Vote, except Saturday, Sunday or holiday, including the date set for

ABSENTEE BALLOTS
PLEASE TAKE FURTHER
NOTICE that an application
for an absentee ballot for the Library election and budget vote may be applied for at the office of the District Clerk, of Glen Cove Public Library, 4 Glen Cove Ave., Glen Cove, New York. Such application must be received at least (7) seven days before the election if the ballot is to be mailed to the voter, or the day before the election if the ballot is to be delivered personally to the voter. No absentee voter ballot shall be canvassed unless it shall have been received at the office of the District Clerk, Glen Cove Public Library, 4 Glen Cove Ave., New York, not later than 5:00 p.m., prevailing time, on the date of the election.

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LEGAL NOTICE:

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Tina Pemberton City Clerk

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of Ordinances, is hereby amended as follows:

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This Ordinance shall take effect 3 days after publication.

information only on the necessary funds to meet the estimated expenditures of the School District during the ensuing school year, the Propositions set forth in this Notice, and for the discussion and/or discussion and/or transaction of such other

business as is authorized by the Education Law. NOTICE IS ALSO HEREBY GIVEN that a copy of the statement of the amount of money which will be required for the ensuing year for school purposes (Proposed Budget) may be obtained by any resident of the School District at each schoolhouse and at the Central District Office in the District between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. on each day other than a Saturday, Sunday or holiday during the fourteen (14) days preceding the date of the annual meeting and election, and on the day of the election, together with the text of any resolution which will be presented to

the voters.

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TAKE by PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that voting, by voting machine, or if voting machines are unavailable, by paper ballot, will take place from 7:00 a.m. to place from 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. on May 15, 2018 at the Gymnasium of the North Shore Senior High School, on the following

PRÓPOSITION NO. 1 SCHOOL 2018-2019 RUDGET

RESOLVED, that the North Shore Central School District budget for the school year 2018-2019 proposed by the Board of Education in accordance with Section 1716 of the Education Law shall be approved and the necessary taxes be levied therefore on the taxable real property of the District. PROPOSITION NO. 2

T R A N S P O R T A T I O N
DISTANCE LIMITS
RESOLVED, that the Board
of Education of the North
Shore Central School District is hereby authorized to modify its public school transportation eligibility effective at the beginning of the 2018-2019 school year for Grades 9 through 12 pupils only from the existing

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT the City Council adopted the following Ordinance at the City

Council Meeting of March 27, 2018: BE IT ORDAINED, that Sec. 265-43 (Schedule XI: Parking Prohibited at all Times), of the Code

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at Cafeteria Space at Glen Head Elementary School, Sea Cliff Elementary School and North Shore Middle and North Shore Middle School, (3) installation of Air Condition at Auditorium Space at Glenwood Landing Elementary School, (4) installation of Air Condition at Gym Space at the North Shore High School, (5) replacement of entire at Gym space at the North
Shore High School, (5)
replacement of entire
Cafeteria Ceiling and
installation of new LED
Lights at the North Shore
High School, and, if funds are available, supplemental projects (1) install Exhaust Fans in Hallways and Stairwells at the Sea Cliff

Elementary School, and (2) install Windows in Second Floor Hall at the Sea Cliff Elementary School, all of the foregoing to include labor, materials, equipment, apparatus, and incidental costs thereof. Such Propositions shall appear on ballots that will

be scanned into the voting machines used for voting at said Annual District Meeting in substantially the same

FURTHER GIVEN that at said FURTHER GIVEN that at said Annual School District Budget Vote and Election to be held on May 15, 2018, qualified voters shall also vote to elect two (2) members to the Board of Education for three-year terms commencing July 1, 2018 and expiring on June

30, 2021. AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that candidates for the office of member of the Board of Education may be nominated only by petition. Vacancies on the Board of Education are not considered separate, specific offices; candidates run at large. Nominating petitions shall not describe any specific vacancy upon the Board for which the for which use ate is nominated. candidate is nominated. Each petition shall be directed to the Clerk of the School District, shall be signed by forty-five (45) qualified voters of the School District, shall state the residence of each signer and shall state the name

and residence

candidate. Each such petition shall be filed in the

of the Persons who registered at the District Meeting on May 16, 2017, are registered to vote at the Annual Budget Vote and Election on May 15.2018.

Persons who have been previously registered pursuant to Section 2014 of the Education Law for any Annual or Special Meeting or Election and who shall have voted at any Annual or Special Meeting or any Election held by the School District during the four (4) calendar years prior to the year 2018, are registered to vote at the Annual Budget Vote and Election on May

15, 2018. Persons whose names appear as eligible voters as of May 15, 2018, on Voter Registration books issued Registration books issued and maintained by Nassau County Board of Elections, shall be eligible to vote at the Annual Budget Vote and Election to be conducted on

Election to be conducted on May 15, 2018.

NOTICE is also given that the School District Register will be open for inspection by any qualified voter of the School District between the sure of \$200 a.m. and 4:00 hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 nours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. during the five (5) days immediately preceding this Annual Budget Vote and Election, except Saturday when it may be inspected, by appointment, between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon, and Sunday.

NOTICE is also given to persons eligible to vote by absentee ballot pursuant to Section 2018-a of the Education Law that they must apply for an absentee ballot by an application which shall conform to the requirements of the said Law. An application form for an absentee ballot may be obtained in person or by mail from the office of the District Clerk located at 112 Franklin Avenue, Sea Cliff, New York 11579; such application for an absentee ballot must be received by the District Clerk at least seven (7) days before the Annual Budget Vote and Election if the absentee ballot is to be mailed to the voter, or one (1) day before the Annual Budget Vote and Flection if such hallot is to be delivered personally to the voter at the office of the District Clerk. Absentee ballots must be delivered to the Office of the District Clerk no later than 5:00 p.m. on May 15, 2018 in order to be canvassed.

A list of all persons to whom absentee ballots have been issued will be available during regular office hours in the Office of the School District Clerk until the day of

the election.
NOTICE is also given that a Real Property Tax Exemption Report prepared in accordance with Section 495 of the Real Property Tax Law will be annexed to any tentative/preliminary budget as well as the final adopted budget of which it will form a part; and shall be posted on the District's website. NOTICE APPROVED:

March 15, 2018 BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION. SHORE CENTRAL NORTH SCHOOL DISTRICT AT GLEN HEAD, GLENWOOD LANDING, SEA CLIFF, NASSAU COUNTY, NEW YORK ELIZABETH CIAMPI A. DISTRICT CLERK

LEGAL NOTICE NOTICE OF SCHOOL DISTRICT ELECTION AND BUDGET GLEN COVE CITY SCHOOL

DISTRICT GLEN COVE, NEW YORK NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Annual School District Flection and Budget Vote for the qualified voters of the Glen Cove City School District, Glen Cove, New York, will be held in the following locations: School Election Districts A. B. C

ANNUAL

Location of Polling Place High School, Dosoris Lane,

Back Gym Connolly School, Ridge Drive - Auditorium in said district Tuesday, May 15, 2018 at 7:00 a.m. prevailing time, at which time the polls will be open to vote by voting machine upon the following items between the hours of 7:00 and 9:00 p.m., prevailing time.

PROPOSITION I - SCHOOL

DISTRICT BUDGET To adopt the annual budget of said school district for the fiscal year 2018-19 and to authorize the requisite portion thereof to be raised by taxation on the taxable property of the District. MEMBER(S)
To elect BOARD

To elect three (3) members of the Board of Education of said School District as follows:

A.Three (3) members to be each elected for a term of three (3) years, commencing July 1, 2018 and ending July 1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2021. B. AND FURTHER NOTICE IS

HERERY GIVEN that for the HEREBY GIVEN that for the purpose of voting at such meeting, on Tuesday, May 15, 2018, the polls will be open between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m. prevailing time to vote upon turb proposition() by such proposition(s) by voting machine. AND FURTHER NOTICE IS

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Budget Hearing will be held on Wednesday, May 02, 2018 at 7:30 p.m. at the Glen Cove High School Auditorium, Dosoris Lane, Glen Cove, New York prior to the regular Board of Education meeting.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that

HEREBY GIVEN HEREBY GIVEN that petitions nominating candidates for the office of member of the Board of Education shall be filed between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. prevailing time with the District Clerk of said School District at the District Office, Administration Building, 154 Dosoris Lane. Glen Cove, Dosoris Lane, Glen Cove, New York, on or before Wednesday, April 25, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. prevailing time. Such petition must be directed to the District Clerk; must be signed by at least one hundred (100) qualified voters of the district; must state the name and residence of the candidate. AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the qualified voters of the qualified voters of the District may register between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. in the main office of each of the school buildings of the district and the office of the District Clerk in

Administration Building during the school year, and only in the Office of the District Clerk during the summer months of July and

August. The final date to

register for the annual meeting to be held on May 15, 2018 is Tuesday, May 1, 2018. If a voter has heretofore registered heretofore registered pursuant to the resolution of the Board of Education, and has voted at any Annual School District Election and Budget Vote or special district meeting within the ast four (4) years (2014), or if he or she is eligible to vote under Article 5 of the Election Law, he or she is also eligible to vote at this election. All other persons who wish to vote must register. Any person will be entitled to have his or her name placed on such register, provided that he or she is known or proven to the satisfaction of the District Clerk, and the Board of Registration to be then or thereafter entitled to vote at such Annual School District such Annual School District Election and Budget Vote for which the register is prepared and that the register so prepared pursuant to Education Law and the registration list prepared by the Board of Elections of Nassau County will be filed in the Office of the District Clerk of the Glen Cove School District, in the District Office, District Office, Administration Building, 154 Dosoris Lane, Glen Cove, New York, and will be open row into a min be open for inspection by any qualified voter of the district between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. prevailing time, on and after Tuesday, May 1, 2018, and each of the days prior to the date set for the Annual date set for the Annual School District Election and Budget Vote, except Saturday and Sunday, including the day set for the

meeting.
AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Registration of the District will also meet from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. on May 15, 2018, at each of the polling places to prepare the register for meetings elections subsequent to such annual meeting or election.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS

HEREBY GIVEN that applications for absentee ballots for the election of a school board member and proposition(s) may be applied for at the Office of the District Clerk at the Administration Building, 154 Dosoris Lane, Glen Cove, Dosoris Lane, Glen C New York, between hours of 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., prevailing time on any school day. However, such application must be received by the District Clerk at least seven (7) days before the election if the ballot is to be mailed to the voter, or the day before the election if the ballot is to be delivered personally to the voter. No absentee voter's ballot shall be canvassed unless it is received in the office of the District Clerk of the said School District no later than 5:00 p.m., prevailing time, on the date of the election. A list of all persons to whom absentee ballots shall have been issued will be available in the said office of the District Clerk on each of the five (5) days prior to the day of the election, during regular office hours until the date of the election.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a copy of the statement of the amount of money which will be required for the ensuing year for school purposes may be obtained by any

resident in the district upon request on May 1, 2018, and during the fourteen (14) days immediately preceding such Annual School District Election and Budget Vote except Saturday, Sunday, or holiday, and at such Annual School District Election and Budget Vote at the Administration Building -154 Dosoris Lane, Glen Cove High School - Dosoris Lane, Robert M. Finley Middle School - Forest Ave., Deasy School - Dosoris Lane, Gribbin School - Walnut Gribbin School - Walnut Road, Landing School -McLoughlin Street, and Connolly School - Ridge Drive, Glen Cove, New York during regular school hours; and on the Glen Cove schools website schools website (www.glencove.k12.ny.us).
AND FURTHER NOTICE IS
HEREBY GIVEN that in accordance with the rules adopted pursuant to 2035 of the Education Law, any qualified voter may have a proposition or an proposition or an amendment placed upon the ballot, provided that such amendment (a) be typed or printed in the English language; (b) that it be directed to the District Clerk of the said School District; (c) that it be submitted to the District Clerk no less than sixty (60) days preceding the date of the Annual School District Election and Budget Vote, i.e. no later than Friday, March 16, 2018, 3:00 p.m. March 16, 2018, 2006 prevailing time, at the District Office, Administration Building, 154 Administration Building, 154
Dosoris Lane, Glen Cove,
New York; and (d) that it be
signed by at least one
hundred (100) qualified
voters of the district.
However, the school board
will not entertain any will not entertain any petition to place before the voters any proposition for the purpose of which is not within the powers of the voters to determine, nor any proposition or amendment

which is contrary to law.
AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Real Property Tax Exemption Report prepared in accordance with Section 495 of the Real Property Tax Law will be annexed to any tentative/ preliminary budget as well as the final adopted budget of which it will form a part; and shall be posted on District bulletin board(s) maintained for public notices, as well as on the District's website. Dated:Glen Cove, New York Ida Johnson

March 2018 District Clerk Board of Education Glen Cove City School District Glen Cove, New York 93746

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LEGAL NOTICE NOTICE OF ANNUAL SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET VOTE AND ELECTION
OF NORTH SHORE CENTRAL
SCHOOL DISTRICT, NASSAU COUNTY, NEW YORK (MAY 15, 2018) NOTICE IS HERBBY GIVEN NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Public Hearing of the qualified voters of the North Shore Central School District, County of Nassau, State of New York, will be held at the District's High School, 450 Glen Cove Avenue, Glen Head, New York on May 2 2019 at 1985

York, on May 3, 2018 at 7:30 p.m. for the presentation of the budget for the 2018-2019 fiscal year, and for the purpose of

one and one-half (1.5) mile limit to a new one (1) mile limit at no additional cost to the District

PROPOSITION NO. 3 CAPITAL RESERVE FUND RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District be authorized to expend out of the previously established Capital Reserve Fund a sum not to exceed \$3,443,911.91, or so much thereof as may be necessary, for the following purpose(s): (1) installation of Air Condition at Library Space at Glen Head Elementary School and and Landing ol, (2) Glenwood

School,

Office of the Clerk of the School District between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. on or before April 16,

NOTICE is also given that persons must be registered in order to be entitled to The Board of Registrars will

meet to register voters on Saturday, May 5, 2018, between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. Registration will be held at North Shore Schools Administrative Office, 112 Franklin Avenue, Sea Cliff, New York 11579.



Christina Daly/Herald Gazette

**A SPECIAL CHARTER** review commission has proposed certain adjustments to the way that Glen Cove's government is run.

## Staggered, limited, longer terms considered for charter

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the other parts of government."

The city charter, in fact, already contains a term limit provision for commissions, boards and agencies. At a city council meeting, David Nieri, a member of the charter commission, explained that since the charter came into effect in 1980, "It is likely that every mayor and every city council has violated the charter," he said, by failing to replace members who had served out their term limits.

In a statement Nieri read aloud, he said that board membership "is voluntary and without compensation, and requires significant personal time," and thus it was difficult to find community members willing to serve on boards.

A better solution, he said, would be to remove term limits from the charter, since they have essentially always been ignored anyway, and give the mayor and the council the discretion to remove ineffective board members, or "cut out the deadwood," as he said. He also called upon members of the public to raise their concerns about specific board members

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to the mayor and the council, to give them the feedback they need to make such determinations.

Klein noted that term limits would give more people the opportunity or rather, force more people, to hold office at lower levels. A high turnover of planning board or zoning board would create a larger pool of people who understand how to run a city, and give voters more options when selecting council and mayoral candidates.



## County Legislature OKs 10-year tax plan

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**DEBRA MULÉ** 

County Legislator

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By TIMOTHY DENTON

tdentong@liherald.com

The Nassau County Legislature voted 14-3 on Monday to approve a 10-year phase-in to bring all properties across the county in line with their actual market values. On completion, it would be the first time since former county executive Ed Mangano was inaugurated in 2010 that the county's property rolls were current and accurate.

The proposal was one of three that had been considered: a two-year phase-in; the 10-year plan just adopted; or an immediate

adjustment to take effect in the next tax cycle. Only the second plan was considered in Monday's vote.

Under that plan, property owners whose homes or businesses have been underassessed will see rates increase, with a cap of 6 percent in any one year, and no more than 20 percent in any five-year period.

"The 6 percent cap was crucial to the district I represent," said Legislator Josh Lafazan, from the 18th district. "Especially given that we're facing [a new cap on state and local tax deductions]

"Re-evaluation will get Nassau County closer to a defensible tax roll," Lafazan continued, explaining that he saw the measure as a "stopgap."

The county had to return to "pre-Mangano levels of staffing," at the Department of Assessment, he added, to sufficiently solve the problem that "assessed values are not even close to accurate" across the county.

The issue of property valuation and the grievance process have plagued Nassau residents for years, said County Legislator Carrié Solages, a Democrat from Elmont. Those who successfully grieved their assessments saw them decrease, while those who did not grieve saw them stay the same or even increase. "This system transferred \$1.7 billion in taxes from those who appealed successfully to those that didn't, by increasing tax rates on school, county, town and special district taxes," he said.

For example, in East Williston, where a majority of homeowners grieved their taxes, the average total assessment was \$273,000, or 43 percent of market value. The average full market value was \$652,000.

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In Elmont, where a majority of residents did not grieve, the average value was 88 percent of market, or \$253,000; its full value was \$273,000. Communities such as East Williston or Wantagh, where a majority of residents consistently grieved their taxes, would continue to benefit under the plan just passed, while communities such as Elmont, Freeport or Hempstead would continue to pay a higher percentage until the rolls were fully in line with the market.

It was difficult to estimate how many taxpayers would be affected by the change. "Mangano tore up the tax rolls and then gut-

ted the county assessor's office," said 5th District Legislator Debra Mulé, a Democrat from Freeport. Nor was it easy to draw conclusions based on income levels or other socio-economic indicators. But only 28 percent of taxpayers in Hempstead broke even, according the spreadsheet that accompanied Solages's letter to his fellow legislators, compared with nearly 68 percent in Garden City. In Elmont, the figure was 50 percent; in Franklin Square, it was almost 57 percent. That is, in Elmont and Franklin Square, nearly as many taxpayers

were overpaying as underpaying.

Both Mulé and Solages conducted workshops on how to file an appeal. Mulé said she had led three since her swearing-in this past January, including one last week that she co-led with Minority Leader Kevan Abrahams of the 1st District. "I believe most legislators do them," she said, adding that hers had all been "very well attended."

Solages and Mulé both favored the twoyear plan, but "the Republican majority won't accept it," Mulé said. The only other option acceptable to the majority was the immediate top-up. "This plan would be the quickest way to reassess and ensure everyone is paying their proportionate fair share," Solages wrote. "However, those who have grieved successfully and are currently greatly under-assessed would potentially see large tax increases."

"Such big tax increases just aren't politically viable," Mulé said. "But even if they were, an immediate increase to full market value would be unfair to those people who had grieved. Everybody wants to pay less tax. They shouldn't be penalized for it. The 10-year phase-in isn't a perfect plan, but it gets us going in the right direction."

Both Solages and Mulé agreed that the issue wasn't a racial one. "There are lots of reasons why people might not file grievances," Mulé said. "They might not have the education or access to the right information; they might not be able to afford a professional or know they can do it themselves. That's why we've been doing the workshops."

For Mulé, the issue was one of simple fairness. "People shouldn't have to grieve their taxes to ensure they're paying their fair share," she said.

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## **HERALD EDITORIAL**

## How to combat the fake-news phenomenon

recent study by Massachusetts
Institute of Technology researchers concluded that "fake news" —
that is, fabricated stories — raced across Twitter much "farther, deeper and more broadly than the truth in all categories of information."

The researchers reviewed more than 126,000 stories tweeted millions of times between 2006 and 2016. The most recent year included the presidential campaign that led to the election of President Donald Trump, who consistently refers to rigorously reported stories that he wants to discredit as "fake news."

This isn't another screed against Trump. Rather, it is an appeal to our readers to carefully vet their news sources — and the stories they produce — so they can make informed, intelligent decisions in a democratic society such as ours. The ability to access — and trust — information nourishes our minds and fortifies the democratic system we cherish.

Sunshine Week, which celebrates the Freedom of Information Act, signed by President Lyndon Johnson in 1967, was held this year March 11-17. FOIA grants all citizens access to government documents. It is during this week that we take a moment each year to reflect on the current state of the news industry. Clearly, journalists need to do a better job of educating the public about the difference between real and fake news.

The MIT study, which was funded by Twitter, found that the average untrue story took about 10 hours to reach 1,500 Twitter users. By comparison, it took 60 hours for an accurate story to reach the same number of users. On average, fake news reached 35 percent more people than real news.

This is dangerous in a democracy, where information is the coin of the realm. Americans think of themselves as an educated people who pass our history, culture and traditions down to younger generations. What exactly are we passing down to them in this age of technology? How to lie? That to be accurate is unimportant?

Fake news stories are often alluring packages that are designed to pique curiosity or provoke anger — and thus attract widespread attention. But as Sinan Aral, a co-author of the MIT study, found, "It's easy to be novel when you make things up."

It can be difficult to discern real from fake news these days. Truth is so often stranger than fiction of late. That is why it's important that people read and watch widely. Seek your information from multiple, credible sources.

If you spot a juicy-sounding article on social media and your gut is telling you that it might be fake, check out the news organization's own website. If you find the story there, you can feel assured that it's true and correct — or, at least, that it's real, and not fake, news. In short, don't just share or retweet an article on social media — particularly a crazy-sounding one — without vetting it first.

At the same time, understand the difference between objective, fact-based reporting and subjective opinion columns. Col-

umns reflect on the news, but they are not the news.

Clearly, there is a rapidly growing need for classes in news literacy, which Howard Schneider, dean of the Stony Brook University School of Journalism, says should be taught at K-12 schools and universities across the state. "Journalism is under fire today for a number of reasons," Schneider told innovateli.com. "One, the hyper-partisanship in this country has resulted in such polarization that people don't want to believe what's true anymore. Instead, they tend to blame the news media for giving them information they don't like, for bad news and for news that offends their sensibilities or presumptions."

Three Long Island school districts are teaching a version of SBU's news literacy program in their high schools, Schneider said, and a Coney Island middle school is providing sixth- to eighth-graders with an hour of news literacy instruction every week.

The truth remains the truth, however, and accuracy in reporting is critical, especially in a democracy. We should *all*, therefore, make a concerted effort to ferret out fake news. At the same time, we must never abandon reliable news organizations. They are the glue that binds our society together.

All of us at Herald Newspapers wish our readers a Happy Easter and Sweet Passover.

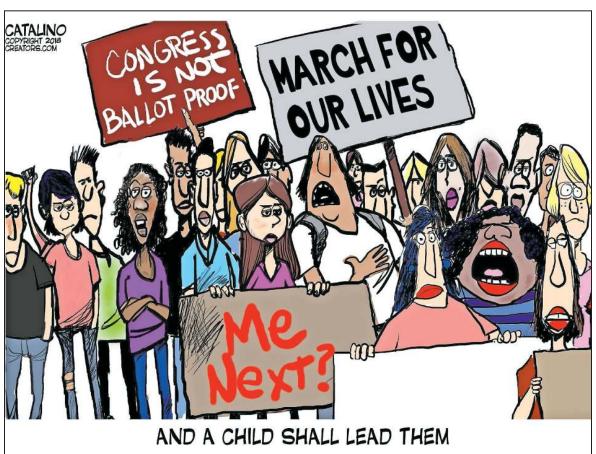
## **LETTERS**

## Community Easter Dawn Service

To the Editor:

While I am now an elder at the Presbyterian Church, I grew up attending a Methodist Church in a little town in North Carolina. I remember vividly as a child not only looking forward to summer, but also looking forward to Vacation Bible School: a week of singing songs, learning about Jesus, and celebrating with other children. Some of the kids were from our church, others were from neighboring churches, and still others were just neighborhood kids whose parents were grateful to have them out of their hair during the summer vacation! One song that I remember from that time is "They Will Know We Are Christians By Our Love." I think of this song often, and I believe it is at the core of Christ's

I recognize that our churches are categorized as Pentecostal, Evangelical, Progressive, Conservative, Reform, Protes-



## **OPINIONS**

## How tiny Bulgaria saved 50,000 Jews in World War II

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'm thankful for the March 21-22 nor'easter that blew across Long Island and dropped a foot of snow in Nassau County. No, really, I am.

Early last Thursday, I was shoveling snow at home in Merrick, feeling grumpy because I was at it yet again, when a friendly, relatively new neighbor wheeled his snowblower over and, in minutes, cleared my apron. This was after he had cleaned the sidewalks on both sides of the block. Suddenly, I was feeling less morose.



SCOTT BRINTON

Later, my wife brought our neighbor a box of chocolates to thank him for his kindness. At first he didn't want to accept, but she insisted, explaining that it's customary in her homeland of Bulgaria to give chocolates when someone does a favor for you.

As it turns out,

our neighbor, who is from Israel, is half Bulgarian. His grandmother is from the Balkan nation. What are the odds?

We quickly got to talking about how Bulgaria saved its roughly 50,000 Jewish citizens from extermination during the Holocaust. Impossibly, the tiny nation actually defied the Third Reich, never allowing a train to leave for an extermination or concentration camp. As a result, Bulgaria became a safe haven for Jews from across Eastern Europe.

As we spoke, it suddenly struck me: I had never shared in this column how Bulgaria saved so many Jews from certain death. It's time that I did. No doubt, hate is on the rise, with the U.S. seeing a 60 percent increase in anti-Semitic attacks last year compared with 2016, according to the Anti-

Defamation League. The story of how Bulgaria, which was enslaved by the Ottoman Empire from the late 14th century through 1878, stood up to a regime as powerful and ruthless as Nazi Germany should serve as an object lesson for us all.

During the Second World War, Bulgaria allied with Germany. Watching Nazi forces roll across Eastern Europe virtually unchecked, and hoping to regain territo-

ries lost during World War I, the Bulgarian government signed a pact with Germany in 1941, following two years of neutrality. Bulgaria was not, however, one of Adolf Hitler's puppets. It did not, for example, participate when Germany invaded neighboring Yugoslavia or Greece that year.

As was the case in France, Bulgarians organized a resistance. My father-in-law, who died in 2000 at age 74, joined it when he turned 19. He was soon captured and imprisoned, but he survived. After the war, he signed up for the Bulgarian Air Force, rising to the rank of colonel.

The secret to Bulgarians' ability to thwart Hitler was at once simple, yet profound: They said no Jews would leave the country. Period. They did so under the threat of death, but they were unafraid and undeterred. Bulgaria's Orthodox Christians had lived under the "Ottoman Yoke" for five centuries, together with Jews and Armenian Christians. They were old friends.

When the Bulgarian government ratified an undisclosed agreement with Germany in 1943 to send 8,500 Jews to the Treblinka extermination camp in Poland, where 700,000 to 900,000 Jews were killed, word of the plan leaked out, and Bulgarians assembled in demonstrations at points around the country, according to the Orthodox Peace Fellowship.

On March 10, 1943, Metropolitan Kiril, a bishop of the

Bulgarian Orthodox Church who later became its patriarch, and 300 of his congregants stood in front of a train that was to transport 1,500 Jews from Plovdiv, Bulgaria's second-largest city, saying he would not allow it to leave. Armed SS officers surrounded them. Miraculously, the guards did not shoot.

Kiril sent a telegram to Metropolitan Stephan, the bishop of Sofia, Bulgaria's capital, according to Yad Vashem, the Holocaust Remembrance Center in Jerusalem. Stephan, a staunch supporter of Bulgaria's Jews, and 42 members of Parliament fired off a letter of protest to the Bulgarian king, Boris III, the Orthodox Peace Fellowship states. Jews held for transport were soon released and permitted to go home. No death trains ever left Bulgaria, according to Yad Vashem.

In 1939, Bulgarian Jews numbered 48,000. By 1945, they reached more than 50,000. Most of them immigrated to Israel in the years after the war, with the country's Jewish population dwindling to 6,500 by 1950. Bulgaria and Israel established diplomatic relations in 1948, the year of Israel's founding, and they remain close allies today. In Jaffa, a picturesque city on the Mediterranean Sea in central Israel, a white-stone monument stands in the Garden of the Bulgarian People as a tribute to a nation's heroism, its humanity.

Jacky Comforty directed the 2001 documentary "The Optimists," about how Bulgaria foiled Hitler's extermination plans. "We have an example of the power of the common man to stop genocide," Comforty told The Washington Post in 2013, on the 70th anniversary of Bulgarians' mass protests

In 2017, the Bulgarian Orthodox Church was nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize for its role in saving Jews during World War II.

"Everyone is entitled to his own faith," Bulgarian Orthodox Bishop Boris Kharalampiev said in "The Optimists." "No one should violate the intimate spiritual life of another." Truer words have never been spoken.

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## **LETTERS**

tant, Catholic, Independent and so on. I also recognize that we sometimes embrace these labels and other times, not so much. In fact, I would argue that these labels sometimes get in our way when it comes to the message of Christ. Of course, it is important to be clear where one stands on any number of theological issues; this I understand and respect. However, I can't help but feel that we are all on the same page when it comes to Easter and the resurrection message, regardless of any labels that define us as distinct or separate within our faith.

I fondly remember what an uplifting experience it was when children of various backgrounds came together for Vacation Bible School. In a similar way, I feel Glen Cove's Community Easter Dawn Service affords those of us from various churches and various corners of the community an opportunity to celebrate that which is most central to our faith, and to do it in a way that brings all of us together. In my understanding of Christianity, I have to believe this is in keeping with the message.

As a church elder, I am honored to be working with priests and pastors from eight area churches, helping to coordinate the Second Annual Bilingual Community Easter Dawn Service, to be held at 7 a.m. on Easter morning in Morgan Park. The service will last 30 minutes. Please see the service's

website noting which churches and pastors will be involved. We hope that those who regularly attend church, those who occasionally attend church and those who are not church-goers at all will want to join us for this community service before heading to one of our many area churches for a full service later in the morning. For more information visit www.glencoveeaster.com.

Please join us in celebrating the resurrection.

### GAITLEY STEVENSON-MATHEWS

Elder, First Presbyterian Church of Glen Cove Chairman, Annual Community Easter Dawn Committee

## Turow is terrific

To the Editor:

I am not in the habit of writing to the editor, but I feel I have to tell you how pleased we are with your paper. An example is the column that is written by Cathi Turow. She has a keen sense of humor and a passion for the easy way out of cooking. I particularly enjoy her column, but the whole paper is a real positive for our area.

Keep up the good work.

SANDY TOBACK Sea Cliff

## FRAMEWORK by Christina Daly



For the kids with baskets, the quarry - Oceanside

## **OPINIONS**

## Russia, Trump and the FBI: Get to the truth and move on

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he endless Russia controversy continues to swirl around President Trump, fanned by his political opponents and the national media, distracting the president and Congress from other pressing national business. It's time to get to the truth of the matter and for our country to move on.

I've said before that I believe Russia did try to influence our 2016 election,



ALFONSE D'AMATO

r 2016 election, based on all available evidence. But did that interference really determine the outcome? I don't believe so. Donald Trump won because of deep dissatisfaction with the political status quo, and because whatever his shortcomings, his opponent,

Hillary Clinton,

was deeply flawed, not because of some clandestine collusion between the Trump campaign and the Russians. And all Russia got for its meddling was even more strained relations with the United States.

But there's an important subtext to this whole matter that does deserve attention in Washington. The more that has been revealed about it, the more our intelligence and investigative agencies have to answer for. Americans can expect the Russian Federal Security Service and the Foreign Intelligence Service, which replaced the KGB, to take actions undermining our democracy. But when our CIA and our FBI cross lines affecting our Constitutional rights, that's much more serious.

Most Americans are only vaguely

familiar with laws like the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act, or FISA, which allows our government to collect information on potential foreign threats. including those posed by international terrorists who endanger the American homeland. We rightly assume that this surveillance law is applied under the strictest of standards, with maximum protections against ensnaring innocent U.S. citizens in its net.

Recently, however, we have unearthed the unsettling information that the FBI may have crossed some clear red lines in its sleuthing efforts relating to the Russia-U.S. election meddling case. The FBI's surveillance of suspected Russian operatives cast such a wide net that it enabled surveillance of American citizens who should have been protected against the unwarranted compromise of their constitutionally protected rights.

It's important to note that for years, observers as politically diverse as the lib-

eral American Civil Liberties Union and conservative groups like the Heritage Foundation and the CATO Institute have expressed like-minded concern about precisely this kind of intelligence overreach. Protecting our fundamental freedoms isn't a left-right fight, it's a basic rights

issue on which we should all agree.

Yet the unnerving drip-drip-drip of information flowing out of the Russia probe paints a picture of just such overreaches on the FBI's part. First we learned from communications exchanged by FBI agents directly involved in the case that they harbored a deep dislike for Trump and wanted to see him defeated in 2016. That kind of political

bias inside the FBI is bad enough, but it's dwarfed by the apparent violations of those at the top of the agency.

The recently dismissed deputy director, Andrew McCabe, testified under oath that while he did improperly leak classified Russia probe information to the media, he did so at the direction of the then FBI director himself, James Comey. Comey, on the other hand, swore under oath that he neither leaked this damaging information nor authorized McCabe to do so.

The only logical conclusion here is that either Comey or McCabe perjured him-

self, and that speaks volumes about the basic integrity of the FBI. The hard fact is that one of these two men lied under oath. Such impropriety at the pinnacle of American law enforcement is potentially more damaging to our democracy than any disinformation the Russians may have thrown at our elections.

And speaking of the Russians, it really is time, as respected former Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice has suggested, for the Russia investigation to be brought to a conclusion "because the country needs to get back to business." A big part of that business includes re-establishing a dialogue between the U.S. and Russia on a wide range of issues that could drastically affect world peace.

Russia can be engaged in navigating the Middle East security challenges presented by Syria and Iran. It could also be more constructively involved in the ongoing dispute with the nuclear-armed North Korea. And it might even be drawn into negotiations on the broader issue of nuclear proliferation generally, and the looming resurgence of a U.S.-Russia nuclear arms race, a threat to us all.

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## Rolling along, getting older and happier

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big tell in life is how people feel about their birthdays. In recent years I've been feeling quite good about mine, shocking as they are in number and perceived frequency. Having had one recently, I realize that what psychologists say is true: We do get happier as we get older.

No one really knows why, but in study



RANDI KREISS

s why, but in study after study, older people, even very old people, report greater levels of day-to-day satisfaction. Now, don't tell me about your cranky old aunt who's angry at the world. We're talking generalities here, and in general, people seem to enjoy their days more as those days

dwindle down. I

suppose you really do start to believe the third act has commenced, and this isn't a rehearsal. It's now or never for any fun and frolic. A scale has tipped; there are more years behind you than ahead. I would argue that that's good motivation.

Another reason for elder-peace is selfacceptance. One hopes that by the fifth or sixth decade and beyond, we reconcile our dreams, the ones we fulfilled and the ones we never will. We know we can't change the past, but we can trust that we've done our best for ourselves and those we love.

Some elder-joy is a choice. We can sit around and complain about our failing vision and hearing, or we can stop dying

and start living as best we can. If we can't run anymore, we can walk, and if we can't walk, we can get us one of them scooters. If we don't enjoy loud restaurants, we can still relish a delicious meal in a quiet setting. Mostly, we can discipline ourselves to look at the brighter side of the life we have. Heaven knows it's so damn unproductive to look at the dark side.

Part of the elder-euphoria comes from accepting the job we've done, in the workplace or at home, raising kids or making widgets. In your 30s you may have been looking to make partner, but in your 70s you know it won't happen, and you've been a great lawyer, helped a lot of people, so that's that. Take a victory lap.

I read yesterday that once the kids are grown (if we have them) and the grand-children move into their teens, our sense of well-being and happiness increasingly depends on friends and community. Not that family doesn't always come first in our hearts, but on a day-to-day basis, our

laughter and love and activities may depend more on the people we see on a walk or at a club or at a volunteer job. These days, Granny isn't likely to be living with her grown children, so she better have friends to join her at the happy

hour bar.

I know very well that aging happily isn't a given. But even with infirmities and diminished capacities, older folks, and very old folks, report great satisfaction with their lives. Mostly, they say they don't worry anymore about what might happen tomorrow. If something bad comes along, they'll deal with it then. Otherwise, they will have wasted the good days they have

worrying about lightning that may never strike. And they don't care so much what other people think of them. They stop performing for others' approval and enjoy settling into themselves.

Men seem to grow beards. Many older women decide to stop coloring their hair, go natural and lose the onerous task of touch-ups every few weeks. Hair is a big thing with women. I decided to let mine grow long and wild, one more time. Why? Because it pleases *me*.

So, yeah, I had a happy birthday, although I do have one tiny kvetch. It's

really a shame you don't have your own column, because if *your* children didn't send you a birthday present, you'd have to stew in silence, eating your heart out and basically regretting the fact that you spent \$10,000 per head to straighten their teeth.

I, however, do have this opportunity, and therefore can share with the world that the first person to wish me a happy birthday last week was my 94-year-old mother, who knew me when. I always thank her for having me. I mean, I threw my Mary Janes at this woman in a fit of temper when I was 9; she deserves a little gratitude for the 12 hours of labor she went through.

I admit, it was I who tutored my children on the transitory value of material things, and warm wishes *are* wonderful, but birthdays are for concrete expressions of caring. Why else did they invent gift wrap? I never misled anyone. I want gifts. Gold is good, dangling from my ears. Therefore, I felt a bit disappointed when my big day came and went and no package appeared from the younger generation. Stiffed. By the very people I diapered and fed

Thank you, I do feel better now, having vented. Minor quibbles aside, I will roll along, no doubt feeling happier as I go. And really, what's the choice?

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## **LETTERS**

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## Bravo Glen Cove youth

To the Editor:

I was moved and inspired by the young people of Glen Cove and their fortitude in organizing the March for Our Lives this past Saturday. Congratulations to the youth of Glen Cove, their parents and teachers for a job well done. You should all be very proud.

The speeches were impassioned, mature and articulate. The young people of our country are surely leading the way. Finally, after many dark years, there is a glimmer of hope for the future.

VICTORIA CROSBY
Glen Cove

## Tunnel naysayers: Think your position through

To the Editor:

I consider myself an avid environmentalist—giving both my time and money to protect our environment. That said, I am saddened by the knee-jerk reaction many North Shore residents have against even considering a tunnel crossing across the Long Island Sound.

A tunnel crossing from Route 135 to Westchester would provide enormous benefits for all Long Islanders. From an environmental perspective, such a crossing would remove tens of thousands of metric tons of carbon dioxide from our air, as trucks and cars heading north would no longer need to travel all the way across Long Island to New York City.

Though many residents seem to fear an increase in auto travel and pollution, we need to recognize that by the time such a project is completed, it is likely that few to no vehicles will still operate on fossil fuel. In addition, if such a project could also include rail lines, it's feasible that the number of cars and trucks driven on Long Island could actually decrease over time.

Finally, there are the enormous financial implications. Many of my clients in both the Route 110 and Hauppauge industrial corridors constantly tell me: The cost to transport goods to and from Long Island is just too high — this puts us at a tremendous disadvantage over regions like New Jersey.

The immense state tax revenues that a tunnel would produce, as our businesses thrive, and jobs are created, could be set aside to mitigate and improve environmental concerns, such as state-of-the-art sewage treatment for all of Long Island and provide for many initiatives to protect the Long Island Sound.

Long Island has not seen a major capital improvement project in about a century, and our local economy continues to stagnate. Tunnel naysayers should consider their positions more carefully, and work with the governor to address environmental and aesthetic concerns.

Long Island needs more transportation access to be brought into the 21st century and once again thrive.

ROBERT KENNEY
Sea Cliff

## School safety is the priority

To the Editor:

I understand the youth marchers seeking gun-control laws, but what was lacking in the speeches last weekend was a formula to make schools safe. Protesters instead repeatedly stressed the sale of guns, berated the National Rifle Association and called for stiffer background checks, but there was not a word on what should have been the main objective: school safety.

There are more than 300 million guns out there. The shooter at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School should have been stopped at many levels, and for sure the proposed new gun-sales laws that the youth envision would have stopped him. But let's not forget Adam Lanza. He stole his mother's AR-15 and then went to Sandy Hook Elementary School and killed 26 children and teachers.

Arming teachers isn't the answer. That is a bad idea. Instead, hardening access to schools seems to be the most sensible approach, very much like screening at airports and municipal buildings. I hear the cry, "But it would cost a lot of money." It would, however, be money well spent.

Don't we value the lives of children above what the cost might be? What's more

important, dollars or young children's lives?
Until a better solution is found, restricted access to schools is the best answer. No, it's the only answer.

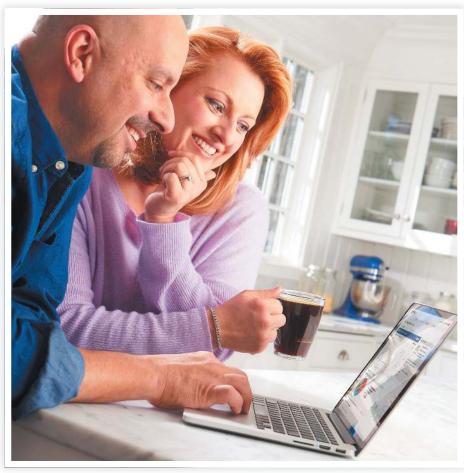
Most schools lock their doors to restrict outside access, and rely on an unarmed monitor for entry. That's better than nothing, but in reality it's close to nothing. It provides a false sense of security. Meanwhile, airports and municipal buildings have a much higher traffic volume through their doors every day than schools, and they have strict control over who enters and what they can carry.

Students carry stuff into school every day in their backpacks, musical instrument cases, project boxes and gym bags. A young man recently terrorized Austin, Texas, with seven homemade bombs. The current school door monitors wouldn't be a deterrent to a gun or bomb in a backpack or instrument case.

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